FROM THE RABBI’S STUDY

THE UPCOMING ISRAELI ELECTIONS – SHOULD WE CARE?

RABBI JONAH LAYMAN

In April, citizens of Israel will be voting in parliamentary elections. Voting in Israel is quite different than the electoral process here. In Israel, people vote for a party rather than a person. Though certainly the parties are identified by their leaders – e.g. Benjamin Netanyahu of Likud – and those leaders shape the party, the members of Knesset are drawn from the list that the party declares. To further complicate matters, there are 120 members of Knesset who do not represent districts of Israel but rather are selected based on the percentage of the total vote the party received. For example, if the Likud were to receive 50% of the vote then they would get 60 seats in the Knesset. Since no party in the history of the State of Israel ever received that many votes, parties need to form coalitions in order to have a majority in the Knesset and to be able to govern.

The government of Israel, of course, has a responsibility to serve the citizens of Israel. However, Israeli leaders know that in some respect they also represent the global Jewish community. We pray every day toward Jerusalem, we look forward some day to returning to Israel, and Israel will always be considered our home. Israel always does what it can to protect and save Jews around the world who are in danger. Three years after it was established, it saved the Jews of Yemen. Over 35 years ago, it airlifted almost the entire Jewish community of Ethiopia. It worked tirelessly to free the Jews from behind the Soviet Iron Curtain.

Israel’s relationship with us, the American Jewish community, has always been strong but also fraught with tension. Israel assumes that we will support her policies blindly and it assumes that we will send our youth to visit and that someday we will move there. Obviously, that hasn’t been the American Jewish community agenda. We do send lots of young people on Birthright and other trips, but we take issue with its policies toward its Arab minority population and we have opinions regarding potential peace with the Palestinians.

If our Jewish agenda is different from Israel’s then why should we care about its election? Because Israel is our spiritual home, we should be concerned and interested. We should take pride in everything Israel does, and we should know that Israel always strives to live up to its biblical, prophetic mandate to be “a light unto the nations.” Though we don’t live there, we should advocate that Israel’s policies for all its citizens be moral, just and fair. There is a newcomer, former IDF Chief of Staff Benny Gantz, who is making a splash as a possible viable alternative to the allegedly corrupt and criminal current prime minister. Will Gantz, if elected, make peace with the Palestinians? Will he make changes in Israeli society? Only time will tell. With blessings.
March is the month that opens the door to spring and renewal. Jews have known for millennia that renewal is part of life. It is the basis of Shabbat, a day of rest and renewal. So, too, with organizations.

I began researching self-renewing organizations. The very first “hit” was a publication called: “The Self-Renewing Organization: How Ideas from the Field of Organizational Development can Revitalize Jewish Institutions,” published by the Jewish Agency for Israel. The introduction said:

In a world which is changing rapidly, all organizations must learn to become more open to new ideas, more flexible in outlook, and more thoughtful in their policies.

The paper then acknowledges what has become increasingly clear: “Institutions of an earlier era could afford to operate as fixed and stable destinations, secure in their mission and confident that Jews would seek them out,” but we know that the next generation of American Jews is not affiliating with Jewish institutions, such as synagogues, in the numbers they did in previous generations. Jewish institutions need to innovate.

That reality has generated two simultaneous and parallel activities: (1) discussions and brainstorming with B’nai Shalom of Olney (BSO) about a vision for the future of Jews and Judaism in the greater Olney area, and (2) an update to our strategic plan to build on our existing strengths in order to sustain and grow membership and participation. Mark Kaufman has been leading a group that is devising a blueprint to focus and guide all major aspects of Shaare Tefila’s activities over the next few years. A rough draft will be presented to the Board of Directors in the near future, and a status report will be given at our annual congregation meeting in May.

Speaking of change and renewal, March marks the end of Jill Goldwater’s outstanding service as our Executive Director and the start of our new Executive Director’s leadership. Jill’s humor and knowledge, and her wise and steadfast leadership, will be sorely missed. Our new Executive Director, Shana Rosenblatt, has been a synagogue administrator, an events manager, a religious school teacher, and, at one time, the owner of a pet store! [Ask her about the Gerbil Derby.] We welcome Shana and look forward to working with her for many years to come.

