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Once upon a time there were three little Angels who worked for a man they never saw. Now these Angels have a big case, and they are finding themselves in hot water as someone is looking to make them Angels of a more permanent variety.

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RABBI'S STUDY



In the Passover Hagaddah, we read:

Ha lachma anyah di achalu avahatanah be-ar'ah deMitzrayim.

This is the bread of affliction that our fathers ate in the Land of Egypt.

Of course, this refers to the matzah we eat during the Festival of Freedom. But is matzah not also the first food we ate as a free people when we departed the Land of Affliction? Imagine how it must have tasted: plain but glorious! Perhaps this is why matzah is so striking a symbol. The matzah found on the seder table amidst the many luxurious courses of food served on our finest dishes reminds us that freedom can be both plain and glorious.

Our Rabbis borrowed certain practices (e.g.-drinking the four cups of wine, reclining during the meal) from Roman banquet customs and made them signs of our freedom from Egyptian slavery. And yet it is neither the fine food nor the dining customs of the rich that provide us with the central symbol of the seder meal. The choice of matzah as this symbol cautions us not to equate our freedom with wealth. Our tradition maintains the deepest sense of freedom is found within each of our souls and that it is available to all who both seek it and work toward achieving it. It is matzah that proclaims how freedom is a kingdom whose gates are open to all.

Matzah is also a symbol of our trust in

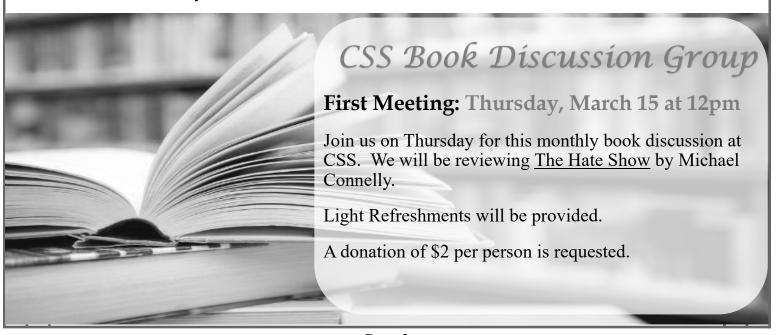
HaShem. Our ancestors were ordered to quickly depart from the Land of Egypt. There was to be no time to organize a meeting during which to debate the question. Neither was there even time for giving the command to depart second thoughts. Our ancient mothers and fathers faithfully awaited the signal and then went forward with only their possessions and matzah. But they took with them something else as well. They took with them the belief that HaShem had renewed H-s covenant with them, the very same covenant He had established with Avraham Avinu, with Abraham our Father, as well as with Isaac and Jacob. It is matzah that is the symbol of the complete trust the Israelites had in HaShem on that night at that time.

Chaverai ve-Chaverotai...My Friends: it should be very simple for us to understand. Because matzah is the symbol of both the freedom that is available to all who would taste it, and because matzah is the symbol of the perfect faith and complete trust the People Israel had in HaShem, then it is easy to see why halakhah, Jewish Law, requires that the matzot used at the beginning of the seder meal be whole and unbroken. Matzah is indeed the symbol of our love for HaShem and of HaShem's love for us.

I wish for the members of Congregations of Shaare Shamayim as well as the entire People Israel a happy and kosher Passover Festival!

B'virkhat Shalom...With a Blessing of Peace, I am...

Rabbi Reuben Israel Abraham



MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Dear Friends,

There is music inside of all of us. Our own special song. Our song may be music, but it doesn't have to be. Our song is that special gift or talent, that passion and it resides inside all of us. This article is about inspiring ourselves to reach in and use that passion.

I got to thinking about this performances during some recent by the Philadelphia Orchestra.

Beethoven's 5th was on the first program. Beethoven wrote his famed 5th symphony when he was 60 percent deaf, an inspiring story. How was Beethoven able to create such an incredible gift for all of us? We could hear that music with our ears, but he "heard" that music in a way far beyond our capabilities.

Beethoven's 5th was my Dad's favorite, and though Dad was almost as deaf as Beethoven, we spent many hours listening. My Dad inspired my lifelong passion for the music, a passion for sound that he never truly heard as an adult.

