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SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024 | 5:30PM - 9:30PM

The Har Shalom Players Present

Fiddler on the Roof

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD 2024
8:00 P.M.**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH 2024
4:00 P.M.**

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There are certain moments in life when you sense that you are experiencing something historic; when you know that where you are standing and what you are doing will be remembered for a very long time to come. This is how I felt on Tuesday, November 14, 2023. I began that day before the sun rose, as I boarded the Metro in time to arrive in front of the White House at 6:00 AM. It was Rosh Hodesh Kislev, and a special minyan had been organized in that thoroughfare between the People's House and Lafayette Square. About a thousand Jews showed up with tallises draped around them and tefillin on their arms and heads, as we davened that the new month would bring light and hope to the Jewish people and the State of Israel, and that the Rally for Israel on the National Mall would be successful.

By the time I made my way to the Mall, two and a half hours before the official start of the rally, throngs of people had already converged there. I saw signs from communities all over the country...people who came in busloads and planeloads, people who drove in and took trains to D.C. There were many thousands of kids: from grade school to college age, and people of all walks of life, even non-Jews holding placards that read "Christians stand with Israel." It has been stated that this was the largest ever pro-Israel rally in American history. Being there reminded me of another history-making moment, when I came to Washington in 1987 to rally for Jews trapped behind the iron curtain in the Soviet Union. The keynote speaker at that rally 36 years ago appeared on the stage again. Natan Sharansky, the celebrated *refusnik* who inspired the Jewish world with his story and tenacity again came to the microphone to express his indefatigable hope for Israel and the Jewish people today. We heard bipartisan messages from political leaders, inspiring words from television and movie stars, stirring music from American and Israeli musical sensations, and heart wrenching appeals from parents of hostages still held in Hamas captivity. There were moments when I felt so uplifted, like when nearly 300,000 people sang *Hatikvah* in unison! And there were moments that were soul crushing, like listening to shell-shocked parents whose kids have been hostages for over a month, and who do not know if they are alive or dead. There were moments of profound patriotism, like listening to the leaders of both major American political parties declaring their support for Israel and making a moral case for American opposition to Hamas, and other agents of violence against Jews. There were also moments of pure exaltation, singing and dancing

along with Israeli artists, songs of peace and hope. Scanning the crowds that day, here is what I did not encounter:

- I did not see a single sign, placard, or poster expressing hate or defamation of Palestinians.
- I did not hear a single chant, urging people to harm or kill Arabs, Palestinians, or their supporters.
- I did not see a single person harmed, assaulted, pushed, punched, spat on, kicked, or tackled.
- I did not see a single flag of any nationality snatched, torn, burned, or desecrated.
- As far as I know there was not a single violent altercation or scuffle at this massive demonstration (though the white canvas tent set up to offer medical care to anyone at the rally was vandalized with spray-painted messages "Gaza will be free" and "Palestine will win").

This is so utterly different from the pro-Hamas rallies that have taken place all over the world, where protesters have explicitly called for violence and killing Jews, where American and Israeli flags have been burned, where people whip the crowd into an angry frenzy stoking hostility and aggression. I was so proud to be present at the Rally for Israel, so proud of the unity of the Jewish people who stood shoulder to shoulder, so empowered by the unquenchable hope and sense of responsibility the Jewish people have for one another. I was also thrilled by how many Har Shalom members showed up. As I stood at the meet-up point, I was so happy to see Har Shalom members pouring out of the Metro stop, and then to keep running into others inside the venue, and even to see pictures posted by those I was not even able to see at the rally itself. These are all good omens for the Jewish people and for the State of Israel. Many have said that it will get worse before it gets better. I certainly hope that between the time that I am writing this and the time it shows up in your mailbox that our hostages have been released and Hamas has been neutralized. Whatever may come, I know that the Jewish people and Israel are infused with an irrepressible commitment to life and self-determination. That was affirmed in so many ways at the history-making rally of November 14, 2023.

Hashem oz le'amo yitein, Hashem yivarech et amo va'shalom... May God give strength to the people; May God bless the Jewish people with peace.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adam J. Raskin".

FROM THE HAZZAN



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Shabbat Shirah

This year, Shabbat Shirah will be on January 26-27, 2024. We are blessed to host Tizmoret, Queens College Hillel's professional Jewish a cappella group.

Shabbat Shirah is the Shabbat when we read chapter 15 of the book of Exodus from the Torah. This includes the Song of the Sea, known in Hebrew as *Shirat haYam*, or simply Shirah (song). This is the song that Moses and Miriam sang after the people of Israel crossed the Sea of Reeds. It is a song of freedom, a song of victory. You are, likely, familiar with some of the verses in the Shirah: "Who is like you, Adonai, among the deities" (*Mi chamocha ba-elim Adonai*) and "Adonai will reign forever and ever" (*Adonai Yimlokh le'olam va'ed*). You might also have heard the chant *Ozi v'Zimrat Yah*, God is my strength and might, also a quote from the Shirah.

We use a special melody to chant this chapter from the Torah. The Song expresses our joy in attaining freedom and defeating Pharaoh, and the music reflects this with a special chant, which is also heard in other occasions: during Simchat Torah, when the Torah reader recites the six days of creation; anytime we chant the phrase "Next year in Jerusalem"; and after concluding each book of the Torah with the phrase "Be strong and we will strengthen ourselves". Sephardi Jews use a particularly captivating melody. We frequently use that melody when we chant the Shirah during morning services.

It is hard for me to imagine the Israelites breaking into a musical song and dance comparable to "La La Land" or Bollywood movies. Three million people, as attuned as they might be to God's inspiration, would have difficulty hearing Moses and Miriam chanting, let alone singing in unison. The word Shirah, in Hebrew, also translates as poetry. It is more likely that this poetry was recited by Moses and Miriam, with some call and response of better known verses. The Torah, probably, does not convey historical facts exactly the way they happened, and Shabbat Shirah is usually translated as "Shabbat of Song"; so it became traditional in Eastern Europe for the Hazzan to prepare a special musical program with the choir. Because of this, since 1999, I

SHABBAT SHIRAH WEEKEND OF JANUARY 26-27, 2024 *featuring*



Join us to enjoy musical entertainment by **TIZMORET** during Kabbalat Shabbat Services and a Kiddush Lunch Concert

More details: www.HarShalom.org/ShabbatShirah2024

have used the opportunity of Shabbat Shirah to invite choral and a capella groups to perform at Har Shalom. This year we are hosting Tizmoret.

I first had the opportunity to learn from Daniel Henkin, director of Tizmoret, during CAJE (Coalition for the Advancement of Jewish Education) conferences, in the 1990s. His arrangements and music were an inspiration for me. Along with Henkin, Tizmoret has produced eight albums and two EPs. They have performed at countless synagogues, college campuses, at Merkin Hall, Symphony Space, and various music festivals across the Eastern United States. Tizmoret won the Kol HaOlam (the national Jewish collegiate a cappella competition) in 2011, 2012, and 2015, and won the first annual Philadelphia Jewish Collegiate A Cappella Competition in 2017. They have even performed at the annual White House Hanukkah party in 2014.

