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## FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

# Praying for the New President

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This article was written on January 6, the day on which the presidential election results were certified by Congress. Many people are anxious about what these next 4 years in America will look like. Others are looking forward to what President Trump will accomplish. No matter our feelings about the new president it is appropriate to pray for him and our country.

At the synagogue board meeting on Monday evening January 6 I shared the following prayer written and recited by Rabbi Dr. Nelson Glueck (president of the Reform Movement Hebrew Union College) at the inauguration of President Kennedy in 1961. The style is outdated but the sentiments are still relevant. It is a hopeful prayer and one which should always inspire us to advocate for these ideals.

"We turn to Thee, O God, in deepest gratitude on this exalting day of reaffirmation of our Nation's ideals and unity, and of personal avowal of sacred obligation by our President, in Thy name. Mayest Thou, O God, to whom alone belong the dominion and the power, be his stay and support in the fulfillment of his awesome trust, to insure the unfettered implementation of the spirit and letter of our Constitution for all the inhabitants of our

land, to provide them in law and in fact equal opportunities of learning and labor and well-being, to safeguard the physical and moral integrity of our beloved Commonwealth, founded on faith in Thee. O Thou, who art the source of all life, quicken his heart always with the awareness of Thy presence, and especially in the lonely moments of fateful decisions which may be his to make for us and our world. Guard and guide him in Thy loving kindness, that through his leadership hunger may be stilled, hurts healed, hope sustained, the weak and the worn assisted, human dignity and decency upheld, the blight of war and the specter of annihilation banished, and peace in freedom prevail among all Thy children everywhere, with none to make them afraid.

"In profound humility, O God, we pray that Thy blessing may rest upon our President and all associated with him in our Government, which we the people have set in authority, upon everyone and everything dear and precious to him and us, as we repeat the ever new words of the ancient prayer in sacred writ: May the Lord bless thee and keep thee. May the Lord cause His countenance to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee, May the Lord lift up His countenance unto thee and grant thee peace."

With hope for the next four years,

## Message from the President

Jeff Weiss, President | [President@ShaareTefila.org](mailto:President@ShaareTefila.org)



January has been an eventful month with a snow event and very cold weather, a change of administration for our country, professional football play-off excitement in the local area, and the unfortunate passing of a number of our members or family of members.

I always speak about the strength of our community and despite the weather previously mentioned, there was still good attendance for Shabbat services the past month. Additionally, one *Shabbat* when our clergy weren't available, Paul Tilles and Howie Horowitz stepped up to lead services. It has also been very nice to see the continued incorporation of our newer members participating in the services. I do need to point out the wonderful *haftarah* chanting by Alan Heine which he does in a Sephardic trope. Many compliments can be heard at services after his chanting.

On a personal note, Fran and I are excited that our daughter Hope has started her final semester of her undergraduate work at the University of Maryland. Also, as a number of you are aware, we are in the process of building a second home in Lewes, Delaware and we are enjoying seeing the progress of it being built.

As always, my monthly reminder, while financial support to our congregation is important there is also there is a non-financial support needed for our community by way of **VOLUNTEERING!** I again encourage everyone to commit to pick at least a single event to volunteer to help. If you are unsure of who to contact, please reach out to a Shaare Tefila officer or to our Executive Director, Jerry Kiewe.

I truly appreciate all of you being such an important part of our synagogue family. Together, we'll continue to foster a meaningful, supportive, and enriching environment for everyone.



# On My Mind

By Jerry Kiewe, Executive Director | [JKiewe@ShaareTefila.org](mailto:JKiewe@ShaareTefila.org)



A few weeks ago, on one of my foraging trips through the shelves of my local public library, I came across a lesser-known story by Ray Bradbury, *Something Wicked This Way Comes*. The title is from a line in Act IV of *Macbeth*; “By the pricking

of my thumbs, something wicked this way comes” – a foreboding warning.

I recall having been enticed to see the 1983 movie version – a rather dark story that was produced, oddly enough, by Walt Disney Productions. The storyline was inspired by Bradbury’s memories of growing up in the mid-West and his fascination with the circus show that came to his town. In the movie, the circus that arrives is led by the ominous ‘Mr. Dark’ (no subtlety there) and two teenage boys soon discover that the its strange collection of performers set about to prey on the hopes and vanities of the town’s inhabitants. It features a magic carousel that has the ability to age its riders, both forward and backwards, depending upon their hopes. Mr. Dark sets his sights on enticing the two boys, while the aging father of one, played by Jason Robards, is challenged to protect them, while also fighting inner demons of his own.