P.S. Please email me at president@shaaretefila.org and let me know what you and others in your household do for a living, or did before retiring, and what hobbies or activities you enjoy doing or in which you have particular talent . . . all part of building for the future on our strengths. 😊
We believe that children are citizens of our community. When we notice something in the classroom, we bring it to their attention. We trust the children making decisions about their classroom. Learning becomes more meaningful when the children are involved in planning.

In the 4s class, the children were not visiting the easel. We brought this to the children. In small groups they shared that they were bored with tempera paint and wanted to switch to watercolors. We asked them how they would want to proceed. As the discussion continued, we documented their planning process. There were three main points.

1. The choice of colors they want to add.
2. How the space was going to be used by multiple friends?
3. How long can each friend take a turn?

All three points were important to the children, but the third was the hardest. We reconvened the small groups to explore this further. One group’s dialogue went as follows:

"How about 20 minutes?"
"It cannot be 10 or 20, because both are too high."
"How about 3 or 4?"
Teacher: - "How are we deciding on these numbers?"
"Our brain is making us think about things"
"Well 3 is short. They might need a little bit more time. Because, sometimes you can't finish so quickly."
"How about 7 or 8? That's not too long."
"But, I want to finish it."
"If they need to finish we can give them more minutes. So, 7 minutes and then you add one. It's one more minute. And keep doing that and go on, till he's done."

They shared this conclusion with the class, where there was a different point of view. They thought everybody might want to get a turn on the same day. "But there might not be a lot of time for all friends in one day." The discussion continued as the children played out different scenarios. At the end of every scenario the children realized there might not be enough time for everyone to get a turn with the easel on the same day.

"How about one friend gets a turn on one day?"
"But, that's going to take a very, very long time."
"That might be years."

They concluded "if there’s time, another person can do on the easel, or may be the next day."

It took some time for them to decide on how the easel was going to be used. Collaboration helped them decide how they were going to solve the problem.

After 14 years as your Executive Director, I am retiring to enjoy my family, travel and have the opportunity to explore my creative side. Shaare Tefila has been a great “ride” and I have truly enjoyed working for, and with, all of you. My last day in the office will be March 6, 2019.

Shaare Tefila is a warm, welcoming and caring community, and I was proud to be so much a part of that over the years. The staff and volunteers all work with respect and purpose to move Shaare Tefila forward - something that doesn't happen in every congregation but definitely happens here. Everyone should be proud of who they are and what Shaare Tefila is. And this has made working here truly enjoyable!

I hope to see you on March 31 so we can have a more personal L’Hitraot! I am staying in the area, so I am sure I will run into many of you around town.
The Social Action Committee continues to provide a variety of programs to our membership as well as the larger community. It is our goal to be active participants in social justice issues and to keep our members informed. We are so pleased with the very positive responses we’ve received regarding our programming thus far.

February was Jewish Disability Awareness and Inclusion Month (JDAIM). On February 24, we partnered with Br’ahna Shalom of Olney to present a film called Intelligent Lives. The film challenges what it means to be intelligent, and points to a future in which people of all abilities can fully participate in higher education, meaningful employment and intimate relationships. If you missed the event, check out the film and other resources at www.intelligentlives.com.

CLOTHING COLLECTION ON MLK DAY
CONTRIBUTOR: ETHEL LEVINE

It took three vehicles to transport the clothing which was donated to the Shaare Tefila Social Action Committee during the Martin Luther King Day Event. Thanks to Vivienne Auerbach, Bernice Goldstein and Ira Levine for loading the vehicles; three vehicles were packed full of bags of used clothing for Success-in-Style in Savage Mill, Maryland. Once there, we filled several huge bins with our “proceeds” of materials for the S-I-S charity to use in its efforts to assist people who were going to enter the work force. The volunteer staff there was overwhelmed with the draw of clothing from the Shaare Tefila drive, and thanked us profusely for our efforts and generosity.