I am really looking forward to this experience. I invite you to join Har Shalom and Tizmoret in singing and celebrating freedom on January 26-27, 2024, Shabbat Shirah.

Hazzan Ozur Bass

HAR SHALOM BY THE NUMBERS

In her High Holy Day remarks, Har Shalom President, Aimee Segal, alluded to the fact that Membership Dues cover less than half of our Operating Expenses. She challenged the community to increase participation in giving. As you can see in the graphic below, we as a community rose to that challenge!

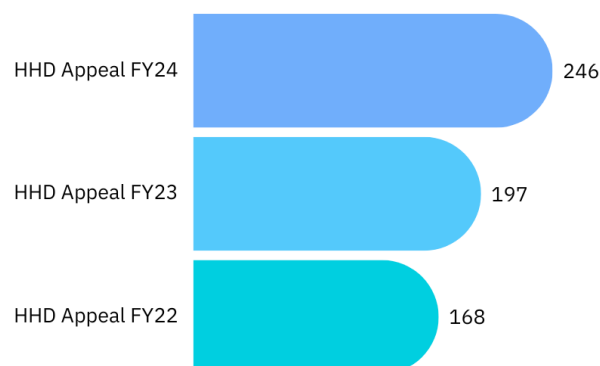
Har Shalom continues to be a growing, vibrant, community with thriving Sherman Early Childhood Center, Religious School, and adult education programs. At Har Shalom, all who want to belong are welcome, and it is our policy to never turn anyone away if they are seeking a connection to our congregation. **Share Your Blessings** is our annual campaign that invites everyone to participate in our vibrant congregation regardless of their ability to pay full dues. This is deeply important to Har Shalom and we cannot continue to do so without your support. We hope you enjoyed the taste of Israel with your Zaatar Spice Packet and appreciate your generosity in sharing your blessings.

We are excited to announce that Dena Blaustein is adding on the new responsibility of working closely with our Fundraising Committee as our Communications & Development Coordinator. Prior to joining Har Shalom, Dena's experience with fundraising and development included working with synagogues and other non-profits on large scale fundraising events, Capital Campaigns, and Annual Giving initiatives. In the coming months, we look forward to sharing more details about streamlining our annual giving opportunities.

- **Donations: 6.4%**
High Holy Days Appeal, Share Your Blessings, Other Donations
- **Fundraising: 3.5%**
Programs and Events
- **Membership Dues: 37.4%**
Annual Financial Commitment, Including, Building and Security Fees
- **Other Income: 4.1%**
Kiddush, High Holy Days, Interest Income, etc.
- **Rentals: 7.7%**
Harbor School, Simchas, Community Programs, etc.
- **Sherman ECC / HSRS: 40.9%**
School Tuitions, Fees, etc.



HHD Appeal Donors



FAMILY UNITS

Our Har Shalom Membership is made up of **700 Families** accounting for over 1100 adults and hundreds of children!



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GROWING COMMUNITY

Our Har Shalom Community has welcomed a record number of **New Families in 5783!**

ROBUST SCHOOLS

In the last 5 years, our school communities have seen an incredible increase in enrollments!



Ira & Maryjo Sherman Early Childhood Center at Har Shalom (Sherman ECC)



Har Shalom Religious School (HSRS)

HAR SHALOM GIVES BACK

Todah Rabah, many thanks, to all our volunteers who participated in this year's Rosh Hashanah and Thanksgiving Baskets delivery programs taking carepackages to those in need around Montgomery County organized through JSSA (Jewish Social Service Agency). Keep an eye out for details as we share new opportunities to participate this Spring!



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REFUGEE SHABBAT
a project of HIAS

Saturday, February 3

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HIAS
Welcome the stranger. Protect the refugee.

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WITH SPECIAL SHABBAT PROGRAM ON

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Jewish Disability Awareness & Inclusion Month

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HAR SHALOM'S SOLIDARITY WITH ISRAEL

Since the terrible acts of October 7th, Har Shalom has come together in support of Israel in many ways. Since hosting the Solidarity Vigil, we also joined close to 300,000 attendees at the March on Washington on November 14, and collected almost \$2500 in donations as part of our challah bake benefiting American Friends of Magen David Adom and Israel Trauma Coalition.



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SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024 | 5:30PM - 9:30PM

Congregation Har Shalom will host our second Annual Honoree Gala! Join us as we bring our synagogue community together for an exceptional evening of dinner, drinks, entertainment, and fun as we recognize distinguished community honorees.

TOBY HOLTZMAN

The *Keter Shem Tov* Award, The Crown of a Good Name

STEWART AND SHELLEY REMER

The *Amudim* Award, Pillars of the Community

JACKIE BLANKEN

The *Ahavat Chesed* Award, Loving Kindness

We are blessed to have individuals within our community who have strengthened our synagogue and helped us reach new heights. Please join us as we celebrate our honorees and their dedication to Har Shalom.

FEATURING THE COMEDY OF JOEL CHASNOFF!

Join us for an evening of stories, reflections, and conversation about our magical relationship with Israel with comedian and *Israel 201* author, Joel Chasnoff.

Joel is a former IDF Lone Soldier and author of multiple best-selling books about Israel, including the memoir *The 188th Crybaby Brigade* about his experience as a tank gunner in the Israeli army, the cookbook *Balaboosta* which he co-wrote with Israeli chef Einat Admony, and the aforementioned and recently released *Israel 201*.



Audiences across the spectrum of Jewish and Israel knowledge find Joel's take on Judaism and Israeli life uplifting, positive, and hilarious. Joel currently lives in Ra'anana, Israel with his wife and their four kids.

More on Joel, including comedy clips at www.joelchasnoff.com.

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HANUKKAH WITH HAR SHALOM



FROM THE SHERMAN ECC



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We had a special opportunity to help three families from Israel who came to our area to temporarily escape the war. These families left Israel to give their children a sense of normalcy and peace. They left so their children could run on the playground, instead of to bomb shelters. They left so they could work and not worry about the safety of their children, and if they would make it in time to a safe place. So they could tuck their children into bed and talk about the squeals of laughter from school, not the shrieks of fear.

Just recently two of the families left to go back to their home, our homeland. They shared with me that they were faced with guilt each day being far away and longing to get back to their homes, to Israel. They also shared there are no words to express their thanks to the Sherman ECC and Har Shalom for welcoming their children to attend with open arms and for free. The families know life will be different going back. One family shared that four families at their children's *Gan* (preschool) must have parents at school each day so that they have enough hands to get the children to the bomb shelters.

I made them books to help them transition to school here upon their arrival and another book to take back to Israel, filled with pictures from their time at the Sherman ECC, with their new friends and teachers. When they left, it was not goodbye but *l'hitraot*, until we meet again. Next time, G-d willing, in Israel!