The following week was another special concert. Menahem Pressler fled Nazi Germany and at 94 years old is touring the USA, Asia, Europe, and Israel. At our recent concert, he also shares some incredible memories of historic Philadelphia

The office is now taking membership payments for next year. Please contact the office for assistance.

Orchestra conductors. According to the program, despite his touring schedule, he continues to teach master classes.

What about that song that is inside of us? What do we do with it?

I remember a conversation with violinist Isaac Stern on an old talk show. Phil Donohue said to Mr. Stern something like, "So, you love good food, good wine....". Mr. Stern replied, "If that's all it took, everyone would be a world class violinist!" In the novel *Pride and Prejudice* by my favorite author Jane Austen, Lady Catherine indicates that "Few people in England...have more true enjoyment of music". She "should have been a great proficient"... if she "had ever learnt"!

All around us are people who are sharing their talents and gifts with us. There are beautiful meals, well led events, warm and wonderful Shabbatot, a building full of song and life and community. If you have a passion and a gift to share to add to our community, please don't make us search for you. Call us. Write us. You can help us become "proficient"— and we look forward to it!

Fran Garbiel FrancesGabriel@comcast.net

STUDENT TRIPS TO **ISRAEL**



Do you have a teenager or young adult student planning a trip to Israel? If so, contact the shul office. The Jeffrey Allen Memorial Fund is set up to help students fund their trips to Israel.

BUY A BULB CHALLENGE

Our Buy A Bulb Campaign is an ongoing effort to replace every lightbulb in the synagogue with an efficient LED bulb. One generous family will give the synagogue the amount we will need to change all the lights in the Karff Auditorium if we can get enough pledges from our congregants to completely convert the Sanctuary to LEDs.

You will find the form needed for the Buy A Bulb Campaign on page 21. Please fill it out and send it into the office with your check today.

Thank you for supporting our environmental and energy saving initiatives.

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4 17th of Adar OSCARS NIGHT 5:45PM	5 18th of Adar BEREAVEMENT GROUP 1PM	6 19th of Adar AARP DRIVER SAFETY TWO DAY COURSE 10:30AM YIDDISH GROUP 1PM	AARP DRIVER SAFETY TWO DAY COURSE 10:30AM	8 21st of Adar MEN'S CLUB BOARD MEETING 7PM	9 22nd of Adar 5:43p Candle lighting Traditional Service 5:45PM Conservative Service 7:45PM SHABBAT ACROSS AMERICA 6PM	10 23rd of Adar Trad. Services 9AM & 6:50PM Conservative Services 9:30AM
11 24th of Adar BLOOD DRIVE 8AM	12 25th of Adar BEREAVEMENT GROUP 1PM	13 26th of Adar SISTERHOOD GENERAL MEETING 7PM	14 27th of Adar AARP DRIVER REFRESHER COURSE 10:30AM	15 28th of Adar 16 29th of Adar EXAMINING THE Traditional Service 6:50PM PURPOSE IN YOUR LIFE Conservative Service 7:45PM 1PM	16 29th of Adar 6:50p Candle lighting Traditional Service 6:50PM Conservative Service 7:45PM	17 1st of Nisan Rosh Chodesh Nisan Trad, Services 9AM & 7:50PM Conservative Services 9:30AM BAGELS & BIBLE 12PM
18 2nd of Nisan MURDER MYSTERY 2PM	19 3rd of Nisan BEREAVEMENT GROUP 1PM EDUCATION COMMITTEE MTG 7PM	20 4th of Nisan KNITTING GROUP 1PM SISTERHOOD BINGO 6PM	21 5th of Nisan CONGREGATION BOARD MEETING 8PM	22 6th of Nisan MEN'S CLUB MEETING 7:30PM	7th of Nisan 6:57p Candle lighting Traditional Service 6:45PM Conservative Service 7:45PM TOT SHABBAT 4:30PM	24 8th of Nisan Trad. Services 9AM & 8PM Conservative Services 9:30AM
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THE LIBRARY SHELF



Passover almost Passover is the time of visitors of all ages. In lieu of purchasing an armload of books for your pint sized guests, visit your shul library. We have board books and picture books. For the child who can read, there are a variety of chapter

books from mysteries to adventures and everything in between. Memories are created when you sit and read with a child. When the book is finished, the Many things can happen—a magic continues. conversation, a cuddle, or perhaps, a kiss. moment can last a lifetime.