It was apparent that this event was a huge hit! It both rid you of your excess clothing and supplied Success-in-Style with material to sell in its store. The proceeds of the sale are for its target group of people who will be schooled in their job skills before they enter the work force. Compliments to all who assisted in making this clothing drive a major success!

CHESED COMMITTEE
CONTRIBUTOR: ADRIANA SANDLER

Need a ride?
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

Israeli Dance with Ken Avner
every Thursday evening at 8:00 pm

JILL GOLDWATER RETIREMENT LUNCHEON
Shaare Tefila Executive Director, Jill Goldwater, will retire after 14 years of dedicated service to our synagogue.

Please join your Shaare Tefila family on Sunday, March 31 11:30 pm to celebrate and honor her for her years of commitment and support to our community. Please RSVP by March 25 to Babette bcohn@shaaretefila.org or Cilla drgmrs@aol.com.

MEET OUR NEW SHUL ADMINISTRATOR
ROBERTA KATZ

A life-long Marylander, Roberta was raised in Berwyn Heights and currently lives in Columbia. She claims that Columbia is the ideal residential location because of its proximity to Baltimore, DC, and Virginia cultural events.

Professionally, Roberta was a Prince George’s and Montgomery County Public Schools educator for almost 30 years. She taught secondary level Spanish, English, Reading, French, and ESL. As an undergraduate, Roberta studied Linguistics, ESL, and Spanish Secondary Education at the University of Maryland. She earned her Master’s degree in Educational Administration from Loyola University of Maryland. After a full-time public school teaching career, Roberta taught Spanish and French part-time at Beth Tfiloh Dahan Community School in Pikesville.

Not-for-profit service has always been an integral part of Roberta’s portfolio. When her daughter was in elementary school, Roberta worked at the Foreign-born Information and Referral Network helping place immigrant clients of all nationalities with volunteer ESL teachers. Roberta is an active Hadassah member, and serves on Beth Tfiloh Congregation’s and Sisterhood’s Boards, the Synagogue Life Committee and facilitates the Empty Nester Chavurah.

The Jewish on-line dating service, J-Date, brought Roberta and Ron Katz together 17 years ago. They have 2 grown daughters, Melissa and Lauren. Two years ago, Roberta and Ron adopted the sweetest rescue chihuahua named, Kato. When not working, you can find Roberta strength-training, outdoors walking Kato, reading, watching a movie, enjoying the theater, listening to the symphony, or traveling.
We Did It! What an amazing Comedy Night we had this year! Shaare Tefila hosted another successful and sold-out event at our "Night of Sweet Laughter 8" - Comedy Night FunDraiser on Saturday night, February 2. The room was filled to capacity, literally, with members and friends of Shaare Tefila anticipating a fabulous night of laughter, entertainment and friendship. A delicious dessert reception followed the show.

Comedian/host Irwin Loring of Kaleidoscope Comedy, our own home grown comic Hedi Sandberg, feature comic Missy Hall and headliner Buddy Fitzpatrick put on a tremendous show and kept all who attended laughing all night long.

Our evening could not have been successful without volunteers who provided love and support prior and throughout the evening. Our appreciation goes out to Hyman Grosberg, Babette Cohn, Jill Goldwater, Miriam and Yoshi Ito, Wendy Abraham, Jay and Rita Hagler, Ken Libby, Stan Kensky, Saul and Sherry Cohen, Tina Afshari and Cami and Mike Gottlieb. Our bar was stocked with wonderful wine and beer from "The Wine Loft" in Pikesville, Maryland (1809 Reisterstown Rd, Suite 122.) Special thanks to Milt Goldsamt, Jill Goldwater and Sara Miller for their support in advertising and taking the RSVPs for this event.