Alas, the title and the storyline resonated. Over recent weeks, there was a growing sense of concern as the ‘circus’ approached Washington DC, and that has intensified as it has begun ‘setting up its tents’ here. We’re only two weeks in and already we’ve been treated to a succession of events that once would have been unthinkable.

If this strikes some as overly alarmist ... well, I plead guilty as charged ... because I AM alarmed.

To be sure, I try to always keep an open mind and am even willing to acknowledge that there are some proposed

changes that make good sense and, dare I say it, might even be overdue. For instance, I will not mind at all if we stop minting new pennies! They DO cost more to produce than they are actually worth, the existing pennies aren’t going to suddenly all disappear instantly, and most people rarely use cash, and fewer use coins. I am a fan of Lincoln ... but let’s face it, being put on the lowly penny is hardly an honor and he’ll still have the \$5 bill. ;-)

I am also willing to tolerate references to the newly renamed Gulf of America. After all, changing the names of geographic places has always been a ‘thing.’ My father was born in Konigsburg, Germany, but before that, it was the capital of ‘East Prussia’ ... and now the maps show it as Kaliningrad, Russia. So, the name of my father’s birthplace has been overwritten. Odd, but ultimately unimportant. Yes, the reason for this particular name change is petty and offensive to many, and I surely agree that we should be sensitive to historic names ... but let’s face it, we’ve renamed everything in this country somewhere along the way. Washington? Baltimore? The world moves on. But I am admittedly not interested in crippling and/or eliminating entire federal agencies that serve to protect us from, among other things, deadly childhood diseases, unsafe food production, untested medicines, health epidemics and corporate greed.

And I have even less interest in seeing millions of law-abiding people who have lived in the US for most if not all of their lifetimes and who contribute so much to our nation’s fabric seized and deported. I still haven’t gotten over the many children who were separated from their parents in the last go round. What is especially sad is how many of the proposed actions are just mean-spirited.

Ok ... life does NOT always imitate art ... but here’s hoping, as was the case in the movie, that the real-life carousel can be halted and the fascination of many with the circus that has come to our nation’s capital can be countered.



**SUNDAY, MARCH 2, FROM 2:00 – 6:00 PM AT GOOD COUNSEL HIGH SCHOOL**

Admission and parking are FREE and there is ample space to accommodate all.

This premier event—the longest-running business expo in Montgomery County—is a celebration of our vibrant Olney community.

It’s a unique opportunity to connect with local residents, businesses, and organizations for a day of collaboration and fun. Last year, over 100 exhibitors participated, drawing an impressive crowd of 3,000–4,000 attendees.

**Shaare Tefila will have a display table there so please stop by and visit.**

The event also features live performances, food vendors, giveaways, and children’s activities.  
(Please note that there will NOT be any access to the Performing Arts Center this year.)





# Programming and Education

Babette Cohn, Director of Education & Programming | [BCohn@ShaareTefila.org](mailto:BCohn@ShaareTefila.org)

“Perhaps the most profound Jewish statement about the relationship between human beings and the earth is bound up in two words of Hebrew—Adam and Adamah. The first means human being; the second, earth.”

*Rabbi Arthur Waskow in Torah of the Earth*

In February we celebrate the minor holiday of *Tu B'Shevat*, also known as 'The New Year/Birthday of the Trees.' At the beginning of the Common Era, the 15th of *Shevat* was designated as a time for planting in Israel. It was also a traditional time for the annual tithe (*ma'aser*), that one-tenth of the harvest should be set aside for a religious offering. Today people celebrate all over the world with special *Tu B'Shevat* seders, modeled after the Passover seder. These ritualistic observances include the Seven Species/*Shiv'at HaMinim* that grow in the Land of Israel, as listed in *Deuteronomy 8:8*: wheat, barley, figs, pomegranates, olives and dates.

*Tu B'Shevat* also reminds us that humans are responsible for taking care of the earth. If you have ideas as to how Shaare Tefila can do more to reduce waste, etc., please contact me. Laurie Dubrow, member of the Social Action Committee and I will be working on long term initiatives for our community.

