In an iconic picture of the march in Selma, Alabama, Reverend Martin Luther King is flanked by religious leaders including a white man with a flowing large mane of white hair and a white goatee. That man – Abraham Joshua Heschel – was a spiritual force from the Jewish Theological Seminary. Heschel wrote many books about theology and spirituality. He escaped Nazi Europe by being sponsored by the Hebrew Union College but then moved to New York City and became a professor at the Jewish Theological Seminary until his death in 1972.

Heschel was an advocate for spirituality. Though he was long gone before I got to JTS, stories abound of his humility, his humanity and his charisma. He didn’t just attend services at JTS with the students, but he spoke about how we must make our religious observance spiritual and meaningful all the time. For him social action and social justice were just as important as praying the morning service. In fact, when asked about his participation in the march in Selma, Heschel famously said, “I felt as if my feet were praying.”

I always keep that quote in mind as I consider my involvement in social justice. Being kind to the poor, helping the disadvantaged, advocating for equality and justice all are worthy activities. But more than that they are spiritual activities; they are ways in which we can appreciate that we are all created in God’s image.

On MLK Day, Monday January 21, we will have the opportunity to “pray with our feet.” As co-chair of the Greater Olney Clergy group, I was involved in forming the interfaith social justice committee. That committee’s role is to help organize activities that would involve the membership of all the houses of worship in our area. Our own Lisa Hedgepeth, chair of our shul’s social action committee, has been instrumental in organizing activities that will take place in our building on MLK Day. We will be one of three sites that day across Montgomery County and we will be able to donate blood, prepare food for a shelter, make blankets, drop off books and clothes, and listen to songs and readings in honor of Rev. King. Look for more information soon so that you can sign up.

Let us always look for opportunities to “pray with our feet.”

Blessings,
Rabbi Jonah Layman
Unclaimed yahrzeit plaques. BBC reports dramatic rise in anti-Semitism in Europe. The rise of extremism here in the United States. I worried that we were losing our connection to history - and I worry that, as Winston Churchill said, “Those who fail to learn from history are condemned to repeat it.”

But then Chanukah happened, the festival of lights in the dead of winter. More than Chanukah, the Chanukah concert with Barry Polisar happened and it lifted my spirits. For those lucky enough to be there and experience it, I think you will agree. There were parents, grandparents and maybe great-grandparents, but the stars were the infants, toddlers and grade-school kids. Children have the ability to show unfettered joy and that joy spread to the entire audience. As some of you know, I represent school districts in Maryland and I have worked with dozens of superintendents over my career. The Chanukah concert reminded me of a superintendent I worked with many years ago. When things got particularly stressful, he would suddenly disappear from his office and sneak off to spend an hour or so in a kindergarten class. He returned to the office recharged.

So, even though it is more than a month since Thanksgiving, I need to say that I am thankful for the children in our collective lives and their ability to show us what unadulterated joy looks like. I am thankful for having had the opportunity to see the Himalayan mountain range and Mount Everest. It was inspiring. I am thankful for sunrises and sunsets.

As President, I have four ad hoc committees going and have not yet had anyone say no when I have asked if he or she would serve on one of these committees. I am thankful for all of you. I am thankful that Judaism provides us with a common bond and brings us together. I am thankful for the Shaare Tefila community, exemplified by the many congregants who invest their time and resources to making this a better place. Take time this year to notice the many miracles around us and to look for reasons to be happy. [Reasons to be unhappy and to worry will find you so no need to look for those.]

Have a very happy 2019.
As Chanukah is often called the Festival of Lights, we decided to create a light experience for the children to celebrate the holiday.

Light touches all aspects of our being, revealing a part of itself and us in each encounter. It constantly re-creates itself in our mind's eye, offering fresh epiphanies throughout our history.

Light is both obvious and mysterious. Every manifestation of light is a potential occasion for grasping its truth, be it the dappled disks of light beneath the shade of a tree or the moonbeam that furtively makes its way through a chink in the wall.

Light and darkness are imbued with cultural and religious significance. "Let there be light," were the first words spoken by God. Light has been treated scientifically by physicists, symbolically by religious thinkers and practically by artists and technicians. Each gives voice to a part of our experience of light. When heard together, they craft a fuller image of light than any one discipline can offer— all speak of a thing whose nature has been the object of human attention and veneration for millennia.

