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SELTZERTOPIA

The Glazer High School Program welcomed Barry Joseph, seltzer expert and author of *Seltzertopia: The Extraordinary Story of an Ordinary Drink* to Chizuk Amuno on Tuesday, December 5th. Rabbi Seltzer thought this would be an ideal way to honor his father's memory with the teen community. Rabbi Seltzer introduced the evening: "This week of Hanukkah, we will begin the process of gradually bringing more light into the world. My dad, George Seltzer, may his memory be a blessing, taught me so much about the lights of compassion, friendship, love, self-acceptance and selflessness. In *Pirke Avot*, Ben Zoma asks, 'Who is rich?' His answer is - a rich person is one who is satisfied with his lot or portion in life. Ben Zoma was describing my father, George Seltzer. My father was a gentleman. My father was a *mensh*." Rabbi Seltzer explained that when his father became weak and lost most of his speech, he read him passages from books he thought he would enjoy. One such book was "Seltzertopia." Rabbi Seltzer's dad was raised on "seltzer" and Rabbi Seltzer and his brother remember holding old-school siphons and spritzing the glasses for holiday celebrations at their grandparents' home.

The evening began with the question: Why seltzer? Barry Joseph shared the history of his book and why he set out to write about such "an ordinary drink." By the end of the night, Barry had transformed seltzer to be much more than an ordinary drink. He explored seltzer through history, identity, ethnicity and health. The group learned about the origin of the drink in Niederselters, Germany and how it made quite the splash in the Jewish community on the Lower East Side. Barry shared many interviews that he conducted in which he asked how life would be different without seltzer. To no one's surprise, seltzer was largely influential to many. In addition to highlighting the ways that seltzer influenced individuals, Barry showcased some appearances of seltzer in the media by showing clips from the Mary Tyler Moore Show, The Simpsons, and The Three Stooges.

Toward the end of his presentation, some students participated in a seltzer taste test. They tried five different flavors of seltzer – coconut, mango, cherry vanilla, watermelon, and raspberry – and had to try to guess each flavor. The night concluded with students making their own egg creams, which they stirred with Hanukkah straws and topped with whipped cream.

We all learned a lot about a popular drink and seltzer now has a place in the Glazer High School Program. Barry encouraged everyone to "feel the seltzer spritz!"



OUR COLLECTIVE COMMUNITY SHINES BRIGHT

Our annual community *Hanukkah* event truly lit up the night. Together with Beth El and Beth Israel, we came together to share fun crafts, great food, communal *menorah* lighting, and a laser light show. We continue to celebrate the warmth and light that this communal gathering created.



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Chizuk Presents:

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RABBI BENJAMIN SHALVA

MUSICAL MIDRASH: THEIR STORIES, THEIR SONGS

Mondays, January 22 & 29 (On Zoom)*

Rabbi Benjamin Shalva is a poet, musician (lead singer in our *Shir Shabbat* Band) and hospice chaplain. His poetry and prose have appeared in publications such as *The Washington Post*, *Image*, and *Spirituality & Health Magazine*. Join him on Zoom for *Musical Midrash: Their Stories, Their Songs* as he explores a series of original midrashic folk songs about the lives and stories of Biblical heroes and the potential of music and lyrics to deepen our experience of *Torah*.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO ENGAGE WITH RABBI SHALVA

SHIR SHABBAT WITH RABBI BEN SHALVA AND THE SHIR SHABBAT BAND
FRIDAY, JANUARY 12 • 6 P.M.

HAVDALAH & JAM WITH RABBI BEN SHALVA AND THE SHIR SHABBAT BAND
SATURDAY, JANUARY 20 • 5:45 P.M.



DR. ELIEZER DIAMOND

February 2-3

Dr. Eliezer Diamond is the Rabbi Judah Nadich Associate Professor of Talmud and Rabbinics at The Jewish Theological Seminary. The author of *Holy Men and Hunger Artists: Fasting and Asceticism in Rabbinic Culture*, Dr. Diamond has written on prayer, asceticism, and issues of environmental law and ethics. A spiritual leader, Dr. Diamond, will be serving as our *shaliach tzibur* (prayer leader) and bringing his unique melodies to Chizuk Amuno.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2:

7 p.m. *Shabbat* Dinner* followed by *birkat hamazon*, and a learning session with Dr. Diamond

SHABBAT, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3:

9:30 a.m. Rabbi Diamond will give the sermon during *Shabbat* morning services, followed by a Lunch n' Learn.



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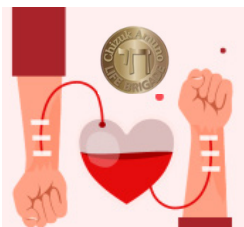
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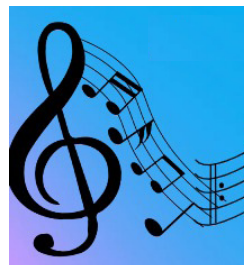
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MIDRASH AND MELODIES: A JEWISH MUSIC JOURNEY THROUGH THE AGES THURSDAY, JANUARY 18 • 7 P.M.