## Community Events

- When you read this we will be a week away from our annual FUNdraising event, this year **One Man! One Piano! One Night! Elton John & Billy Joel Tribute Concert & Dinner Starring Lee Alverson, Saturday, February 8, 7-10:30 pm**. Ticket sales will end on February 4 and we are almost sold out, so sign up now!! You can do it here <https://bit.ly/4gvEXQx>; \$72 member pricing includes dinner and the show; tax deductible sponsorships are also available.
- **Shaare Tefila Cinema Presents: *The Goldman Case*, Sunday, Feb. 2, 2-4:30 pm, \$5/person**. Tickets include refreshments. Including themes of antisemitism, come see this award-winning, *NY Times* Critics Pick, "An electrifying courtroom drama, based on an actual 1976 case, calls the very nature of equality and justice into question." [Buy tickets in advance at this link or at the door.](#)
- **NOTE the change of date: Winter Book Series - Judaism in Today's World - Wednesday, Feb. 12 at 7:45 pm, conducted via Zoom following the Evening minyan service** - Join Rabbi Layman for the last of our book series as he leads a discussion on, *The Amen Effect*, by Rabbi Sharon Brous. You can learn more

about Rabbi Brous' book, as well as purchase it, at <https://a.co/d/itsnRfG>

- **Tot Shabbat, Saturday, Feb. 22, 11 am - 12 Noon** - Families with children thru age 7 are invited to celebrate Shabbat with Adrienne 'Auntie A' Moeller of Rhythm 'N Ruach!

## Activities for School Children & Families

**The children of Chavaya** returned from their Winter Break with a "Back to School Breakfast" and a "Be a Mensch" program. They created fleece tie blankets for homeless shelters in Montgomery County and beaded friendship bracelets that will be sent to Lone Soldiers of the Israel Defense Forces. Our **Kitah Na'ahroot (Teen class)** participated in Part I of the Thrive program, with facilitators from the Jewish Coalition Against Domestic Abuse (JCADA). The focus of the effort is to work with teens on healthy relationships and healthy futures. **If you want to learn more about the work JCADA is doing with teens you can find it here.**

Our next **Junior Congregation** will take place on **Saturday, Feb. 1 at 11 am**. Remember, for school age children, Junior Congregation offers the opportunity to experience a worship service and if you arrive before 11 am, you can attend the main service as well.

**Gan Katan** will meet on **Sunday, Feb. 9 from 9:45 - 11:15 am**. Morah Mara will lead the class in learning more about *Tu B'Shevat*! On **Sunday, Feb. 23, Kitah Dalet families** will have their next **B'Mitzvah Family Program**, during the regular Chavaya session.



# News from the Membership Committee

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Well, if you had missed snow in the DMV for quite a few years, then the first week of January was sure to bring a smile to your face! We shall see if February brings us any more of the white stuff. Despite the cold temps, we were delighted to have a wonderful turnout for January's *Shabbat* dinner. It never disappoints and is

always delicious!

By the time everyone receives this, we will have already had another wonderful *Shabbat in Song* with Sally Heckelman and look forward to her joining us again in the months ahead.

Keep in mind the "slogan" we unveiled back in October; "It's OUR synagogue, OUR community, OUR future." If you know of anyone interested in "trying" us out, whether it be services, programs, or events, please feel free to give them my contact information.

Finally, as in last month's *Shofar*, we spotlighted a new member household and are happy to hereby do so once again:

## Newish Member Ann Hamlin:

### 1. When and why did you join Shaare Tefila?

Ann: I joined this past October. I had learned so much from Rabbi Layman's *Talmud* classes and *Shabbat* service sermons, loved listening to Hazzan Ackerman's lovely singing, felt comfortable and welcomed.



### 2. What have been your most meaningful experiences here?

Ann: I have enjoyed Karen Sussman's challah baking class, sitting in shul during *Shabbat* services and Susan Rubenstein's *Rosh Chodesh* Women's Circle group.

### 3. What are ongoing features of Shaare Tefila that you have found most engaging

Ann: *Shabbat* dinners and Sisterhood activities

## Sisterhood

Shelley Rochester, Sisterhood President | [shelleyrochester85@mail.com](mailto:shelleyrochester85@mail.com) | 301-633-5515



Dear Sisters,

If any of you have been wishing for a more wintery winter, you can stop now. I'm still trying to get snow and ice off my driveway. And my mailbox? It's probably all bills anyway. I'll get it in the spring. But as far as Sisterhood is concerned,

we're thriving. As usual, we have some cool events lined up for this month.