Seeing light is a metaphor for seeing the invisible in the visible, for detecting the fragile garment that holds our Earth and all existence together. It continues to surprise us.

We learn from Vea Vecchi, the first atelierista in Reggio Emilia, that the atelier is a space dedicated to investigation and research with materials and tools.

"We see the culture of the atelier as a sort of benevolent virus that...expands from the school over the territory of the city with the aim of spreading a culture that is attentive to the quality of the processes... Education should always keep in mind and send into the future the processes of play, invention and creativity as well as the pleasure, joy, and excitement of thinking. This also must be the task of the atelier."

In our light atelier, we had opportunities to interact with a variety of materials all around the theme of light.

- What does Chanukah teach us about our relationship with light and dark?
- How do the senses of sight and touch become part of the way for us to understand the rituals and customs of Judaism?
- How do the senses of sight and touch become part of the way to understand our environment? What happens if one of these senses is impaired?

Our Chanukah celebration expanded our connections to Judaism and the world around us.

Happy New Year! As everyone is enjoying a well-earned Winter Break, at Chavaya we are looking forward to a great beginning to 2019.

We are back in session on January 6th for Pajama Day! That morning we will gather in the Social Hall for a Back-to-School Breakfast. To show our gratitude for our own food security, we will be supporting some organizations that help those in the greater community who are food insecure, as well as the Shaare Tefila Chesed Committee. This effort will include a cereal box collection for Nourish Now, an organization which partners with local schools to provide breakfast and other meals to children at school. The children will also be able to create cards, pictures and placemats for our homebound members supported by the Chesed Committee.

On January 13th we will celebrate Tu B'Shevat at Chavaya with a special program from the Jewish National Fund. The day will also include t’filah and music with Hazzan Adina, and may even include some special food for the holiday.

As we look forward to seeing each other again, here are some pictures from the first part of the year. Enjoy!
Shaare Tefila’s
"Night of Sweet Laughter 8" Comedy Night FUNdraiser
Saturday, February 2, 2019 (Erev Super Bowl Sunday)

Doors Open at 7:30 pm, Show at 8:00 pm
Tickets $35 by February 1st, $40 after and at door
Reserve now for the most popular event of the year!

Wine & Beer Cash Bar—Ticket includes 1 free drink
Dairy Refreshments after Show
Reserve a table of 12 & receive a complimentary fruit and cheese plate for your table!

Headliner
Buddy Fitzpatrick

Buddy is a native of Philadelphia & currently a New York City comedy club favorite. His act combines the skill of a great monologist with a physical style that brings his observations to life. Buddy’s stand-up has made him a regular on Comedy Central, ABC and A&E. Buddy has written, produced and performed his biographical play “Sides” at various NYC theaters.

Featured Comic
Missy Grynkiewicz Hall

Missy, a mom & motivational speaker, has a sharp-witted, universal style that captivates audiences. She is the Queen of Happy Things. The 2013 winner of the Laugh Out Loud Competition, her comedy CD, “Miss Representation,” was a 1st round Grammy nominee in 2012 for funniest comedy album.

Comedian/Host Irwin Loring
(Kalidescope Comedy)

Irwin finds life funny. On stage he will tell the stories of his children, parents, and their behaviors. Irwin has performed in clubs in New York & Atlantic City. His style can be described as a mix of David Brenner and George Carlin with a touch of Don Rickles.

Reserve your seats on ChaverWeb or by contacting Sara at 301-593-3410 X104 or smiller@shaaretefila.org
If you are sitting at a particular table, note that in your seating request.

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SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE
CONTRIBUTOR: LISA HEDGEPETH

“BEYOND HATE” SPEAKER SERIES
On Sunday December 16, our Social Action Committee presented the first speaker in our series “Beyond Hate.” Daryl Davis spoke to a crowd of nearly 100 attendees who were captivated by his firsthand experiences with members of the KKK and other white supremacist/Neo-Nazi groups. His presentation was compelling, inspiring and very thought provoking. It was a pleasure to welcome so many friends who are not members into our “home.” We look forward to continuing this series in February.