Most importantly, thank you to all of you who attended this wonderful fundraiser, it was great to see so many members and their friends and family attend this great night of entertainment. Your attendance and support of this event/fundraiser helps Shaare Tefila continue to provide strong social, educational and spiritual programs for our community. Remember: The Shaare Tefila Comedy night is always Erev (night before) the Super Bowl....

Next year’s date will be, Saturday, February 1, 2020 ..........SAVE THE DATE NOW! ........

Purim is Coming!

We had lots of fun during February at Chavaya, during the month of Adar I. On the 10th we had special programming for all our students. Kitot Alef-Bet & Gimel learned all about the tradition of tzedakah/justice and how it can be part of their families’ heritage, with Jill Epstein and her father’s book, Tzedakah and the Precious Pushke. Each child was gifted with his/her very own book and CD to take home. You can see pictures from the program below.

Kitot Dalet & Teens were joined by congregant Stephen Freedman. Stephen spoke with the students about ‘Israeli Innovations,’ a presentation that is part of his high school internship with the organization Stand With Us. He also shared his experiences as a BBYO Ambassador to the Ukraine last fall. Everyone appreciated learning from Stephen and the example he demonstrates as a young leader in the Jewish community.

The Purim Carnival will be on March 17th! The morning will begin with Chavaya as usual at 9:30 in classes. At 10:45 the children will join everyone for a Purim performance by Mezumenet A Capella from the University of Maryland; our own Morah Rebecca Elspas is a member of the group and will be singing that morning! The Carnival will commence at 11:30 with lots of fun games, food and a guaranteed good time for all! Once again we will offer a play-all-day bracelet for $15 option and the ability to purchase lunch.

Erev Purim and the Megillah reading will be on the evening of March 20th. Children in grades 3 and up will be taking turns reading from the Book of Esther along with our wonderful clergy and some adult helpers. Remember to bring a box of pasta or mac & cheese to use for groggers; they will be donated to Olney Help following the holiday.

JCrafts will come to school on March 24th for some hands-on fun with Kitah Alef-Bet and Kitah Gimel. To conclude the month, on March 31st students in grades 5-7 will join students from B’nai Shalom of Olney for a trip to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial in Washington, DC for a program on the intersection of Judaism and King’s teachings and philosophy.
Shaare Tefila’s Annual

Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 17
10:45-11:30am
Mezumenet A Capella
U of MD’s Only Treble Acapella Group
No Charge

11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Purim Carnival
Play-All-Day bracelet for $15

Featuring.....
Moon Bounce!  Queen Esther’s Nail Salon!
Face Painting!  Lollipop Tree!  Awesome Prizes!

Food available for purchase
Hot Dogs!  Popcorn!
Hamentashen!

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2019 Passover Wine Sale  
[All wines Kosher for Passover]  
Please order by email, phone or regular mail beginning  
MARCH 17 – APRIL 7  
Pickup and / or home delivery beginning MARCH 17  

**ISRAELI WHITE WINES**  
- Barkan Chardonnay $16  
- Carmel Appellation Sauvignon Blanc $25  
- Or Haganuz Sauvignon Blanc $24  
- Tabor Adama Sauvignon Blanc $26  
- Teberberg Vision White $17  
- Tishbi Emerald Riesling $20  
- Tishbi Sauvignon Blanc $20  
- Yarden Mt. Hermon White $18

**ISRAELI RED WINES**  
- Barkan Cabernet $18  
- Carmel Concorde $12  
- Carmel Moscato $16  
- Carmel Young Moscato $16  
- Dalton Cabernet $23  
- Dalton Merlot $23  
- Dalton Shiraz $23  
- Dolev Muscat Hamburg (Blush wine) $17  
- Galil Merlot $21  
- Galil Pinot Noir $24  
- Morad Grapefruit (Fruit wine) $24  
- Morad Lychee (Fruit wine) $24  
- Morad Passion Fruit (Fruit wine) $24  
- Morad Pomegranate (Fruit wine) $24  
- Recanti Merlot $26  
- Tabor Shiraz $22  
- Yarden Mt. Hermon Red $18