On **Sunday, February 9 from 2:30-4:30 PM** we'll have a follow-up Mah Jongg class for those beginners who attended the first class. I'm hoping a couple of mentors/experts will attend as well, since they were MOST helpful in keeping the class rolling and spreading their wisdom. Val Kolmaister is sending out e-reminders, so if you are one of 'The Chosen,' let her know if you can be there again! There is only a \$5 admission fee but you will each get a pamphlet chock full of beginners' information.

Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond our control, the Tea, originally scheduled for February 16, has had to be postponed. But we are not giving it up.

During our board meetings, we have been brain-storming on ideas for future events. We have some wonderful ideas and will be sharing them soon. If there is someone you'd like to hear, someplace you'd like to go, something you'd like to do, puh-leeze contact me via text, email or phone. (Contact info above) We'd love to hear from you!

There has been discussion about making a donation to an organization affiliated with helping victims of the California fires. We need to make a selection soon. "Feed the firefighters," injured or lost pets, displaced people, the Pasadena Jewish Temple and Center. Please make your voices heard.

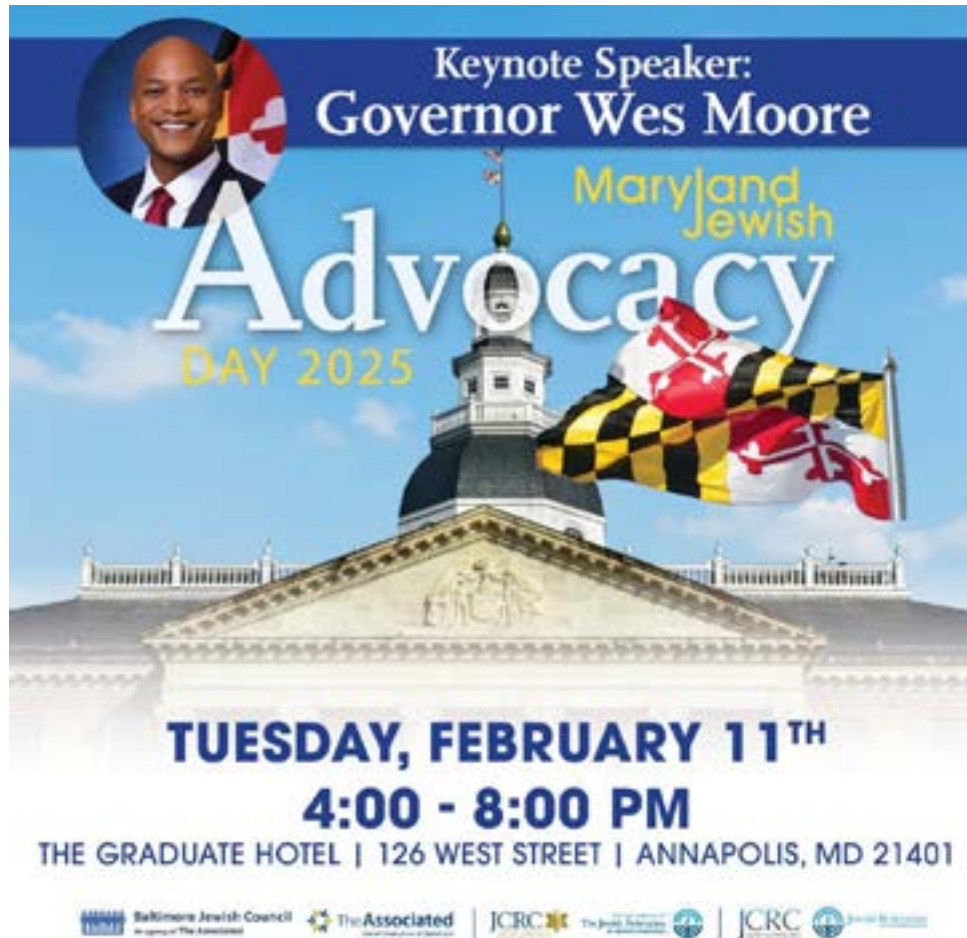
### JEWISH HAIKU

Lonely mantra of  
the Buddhist monk—"They never  
call, they never write."

Zie Gezun!