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY’S ANNUAL MLK COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY
Shaare Tefila is an official host site of Montgomery County’s Annual MLK Community Service Day. On Monday, January 21, our building will be a hub of activity. We will be collecting books for children and older readers, mens’ and womens’ clothing and non-perishable food*. There will be 3 hands-on service projects, entertainment, health education and screenings and a Red Cross blood drive. We are thrilled to be a part of this important event. Spaces are limited so PLEASE register if you plan to attend. You do not have to choose specific activities in advance. We especially need blood donors, Please register HERE.

*Current food needs for Olney Help in order of need:
1. Canned Sloppy Joe sauce
2. Canned meats: chicken or beef stew
3. Pasta sides such as Pasta Roni or Knoor
4. Baked Beans
5. Shelf Stable bottled juice
6. Instant Potatoes
7. Canned fruit of any kind

THE CLOTHING DRIVE
CONTRIBUTOR: ETHEL LEVINE
Staff at Success in Style, located in Savage, Maryland, will be using your donated clothing items to sell in their shop to the general public, at extremely reasonable prices,
Volunteers at Success in Style hold workshops for individuals who are looking for assistance in obtaining job skills, such as looking through appropriate job resources, completing applications and honing-in on interviewing techniques. The staff then provides newly purchased clothing for the job-seekers to wear as they begin their job quests or to wear to their new positions in the work force.
The items which you donate must be clean, in excellent shape, and be current styles. Men’s and women’s items will be accepted, for all seasons. No children’s clothing or shoes though. Coats for either sex would be appreciated during this chilly season. Please fold the donated items and place them in shopping bags (no hangers please) and bring them to the synagogue no earlier than one to two weeks prior to our January 21 event. They will be stored in the cloak closet to the left of the sanctuary until they will be delivered to the Success in Style site in Savage Mill. Receipts for donations will be available upon request on January 21. Many thanks for your participation in this worthwhile event.
WOMEN’S ROSH CHODESH CIRCLE
LED BY: SUSAN RUBENSTEIN

Saturday mornings: 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Rosh Chodesh Shevat - Shabbat, January 12
Rosh Chodesh Adar - Shabbat, February 16
Rosh Chodesh Adar II - Sunday, March 10
Rosh Chodesh Nisan - Shabbat, April 6
Rosh Chodesh Iyyar - Shabbat, May 11
Rosh Chodesh Sivan - Shabbat, June 22

CHESED COMMITTEE
CONTRIBUTOR: ADRIANA SANDLER

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Contact
Betty Balin 301-622-4354 or
Bernice Goldstein 301-384-1024

Need a meal?
Contact
Ethel Levine 301-593-7041 or
Joyce Feinstein 240-428-1329

Need support?
Contact
Rabbi Layman 301-593-3410 X102

Olney Help continues to acknowledge donations by Shaare Tefila membership to its organization. It has been able to expand its support in the Olney Community as need of assistance has increased.

KEEP YOUR DONATIONS COMING!
Next time you visit the shul, please bring food items to donate and place them in the baskets under the bench in the Williamowsky Foyer.
NEWS FROM THE WINER FAMILY GALLERY
FRAN ABRAMS, FINE ARTS COMMITTEE

Beginning Wednesday, January 2, and continuing through the end of February, the Winer Family Gallery presents Winter Wonders, an exhibit of artwork by members of the Olney Art Association (OAA). With over 90 members, OAA includes artists working in many mediums. This exhibit offers a sample of members’ work that interprets winter in oil, acrylic, watercolor, mixed media and photography.

For more information about OAA and their shows around the community, please visit www.olneyartassociation.org

All artwork is for sale and a portion of the proceeds benefit Shaare Tefila.

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH
CONTRIBUTOR: SUSAN J. RUBENSTEIN

TEVET THOUGHTS IN JANUARY

While we straddle two months this January, Tevet and Shevat, my thoughts as I write go towards Tevet, which has just begun. Our Kabbalistic sages teach that each month carries with it its own spiritual energy, a life arena upon which to direct attention towards healing — and also is associated with a particular mazal, constellation. (Talk about your Lucky Stars! 😊) In this way Jews are given direction on how to interact with the flow of the seasons in time, through our actions in tandem with Torah teachings. As we walk down this path we are given many moments to recognize HaShem’s presence in our lives.