**WINES FROM CALIFORNIA, NY OR OTHER COUNTRIES THAN ISRAEL**  
- (Australia) Altoona Hills Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot (Red) $15  
- (Australia) Altoona Hills Chardonnay (White) $15  
- (Australia) Altoona Hills Shiraz (Red) $15  
- (Australia) Teal Lake Cabernet/Merlot (Mix) (Red) $18  
- (Australia) Teal Lake Chardonnay (White) $18  
- (Australia) Teal Lake Moscato D’Aussie (White) $14  
- (Australia) Teal Lake Shiraz (Red) $18  
- (California) Herzog Merlot (Red) $17  
- (California) Herzog White Zinfandel (Blush wine) $12  
- (Chile) Lanzur Cabernet Sauvignon (Red) $18  
- (Chile) Lanzur Chardonnay (White) $17  
- (Chile) Lanzur Merlot (Red) $18  
- (Italy) Bartenura Moscato (White) $19  
- (Italy) Borgo Reale Pinot Grigio (White) $26  
- (New York) Manischewitz Concord (Red) $10  
- (New York) Manischewitz Cream Red $12  
- (New York) Manischewitz Cream White $12  
- (New Zealand) O'Dwyers Creek Sauvignon Blanc (White) $25  
- (South Africa) Villa Cape Pinotage (Red) $15  
- (Spain) Herenza (Red) $22  
- (Spain) RamonCORDONAS Rioja (Red) $11

**WINE SALE ORDER FORM**  
[Please make checks payable to Shaare Tefila Men’s Club]  
Email: saleavey@gmail.com, or call 301-384-8928 or 301-325-4859  
Or, mail to Stephen Leavey, 13704 Castle Cliff Way, Silver Spring, MD 20904

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Beginning Tuesday, February 26, and continuing through Sunday, April 28, the Winer Family Gallery presents Local Color, an exhibit of oil paintings by Patrick Sieg. Patrick, a resident of Derwood, MD, displays paintings that portray a variety of interesting structures in Montgomery County’s countryside. His paintings feature bright daylight, crisp natural color and strong linear elements that draw attention to the beautiful architecture in our locale. His focus is on the traditional and the colorful. The images evoke emotion and a sense of nostalgia that make our county unique as well as picturesque.

Patrick Sieg’s studio practice is focused on representation—portrait and landscape paintings. A consistent theme in his work is a focus on sources of light. While his art is clearly “realistic,” he strives to incorporate abstract compositional elements in his work. He finds inspiration in the work of artists John Singer Sargent, Joaquin Sorolla, Edward Hopper, Wayne Thiebaud and Richard Schmid.

After a long career in finance with Marriott Corporation, he focuses now on his love of art and oil painting and continues his studies and creative growth through classes at the National Gallery of Art, The Compass Atelier in Rockville, the Yellow Barn Studio at Glen Echo and the Art League of Alexandria.

Patrick has exhibited his artwork throughout the Washington, DC, area and is an award winner in many juried shows. He is President of the Rockville Art League, a Studio 209 Resident Artist at Artists and Makers in Rockville, a Resident Artist in Artists on Market Gallery in the Kentlands and a Board Member of the Friends of the Yellow Barn Studio and Gallery in Glen Echo.

For more information about the artist, and to see more of his work, please visit www.patricksiegl.com.

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

**RESULTS OF THE PARADE CONTEST**

The theme for this year’s festival parade in Silver Spring was “History Comes Alive!”. Several local organizations entered the contest, including the local historical society, a local marching band, and a contingent from a nearby university. The entries were judged on their creativity, originality, and overall impact on the parade. The winners were awarded cash prizes and a plaque commemorating their achievement.

The grand prize went to the local historical society, which created a float depicting the history of the town, complete with period costumes and props. The Silver Spring High School marching band received an honorable mention for their creative use of music and dance to engage the audience. The local university contingent won an award for their unique approach to the theme, featuring a group of students dressed as historical figures performing a skit on the history of Silver Spring.