B'tikbah,

Beth Hoch



Pajama Havdalah
A Musical Havdalah and Hands-on Sensory Experiences
Saturday, February 10 @ 6:30-7:30 PM
Dress in your pajamas and join the Sherman ECC Team and the Har Shalom Clergy for a fun evening!
www.HarShalom.org/PJhavdalah
Please register by February 1 (\$10/family)

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FROM THE EDUCATION & YOUTH DEPT.



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Hi all - 2023 was a blast and I am so excited for the upcoming year! We have some amazing programs on the horizon that I can't wait to share with you!



Calling all 8th-12 Graders!
YOU'RE INVITED TO A . . .

SHUL-IN

6:00PM SATURDAY JANUARY 6 | 2:00PM SUNDAY JANUARY 7

GET READY FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY OVERNIGHT EVENT THAT PROMISES TO BE FILLED WITH FUN, LEARNING, AND MEANINGFUL CONNECTIONS

GAMES - SNACKS - MOVIE NIGHT - AND MORE!

Register by Dec. 31:
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Har Shalom's Sunday Youth Program

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21
12:15PM - 2:00PM
Students Grade K-7
Join us for lunch and a magic show!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11
12:15PM - 2:00PM
Students Grade 3-7
Learn about influential Jews throughout history!

SUNDAY, MARCH 24
Students Grade K-7
Come together with the Har Shalom community to celebrate Purim - more details coming soon!

BAR / BAT / BRIT MITZVAH 4TH GRADE DATE REVEAL



Sunday, February 25
Burke Sanctuary

11:00AM - 11:15AM | Coffee & mingle for parents (and Day School students)
11:15 AM - 12:00PM | Reveal Program

TICHON HAR SHALOM: JANUARY 2024



Calling all 8th & 9th Graders - join us Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00PM for dinner followed by a program

January 9 | Lights Out Event - Join us for a glow in the dark night at Har Shalom filled with games, snacks, and fun

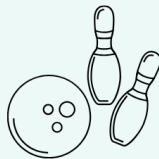
January 16 | Jews in Power: The fierce history of Jewish spies, politicians, and more followed by Har Shalom Movie Screening - Join us as we learn about some of the powerful yet unknown Jews throughout history before watching the film "Who Will Write our History" with the Har Shalom community

January 23 | Inflatable Bowling - Join us for a huge game of over sized inflatable bowling

January 30 | Is Lying Ever Ethical - Join us as we discuss the ethics of lying and what Judaism have to say about it



LEARN MORE & REGISTER:
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TICHON HAR SHALOM: FEBRUARY 2024



Calling all 8th & 9th Graders - join us Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00PM for dinner followed by a program

February 6 | Mystery Dinner Party - Join us for a fancy dinner with a twist, come dressed up and lets hope nothing unusual happens

February 13 | Ethical Consumption - Join us as we talk about ethical consumption from the food we eat to the items we buy and discuss why it's a Jewish value

February 20 | Scavenger Hunt - Join us for a scavenger hunt around Har Shalom, as we hunt for the first place prize

February 27 | Whose Land Is It, Anyway?: Being a Good Neighbor in an Era of Climate Change - Join us as we talk about the Jewish obligation to take care of the world, and discuss how that relates to modern climate change



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4th & 5th Grade SHABBAT



FRIDAY, FEB. 9

Families with students in 4th & 5th Grades are invited to join us for Kabbalat Shabbat Services followed by a delicious dinner and socializing with your Har Shalom community.

RSVP by February 4
www.HarShalom.org/GradeShabbat

K & 1st Grade SHABBAT



FRIDAY, MARCH 8

Families with students in K & 1st Grades are invited to join us for Kabbalat Shabbat Services followed by a delicious dinner and socializing with your Har Shalom community.

RSVP by March 3
www.HarShalom.org/GradeShabbat

Daytimers Jewish Film Festival

Join us at noon to visit and chat. Bring a dairy or pareve lunch. Dessert is on us. These educational programs are free and begin promptly at 12:30 p.m.

In lieu of a January film, please consider joining us January 16 at 7:00PM for the congregational screening and discussion of *WHO WILL WRITE OUR HISTORY* (more details below).

Daytimers
Jewish Film Festival



February 21, 2024 | *WHERE LIFE BEGINS* | Italy – 2022 – 100 minutes

When we commemorate the holiday of Sukkot, most of us do not know that Italy is a chief source of the citrons we use in our celebration. In *WHERE LIFE BEGINS*, a French ultra-orthodox Jewish family from Aix-les-Bains makes a yearly stay at a farm in Calabria to carry out the sacred mission of harvesting the citrons.

Elio, the reluctant inheritor of the farm, yearns for the freedom to pursue his own plan for life. Esther, the rabbi's daughter, chafes under the constraints imposed by her religion. Their relationship will affect each profoundly, but how?

Join us on Wednesday, February 21 to learn the answer.

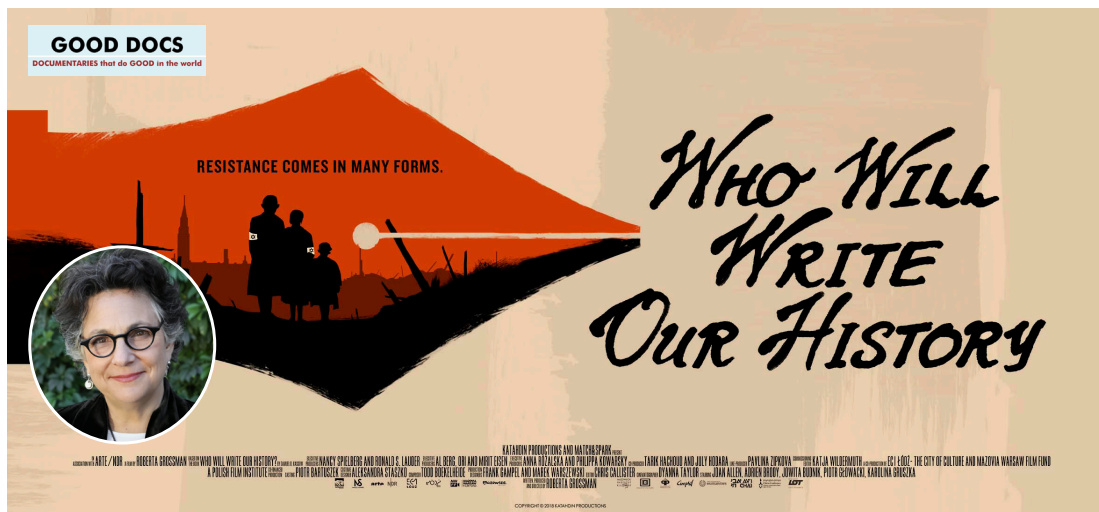


**In observance of International Holocaust Remembrance Day,
Har Shalom invites you to this special film screening of *Who Will Write Our History*
followed by discussion with Filmmaker, Roberta Grossman.**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16 | 7:00 PM | CONGREGATION HAR SHALOM