Tevet can be a challenging month! It is no coincidence that Tevet is the time of the winter solstice, the weather outdoors reflecting spiritual themes of the month. The expansive energy in Kislev that connected us with our dreams, miracles and inner light is now followed by the hard task to dive inward: to uproot negative emotions that keep us ‘in the dark’ and get in the way of bringing our Kislev visions to light.

Tevet’s energy is about transforming dark emotions, especially anger. We are cautioned against holding onto anger in many Jewish writings, from Pirkei Avot (The Ethics of our Fathers) to the Mishna.

Even ‘righteous’ anger arising from injustices we experience or learn about directed against humanity, animals, our planet’s survival, must be transformed into action we harness towards tikkun olam.

It is part of our human experience to feel emotions and our nature to categorize these as positive or negative; those we are comfortable with expressing or bring us happiness are ‘good,’ those associated with unease, discomfort and suffering are ‘bad.’ Anger is a trickster: it has us believe that it is its own force field, when it is actually a secondary emotion. We almost always feel something else before anger arrives at our doorstep: resentment, jealousy, shame, entitlement, hurt, disappointment in ourselves. Anger tries to protect us from or cover up these other vulnerable feelings, or shift blame elsewhere. Who wants to look in the mirror and see what may be lurking there?

Tevet’s energy nudges us in the direction of taking that look, and to ‘see’ it as it is, an opportunity for soul growth. When anger arises, our task is to feel it but not act upon it. We collect data to uncover what’s underneath it: an ego wound or other challenging emotions. We bravely name what’s actually driving that train. Then we take the deep dive by asking and answering the tough questions: Am I blaming others or events for my unhappiness or misfortune? Will I choose to transform the anger into fuel to make positive changes in attitude or behavior, or will I allow it to render me powerless to move forward?

Kabbalah associates each month of our calendar with a letter from the Hebrew alphabet.

Tevet is associated with Ayin, which by no coincidence is the Hebrew word for Eye. Let’s direct our inner eye towards greater self-reflection, perception and transformation during this month.
Gan Katan December!

Q: What’s more fun than Chanukah?
A: Two Chanukah-themed Gan Katan celebrations!

Our second celebration featured holiday decorations, songs and stories. And, of course, we hosted the Chanukah Photo Booth again this year. We were thrilled to see so many congregants taking turns at the booth.

If you have a little one, bring them to our next Gan Katan Preschool Playgroup on January 6, 2019 at 9:45am!

MEN’S DISCUSSION GROUP
Wednesday, January 9 at 10:00 am

Discussion led by Ralph Shapiro
“Raising questions on Jewish History”
All Men Are Invited

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Shaare Tefila 2018 - 2019 Membership Photo Directories are now available. Stop by the office to pick up your copy.

After 4+ years of serving Shaare Tefila, I will be retiring from my position of Shul Administrator and Editor of the Shofar as of January 31.

“Thank you” to all for your kindness and support. It has been my pleasure getting to know and interact with Rabbi Layman, Jill Goldwater, shul staff, school staff and the extended Shaare Tefila family.

Shalom U’lehitraot Sara Miller
Blood Drive
Shaare Tefila Congregation
MLK Day of Service
Social Hall
16620 Georgia Ave.
Olney, MD 20832
Monday, January 21, 2019
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2787) or visit redcrossblood.org and enter “Shaare Tefila Congregation” to schedule an appointment.

Give more life. Donate blood.
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Projects include
• American Red Cross blood drive
• Blanket making - no-sew and knitted blankets
• Cheer cards for homebound seniors
• Clothing, books and nonperishable food drive
• Health education with MedStar health professionals
• Dry soup kit assembly

Register

MLK Day of Service
January 21, 2019

10:00 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Blood Drive

11:00 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Service Projects

Service location
Shaare Tefila Congregation
16620 Georgia Ave., Olney, MD 20832

Satellite parking
Oakdale United Methodist Church
3425 Emory Church Rd., Olney, MD 20832

Participate in onsite service projects benefiting Olney Help, Olney Home for Life, Project Linus of Montgomery County and Success in Style.
The Shofar

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FEBRUARY 23

May 18

MINI MINYAN

LED BY MARA LANSKY & BABETTE COHN

WHAT: EARLY SHABBAT DINNER, PRAYERS, SONGS WITH RUACH!

