



MA CHADASH! מה חדש!

What's New! The newsletter of Temple Shalom Synagogue Center, Auburn, Maine ק"ק היכל שלום

March 2020/Adar/Nisan 5780



Friday, March 6th, at 5:30 PM

Royal Crown Making with Artist Karen Brooks!

Special Purim Song – Special Purim Dance

***Interactive story of Purim told by Rebbetzin Lisa
Traditional readings from the Megillah Scroll by Rabbi Sruli***

Purim Perogies

Wine and Home-Baked Hamantashen

***Please bring canned or other non-perishable items
to help feed the hungry (an important Purim Mitzvah!)***

Mishloach Manot Swap

Suggested donation: \$5 per person, \$10 per family.

For All Ages!

Please RSVP by Tuesday, March 19th



Purim Lunch and Learn

Wednesday, March 4th

Lunch at 12:00—Learn from 12:30 to 1:30

Haman— The First Modern Anti-Semite

Please bring a lunch.

Rabbi Sruli is always happy to speak with and meet with members or our Temple. Please call or text his cell phone at 914-980-9509 if you would like to speak with him or to arrange a time for a meeting. You can also call or leave a message at the Temple office and Rabbi Sruli will get back to you.



Hamantashen Baking

Wednesday, March 4th at 2 p.m.

(following Lunch and Learn)

On Wednesday, March 4th we need to make about 12 dozen hamantaschen. We will begin after the Lunch and Learn scheduled for the same day. The best way to do this in an efficient manner, we ask that you prepare the dough at home. The dough should be refrigerated and at room temperature when you come to the kitchen. I will be sure that we have poppy seed filling, but we would like you to bring your own fillings (ie. preserves, chocolate, whatever you desire).

The following recipe is being shared by Malca Wilner: 1 cup unsalted butter, 1 ½ cup sugar, 3 eggs, 1 tbsp. orange juice, 1 tsp. vanilla, 4 cups flour, 2 tsp. baking soda, ¼ tsp. salt. Cream butter and sugar. Add eggs and beat until fluffy. Add OJ and vanilla. Add dry ingredients.

Please also bring your rolling pin and a glass or cookie cutter anywhere from 3 or 4 inches in diameter.

Please let Melissa Johnson know if you plan on joining in our kitchen fun! Please email me at m.r.johnson.7550@gmail.com.

For more information, please contact Melissa Johnson at
[**m.r.johnson.7550@gmail.com**](mailto:m.r.johnson.7550@gmail.com)

10 AM, SUNDAY, MARCH 15

BRUNCH

FOLLOWED BY

***“JEWS & ALLIES.
WHY IS ANTI-SEMITISM
EVERYONE’S CONCERN?”***

WITH

ASHERAH CINNAMON

And her Maine team from the International Project

This interactive presentation will give us all an opportunity to think about and share some of the ways that Anti-Semitism functions in the world locally, internationally, and in our own lives. We will learn to identify different types of Anti-Semitism and how to be strategic in response.

Asherah Cinnamon is a career community organizer, team trainer, sculptor, long time member of Congregation Bet Ha’am and the daughter of Jewish Holocaust survivors. She has worked for 18 years with the National Coalition Building Institute.

\$10 donation

RSVP by MARCH 11

786-4201 or temple6359@aol.com

Brunch CATERED by Mike Gagne

!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**BOOK GROUP NEWS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**



Winter woes! Apparently there were only 3 of us healthy and able enough to attend on February 10, Joel Olstein, Helene Perry and me, Lesli Weiner. We still had a great discussion about *The Diplomat's Daughter* by Karin Tanabe. We enjoyed the story, centered around Emi, who was Japanese, and her relationships with a Jewish boy while in Vienna, (who was now in a Jewish ghetto in Shanghai) and a German/American boy while in

an internment camp in the States, and how it all led back to Japan. We agreed Tanabe included fresh historical details such as what it was like inside the camp in Texas and the psychological toll it took on its 'inmates'. We also learned about the Gripsholm, a Swedish ship chartered by the US government which exchanged Japanese citizens in the US for US civilians still in Japan after Pearl Harbor was bombed. Tanabe has a beautiful storytelling style and know you'll enjoy reading this novel.

Our next book is so different. Written by Israeli A.B. Yehoshua, *A Woman In Jerusalem* has a deceptively simple storyline. But Yehoshua is examining a deeper question: What does it mean to be human – humane – especially during troubled times? Here is Amazon's write-up:

"A woman in her forties is a victim of a suicide bombing at a Jerusalem market. Her body lies nameless in a hospital morgue. She had apparently worked as a cleaning woman at a bakery, but there is no record of her employment. When a Jerusalem daily accuses the bakery of "gross negligence and inhumanity toward an employee," the bakery's owner, overwhelmed by guilt, entrusts the task of identifying and burying the victim to a human resources man. This man is at first reluctant to take on the job, but as the facts of the woman's life take shape—she was an engineer from the former Soviet Union, a non-Jew on a religious pilgrimage to Jerusalem, and, judging by an early photograph, beautiful—he yields to feelings of regret, atonement, and even love. At once profoundly serious and highly entertaining, A. B. Yehoshua astonishes us with his masterly, often unexpected turns in the story and with his ability to get under the skin and into the soul of Israel today."