# Maryland Jewish Advocacy Day



## **JOIN THE JCRC OF GREATER WASHINGTON, THE BALTIMORE JEWISH COUNCIL, AND THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF HOWARD COUNTY FOR OUR 2025 MARYLAND JEWISH ADVOCACY DAY!**

Meet with your lawmakers to discuss the legislative priorities of the Jewish community across our state, followed by a buffet reception.

Registration begins at The Graduate Hotel at 4:15 PM, meetings will be between 5:00 - 6:00 PM, and the evening will wrap up back at The Graduate Hotel with a buffet reception for legislators and attendees (dietary laws observed). We are thrilled to welcome Governor Wes Moore as keynote speaker.

Travel on your own or sign up to take a bus from Rockville or Silver Spring. \$54 covers food, transportation and program. \$36 to register if you prefer to drive and meet us in Annapolis. Advance registration at: [https://bit.ly/J\\_advocacy\\_day](https://bit.ly/J_advocacy_day)

All who register will be invited to participate in a virtual briefing on Wednesday February 5, 7:00 PM to prepare for Advocacy Day.

Any questions or request for accommodations ... Please contact Deborah Miller, Director of Maryland Government and Community Relations; at [DMiller@jcouncil.org](mailto:DMiller@jcouncil.org)



## Jewish Heritage Night with the Wizards!

Washington Wizards vs. Portland Trail Blazers

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

7:00 PM

Capitol One Arena

601 F Street, NW Washington, DC 20004

Join us for Jewish Heritage night and Deni Avdija's return to DC. It will be a night filled with celebration of Jewish culture and will include Pre- Game and Halftime performances from our very own Jewish community!

**Ticket prices range from: \$25.66 - \$167.42, depending upon your choice of seat location.** Each discounted ticket comes with a special Jewish Heritage Night Wizards bucket hat! \*Limited quantities\*

Register at; [bit.ly/JHN\\_Wizards](https://bit.ly/JHN_Wizards)

For questions or groups of 9+ or more please contact Eliza Lawrence at [ELawrence@monumentalsports.com](mailto:ELawrence@monumentalsports.com) or 202-930-6256!



## Support Shaare Tefila Through Scrip Gift Cards



Raise money for Shaare Tefila with your everyday shopping to Giant Food, Shalom Kosher or Moti's Kosher supermarket. Instead of making everyday purchases with cash/credit – purchase gift cards through our synagogue scrip program. Note there is no additional cost to you, and a percentage of your gift card (5% of each dollar) purchase comes back to our synagogue. It is truly that simple!

### Two ways to order your scrip cards:

- Contact Barbara Fink at 240-447-4665 or email her at [Beas\\_Fink@verizon.net](mailto:Beas_Fink@verizon.net). She will be happy to take down your order and arrange to deliver your scrip cards or have you pick them up at the synagogue office.
- Orders can also be placed with Executive Director Jerry Kiewe at 301-593-3410, X101, via cell at 410-294-3205, or email him at [JKiewe@ShaareTefila.org](mailto:JKiewe@ShaareTefila.org).

Payment can be made by cash, check or billed to your synagogue account.

In years past our scrip fundraiser helped raise close to \$12,000 and that was when only 20% of our congregation bought scrip. Remember this scrip program has no additional cost to you, but earns dollars for our synagogue to help maintain our building costs. Please be someone who supports your synagogue, and order your scrip today. It's a win-win-win program for all of us!

## FINAL Winter Book Discussion Session

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

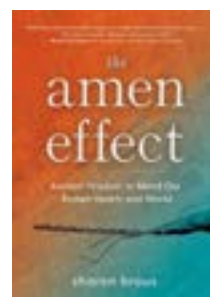
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*The Amen Effect*, by Rabbi  
Sharon Brous



In a time of loneliness and isolation, social rupture and alienation, what will it take to mend our broken hearts and rebuild our

society? Sharon Brous, a leading American rabbi, makes the case that the spiritual work of our time, as instinctual as it is counter-cultural, is to find our way to one other in celebration, in sorrow, and in solidarity. To show up for each other in moments of joy and pain, vulnerability and possibility, to invest in relationships of shared purpose and build communities of care. With original insights and practical tools, *The Amen Effect* translates foundational ideas into simple practices that connect us to our better angels, offering a blueprint for a more meaningful life and a more connected and caring world.