FEW: $5 PER PERSON; $18 PER FAMILY MAX.

MENU: MAC & CHEESE, PASTA/STEAMED VEGGIES, APPLESAUCE, COOKIES

RSVP ON CHAVERWEB OR CONTACT BABETTE

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SPECIAL SHABBAT PROGRAMS

Questions? Contact Babette Cohn bcohn@shaaretefila.org - 301-593-3410 X 103

SHABBAT SHURA WITH HAZZAN ADINA

REGULAR SERVICE WITH RABBI LAYMAN

*****A SINGING MINYAN*****

MARCH 9 JUNE 1

SHABBAT LIMUD WITH RABBI LAYMAN

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*****LEARN THE MEANING OF THE PRAYERS*****

JANUARY 5 MARCH 30

FAMILY SERVICE WITH RABBI LAYMAN, HAZZAN ADINA AND CHAVAYA STUDENTS

FEBRUARY 23 MAY 18

*****TOT SHABBAT WILL MEET ON EACH OF THESE DATES*****

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

January - February

SAVE THE DATE

JANUARY

January 21 - MLK Day of Service at Shaare Tefila

January 26 - Havdalah Experience

FEBRUARY

February 2 - Shaare Tefila’s “Night of Sweet Laughter 8” Comedy Night FUNdraiser

February 8 - Shabbat Dinner
NEED ASSISTANCE?

If a family member or another congregant is hospitalized or needs help from the Shaare Tefila Community, please notify the office or Rabbi Layman as soon as possible.

Contact the office or Rabbi Layman
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THE ROSE AND GEORGE TELLER PRESCHOOL
ZUMBA CLASS

Mondays, 6-6:45 pm
In the Shaare Tefila Social Hall
Fee: $10 per class or $50 for 6 classes

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Siddur $54 Machzor $36 Large Type Machzor $54

COME CELEBRATE YOUR JANUARY BIRTHDAY
AT SHABBAT KIDDUSH FOLLOWING SERVICES
JANUARY 5
Recognize a person or event in your life or remember a loved one. Donate to the Enhanced Kiddush, “Challah & Schmear” TODAY

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THE ROSE AND GEORGE TELLER PRESCHOOL IS HOSTING
JCC COMING OF AGE EVENT

Arnold Leibowitz speaking on “The Dreyfus Affair”

When: Wednesday, January 9, 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm
RSVP to JCC 301-348-3809
Cost $8, $10 at door
Light refreshments will be served following the program.

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BABKA BAKING BASH

Cost: $15

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If you missed the previous opportunity to claim a loved one’s brass Yahrzeit plaque, or know someone who is no longer a member but with whom you are in touch and think he or she might want to claim it, a list of the remaining unclaimed plaques is provided below. Please come by during office hours, or when the building is open, before Thursday, January 17, 2019, to claim any of these plaques. We will not be retaining them after that date.

[Although we have attempted to be as accurate as possible, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of this list. Please do not call the office to inquire about a plaque as we are unable to take the time to search for it.]