Our next meeting remains at MARCH 9 at 4 PM. We also chose our next set of books and dates, so here is the list:

- March 9.....*A Woman in Jerusalem* by A.B. Yehoshua
- April 13.....*The Only Woman in the Room* by Marie Benedict
- May 11.....*The Librarian of Auschwitz* by Antonio Iturbe
- June 8.....*Gateway to the Moon* by Mary Morris
- July 6.....*Spies of No Country* by Matti Friedman
- August 10.....*Second Violin* by John Lawton

HAPPY READING.....lesli

The logo features the words "Musical", "Kabbalat", and "Shabbat" stacked vertically in a colorful, decorative font. The letters are multi-colored with a gradient effect, and the text is set against a background of musical staves with notes.

**Musical
Kabbalat
Shabbat**

This month's traditional and musical

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

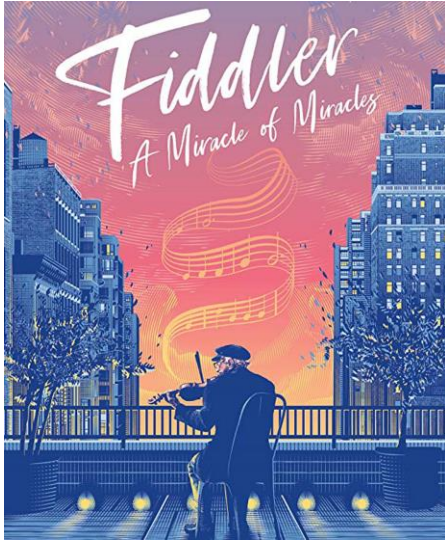
will be held on Friday, March 20th, at 7 p.m.

The Service will be followed by an Oneg Shabbat.

There will be no Shabbat Services on Saturday, March 21st.

THE 2020 MAINE JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL IS COMING TO LEWISTON

Now in its 23rd year, the Maine Jewish Film Festival will present a diverse slate of timely, relevant and engaging dramatic features, documentaries and short films to audiences across Maine. From March 28 – April 5, the Festival will screen over 35 films and host special guests and events. MJFF will be partnering with Bates College to present excellent films based on the global Jewish experience in Lewiston.



On Sunday, April 5 at 12 noon, MJFF will present ***Fiddler: Miracle of Miracles***, which focuses on the story of the creation of the hit musical *Fiddler on the Roof*. The film will be followed by a discussion with Raluca Cernahoschi of the Bates German and Russian Studies Department. The film will be followed by a reception.

Then at 3 PM, MJFF will present ***My Polish Honeymoon***, a bittersweet romantic comedy in which Parisian newlyweds Adam and Anna travel to Poland to reconnect with their Jewish heritage. The film will be followed by a discussion with Jakub Kazecki of the Bates German and Russian Studies Department.



And on Thursday, April 2, there will be a free program sponsored by the Bates Department of Rhetoric, Film, and Screen Studies featuring the film ***Picture of His Life***, about a daring Israeli photographer's quest for a close-up picture of a swimming polar bear. The program on April 5 will include a reception between films and will take place in the Olin Arts Center. The program on April 2 will take place at Muskie Archives, 70 Campus Avenue, Lewiston.

In addition to the programs in Lewiston, on March 29th at 1:30PM at the Portland Museum of Art MJFF will be showing the film ***The Last Klezmer***. This will be followed by a concert featuring Temple Shalom's own Rabbi Sruli Dresdner and Lisa Mayer playing with the filmmaker and Klezmer musician Yale Strom.

For further information and to purchase tickets please visit www.mjff.org.

Yahrzeiten

If you are observing a yahrzeit and are planning to come to Thursday morning minyan to say Kaddish, we urge you to contact **Bob Laskoff** (ral@laskofflaw.com) and let him know so that he can include that information in his weekly reminder email. It is your responsibility to call friends and neighbors to make sure there are enough people for the minyan.



REMINDER:

For the months of December, January, February and March, the first Thursday of the month, the service will begin at 7:00 AM. All other Thursday morning services will begin at 8:00 AM. All services will continue to have a service, discussion and breakfast.



TEMPLE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Our next meeting will be held on
Monday, March 9, 2020 at 7:00 pm

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Our wonderful Preschool teacher, Karen Fuller is in need of your help! With Julie being out of the office until April, it has added some daily interruptions for Karen to let parents in the building. Karen would be ever so grateful if volunteers could sit in Julie's office and let parents in the door between 11:45 and 12:15 pm on any of the Preschool Days, Monday thru Friday. If you are able to sit in the office and be of assistance to Karen so she can focus more on the children in her classroom, please contact Ally Casares at 312-2046

or allycasares@yahoo.com and we will find a volunteer slot for you! Thank you in advance for volunteering to help our Preschool and our community!