*In November 1940, days after the Nazis sealed 450,000 Jews in the Warsaw Ghetto, a secret band of journalists, scholars and community leaders decided to fight back. Led by historian Emanuel Ringelblum and known by the code name Oyneg Shabes, this clandestine group vowed to defeat Nazi lies and propaganda not with guns or fists but with pen and paper. Now, for the first time, their story is told as a feature documentary. Written, produced, and directed by Roberta Grossman and executive produced by Nancy Spielberg, *Who Will Write Our History* mixes the writings of the Oyneg Shabes archive with new interviews, rarely seen footage and stunning dramatizations to transport us inside the Ghetto and the lives of these courageous resistance fighters. They defied their murderous enemy with the ultimate weapon – the truth – and risked everything so that their archive would survive the war, even if they did not.*

In partnership with B'nai Israel Congregation, B'nai Shalom of Olney, Kol Shalom, Congregation B'nai Tzedek, Tikvat Israel Congregation



HAR SHALOM'S REFUGEE SHABBAT

Congregation Har Shalom is participating in HIAS' Sixth Annual Refugee Shabbat, taking place on February 2-3, 2024, to express our solidarity with the global Jewish movement for refugee protection and welcome. People seeking asylum are being turned away at borders around the world. The number of forcibly displaced people has grown to over 110 million. The growing impact of climate change exacerbates the effects of violence, conflict, and economic instability on already vulnerable populations. This is a critical moment for all of us to reaffirm and redouble our support for refugees, asylum seekers, and the forcibly displaced, and an opportunity to step back, reflect, and celebrate the work we have already done by supporting the assimilation of two families evacuated from Afghanistan in 2021.

As of this writing, we have several events planned for the Refugee Shabbat weekend. On Friday night, before Kabbalat Shabbat services, a speaker from HIAS will lead a discussion on the connections between the current refugee experience and the theme of Fiddler on the Roof, the Har Shalom Players production being performed that same weekend. At Saturday morning Shabbat services, Simon Babil will be sharing his refugee experience coming to the U.S. from Cuba.

Since Har Shalom is celebrating Refugee Shabbat during the same weekend as the Fiddler on the Roof performances, in conjunction with HIAS, we are providing 100 refugees in the DC, MD, VA area with free tickets to attend the performances. To cover the cost of these tickets, we are giving Fiddler ticket purchasers the opportunity to buy one or more additional tickets at a discounted price of \$15. Please consider this option when you purchase your tickets online at www.harshalom.org/hsplayers.

For questions about Refugee Shabbat services, please contact Toby Holtzman at tbholtzman@gmail.com. For questions about tickets for Fiddler on the Roof, contact Stew Remer at srem@verizon.net.

Saturday, February 3

SPECIAL REMARKS FROM SIMON BABIL

Don't miss this Shabbat in conjunction with the Har Shalom Players production of Fiddler on the Roof



FROM THE ACCESSIBILITY & INCLUSION COMMITTEE

Each February, the worldwide Jewish community celebrates JDAIM. At Har Shalom, Jewish Disability Awareness and Inclusion Month is a time when we can recommit to heighten our awareness and sensitivity to everyone in our community with special needs. And, it is a time when we recognize the uniqueness of every individual and acknowledge the gifts and strengths every individual possesses.

This year, there will be a **special JDAIM Shabbat service on February 10**, with Aaron Kaufman as the featured speaker. Mr. Kaufman is a respected disability rights advocate, and since January 2023, he has been a member of the Maryland House of Delegates.

The Committee is also planning to host the screening of one or two films with subject matter appropriate to JDAIM. Other ideas for potential JDAIM activities are welcome.

Also, the Committee is making a special effort to encourage members of the Makom community to attend and participate in various Har Shalom activities, including services and social occasions like the Back-to-Shul picnic, Hanukkah party, and play. So, please welcome them to Har Shalom when you see them.

Finally, special thanks to Margie Glancz, Joyce Lipman, and Lauren Appelbaum for all their past and ongoing contributions to the Accessibility and Inclusion Committee.

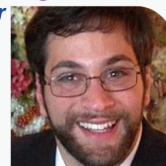
Randy May
Chair, Accessibility and Inclusion Committee

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respected disabilities rights advocate*



FROM THE HAR SHALOM PLAYERS

HSP's Fiddler on the Roof in Rehearsal - Get Your Tickets Now!

Sixteen years ago, in 2007, the Har Shalom Players performed Fiddler on the Roof. In 2024, we are performing it again, on **Saturday evening, February 3 at 8 pm and on Sunday afternoon, February 4 at 4 pm.** Tickets may be purchased at www.harshalom.org/hsplayers. As this is one of the major Har Shalom fundraisers for the year, please consider being a Patron (\$100/adult; \$36/ child, 12 and under) or Chai Patron (\$180). Patron tickets include reserved parking, assigned preferred seating, and listing in program. Chai Patron tickets include patron ticket benefits plus guaranteed front row seating, complimentary refreshments during intermission, and special mention in the program. All patrons also are afforded early seating. General seating tickets are \$25/adult and \$18/child (12 and under).

Since Har Shalom is celebrating Refugee Shabbat during the same weekend as our Fiddler on the Roof performances and given the theme of this musical, in conjunction with HIAS, we are providing 100 refugees in the DC, MD, VA area with free tickets to attend the performances. To cover the cost of these tickets, we are giving Fiddler ticket purchasers the opportunity to buy one or more additional tickets at a discounted price of \$15. Please consider this option when you purchase your tickets online at www.harshalom.org/hsplayers.

In addition to buying tickets, you can support the play by purchasing commercial advertising for the program. This advertising will reach approximately 1000 to 1200 people and provides revenues that always make our productions an economic as well as artistic success. Contacts for pricing of business ads are Jeff Ashin at law711@aol.com or Jackie Blanken at jackieblanken@gmail.com. Once financial arrangements are made with either of them, you or the business should send the ad copy as an email attachment to KennethLechter@gmail.com by **January 3, 2024**. Also, actors and their friends and families can contact Ken for pricing information about personal ads congratulating the cast or an individual actor.

Our amazing cast includes:

Tevye – Bob Gudauskas	Fyedka – Nathan Campbell
Golde – Patricia Groisser	Lazar Wolf – Bruce Rosenberg
Tzeitel – Abby Newburger	Avram – Stephen Gudauskas
Hodel – Meri Abramson	Mendel – Charlie Williams
Chava- Jen Willard	Mordcha the Innkeeper – Stephen Ellner
Shprintze - Jamie Silberglied	Grandma Tzeitel – Joni Donlon
Bielke - Ceci Smith	Fruma-Sarah – Rayna Arias
Yente – Sue Alterman	Nahum the Beggar– Rabbi Adam Raskin
Rabbi – Donald Hurwitz	Constable – Ken Lechter
Motel – Ross Iosefson	Fiddler - Laura Searles
Perchik – Connor Halvorsen	

Ensemble: Shelly Basen, Morgan Fusfield, Zeev Gilat, Anastasia Golounino, Ed Hutman, Kandy Hutman, Gene Ridberg, Ceci Smith, Keith Tittermary, Gabriel Winokur.