Remember, there is still time to peruse a cookbook or two or three. Try a new recipe. The Hagadah is the same year after year. To avoid restlessness and yawning, tell the story (don't read it). Try some pre-Passover crafts for your home or someone else's. Your hostess won't mind, especially if she's a Bubbie like me.

Enjoy the holiday and your family and guests. Happy Reading!

Rosalie Cohen

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

3/7 M/M Howard & Sheila Goodman

3/11 M/M Marvin & Toby Abrams

3/12 M/M William & Marla Askin

3/12 M/M Albert & Phyllis Cooper

3/20 M/M Gerald & Pearl Berman

3/21 M/M Sylvan & Beatrice Eisman

3/24 M/M Harry & Susan Schmidt

3/25 M/M Arthur & Florence Gendler

3/30 M/M Howard & Esther Morris

COLLEGE OUTREACH

Our college students receive packages from us several times a year. It's a wonderful way to let them know they are still connected to their Jewish



community while they are away from home. This project is supported by William and Lois Memorial Fund and the Sisterhood's Barbara Dratch Fund.

Be sure that we have their current mailing and email addresses. Send the information to gwenlurie@aol.com.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

2/29 Michael Bittman

3/1 Dana Feldsher

3/1 Allan Packman

3/1 Heather Demar

3/1 Joan Freedman

3/1 Herbert Spangler

3/1 Jeffrey Kletman

3/5 Jerry Rosenzweig

3/5 Mark Bass

3/6 Sheldon Sackner

3/6 Hyman Goldfeld

3/6 Maxine Knesbach

3/8 Stanton Bubis

3/8 Bart Benoff

3/9 Marilyn Swartz

3/9 Harold Luboff

3/9 Barry Lebowitz

3/10 Valerie Mermelstein

3/11 Bryna Rosenthal

3/11 David Shafter

3/12 Reva Mindel

3/12 Mark Keller

3/12 Linda Joseph

3/13 Charles Freeman

3/13 Susan Poland

3/14 Stephen Britchkow

3/15 Shayna Cayla Feldsher

3/15 Barry Charles Leiber

3/16 Lois Brodsky

3/16 Susan Leiber

3/16 Melissa Birnbaum

3/17 Lisa Berkowitz

3/17 Joanne Wolf

3/17 Leslie Golsten

3/18 Roberta Pogach

3/18 Scott Wolf

3/20 Terry Weisberg

3/20 Michelle Friedman

3/21 Sheldon Plam

3/22 Beth Goldberg

3/22 Murray Rubin

3/22 Bernard Lyons

3/24 Eli Bell

3/24 Julie Herskovitz

3/25 Jo-Ann Fleishman

3/25 Jacob Kuperman

3/27 Louis Sandberg

3/29 Jerry Frank

3/29 David Jasner

3/29 Carol Kessler

3/30 Harry Schmidt

3/31 Susan Schmidt

3/31 Arnold Rosenthal





Passover 5778 - 2018
Candle Lighting and Services Schedule

Thursday, March 29, 2018	Bedikat Chametz (Search for Chametz) AFTER	8:29 PM
Friday, March 30. 2018	EREV PESACH	
	Morning Minyan & Siyum	7:00 AM
	Cannot eat Chametz AFTER	10:00 AM
	Chametz must be sold or burnt before	11:00 AM
	Candle Lighting	7:05 PM
	Evening Services	7:00 PM
Saturday, March 31, 2018	Shacharit - First Day Pesach	9:00 / 9:30 AM
	Evening Services	7:05 PM
	Candle Lighting -Havdalah Second Night	8:09 PM
	Start the Counting of the Omer	
Sunday, April 1, 2018	Shacharit – Second Day Pesach	9:00 / 9:30 AM
	Evening Services	7:05 PM
	Havdalah	8:08 PM

Monday April 2, 2018 thru Thursday, April 5, 2018 - Chol HaMoed Pesach Morning Minyan 7:00AM