The parade was a great success, drawing a large crowd and generating a lot of enthusiasm among local residents. The winners were presented with their awards at the parade finale, and the event was a fitting celebration of the town’s rich history and vibrant community spirit.

**NEWS FROM THE WINER FAMILY GALLERY**

Fran Abrams, Fine Arts Committee

**THE SPARK OF THE MONTH**

Contributor: Susan J. Rubenstein

**THE MONTH OF ADAR**

A surefire way for me to discover the unexpected is to misplace my glasses. (Also works with earrings.)

The searching ritual typically starts wherever I recall last wearing or taking them off. There will be customary self-utterances of exasperation and frustration with myself for never putting them away in the same place. Recently my eyeglasses ‘walked off’ in the middle of the night, after bedtime reading. They couldn’t have gone far. I removed the stack of books and paraphernalia on my nightstand. Not there. Searched around and underneath. Got down on hands and knees, risking dust bunnies, to look under the bed. No eyewear. But... so that’s where my favorite writing pen went! And that book of Yehuda Amichai poetry I couldn’t find for months! So excited! I get up and sit on my bed to read for a moment. Near my pillow - where peeking out of its corner edge are my eyeglasses.

Hidden in plain sight. Like Queen Esther in our Purim narrative – whose name is connected to the Hebrew nisrāh. Esther hides her Jewish identity upon entering the palace, only later revealed to help her people. We will soon ‘unscroll’ the Megillah, and enter a story in which G-d’s presence is not overtly revealed – but whose presence is evident in the unfolding of the tale. Can we trust that Hashem is always there, even when we don’t ‘believe’ or are in hard times?

What is hiding in plain sight, what is revealed - and how? In our lives? These are Adar questions to ponder. We are now in Adar Time. This being a leap year in our Jewish calendar, we are given a double portion with an extra serving of Adar I/Aleph and Adar II/Bet. In Hebrew the word for leap year is shanah me-uberet: A Pregnant Year. Adar arrives pregnant with joy. Certainly the rollicking tale of Purim, with a Disney-worthy masked ball replete with costumes, good versus evil characters, even a beauty contest – not to mention the mitzvah of making merry – are ample reminders to find and access joy.

Many in our community have suffered deep losses of loved ones this year. Finding joy may not be possible during Adar, or for quite some time. I understand. In 1997 both my father and father-in-law died during Adar I within 2 weeks of each other. Purim that year arrived during Shloshim. Honor how you are feeling with self-compassion. Take comfort with and from this community who cares about you.
Shaare Tefila’s GAN KATAN!

CONTRIBUTOR: MARA LANSKY

In February, our Gan Kataners were invited to join Chavaya Religious School for a fun program.

Afterward we were able to spend time creating our own hamsa designs to hang in our homes.

We meet again on March 10th. See you then!

Circle Time w/ Morah Mara

Designing and Creating our Hamsas

The Assembly of Past Shaare Tefila Men’s Club Blue Yarmulke Men of the Year has the pleasure of announcing that Michael Auerbach has been selected as this year’s Shaare Tefila Men’s Club Blue Yarmulke Man of the Year.

Please help honor Michael at the Seaboard Region Annual Blue Yarmulke Man of the Year Awards Brunch on April 7, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at Chizuk Amuno Congregation, 8100 Stevenson Road, Baltimore MD

Mazel Tov to Michael and his family!!

Register to attend by noon April 1, 2019.

To register, please visit https://www.wizadjournal.com/fjmceaboard2019/?id=3243

Shaare Tefila has always had a strong representation at the Blue Yarmulke Awards event in support of our award-ee. Please register and let’s continue that great tradition!

To arrange a carpool, contact Mike Binder.

Men’ Club Wine Sale is underway.

Please purchase your Passover Wine from Shaare Tefila Men’s Club! See the Wine Sale Flyer on Page 8

MISHLOACH MANOT 2019 FUNDRAISER
PURIM IS MARCH 20TH & 21ST

COORDINATORS:
STEPHANIE BUCKBERG
LOIS FREEDMAN
ETHEL LEVINE

It's that time of year again already, and our wonderful Mishloach Manot fundraiser, through Happy Purim, is in full swing. Emails have been sent out letting everyone know the site is live.