Our HSP production team includes Ken Lechter and Stew Remer (Producers), Shelly Horn (Artistic Director), Keith Tittermary (Music Director), Karen Creel and Isabelle Olivos Glander (Choreographers), Lauren Appelbaum (Assistant to the Director), Ginger Ager (Costumer), Sorell Schwartz (Photographer) and Brad and Ellen Balfour (Social Media and Publicity).

We are pleased that the Har Shalom Players relationship with the clients of Makom (formally Jewish Foundation for Group Homes) is continuing. They will be filling our audience during our Thursday final dress rehearsal not only to support our cast but also to support one of their own, ensemble cast member Zeev Gilat.

Fiddler takes place in the little village of Anatevka, where Tevye, a poor dairyman, tries to instill in his five daughters the traditions of his tight-knit Jewish community in the face of changing social mores and the growing anti-Semitism of Czarist Russia. Rich in historical and ethnic detail, "Fiddler on the Roof" has touched audiences around the world with its humor, warmth and honesty. It's universal theme of tradition cuts across barriers of race, class, nationality and religion, leaving audiences crying tears of laughter, joy and sadness. This show is appropriate for children 6 years and older.

For more information, or to volunteer to help, please contact co-producers Stew Remer (sremer@verizon.net) or Ken Lechter (kennethlechter@gmail.com).

Fiddler on the Roof

At Congregation Har Shalom

Fiddler on the Roof is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.com

Order tickets online at www.harshalom.org/hsplayers or mail/return this ticket order form to:
Congregation Har Shalom, 11510 Falls Road, Potomac, MD 20854

Name _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Chai Patron/Patron of the Arts Tickets/Reservations:

_____ Chai Patron tickets @ \$180 **Circle:** (February 3 at 8 pm or February 4 at 4 pm) \$ _____
_____ Patron tickets @ \$100 (adult) **Circle:** (February 3 at 8 pm or February 4 at 4 pm) \$ _____
_____ Patron tickets @ \$36 (12 or younger) **Circle:** (February 3 at 8 pm or February 4 at 4 pm) \$ _____
Total: \$ _____

*Patron tickets include reserved parking, assigned preferred seating, and listing in program.
Chai Patron tickets include patron ticket benefits plus guaranteed front row seating, complimentary refreshments during intermission, and special mention in the program.
Please list name(s) for program as follows: _____*

General Admission Tickets/Reservations:

_____ tickets @ \$25 (adult) for Saturday, February 3 at 8 pm \$ _____
_____ tickets @ \$18 (12 or younger) for Saturday, February 3 at 8 pm \$ _____
_____ tickets @ \$25 (adult) for Sunday, February 4 at 4 pm \$ _____
_____ tickets @ \$18 (12 or younger) for Sunday, February 4 at 4 pm \$ _____
Total: \$ _____

In conjunction with HIAS, we are providing 100 refugees in the DC, MD, VA area with free tickets to attend a *Fiddler* performance. To cover the cost of these tickets, please consider purchasing one or more additional tickets at a discounted price of \$15 each.

_____ # of additional tickets **Total:** \$ _____

All ticket reservations will be held at Har Shalom. Will call desk opens one hour prior to show.

Payment Options:

_____ A check in the amount of \$ _____ payable to *Congregation Har Shalom* is enclosed.

To pay by credit card, please call the Har Shalom Office at 301-299-7087, or use the online ticket order form at www.harshalom.org/hsplayers.

***NOTE:** For security purposes, we can no longer collect credit card details via paper order form. Please complete the form online and select credit card as payment method, or call the Synagogue Office to share the credit card details with a Staff member over the phone.*

Should you have any questions about obtaining tickets, please email: play@harshalom.org

FROM SOCIAL ACTION AND TIKKUN OLAM

Our Mission: The purpose of SATO is to put our faith into action by reaching out to others through active participation in a variety of projects available across the age spectrum of our community.

Want more information on SATO about getting involved or being an active member of the committee? Contact John Friedson, Chair at sato@harshalom.org.

***NEW* MLK Mitzvah Day:** Look for a menu of options in partnership with Nourishing Bethesda, Montgomery County Coalition For the Homeless, and more.

Register by Jan. 8 to join us at Cordell Place to bring and serve dinner!

Meals on Wheels: Volunteer Drivers needed. Please contact Stew Remer at srem@verizon.net

Tutoring: SELA DC Public Charter School (Hebrew Immersion School) - via Zoom only. Volunteers needed to read to K-2nd grades one per week. Contact Shelley Remer at shelley.remer@verizon.net

SOCIAL JUSTICE:

Look out for announcements of exciting new endeavors that are currently in the planning process.

Thanks to the volunteers who came out to serve brunch on Thanksgiving at Cordell Place Shelter which is managed by Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless. More opportunities like this coming soon!

SATO @ CORDELL PLACE

Sign-up to bring and serve dinner at Cordell Place, an MCCH Shelter

**Monday, January 15
5:15PM - 6:30PM
Cordell Avenue in Bethesda**



Project is family friendly and open to volunteers age 6+ (all under 18 must be accompanied by parent/guardian)

REGISTER BY JANUARY 8:

WWW.HARSHALOM.ORG/SATO-CORDELL



FROM THE HESED COMMITTEE

It is Jewish tradition to provide communal support during times of need and of mourning. And since the horrific events in Israel on October 7th, we've seen how just how important and necessary it is to have a strong community to lean on. The Hesed Committee was created to provide this type of support to our Har Shalom community and we need your help to accomplish our mission.

Hesed volunteers help strengthen our community by:

- Making phone calls to check in with people who have been ill
- Sending condolence cards
- Providing meals to people recuperating from surgery
- Giving rides to/from medical appointments

And new this year, we are planning a soup program! We'll get together to make a big batch of hearty vegetable soup, which we will then have available to deliver to anyone who needs it.

If you are interested in volunteering, please send us an email with your name, contact information, and area of interest to hessed@harshalom.org.

Join us to make Har Shalom the most welcoming and supportive community it can be.

Fran Elson & Deborah Brody, Co-Chairs

SHARING IS CARING!



Join the Hesed Committee in supporting members of our community by providing a meal through MealTrain or SignUp Genius.

For more information and to sign-up visit:

www.HarShalom.org/hessedMT

Thank you in advance for your help and support! As always, if you or anyone you know is in need, please email hessed@harshalom.org so we can reach out and offer support.