Amazon link for purchase;

<https://a.co/d/9rVtdiD>



Shaare Tefila Cinema Presents:



**February 2, 2-4:30 pm, \$5 Admission,  
Refreshments Included**



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# MAZAL TOV MILESTONES

## FEBRUARY

### Anniversary Celebrations

2/6 Jacob & Bess Teller

### Birthday Celebrations

- 2/1 Meghan Glass
- 2/1 Max Hedgepeth
- 2/1 Caleb Cohen
- 2/2 Richard Abraham
- 2/2 Jeffrey Miller
- 2/3 Barry Handloff
- 2/4 Anita Okrend
- 2/4 Jeffrey Schwartz
- 2/4 Rebecca Fero
- 2/4 Madeleine Jones
- 2/6 Molly Trachtman
- 2/7 Lawrence Liberman
- 2/8 Albert Kliman
- 2/8 Ellen Radish
- 2/8 Sharon Appel
- 2/8 Renee Temin
- 2/9 Aaron Kraut
- 2/10 Marilyn Pontell
- 2/10 Joy Salzman
- 2/10 V. Maren Berman
- 2/11 Rachel Glaser
- 2/11 Rachel Freedman
- 2/12 Hillel Abrams
- 2/12 Alan Sandler
- 2/12 Gabriel Romano
- 2/12 Benjamin Wolf
- 2/12 Saul Krosnick
- 2/12 Jacob Lefler
- 2/13 David Byer
- 2/13 Stephanie Buckberg
- 2/13 Eli Marshall
- 2/14 Milton Lichtman
- 2/14 Barbara Firestone
- 2/14 Mara Lansky
- 2/14 Nathan Krantz
- 2/17 Joshua Lansky
- 2/17 Daniel Hirsch
- 2/18 Adam Fried
- 2/19 Deborah Stiller
- 2/19 Howard Horowitz
- 2/19 Ryan Rubloff
- 2/20 Barbara Harkaway
- 2/20 Carl Gottlieb
- 2/20 Diane Holsten
- 2/20 Nina Gurman
- 2/20 Jonah Layman
- 2/20 Joslyn Wolfe
- 2/21 Jacob Lansky
- 2/23 Jennifer Zucker
- 2/23 Breina Rippey
- 2/24 Karen Radnor
- 2/24 Bret Cohen
- 2/24 Leah Winkler
- 2/25 Shellie Jensen
- 2/26 Hannah Mellman





# Girl Scouts at Shaare Tefila

During the colder months of the year, finding a place to meet as a large group can be challenging. Over the past two years, Shaare Tefila has opened its doors to a group of 14 young girls and their adults to gather in a warm, safe space on select Sunday afternoons. These girls are members of Girl Scout Troop 31077 and they are now fourth graders at Stonegate Elementary School in Silver Spring, MD.

Shaare Tefila members Arielle Wolf and her mother, Elissa Wolf, have been part of the troop since the beginning. They are very excited to be able to share the cozy Shaare Tefila space with their friends!

Troop 31077 is a diverse cohort who have been gathering together, sharing ideas, learning, and exploring the world around them. Many of the girls have been part of the troop since kindergarten when they started out meeting virtually

due to the COVID-19 pandemic. These days, the troop enjoys selling Girl Scout cookies, helping out their communities, and being together. The troop is looking forward to helping out at a local food pantry again this year. Not only will they be packing up boxes of pantry staples, but they plan to contribute "birthday boxes" to offer needy families an opportunity to celebrate special occasions with cake supplies.



Note: If you are looking to buy Girl Scout cookies this year, you can purchase them for "Girl Delivery" at [www.gsdigitalcookie.com/code](http://www.gsdigitalcookie.com/code) and enter the code: PE497R9M.

## February 2025 Kiddush Kitchen Volunteer Schedule

### DATE

**Kitchen Captain  
Volunteers**

### FEBRUARY 1

**Karen Sussman/Marlene Sandberg**  
Janene & Steven Ellis  
Shira Gorin  
Karla & David Jones  
Dara & Jonny Kotra  
Elaine Salter  
Jennifer & Joshua Solomon  
Bev & Alan Weinstein  
Ben & Elissa Wolf

### DATE

**Kitchen Captain  
Volunteers**

### FEBRUARY 8

**Val Kolmaister**  
Helene & Robert Braun  
Seth Cohen  
Laurie Dubrow  
Gabe Eber  
Sara Elson  
Hal & Rebecca Fero  
Lisa & Lee Hedgepeth  
Jamie Schwartz