For more details contact Stephanie Buckerg at pmjmine3@gmail.com
The Shofar

PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG FAMILIES

TOT SHABBAT
Led by: Mara Lansky
Who: Young Children & Families
What: Morning Shabbat Program
When: Shabbat, 10:45 AM - 11:30 AM

May 18

GAN KATAN PLAYGROUP
Led by: Mara Lansky
Who: Children preschool age and their parents
What: Play, story time, crafts and snack - Free
When: Sundays, 9:45 AM - 11:15 AM
RSVP to Cilla Grosberg: drgmrs@aol.com

MARCH 10
APRIL 14

MINI MINYAN
Led by Mara Lansky & Babette Cohn
When: Fridays 5:45 PM - 6:45 PM
Who: Ages 0-7 and their adults

WHAT:
Early Shabbat dinner, prayers, songs with Ruach!
Fee: $5 per person; $18 per family max.
Menu: Mac & Cheese, Pasta/steamed veggies, applesauce, cookies

March 29
May 10

RSVP on ChaverWeb or contact Babette bcohn@shaaretefila.org

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

SHABBAT SHIRA with Hazzan Adina
Regular Service with Rabbi Jonah
*****A SINGING MINYAN*****
June 1

SHABBAT LIMUD with Rabbi Jonah
Regular Service with Hazzan Adina
*****LEARN THE MEANING OF THE PRAYERS*****
March 9

FAMILY SERVICE with Rabbi Layman, Hazzan Adina and Chavaya Students
May 18

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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
March - April

SAVE THE DATE

MARCH
March 17 - Purim Carnival
March 20 - Megillah Reading
March 21 - Purim
March 31 - Luncheon in Honor of Jill Goldwater

APRIL
April 7 - Blue Yarmulke Award Luncheon
April 7 - Sisterhood Musical Seder
April 14 - Bake off!
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
301-593-3410

THE ROSE AND GEORGE TELLER PRESCHOOL
ZUMBA CLASS

Mondays, 6-6:45 pm
In the Shaare Tefila Social Hall
Fee: $15 per class or $80 for session
New Session begins February 11 - April 1

Benefits the preschool!

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CONTRIBUTOR: JUDY BEISER

When you purchase scrip you are supporting Shaare Tefila.
With every scrip purchase the shul receives a rebate that is used to fund various shul activities.

Purchase scrip for local groceries as well as a large variety of shops and department stores.
Cards immediately available:
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H Mart - $20
Moti’s Market - $50
Shalom Kosher Market - $100, $50
Shopper’s Food Warehouse - $100, $50, $10
ShopRite - $100, $50
Starbucks - $25, $10, $5
Safeway - $100, $25

To buy scrip, contact the office or call:
Judy Beiser 301-598-2082
Barbara Fink 301-438-3149
Rita Rubinstein 301-816-9686

DONATE A BOOK FOR USE AT SERVICES

Please consider donating a book in memory of or in honor of a loved one or in recognition of a special life event. Contact the office.

Siddur $54  Machzor $36  Large Type Machzor $54

COME CELEBRATE YOUR MARCH BIRTHDAY
AT SHABBAT KIDDUSS FOLLOWING SERVICES

MARCH 9
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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MEN’S DISCUSSION GROUP

Wednesday, March 13 at 10:00 am

Bill Sumner will discuss the new exhibit at The U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum AMERICANS AND THE HOLOCAUST

All Men Are Invited

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SUNFLOWER PURIM MENU 2019

All Purim Menu items available from February 25th – March 29th. Pre-order deadline is March 15th at 2:00 pm. Purim pickups available throughout the DC Metro area. Details on our website at www.sunflowerbakery.org.
To focus our attention on making the yummier hamantaschen, only select items from our regular menu* will be sold March 17th – 20th.