ADULT EDUCATION

For a full list of upcoming Adult Education, visit www.HarShalom.org/Adult-Ed



Har Shalom presents . . .

ZIONISM & ANTISEMITISM: A HISTORICAL DEEP DIVE

Thursdays | 8PM | at Har Shalom

\$72/person - covers 2 textbooks and other course materials


Learn More & Register: www.HarShalom.org/ExploringIsrael

Join Rabbi Raskin and Rabbi Simmons for an in depth exploration of Zionism, the formation of the modern State of Israel, and the history of Antisemitism. Through a combination of text study and discussion, we will examine the unique challenges faced by Israel on the global stage and identify hopes and concerns for the future.



First class will be on January 18. The course will run for 8-10 sessions. There will be weekly readings assigned outside of class.

Learn More & Register: www.HarShalom.org/ExploringIsrael



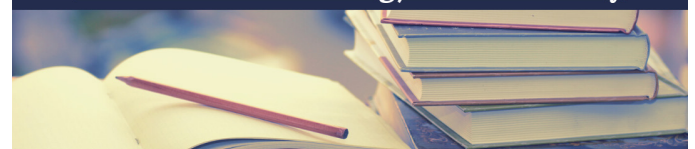
Mishneh Torah Study

THURSDAYS | 9:00AM | AT HAR SHALOM
(in person directly following Minyan)
with Rabbi Raskin

In preparation for the Siyum Bekhorim before Pesach, we will study the Rambam's classic code of Jewish Law: *Mishneh Torah - Sefer Shoftim, Hilchot Avel* which focuses on practical issues surrounding Jewish mourning practices. The Siyum will take place on Monday, April 22, 2024.

There are no prerequisites; all are welcome and you may join at any date.

www.HarShalom.org/MishnaStudy



ONGOING TIKKUN OLAM: COLLECTIONS & ACTIVITIES

***NEW* KindSoups for STUDENTS!** After 3+ years of cooking soup for the food insecure, KindWorks has started a similar program just for students. Students get together on line from their own kitchens to zoom cook on the first Sunday of each month from 4-5 pm. Check out the details at <https://dokindworks.org/get-involved/kindsoup/>.

Students can earn 1 SSL hour for every 3 quarts of frozen soup made with the group and delivered to others. A maximum of 3 SSL hours (for 9 quarts) can be earned during any session.

KindSoups continues! Har Shalom members have cooked KindSoups for 3 years. Join us from 4-5 pm on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month as we Zoom cook from our own kitchens. Upcoming dates are January 14 and 28, and February 11 and 25. Check the web site (<https://www.harshalom.org/event/kindsoup-for-the-soul.html>) for recipes. Help us create a community of "healthy meal" donors.

Winter Warmth - *NEW blankets and afghans* are needed throughout the year, but especially during winter months. Also needed are *new and gently used hats, scarves, mittens, gloves, and NEW socks* for donation to local shelters.

I Support the Girls accepts new and gently used bras of all sizes and types, new underwear, and feminine hygiene products throughout the year. Donations go to girls and women experiencing homelessness, victims of domestic violence and sex trafficking, and refugees and evacuees affected by natural disasters.

Medical Supplies are always accepted by Har Shalom including health care supplies and equipment, prescription and non-prescription medications (open and even expired are needed), bandages, and infant and hygiene products. Before disposing of these items, please remember those in need.

Please leave donations in the coat closet next to the front desk. For more information on any of these activities, contact Marj Klein at mksklein424@aol.com.

HAR SHALOM SISTERHOOD AND KINDWORKS PRESENT

KINDSOUP FOR THE SOUL



WHAT: Come together, on Zoom from your own kitchen, for some fun and to create a community of healthy meal donors. We'll be cooking enough to feed our own families PLUS to pack up containers to freeze and deliver to those in need!

WHEN: Every 2nd & 4th Sunday from 4:00 - 5:00 PM

MORE INFORMATION:
www.HarShalom.org/kindsoup

FROM THE MEN'S CLUB

Men's Club Save the Dates

Men's Club Brunch Series: Remaining Dates are February 4, March 10, April 7, May 5 and June 2.

The next MC Board Meetings are Jan 3 & Feb 7 – 8pm,
Meetings are usually held in the Paul Social Hall

Men's Club programs depend on the support of all our members. If you would like to meet more people, our open board meetings are a good place to start. Have fun while helping us serve our congregation and community. To participate in our next board meeting, just call 301.299.7087 x411 or email MensClub@harshalom.org We want to get involvement from new members to start some new programs and enhance our current events like the Brunch Speaker Series, MC Shabbat, Tefillin wrap, Purim Carnival, Sukkah Kits, Discussion Series, BOYZ Club events, Kitchen BOYZ and CHS Sukkah Raising. Be part of our active group and help decide on important issues like our recent \$3600 contribution to Israel relief agencies and co-sponsorship of numerous Synagogue and Youth services programs. Recent new programs have included the Sukkah Tailgate Party and Membership Appreciation Dinner.

Men's Club World-wide Wrap Tefillin Event

Sunday, February 11, 2024

Men's Club Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 17, 2024

Men's Club Annual Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament

Sunday evening, March 17, 2024

2024 Blue Yarmulke Person of the Year Brunch

Sunday, April 14, at B'nai Shalom of Olney

Men's Club Shabbat

Saturday, May 11, 2024, 9:30am–12:30pm

Over 35 volunteers are needed. Start thinking about how you may want to help. This annual event is a great way to raise your personal level of participation. We encourage new members to participate and would like to add a new co-chairman to help organize things this year.

Men's Club Golf continues twice weekly, weather permitting.

AK Dine Out Nights are the last Thursday of the month.

A fun November evening for 20 attendees at Dogfish Head Restaurant in Gaithersburg



Men's Club PURIM CARNIVAL

Our planning committee is working hard for the event on March 17th. Please consult the CHS website and the March Tablet issue when we get closer to Purim to confirm details.

We are aiming for the following:

11:15AM – 12:00PM | Fun and Games for families with children age 5 and younger
12:00 – 1:45PM | PURIM CARNIVAL (free entry)
- the community is invited to enjoy games, inflatables, and food for purchase!

For now, just mark your calendar so you can plan to join in the fun. As more information is available, please register on the Har Shalom website. Program and attractions are free. Food will be available for purchase. (sponsored by Men's Club)

- Carnival Attractions
- Moon Bounce
- Midway Games
- Prizes
- Raffles
- Free Hamantaschen
- Food to be sold - A La Carte
- Esther's Alley - Carnival Area (Kids under 5)



Men's Club Brunch

Our Brunch Series continues **February 4th with Judi Garrett-- Chief Operating Officer, Jewish Relief Network Ukraine (JRNU)**. Judi will speak about the work that JRNU has been doing in Ukraine throughout the war as well as their plans for the future. Almost two years since the invasion of Ukraine, the people continue to suffer unimaginable losses and trauma. JRNU provides lifesaving support to tens of thousands of men women and children—everything from food and medicine to schools and mental health counseling. JRNU was supporting the people long before the war began, building more than 35 Jewish communities across Ukraine, and they will be there to build them back after the war ends. The long-standing relationships in the communities have allowed JRNU to provide humanitarian aid when others could not, including shipping supplies into Kherson from across the border in Russia when the city was cut off from Ukraine.