### DATE

**Presidents' Day Weekend  
Kitchen Captain  
Volunteers**

### FEBRUARY 15

**Fran Weiss**  
Sharon Bender & Andrew Feldmann  
Ben & Meghan Glass  
Daniel & Chloe Grosberg  
Sarah Katz & Erik DuBois  
Sarah Nachlas & Michael Cohen  
Marci & Jonathan Rubin  
Carol Sepulvado  
Debbie & Sam Yedlin

### DATE

**Sponsored by the Tellers for their 60th anniversary  
Kitchen Captain  
Volunteers**

### FEBRUARY 22

**Sheryl Tilles**  
Judy Bass  
Riki & Carl Gottlieb  
Marc & Tanya Heyison  
Ellen & Benson King  
Lisa & Tom Krussman  
Abigail & William Mauldin  
Rhoda Sumner  
Deanna & Phil Temkin  
Jaclyn Vincent





## Chesed Matters!

Monthly column of the Chesed Committee

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The Shaare Tefila Membership Committee has the right idea!

As members of Shaare Tefila we are all part of the Membership Committee, by being a welcoming community to fellow members and newcomers alike.

The same can be said about the Chesed Committee: as members of Shaare Tefila we are all members of the Chesed Committee! Right at this moment, a good number of congregants, who may or may not be on the Chesed Committee, stay in touch with fellow members by calling on a regular basis or by providing rides. We love it!

**PLEASE let us know** if a congregant could use a couple of catered kosher meals, if rides are needed, or if, especially now in the winter, a congregant would welcome a regular phone call from a Chesed Committee member.

During last month, January 2025, Chesed Committee members made many calls to fellow members in order to see where we could be helpful. But we may not have reached everyone, and sometimes calls went to voicemail. Please do not hesitate to let us know if you have any specific request or need and we will try to accommodate you to the best of our ability.

### Keep in Mind...

The Chesed Committee has the financial means;  
(thanks to generous donations from congregants)

The Chesed Committee can rely upon the help of many people  
(Chesed Committee members and additional congregants)  
AND

The Chesed Committee has the will to make (most)  
things happen!

Contact us if you would like or need one of the following:  
calls on an ongoing basis with one of our volunteers

- rides to *Shabbat* services or to Shaare Tefila events/ programs, medical appointments, grocery stores and other destinations
- dinners prepared by The Kosher Kitchen, Moti's or Shalom, Sienna or our own kitchen
- cozy winter soups prepared by Soupergirl, a local, kosher & vegan company;

... more initiatives to come in 2025.....stay tuned!

## CHUG IVRIT An Invitation for You!

**Do you have children, grandchildren, other family members in Israel and would you like to improve your Hebrew?**

If so, then the *Chug Ivrit* of Shaare Tefila is just right for you! We are a small group of people who like to engage with Modern Hebrew, in a pleasant, no pressure class.

We are speaking, reading, writing and learning under the guidance of fellow congregants Ami Frydman and, at times, Ofer Zajicek. They not only teach us conversational Hebrew but also bring a wealth of knowledge and background information about Israel to each and every session.

**We are reading fantastic short, but up-to-date news, science, and human-interest articles.**

**You can access Shaare Tefila's *Chug Ivrit* via Zoom,** from the convenience of your home, on Sunday mornings 10:30 AM – 12 noon.  
(Even if you can't make it each and every time, we are happy to have you when you can)

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Email Adriana at SandlerAA@gmail.com, to receive a sample of the articles we are reading right now.

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## Sign Up to Chant a *Haftarah*

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**Rabbi Layman will be happy to make a recording for you!**

Please contact Adriana ([SandlerAA@gmail.com](mailto:SandlerAA@gmail.com))

for available dates



# SUNFLOWER BAKERY PURIM MENU 2025



Masquerade Cookies



Cookie Dough

Purim begins on Thursday, March 13th!  
**DEADLINE** for online & pre-orders is Thursday, March 6th at NOON  
 Menu items available as of February 10th

Special area pick up locations are available March 9, 10, 11, 12, 13.