Thursday, April 5, 2018	Morning Minyan	7:00 AM
	Candle Lighting	7:11 PM
	Evening Services (Traditional)	7:15 PM
	Evening Services (Egalitarian)	7:45 PM
Friday, April 6, 2018	Shacharit – Seventh Day Pesach	9:00 / 9:30 AM
	Candle Lighting	7:33 PM
	Evening Services (Traditional) ¹	7:15 PM
	Evening Services (Egalitarian)	7:45 PM
Saturday, April 7, 2018	Shacharit – Eighth Day Pesach	9:00 / 9:30 AM
	YIZKOR Service – approximately	10:30 AM
	Evening Services	7:15 PM
	Havdalah	8:15 PM
	Sold Chametz can be used AFTER	9:15 PM

¹ Evening Services for the first two nights are combined for the Traditional & Egalitarian Services.

A \$36 lottery calendar is a great Chanukah gift for the whole family and a great way to help our synagogue!

Last year, we had multiple winners every month and even one multiple winner to date!

Fill out the form below and send it to the office with your check (please add "Lottery Calendar" to the memo line)

It's just that EASY!!

We are now selling numbers for our 2018 Lottery Calendar! 2018 LOTTERY CALENDAR

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Multiple calendars may be purchased. Every calendar sold must have a different number assigned; therefore a separate form will be needed for each.

Valid winning numbers begin January 1, 2018. Calendars may be purchased at any time during the year. The cost will remain \$36 regardless of the date purchased, and eligibility to win begins on the purchase date with no previous winning numbers awarded retroactively.

These make great gifts, and we encourage you to share this winning opportunity with your friends, family, and co-workers. A limited number of calendars will be issued, so be sure to get yours now!

Please fill out the form below and return it to the CSS office with your payment. You will be contacted shortly to verify your submission and available number.

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Address			
Choose three 3-dig	git numbers in the order of yo	ur preference:	
Choice 1:	Choice 2:	Choice 3:	_
I prefer to hav	e only a digital calendar sent to	my Email address.	
I prefer a print	ed calendar and will pick it up a	at the CSS office.	
I would like a	printed calendar mailed to the a	bove address.	
Thanks:	for your support. We look for	ward to sending your winning ch	eck soon!



Health and Wellness Series presented by Abramson Medical Adult Day Services

Series Schedule:

- Thursday, February 22, 2018
 Living an Active Life
 1:00 p.m.
- Thursday, March 15, 2018
 Examining the Purpose in Your
 Life
 1:00 p.m.
 - Tuesday, April 17, 2018
 Mindfulness
 1:00 p.m.

All presentations will be at Congregations of Shaare Shamayim 9768 Verree Road Philadelphia, PA 19115 Join us for a three part Health and Wellness
Series presented by Marcy Shoemaker, Psy.D.,
of the Abramson Center for Jewish Life. Topics
will explore how to keep yourself happy, healthy
and engaged throughout life's ups and downs.
Attend one presentation or all three!

For more information, please call 215-371-2122.

About our speaker: Marcy Shoemaker, Psy.D., is a clinical psychologist who has treated patients in multiple medical settings, including inpatient, outpatient and senior care organizations. She regularly gives talks on healthcare and lifestyle topics and is involved in many community organizations, including Main Line Art, the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia, and the Philadelphia Society of Clinical Psychologists.

Abramson Medical Adult Day Services



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MITZVAH COMMITTEE

Our dream—The people whom we have been helping pay their bills, put food on their table, and clothe their children have been able to find adequate jobs and are now providing for themselves.

Unfortunately, our dream is not being realized. We continue to receive names of congregants who have lost jobs, been struck by illness and who still require financial help.

We are ready to provide emergency help. Again, we will provide extra help this Pesach for those who need it.

We, the Ladies of the Mitzvah Committee, want to thank all of you who contribute to the fund. (You are our only source of funds.)

Rosalie and the Ladies of the Mitzvah Committee

New members of the One in a Hundred Club

Jackie & Jerry Rosenzweig
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Hinda & Havey Goldberg
Arlene Goldberg
Susan & Barry Leiber
Irina Braude
Irwin Gibbs
Beryl & Elliot Drexler
Harriet Davis
Bracha Strimber
Selma & Edward Sherman
Bobbie & Dave Slosberg

Rhona & Bruce Sloan Mira & Gene Klein

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ruth Leibowitz announces the birth of her great-granddaughter, Hannah Rae Carr. Fran & Jerry Gabriel announce the engagement of their son Brian Ziegler to Jaime Usilton.