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Adelman Asher          Adelman Beatrice        Adelman William
Adelman Goldie         Adelman Hilda          Adelman Esther
Adelman Sol            Adelman Ruth            Adelman Sadie
Aleinstein Abe         Aleinstein Sarah        Aleinstein Brown
Aleinstein Jean        Aleinstein Joseph       Aleinstein Ruth
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Aptaker Joseph         Arnett Calvin            Balsam Rose Blance
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Babiskin Annie         Balman Rae B.           Balman Cohen Albert
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Block Helen            Blum Barbara           Block Dolleck Abraham
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Bontniker Eugenia      Bontniker Joseph        Bontniker Eugene
Braver Arthur          Braver Arthur           Braver Frieda
Braver Daniel Eben     Braver Daniel Eben     Braver Frieda
Braver Philip Yale     Braver David            Braver Fallek Harry Benjamin
Bregman Beckie         Bregman Beckie          Bregman Beckie
Bregman Gerdman        Bregman Gerda           Bregman Gerda
Bregman Gertrude       Bregman Gertrude        Bregman Gertrude
Bregman Jacob          Bregman Jacob          Bregman Jacob
Brick Esther           Brick Esther            Brick Brick Minnie
Brick Hilda            Brick Hilda            Brick Brick Minnie
Brick Isadore          Brick Isadore          Brick Isadore
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Katz Israel
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Kauffman Mildred K.
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Kauffman Rudi
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Keroes Celia
Keroes Meyer
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Kimmelman Israel
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Klein Irene
Klein Neddy B.
Klein Ruth W.
Klein Samuel Milton
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Kluger Rose
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Kramer Esther
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Liebman Susan Cherney
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Link Florence Rady
Loesberg Fanny
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Lowe Kenneth G.
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Lyons Genevieve Jean
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Maller Rebecca
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Margolis Gussie
Margolis Maurice
Margolis Nathan
Marty Emanuel
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Mostow David
Mostow Nathaniel
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Needelman Sadie
Needle Connie
Needle Gilbert
Needle Irving T.
Needle Morris
Neff Fannie
Neff Harry
Neiden Louis
Nevin Rose Bash
Nevin William
Newman Dr. Sigmund
Niefield Benjamin
Niefield Mary
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Rosenberg Max
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Rubin Dorthy
Rubin Mary B.
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Rubin Morris
Rubin Nathan
Rubinstein Abraham
Rubinstein Brenda
Rudkin Josephine Caplin
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Sack Herman
Sack Rose
Sadle Max
Sadle Sarah Goldie
Sanders Ida
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Saposneko Joseph
Saposneko Maurice Jacob
Schaffer Shirley Ruth
Schain Bertha
Schain Irving
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Schick Elmer
Schick Rose
Schick William
Schiff Irwin
Schiff Morris L.
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Schlesinger Milton
Schneider Albert
Schneider Henrietta
Schrier Samuel
Schrier Yetta Levine
Schwartz Anne
Schwartz Judith
Schwartz Rose
Schwartz Samuel
Schwarzwald Laura Kojcic
Serber Helen
Serber Jules
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Simon Harry
Simon Israel I.
Simon Julia H.
Simon Leah
Simon Mary
Simon Robert
Simon Sophie
Sirkis Clara
Siroff Pauline Friedman
Sloin Erma Gross
Solomon Aaron Louis
Solomon Anna Leah
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Spiwak Harry
Spiwak Philip Meyer
Spiwak Rachel
Stein Dr. Herbert
Stein Ida
Stein Leo
Steinberg Joseph Calvin
Steinberg Ruth Shapiro
Steinman Carl
Stern Marcus

Stern Sadie
Storch Beckie
Storch David
Strauss Charles
Striner Benjamin
Swersky Nathaniel
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Taff Harry H.
Taff Sara
Teitelman Isadore
Tuchin Leonard
Unger Helen
Unger Marvin
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Wagner Hattie
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Wax Ralph
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Weiman Manuel
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Weiner Ida
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Weinrit William
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Weinstein Max
Weinstein Meyer
Weinstein Rose
Weiss Ezra
Weiss Gertrude H.

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Whitcup Frances L.
Wiley Samuel J.
Winer Albert
Winer Sarah
Wolk Sadie Cohen
Wolk Samuel S.
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Wollstein Selma
Wolman Abraham
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Wostein Louis
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Yaffee Garson
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Yolles Harry
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Zubkoff Lena
Zucker Abraham
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Zukoff David Louis
Zukoff Shirley Rae
Zundell Roslyn Galef
Zundell Samuel Benjamin

Tu B’Shevat (New Year of the Trees) Word Search
See how many words you can find in the puzzle!