## TRADITIONAL HAMANTASCHEN

Sold individually at our retail locations.  
 \$1.25 ea, \$7.50/half dz, \$14/dz

**Apricot (NF), Chocolate (NF), Raspberry (NF),  
 Prune (NF), Poppy, & Almond**

## SPECIALTY HAMANTASCHEN

Sold individually at retail locations.  
 \$1.75 ea, \$10/half dz, \$19/dz

### Triple Chocolate (NF)

Chocolate pastry, fudge brownie filling, dark chocolate drizzle

### Cookie Dough (NF)

Chocolate pastry with a chocolate chip cookie dough center, dark chocolate drizzle

### Coco Caramel

Traditional pastry filled with chewy caramel coconut, dark chocolate drizzle

### Strawberry Funfetti (NF)

Traditional pastry filled with strawberry jam, decorated with icing and sprinkles

### Dipped Hamantaschen

Flavors include: Almond, Apricot (NF), Chocolate (NF), Raspberry (NF), dipped in Callebaut semi-sweet chocolate

### \*SPECIAL HOLIDAY SHIPPING:

- Package #1** - 1 dz Traditional Assortment \$35
- Package #2** - 1 dz Specialty Assortment \$40
- Package #3** - 1 dz Allergen Friendly Assortment \$40
- Package #4** - Combination Pack Assortment \$57  
 1 dz Specialty & 1 dz Traditional.

*\*All orders include 1 package of Mishloach Manot (candy, fruit wrap, tea). Nationwide Holiday shipping is FedEx 2-day, orders are scheduled to arrive by March 13th.*

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

Sunflower Bakery is Kosher Pareve, Dairy-free, Peanut-free facility.

Please note: No menu alterations or substitutions.

## ASSORTMENTS

**Traditional Assortment (NF)** \$15/dz

Our most popular flavors: Apricot, Raspberry, Chocolate, and Prune.

**Specialty Assortment** \$20/dz

Triple Chocolate, Cookie Dough, Coco Caramel, and Strawberry Funfetti.

**Allergen Friendly Assortment (NF, GF, V)** \$20/dz

Our traditional Hamantaschen flavors, Apricot & Raspberry, prepared Gluten-free, Vegan & Nut-free

## FAVORS & PARTY PLATTERS

**Masquerade Sugar Cookies (NF)** \$3

3 colorful rolled sugar cookies

**Traditional Favor Bag (NF)** \$2.75

1 Apricot & 1 Raspberry

**Dipped Favor Bag (NF)** \$3.75

1 Chocolate & 1 Raspberry

**Specialty Favor Bag (NF)** \$3.75

1 Strawberry Funfetti & 1 Cookie Dough

**Allergen Friendly Favor Bag (NF, GF, V)** \$3.75

1 Apricot & 1 Raspberry

**Mishloach Manot (NF)** \$10

2 Traditional & 2 Dipped Hamantaschen, candy, tea and a fruit wrap. Festive and ready for gifting!

**Traditional Hamantaschen Platter (NF)** \$65

4 dz of assorted Apricot, Raspberry, Chocolate, and Prune garnished with 5 Masquerade Sugar Cookies

**Specialty Hamantaschen Platter** \$85

4 dz of assorted Triple Chocolate, Cookie Dough, Strawberry Funfetti & Coco Caramel garnished with 5 Masquerade Sugar Cookies



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Chocolate Dipped



Coco Caramel



Strawberry Funfetti



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The engagement of Aliza Layman! How exciting! Wishing the couple much happiness as they plan for their future together. And may the extended family enjoy celebrating many simchas to come!  
From Nina Gurman

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**TAUGHT BY RABBI JONAH LAYMAN**

**SUNDAYS – 9:30 AM – TALMUD**

This 1500-year-old text serves as the foundation for Jewish practice today. Join us as we study the section that deals with civil laws that deal with property ownership. No prior study of *Talmud* is required.

**MONDAYS – 7:45 PM – JEWS & THE NEWS**

Join us for a discussion of current events from a Jewish perspective after the evening *minyan*. This class will be recorded.

**WEDNESDAYS – 11 AM – TORAH STUDY**

We discuss the major topics and issues in the weekly Torah portion. This class will be recorded.

**FRIDAYS – 9:30 AM – BIBLE CLASS**

This class has been meeting for 26 years and was reading the Torah in English with the traditional medieval rabbinic commentaries. Since December the class moved onto the *Book of Judges*.

### ALL CLASSES MEET ON ZOOM

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Weekday morning *minyan* services are conducted both in-person **AND** via Zoom on **SUNDAY, MONDAY** and **THURSDAY** at 8:45 AM.

Weekday evening *minyan* services are conducted **ONLY** via Zoom on **MONDAY** and **WEDNESDAY** evenings at 7:30 PM.

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