Passover BB

Enough Cooking at home!

Join us for our Annual Passover BBQ!

Wednesday, April 4 at 6pm

\$20/adult, \$13/child under 13
Please call the office to RSVP
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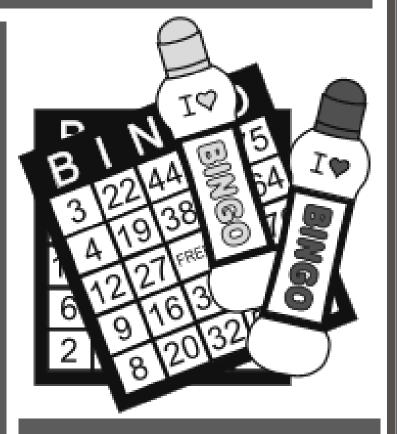


Join Sisterhood for their Annual Spring Bingo March 20, 2018, 6pm

Cost: \$23pp includes one bingo card, chicken lo mein dinner, and dessert.

*extra bingo cards and specials available to purchase

Contact Gerry Zaretsky for more information or to make your reservation. 215-437-7437



ADULT EDUCATION

As March ends, Passover begins, which means Spring is just around the corner. I will be scheduling a speaker to discuss Abraham Lincoln and the Jews sometime after Passover so be sure to check the scroll or weekly e-mails for information regarding this event.

Many of us learned how to drive when we were in our teens. Much of what we do is automatic but cars and technology have drastically changed. Seniors should consider taking the AARP Driver Safety classes being taught by Richard Zippin. The two-day course is offered on March 6th & 7th from 10:30AM to 2:30PM for first time participants. You must attend both days to receive credit. For those of you who have already taken the class, the one-day refresher course is March 14th from 10:30AM to 2:30PM. Besides brushing up on your driving skills, most insurance companies offer a discount to those who have taken the class. Every three years you must take the refresher class in order to continue to receive your discount. If you are part of a couple and both are insured under the same policy, then you both must take the course. The fee is \$15.00 per person for AARP members and \$20.00 for nonmembers. You must preregister for these courses, which can be done by calling our office at 215-677-1600.

Marcy Shoemaker Psy.D. is a clinical psychologist who will be representing Abramson

Medical Adult Day Services in a three day Health Forum at CSS. The first session was held in February. On Thursday, March 15th her topic will be 'Examining the Purpose in Your Life' at 1:00PM. 'Mindfulness' will be the topic on Tuesday April 17th at 1:00PM. You can call the office for further information.

If you are interested in attending a bereavement group at CSS, contact rivkapowers55@gmail.com to register and find out about starting dates. Twelve sessions will be held at CSS on Mondays from 1:00PM to 2:30PM. The program is sponsored by Goldsteins' and led by Bereavement Counselor Rivka Powers, MSW. If you do not have internet, contact our office for further information or to register.

On a lighter note, don't forget to check out our twice monthly Yiddish group led by Jack Belitsky. Sessions run from 12:30PM to 2:00PM. Knitters can join Pitzie Linsky on the 3rd Tuesday of the month for knitting, relaxation, snacks and conversation from 1:00PM to 2:00PM. We also have a book review group one Thursday a month. Check the Scroll for times and date or call the office.

Denise Ellner Adult Education Chair

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

We have been very busy celebrating Tu B'shevat, the birthday of the trees. We enjoyed a wonderful Tu B'shevat seder celebrating the seven species with some different and exciting types of fruit. Our students also planted "trees" made of gum drops, an edible treat! In addition, we saw a wonderful program about music made with instruments that sounded like the sounds of the earth and used no electricity.

The Lehigh Valley Zoo also visited us with a penguin and several other interesting creatures and talked about taking care of our environment!

We also learned the Eagles fight song in Hebrew and made Eagles shirts in Hebrew in honor of their Superbowl win!

We are looking forward to learning about

Purim, having fun at the Purim Carnival and making delicious hamantaschen!

Congratulations to our Sunday School B student, Grace, who won the Superbowl contest!



Tunn an ordinary Friday night into something extraordinary!