The words in the puzzle are:

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ECOLOGY
ENVIRONMENT
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OLIVES
POMEGRANATES
SEDER
SEVEN
TREE
TWEEST
specifications

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MYR I D M Q N N O O N V S
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The Shofar

EVENING MINYAN SERVICE DAVENING

CONTRIBUTOR: SAUL COHEN

The Mourner's Kaddish can only be recited in the presence of a Minyan (quorum of ten Jewish persons who are obligated to do so) during a prayer service. It is normally recited at specific points during each of the three daily services. When someone is saying Kaddish, it is a mitzvah to daven a service during the mourning and Yahrzeit periods since the leader reads several Kaddish prayers and the Mourner’s Kaddish during the service. This adds more and more holiness to the soul of the departed. By leading the services, one also joins the merit of all those praying and praising G-d to the soul of their dear departed.

Several members have asked how they can learn to daven the Ma’ariv or Evening service. Cantor Wendi Fried had prepared online teaching files for some of our members. We have uploaded these files to the Shaare Tefila web site by clicking “Worship” and then “Learn how to lead the evening services” from the drop-down menu or https://www.shaaretefila.org/worship/learn-how-to-lead-the-evening-services/. We encourage all members who want to learn. You may also contact Rabbi Layman or Saul Cohen.

I ask our members again to consider helping our Evening Minyan in the following ways:

• If you are attending a program, class or a meeting in the building, please arrive early and attend the 7:30 pm minyan. The service should last no longer than 15 minutes.
• If you know you will be saying Kaddish, contact the minyan captain ahead of time so that he/she can ensure a minyan. You will find their email addresses in the minyan team reminder that is sent to you the week prior to your assigned week.
• You can commit to coming to help make a minyan at least once or twice during the week it’s your team’s turn.
• If you live within the immediate area of Shaare Tefila and could be available when called, please add your name to our call list in case we may need you. You can contact me (saulsher@verizon.net) or the Rabbi (rjlayman@shaaretefila.org) to add your contact information.

Shaare Tefila has morning minyan on Monday and Thursday at 8 am, and 8:45 am on Sunday and federal holidays; and evening service 7:30 pm, Sunday through Thursday.
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**GREATER OLNEY INTERFAITH CLERGY ASSOCIATION UNITY SERVICE OF GIVING THANKS 2018**

CONTRIBUTOR: **MIIRIAM ITO**

Thank you to all who helped make the 9th Annual Greater Olney Unity Service of Giving Thanks a resounding success. The service was hosted by Shaare Tefila on November 20, 2018, and featured clergy from several faith traditions, including Jewish, Muslim, Quaker and different Christian denominations. Reflections and a prayer were also offered by an Elder of the Piscataway nation, with those of Monacan, Pawnee and Cherokee heritage in attendance. **Tom Brunetto** of Olney Home for Life spoke about the organization’s mission of helping seniors remain in their homes through teams of dedicated volunteers. Boy Scouts were on hand to help as ushers. Participants at the service also donated generously to Olney Help.

The service featured music and songs by an inter-faith choir of approximately twenty-five members formed specially for the event. The songs ranged from Gospel and inspirational pieces to our own Mi Shebeirach and Shalom Chaverim. An extended social hour followed the service, where participants enjoyed an abundance of cookies and other desserts from the Sunflower Bakery. More than 300 members of the public and our congregation participated, as well as ten members of the clergy, with additional support from fifteen faith communities in Greater Olney. The service was organized by the prayer committee of the Greater Olney Interfaith Clergy Association, co-chaired by our own **Rabbi Jonah Layman** and **Reverend Sue Shorb-Sterling** of Salem United Methodist Church in Brookeville. Special thanks go to the Shaare Tefila Sisterhood, Men’s Club and the many volunteers from our congregation who welcomed so many to our shul with great joy and unity.

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**KNAIDLACH PERFORMANCE AT REVITZ HOUSE**

CONTRIBUTOR: **MILT GOLDSAMT**

The “Die Freyliche Knaidlach” singing group, which includes 3 members of Shaare Tefila, performed Yiddish and Hebrew songs during a Chanukah program at the Revitz House residential facility in December. They also lit an unusual menorah created Erwin Thieberger, a Holocaust survivor. The menorah forms a large round half-circle with nine candles on a Star of David base and is constructed of concrete nails and solder. One of Mr. Thieberger’s menorahs was used in a White House Chanukah celebration during President Obama’s administration, and one was given to President Carter for his Presidential library.