Cantor Lichterman will take us on a musical journey that will encompass Biblical (*Tanach*) references.

Cost: \$18/person (Includes dinner)

Register by Monday, January 15 at 5 p.m. at tinyurl.com/midrashmelodiesJan18



CPR, AED & HEIMLICH MANEUVER TRAINING - Sponsored by the Sisterhood SUNDAY, JANUARY 21 • 9 A.M. - 12 P.M.

Led by Chizuk Amuno Congregation & Schools' Security Team - Defender One
\$45/person • Registrants must pay in advance. No walk-ins accepted.

Sign up online tinyurl.com/CPR-Jan21 by January 17



"ISRAEL: LAND OF LIFE" PRESENTED BY AMERICAN-ISRAELI ARTIST YEHOShUA ARYEH SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 • 12:30 P.M. (ON ZOOM)

An awe-inspiring journey into Israel's natural beauty through renowned artist Yehoshua Aryeh's landscape photography.

Register online at: tinyurl.com/January28-artist

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 • 2-4 P.M. • SHAREBABY WAREHOUSE IN WOODBERRY

Help sort and pack items for distribution at ShareBaby's warehouse. ShareBaby seeks to address the unmet basic needs of Baltimore's most vulnerable young children by distributing diapers and other essential items.

Interested? Contact Marge Hoffman at mhoff23@gmail.com in advance.

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In honor of Natalie Freiburger with best wishes for continued good health from Margie Simon
Wishing *Mazal Tov* to Ruth and Jay Lenrow on the birth of their grandson, Henry Theodore Bishop from Margie Simon
Wishing *Mazal Tov* to Arlene and Bob Nusbaum on their 45th wedding anniversary from Margie Simon

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In memory of Bernard D. Fish from Ellen Francois

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In honor of Winston Williams' 50th anniversary at Chizuk Amuno from Neil & Dixie Leikach

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In memory of Samuel I. Kaplan from Linda & Zoe Lebovic
In memory of Bessye Owings and Edwin Owings from Marshall A Janoff
In memory of Evelyn Morgan from Mr. Nathaniel Morgan
In memory of Margaret Stern from Pam & Rick Frankle
In memory of Toby Leven from Paul Michael Meyerstein
In memory of Dorothy Yankellow from Sonia Samuel
In memory of Jack Rayman from The Easton & Kramer Families
Wishing *Mazal Tov* on the birth of their granddaughter Jaycee Harper Davis from David & Anne Young

CONGREGATIONAL - GENERAL ENDOWMENT FUND

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In memory of Lois Hoffberger Halpert from Marsha and Richard Manekin
In memory of Dr. Stuart Blumenthal from Rachel, Asher, Gideon and Avi Page (Fried)

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In honor of Rabbi Wechsler officiating the funeral of Lois Halpert and supporting our family during this time from Ari & Heller Zaiman

GOLDNER RAMAH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In memory of Evelyn Silberg from Ronald & Florene Goldner
In memory of Dr. Stuart Blumenthal from Ronald & Florene Goldner

GOLDSMITH EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER - TZEDAKAH FUND

In memory of Alvin M. Powers from Linda and Zoe Lebovic

With thanks to Rabbi Gruenberg, Rabbi Wechsler, and the Goldsmith Staff for their support during the loss of my brother Joe Brightman from Marcy Snow

GOLDSMITH EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER RENOVATION PROJECT

In honor of the birth of Jaycee Harper Davis from Ronald & Florene Goldner
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In honor of Margie Simon's 70th birthday from Debbie and Seth Glassman
In honor of Ruth and Jay Lenrow's grandson, Henry Theodore Bishnoi from Debbie and Seth Glassman
In memory of Richard Silberg's mother, Evelyn from Debbie and Seth Glassman
In memory of Lillian Pollack from Seth and Debbie Glassman

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In memory of Evelyn Silberg from Glenna Ross
In memory of Evelyn Silberg from Tamar and Aaron Barnett

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In honor of the birth of Maya Davis Snyder from Howard & Barbara Cohen
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 In memory of Sam Hoffing and Henry Hoffing from Steven & Carol Silberg
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 In memory of Arthur Postal from Theodore & Jody Levy
 In memory of Stuart Blumenthal from William & Toba Grant

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PATHWAYS TO MENSCHLICHEIT FUND

In honor of Miriam & Irwin Golob's 60th birthdays from Mrs. Anne King

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 In honor of the engagement of Ms. Dana Tobin and Mr. Josh Gerstenblith from Gary & Garth Ann Gerstenblith
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In honor of Winston's 50 years at Chizuk Amuno from Michael & Hazel Radowsky
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