SHABBAT ACROSS AMERICA

Friday night, March 9, 2018

Hundreds of synagogues across America will take part in an event to celebrate what unifies all JewsSHABBAT

Join us for a Traditional Chicken Shabbat Dinner.

Candle Lighting at 5:40pm, Dinner at 6:00pm followed by Shabbat

Services at 7:45pm

\$12/adult, \$6/child

\$30/family (includes parent(s)) and their children under age 18)

Please RSVP to the synagogue office 215-677-1600. Send your check with the names of all those attending and any dietary requests.

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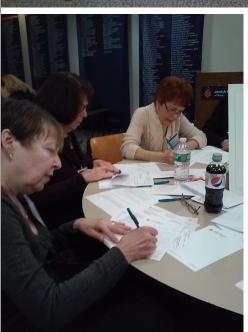
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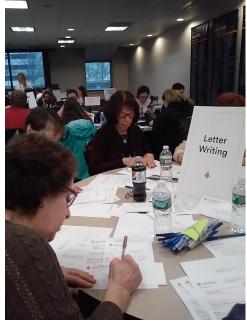


SUPER SUNDAY













Congrats to our Lottery Calendar Winners in February!

Harry Schmidt Barbara Marks

Tu B'shevat with Lehigh Valley Zoo



















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SISTERHOOD HAPPENINGS



February was a quiet month. Everyone was afraid of snow, so not much was planned. We did have the Movie and Popcorn afternoon scheduled for February 7, but the snow didn't get us, but freezing rain cancelled the afternoon.

At the general meeting, Rabbi Abraham was the speaker. Rabbi Abraham told us all about himself, and what led up to his decision to become a Rabbi. We all enjoyed listening to him. At the March 13 meeting, Cantor Samuels will be entertaining. He is always a crowd pleaser.

Bingo is back. March 20, 2018 at 6:00PM we will be serving our famous Chicken Lo Mein. The cost is \$23 per person and includes dinner, dessert and one bingo card. Specials will be on sale. Check out the Boutique table.

April 18, 2018 is tea time. High Tea will be served at 1:00PM. Get your hats dusted off and ready to wear. Cost is \$18 per person. May 16 we are back in New York to see *Escape to Margaretaville*. The show is based on the music of Jimmy Buffet. Cost is \$170 and tickets are going fast.

It will soon be time for the nominating committee to meet. If you are interested in a Sisterhood Board position, please contact Shelli Krevitz, chairperson of the nominating committee.

Think positive, spring is around the corner. Remember I am always available to answer questions.

Mindy Poliner rlmp7716@yahoo.com

Sisterhood Calendar 2017 – 2018 *All meetings are held at 7pm unless noted

Board Meetings

Tuesday, March 27, 2018 Tuesday, April 24, 2018 Tuesday, June 26, 2018

General Meetings

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 Tuesday, April 10, 2018 Tuesday, May 8, 2018

Special Events

Tuesday, March 20, 2018, Sisterhood Bingo, 6pm Wednesday, April 18, 2018, Sisterhood Tea, 1pm Wednesday, May 16, 2018, New York Trip Tuesday, May 22, 2018, President's Dinner, 6pm Tuesday, June 5, 2018, Donor Dinner, 6pm Tuesday, June 12, 2018, Installation, 6pm

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Join us for our

Annual Red Cross Blood Drive

Sunday, March 11, 2018 8am - 1pm

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact Jerry Zwerling 215-815-7011

MEN'S CLUB TIME OUT



The Men's Club has lost two of our members this past month. Our condolences and prayers are sent to the families of Paul Flacker and Ivan Blitz. May their memories be a blessing!

Thursday March 8th is our monthly board meeting at 7:00 PM.

Our annual Red Cross Blood Drive will be take place on Sunday, March 11th from 8:30-2. To set up your appointment to give blood, please contact Jerry Zwerling at <u>215-677-4560</u>, or you can contact the synagogue's office, <u>215-677-1600</u>.

Once again, for the third consecutive year, we will be participating in the Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle Program. This is a project of the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs. Please check your mailboxes for your candle sometime towards the end of March. We are asking that you please send back a

donation in a multiple of \$18.00 (Chai, which means life) in the envelope that will be provided. Funds received over and above the cost of the candle and shipping charges will go directly to Tzedakah. Light the candle and place it in your window the evening of Tuesday, April 10th. We hope that once again you will support this worthy cause.