HAR SHALOM

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Visit CHS web/Events for updates. This is a free, **in-person brunch**.

Sunday,
Feb. 4
Minyan 9:00 am
Brunch 9:30 am
Speaker 10:00 am

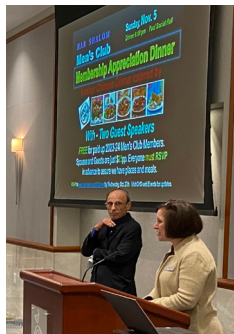
Judi Garrett has been leading organizations that help people for more than 30 years, first as a senior executive at the Department of Justice and now as the Chief Operating Officer of the Jewish Relief Network Ukraine. Judi spent several of her childhood years in Israel where she learned Hebrew and developed a deep love for the country and its people. She has a law degree from Washington University in St. Louis and a bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Men's Club Donates to Support Israel

Shortly after the atrocities in Israel on October 7th Men's Club Board approved donations totaling \$3,600. Our board selected the following organizations for the donations to go to: The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington Israel Crisis Relief Fund; Friends of IDF; and Magen David Adom.

Men's Club Membership Appreciation Dinner

In November the Men's Club held its first annual Membership Appreciation Dinner. The event was attended by 112 people and featured two speakers. Guests were welcomed by Men's Club President Robert Singman and Har Shalom President Aimee Segal. Guest speakers included: Joseph Sassoon, Georgetown Professor & Author; and U.S. Congressman David Trone. While here, Congressman Trone also visited with our older youth class, at the invitation of Rabbi Simmons.



CATCH UP WITH THE SISTERHOOD

Don't be skittish, volunteer to Captain Sisterhood Kiddush!

Happy New Year to all our Sisters! As we begin this new year, Sisterhood has committed to implementing an organized process to help staff the renowned Congregation Har Shalom Kiddush once a month. This is a core responsibility to our community and administration, plus it's fun!

We are in search of Sisterhood members interested in making the commitment to Captain and staff 12 kiddushes this year. Captains are responsible for assembling a crew to work in their respective mornings. Depending on the size of the Kiddush, usually 3-5 people are needed per shift. There will be additional Captain Training sessions in the near future conducted by Estrella Levy, Ad Hoc Kiddush Committee Chair. Sign up to help answer questions and/or see kitchen work modeled to make the process smoother for anyone interested.

The dates our Sisterhood is responsible for staffing Kiddushes across the next few months are:

January 13, 2024

February 10, 2024

March 23, 2024

April 6, 2024

May 4, 2024

There are many benefits to working in the Saturday morning Kiddush. It is a wonderful opportunity to kibbitz with friends, walk 5,000 steps and burn a lot of calories, enforce Sisterhood foundational participation in impactful engagement, and most importantly, have this extraordinary communal event supported by volunteers who love our synagogue.

Please let us know if you would like more information or are ready to make this commitment.

Thank you!

Sisterhood Kiddush Committee Liaisons:

Becki Segal - beckis1230@verizon.net

Paula Cohen - Phcohen@verizon.net

Sisterhood Mishloach Manot Project (Purim Baskets):

Sisterhood's Mishloach Manot Project for 2024 is now underway, and the website is open for orders! On Purim it is a mitzvah to send baskets of treats to your family and friends. Sisterhood makes it easy for you to observe this tradition! You can order them from us, and we will deliver them to your local recipients. We will also ship Purim treats out of town. You will soon be receiving an e-mail with a direct link enabling you to order your Mishloach Manot online. The live link will take you directly to your order page. You will be able to pay for your order by credit card directly from the website using a secure system.

When entering your order, you will also be able to sign up to help pack baskets or drive a delivery route. Baskets will be packed on Sunday, March 17, and can be delivered any time before Purim on March 24. We exceeded our financial goals with this fundraiser last year, and Sisterhood needs your help to make this project a great success for 2024. So please sign up to assemble the Purim gifts and/or to deliver them.

The order deadline is Sunday, February 18, so don't delay. Please help the Purim Basket Committee by placing your order as soon as possible so we get our supplies ready. We will be unable to accept late orders!

Questions or need help? E-mail Susan Rabkin at susanrabkin@verizon.net or Marcie Blackman at mdblackman@comcast.net. Thank you for supporting Har Shalom through your support of Sisterhood.



Please join us on the first Wednesday of each month at 1pm for our Sisterhood Book Club discussions.

All members of Sisterhood are welcome. Email us at sisterhoodbookclub@harshalom.org so we can provide updates and links to our virtual meetings.

Jan. 3 | *Belonging* by Michelle Miller

February 7 | *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict and Christophe Murray

March 6 | *One Hundred Saturdays: Stella Levi and the Search for a Lost World* by Michael Frank

April 3 | *Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow* by Gabriel Zevin

May 1 | *Kantika* by Elizabeth Graver

The New Moon

A Rosh Hodesh Celebration



Sisterhood presents

Rosh Hodesh Shevat January 10 at 8:00PM

Join us (on Zoom) where we'll begin with our beautiful Rosh Hodesh service. Following the service we'll focus on The Lorax (who speaks for the trees!) and Tu Bishvat! RSVP by January 7.

www.HarShalom.org/SisterhoodRH



Sisterhood Paid Up Membership Event Recap:

Sisterhood members held their Paid-Up Membership Event on October 26th featuring Barbara Ressin, speaking on the beautiful, talented, actress and inventor Hedy Lamar.

Thank you to Linda Isen, Susan Grant, and Lisa Koppel, chairs of the evening, and to all the volunteers that helped to make the evening such a success.

We were glad to be together, enjoying the delicious food and program and each other's Sisterhood company.



TORAH FUND UPDATE

When the Torah Fund Cabinet chose the 2023-24 theme, **Kol Yisrael Averim Zeh Ba'Zeh**, more than one year ago, they would have never imagined how timely this theme would become. After all, this Torah Fund theme is translated to mean, **"All the people of Israel are responsible for one another"** which would become so meaningful to every Jewish person throughout both Israel and the diaspora. It is my sincere wish that by the time this article is printed, Israel will again know peace and that all of us in the diaspora will have been able to celebrate Hanukah with joy and gratitude that all Jews are safe once again.

Being a Jewish person who is responsible for one another, means supporting our clergy, our seminaries, and our students who are striving to become the leaders of tomorrow. By donating to the Women's League for Conservative Judaism's Torah Fund Campaign, we are confirming our commitment to ensuring that there will be Conservative Rabbis, Cantors, and Educators to lead us for decades to come.