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SPEEDY RECOVERY

We pray for refuah sh'leimah – the full and speedy recovery of **Georgette Belanger, Gary Buckman, Elcha Buckman, John Calloway, June Wilner Chason, Bob Fineman, Dougie Fleck, Sara Graf, Robert Galumbeck, Isaak Gekhtin, Detlef Gerlach, Joel Goodman, Ariella Green, Sharon Hemond, Michael Jeser, Elizabeth Johnson, Suzan Katzir, Henry Lefkowitz, Lee Leveille, Susan Lifter, Bruce Meyer, Sandy Miller, Joel Salberg, Bob Scott, Sandy Traister, Neal Weiner, William White** and all others who are not well at this time. *We like to hear good news! Whenever you request that a name be put on this list, please let Temple Shalom know when it can be removed.*





Community Passover Seder

Thursday, April 9 at 5:00 p.m.

*Adults: Members - \$25
 *Children 12 & under: \$15

*Adults: Non-Members - \$30
 *Children under 5: No Charge

Paid reservations MUST be made by Wednesday, March 25th!

No one turned away for inability to pay, but we must have the reservation.

✂-----tear off and return-----

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

of Adults: x \$30.....\$ _____

of Adults..... x \$25.....\$ _____

of Children 5-12:..... x \$15.....\$ _____

of Children under 5 (No Charge, but we need to set places at the table and plan activities) _____

of Vegetarian Meals _____
food sensitivities.

Please let us know if you have other



Clip and return with your check to
 Temple Shalom Synagogue-Center,
 74 Bradman Street, Auburn, ME 04210

Remember: We MUST receive your paid reservation by Wednesday, March 25th!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

Emily Macaluso	March	3
Helene Fakhery		6
Julia Isaacson		11
Patti Levenson		13
Adam Allen		14
James Lifter		14
Jack Weinstein		16
Joseph Zidle		18
Able Kaplan		19
Joy Zidle		23
Charlie Dresdner		27
Johnny Dresdner		27
Kenneth Goodman		28
Cassandra Jensen		28



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO

Deena & Jack Weinstein	Mar	8
Barry & Roz Kutzen		31

Yahrzeiten

Jacob Olstein	Mar	3
Annette Hertz		5
Hillel Passerman		5
Abe Tetetenman		8
Milton Faiman		9
Hugo Schleicher		9
Jules Asher		11
Rabbi David Berent		11
Reba Koss		12
Joseph Zidle		12
Judge Morton Brody		14
Shirley Goodman		14
Harold Shapiro		14
Mary Silverman		15
Benjamin Abromson		16
Marilyn I. Simonds		17
Nathan Day		20
Leonard Nemeth		20
Rose Nussinow		21
Poppy Traister		22
Marjorie Kraunz Basser		25
Lillian Kutzen		25
Pearl Steinman		27
Lillian Zidle		27
Sheldon Nussinow		29



CONTRIBUTIONS

GENERAL FUND

Bonnie & Larry Faiman

In honor of the three birthday girls; Bertha
Malca & Estelle

Scott Eicher

In appreciation

John & Consuelo Isaacson

In honor of Rabbi Sruli

Ronald & Maxine Shems

In appreciation of Rabbi Sruli for officiating
at his father's unveiling

Bertha Bodenheimer

To thank Temple Shalom for being honored
on her birthday

In memory of Elinor Goldblatt

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In honor of the three birthday ladies; Bertha
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Speedy recovery to Joy Zidle

In memory of Elinor Goldblatt

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Speedy recovery to Estelle Rubinstein

In honor of Cathy Tetenman's birthday

To Peter Casares in honor of being named
2020 NESAC Swimming Coach of the Year

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MARCH AT TEMPLE SHALOM



Monday, 3/2	12:30 pm	Mahjong
Wednesday, 3/4	12:00 pm	Purim Lunch & Learn – RSVP! Hamantaschen baking following Lunch & Learn
Thursday, 3/5	7:00 am	Weekday morning minyan & breakfast (Please note time)
Friday, 3/6	5:30 pm	Purim Party – RSVP!
Saturday, 3/7	9:30 am	Shabbat Service
Monday, 3/9	12:30 pm	Mahjong
	4:00 pm	Book Group Meets
	5:15 pm	Program Committee Meeting
	7:00 pm	Board Meeting
Thursday, 3/12	8:00 am	Weekday morning minyan & breakfast (Please note time)
Saturday, 3/14	9:30 am	Shabbat Service
Sunday, 3/15	10:00 am	Brunch with guest speaker Asherah Cinnamon – RSVP!
Monday, 3/16	12:30 pm	Mahjong
Thursday, 3/19	8:00 am	Weekday morning minyan & breakfast (Please note time)
Friday, 3/20	7:00 pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Service
Saturday, 3/21	9:30 am	NO Shabbat Service
Sunday, 3/22	10:00 am	Hebrew School
Monday, 3/23	12:30 pm	Mahjong
Thursday, 3/26	8:00 am	Weekday morning minyan & breakfast (Please note time)
Saturday, 3/28	9:30 am	Shabbat Service
Monday, 3/30	12:30 pm	Mahjong