Please mark your calendars. Friday night, April 27th will be our annual Men's Club Family Shabbat Service. More information will be coming out shortly.

Since we print our Scrolls in advance, we were not able to recognize a very important event that recently occurred in our great city of Philadelphia. So please allow us to recognize it now:

Congrats to our Super Bowl World Champions, the Philadelphia Eagles!! Fly Eagles Fly!!!!!

Barry Leiber and Howard Rosen Men's Club Co-Presidents

Men's Club Calendar 2017 – 2018 *All meetings are held at 7pm unless noted

Board Meetings

Thursday, March 8, 2018 Thursday, May 3, 2018

General Meetings

Thursday, March 22, 2018, 7:30pm Thursday, May 24, 2018, 7:30pm

Special Events

Sunday, March 11, 2018, Blood Drive, 9am-2pm Friday, April 27, 2018, Family Shabbat Service, 7:45pm Wednesday, May 9, 2018, NYC Bus Trip, 8am

Thursday, June 14, 2018, Closing Affair: Beer N' Beer, 6:30pm

CONDOLENCES

May you be comforted among the other mourners for Zion and Jerusalem.

The Congregation mourns long-time member, Paul Flacker.

Condolences are sent to Marci Blitz on the loss of her husband, Ivan Blitz.

Condolences are sent to Robert Barsky on the loss of his sister, Sophie Pollock.

The Congregation mourns long-time member, Emmi Loewenstern.

Condolences are sent to Dr. Irwin Gibbs on the loss of his wife, Andrea Lois Gibbs.

Condolences are sent to Ruth Brandspiegel and Debbie Marks on the loss of their husband and father, Sol Brandspiegel.

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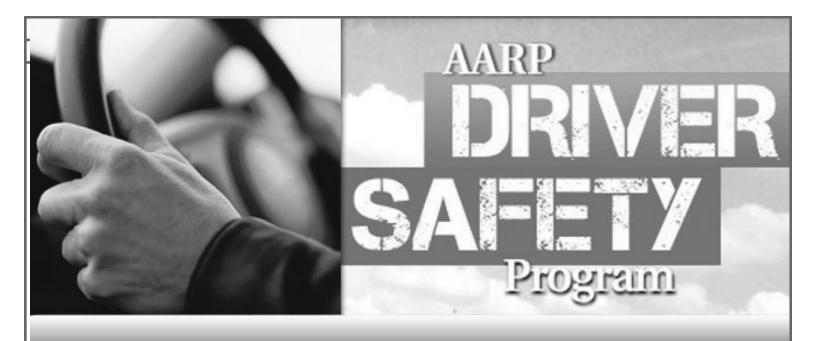
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We will be playing a choice of the following movies:

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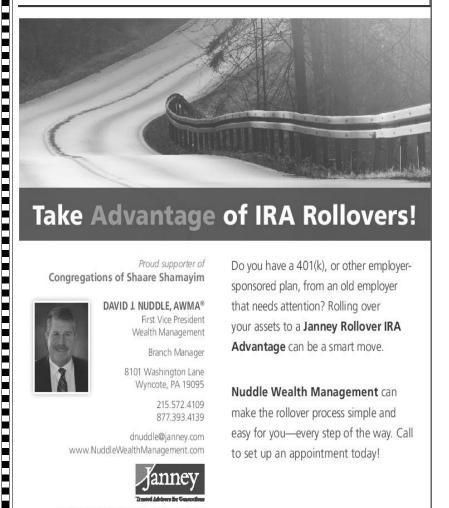
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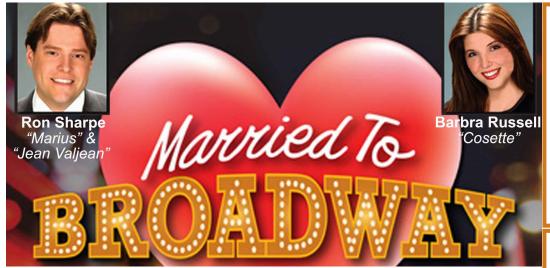
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