While any donation is truly appreciated, our beautiful Torah Fund pin (pictured below) is our gift to you for a donation of \$180.00 or above. Please take the time to look at the levels of giving as shown below. In addition, our sisterhood Torah Fund event is now scheduled for Thursday evening, April 4, 2024. All who have donated \$36.00 or above will be our guest for this event. We will be enjoying a delicious dinner and an informative and entertaining program. Please mark your calendars with this new date and look for more information to come.

Thank you to all who have already donated to this year's Torah Fund Campaign. I look forward to seeing all of you, proudly wearing your beautiful pin which depicts the word **"Arevut"** meaning responsibility, at our Shabbat services and shul activities.

Todah Rabbah,
Rita Wertlieb
Har Shalom Sisterhood Torah Fund Chair



Torah Fund Committee: Ellen Bresnick, Toby Holtzman, Hanna Lee Pomerantz, Shelley Remer, Michelle Tow

TORAH FUND GIVING LEVELS

Keter Kavod	\$5000
Scholarship Patron	\$2500
Patron	\$1200
Associate Patron	\$600
Guardian	\$300
Benefactor	\$180

FAMILY NEWS

B'NAI MITZVAH



Emma Railey

January 13

Daughter of Jessica Simmons-Railey
Granddaughter of Michael Simmons



Mia New-Schneider

January 27

Daughter of Dan & Betsy New-Schneider



Jordan Isenberg

February 24

Daughter of Adam & Stacy Isenberg

MAZAL TOV!

September 15 - November 15

Suzanne & Enrique Fefer on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter Maya Shoshana Fefer in Raleigh, NC. Proud parents are Elizabeth and Jonathan Fefer and sister Adira.

Miriam Goldel on her 18th birthday!

Michael & Paulette Baron on the birth of their 1st grandson, Beau Cooper Baron. Proud parents are Paige & Zach Baron.

Alan & Janice Frankle on their 41st wedding anniversary!

Stuart & Sheila Taylor on the birth of their grandson on Thursday, October 19th. The proud parents are Rachel & Dan Schwartz of New Jersey.

Donald Hurwitz on the 58th anniversary of his becoming a Bar Mitzvah!

Bella Munitz on receiving her Hebrew Name, Gali Elana. Proud parents are Adam & Ryan Munitz.

Robin Kramer on her "plenty-ninth" birthday.

Phyllis & David Coburn in honor of their wedding anniversary.

Millie & Mel Rumerman on the engagement of their daughter Lauren to Michael Fox, son of Helene Fox and Jeffrey Fox

Larry & Dawn Fischer on the birth of their granddaughter, Beatrice Raya. Proud parents are Brett Fischer & Morton Bast.

Marvin Friedson on his 90th birthday.

Harriet & Jerry Breslow in honor of their 59th wedding anniversary.

Susan Rabkin on her 75th birthday.

Judd Kessler & Carol Farris who just returned from celebrating the 60th Reunion of Judd's class (1963) from Harvard Law School.

Mindy & Steven Feirman and Tamara & Daniel Stern on the birth of their grandson, Bennett Feirman Stern. Proud parents are Shari Feirman & Adam Stern, and proud big brother is Oliver Feirman Stern.

Marvin Friedman on his 90th birthday.

Dani Gottesman on becoming a Bat Mitzvah!

Kavannah Havurrah on their 30th anniversary.

CONDOLENCES:

September 15 - November 15

Leonard Tow and family on the passing of his sister, Geri Schneider.

Joan Zuckerman and family on the passing of Andy Zuckerman.

Carolyn Spector and family on the passing of Auggie Spector.

The family of Michelle Fisher, former Assistant Rabbi of Har Shalom, on the passing of her father Leslie Fisher.

Sandra Pincus Rush and family, on the death of her husband, Martin Rush.

Arlene Goldberg and family on the passing of Dr. Seth Goldberg.

Marj Klein (David Doar) on the passing of her mother, Lila Klein.

Dennis Kiefer on the passing of his brother-in-law, Robert Mendelsohn

Eric Mendelson on the passing his sister-in-law, Leanor (Gallin) Mendelsohn.


Daisy Singer on the passing of her sister, Susan Canto in the Philippines.

Al Bauman on the passing of his daughter, Deborah Bauman Maytin.

Sandy Ressler & Faye Taxman on the passing of their cousin, Na'aran Eshhar.

Susan & Randolph Klueger, Amanda & Dan Klueger and family, and Jacklyn & Andrew Stief and family on the passing of their mother and grandmother, Racine Ellis Murdock.

Mel and Millie Rumerman on the passing of their aunt, Helen Zemser.



CONSIDER A DONATION
TO HAR SHALOM
IN HONOR OF YOUR SIMHA!

Use the online donation form
for a seamless process!

www.HarShalom.org/donate



CEMETERY PLOTS FOR SALE!

Garden of Remembrance
in Clarksburg, MD: \$2700 each

Judean Gardens
in Olney, MD: \$3000 each
Price Increase in 2024

Mt. Lebanon
in Adelphi, MD: \$1200 each

Contact Joanna Rubin at jrubin@harshalom.org
for more information or to make a purchase.

DONATIONS

July 15 – September 15

Alan B. Levenson Fund

In Memory of

Aaron May
Randolph May

Ashin-Zitomer Dor L'Dor

In Memory of

Alan Widom
Jeffery & Mikki Ashin

B'nai Mitzvah Scholarship

In Appreciation Of

Hazzan Henrique Ozur Bass
Stewart & Sondra Block

Capital Projects

In Memory of

Seth Goldberg
Herbert & Susan Gould

Community of Caring

In Honor Of

Maya Fefer
Mrs. Margie Glancz
Toby Holtzman
Barry & Barbara Korb

In Memory of

Andrew Zuckerman
Mrs. Beverly Alexander
Barry & Barbara Korb
August Spector
Barry & Barbara Korb
Mrs. Margie Glancz
Dr. Murray Grant
Richard & Linda Isen
Helene Gordan
Mrs. Beverly Alexander
Ron Glancz
Mrs. Margie Glancz

Debbie Karch Children's Library

Robert and Carmela Vargas
Spencer & Eleanor Schron
Diane Ganas

In Honor Of

Beth and Jack Goldberg
Barbara and Barry Bearg
Lisa Goldberg
Morris & Arlene Rynsky
Patricia Sussman
Susan Schaechter
Marie Tobia

In Memory of

Betsy Davis
Owen Ritter
Debbie Karch
Sandy and Allan Misch

Mazal Tov

Beth and Jack Goldberg
Anne S Dalin
Howard Vargas
Robin Korines

Dorann Bunkin Environmental Impact Fund

In Memory of

Augie Spector
Dr. Kenneth Shere

General Operating

Denise Gold
Marc Dubick

In Appreciation Of

Hazzan Ozur Bass
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