NF = Nut Free, GF = Gluten Free, V = Vegan

Traditional Hamantaschen
$12/doz. (approximately 1 lb), $7/half doz.
- Apricot (NF), Chocolate (NF), Raspberry (NF), Prune (NF), Poppy, Almond
Traditional Assortment (NF), $13/doz.
- Our most popular assortment: Apricot, Raspberry, Chocolate, and Prune.
The Nutty Dozen Assortment, $13/doz.
- Assortment includes Apricot, Raspberry, Poppy and Almond.
Traditional Platter (NF), $53/platter.
- 4 dozen hamantaschen artfully arranged (including a dozen each of Apricot, Raspberry, Chocolate, and Prune).

Please note: we cannot make any alterations or substitutions in our assortments or platters.

Specialty Hamantaschen, $16/doz., $8.50/half doz.
Back by popular demand, a twist on the classics... you won’t be disappointed.
- Triple Chocolate (NF)
  - Delicious chocolate dough with fudge brownie filling, drizzled with dark and white chocolate.
- Cookie Dough (NF)
  - Chocolate pastry with a chocolate chip cookie dough center; genius!
- Coco Caramel
  - Caramel coconut-filled hamantaschen lavishly drizzled with dark chocolate. One is never enough.
- Chocolate Almond
  - Filled with almond cream, slightly dipped in dark chocolate and crunchy toasted almonds.
- Strawberry Funfetti (NF)
  - Filled with strawberry jam, decorated with confectioners icing and colorful sprinkles.

Dipped Hamantaschen, $15/doz., $8/half doz.
- Our most popular traditional fillings generously dipped in Cellebaut semi-sweet chocolate. Flavors include: Dipped Apricot (NF), Dipped Chocolate (NF), and Dipped Raspberry (NF).

Gluten-Free Hamantaschen, $16/single flavor doz., $8.50/single flavor ½ doz., $17.00/assorted doz.
- Gluten-free flavors include: Apricot, Raspberry, and Prune.
Please note: Sunflower Bakery is not a gluten free facility.

Mishloach Manot, (NF) $7 each
- A colorful gourmet window box is filled with a Hamantaschen Favor (includes 1 Apricot, 1 Chocolate and 1 Raspberry) and other goodies.

NEW Masquerade Cookies, (NF) $8 for 10 cookies
- Delicious Rolled Sugar Cookies, decorated with colorful sugar for your celebration!

Hamantaschen Favors, $3.25/each
- 1 Apricot, 1 Raspberry and 1 Chocolate hamantaschen packaged in a sealed cello bag.

Assorted Mini Hamantaschen, (NF)
$8/doz., 2 inch triangles
- Intended for large events. Flavors include Apricot, Raspberry, and Chocolate. A minimum 15-dozen order is required.

*Select items from our regular menu:

Bars (NF)
- Chocolate Brownies, Blondies, Lemon Bars, Apricot Crumb (V), Raspberry Crumb (V), Nut Free Bar Platter.

Cookies and Mandel
- Chocolate Chip cookies (NF), Trail Mix Cookies (NF,GF), Coconut Macaroons (GF), Combo Mandel.

Cakes and Breads (NF)
- Chocolate Bundt Cake, Lemon Bundt Cake, Chocolate Chunk Banana Bread, Marble Cake, Chocolate Chip Cookie Cake, Happy Cake.

Sunflower Bakery
Caring is our main ingredient

Specialty Hamantaschen Platter, $65/platter
- Surprise your family and friends with our specialty hamantaschen flavors! 16 inch festive platter includes a total of 45 of our specialty Hamantaschen, 9 of each specialty flavor, garnished with colorful sunflower cookies.

Pickup is available at:
Shaare Tefila
16620 Georgia Avenue, Olney, MD 20832
- Mon, Mar 18 12 - 5 pm
- Tue, Mar 19 9 am - 5 pm
- Wed, Mar 20 9 am - 5 pm
- and during service/meghilla reading

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