

Congregation Shaarai Shomayim



Chai V'Kayam

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SERVICES & EVENTS

January 1

New Year's Day

The Temple office is closed

January 2

NO Sh'arim

Faculty workshop

January 7, 14, 28

Adult Jewish Growth Monday night
series see p. 5

January 4

1st Friday Erev Shabbat service 6:00

January 5

Torah themes & Shabbat service
9 a.m.

January 6

Sh'arim

Brotherhood Breakfast

January 18

Erev Shabbat service 7:30 p.m.

January 19

Torah themes & Shabbat service
9 a.m.

January 21

Martin Luther King Day
Temple office is closed

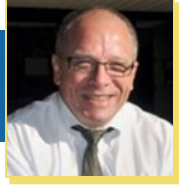
Tu B'Shevat

January 23

Sh'arim & *Tu B'Shevat Seder*

January 25, 26, 27

Nathan & Natalie Loss Scholar
weekend with Rabbi Bennett Miller
See p.6



From the Rabbi

Jack P. Paskoff

In the first part of 1988, Rabbi Bennett Miller and I played a little game. Honestly, though, I didn't know it was a game. I was working with him in New Brunswick for a defined period of 6 months. We both knew that as of July 1988, he would need a new assistant, and I would need a new job. We talked a lot about it, but I was convinced that I didn't want to be an assistant. I wanted to be on my own in a smaller community once I was ordained. Covering all bases, I interviewed at a few assistantships, including New Brunswick, along with half a dozen small congregations. When other candidates came to New Brunswick for interviews, they were greeted warmly and treated to dinner. When I came, I let myself in with my key and had a candy bar from a youth group candy sale. As circumstances would have it, despite what I truly believed I wanted, I ended up being Rabbi Miller's assistant, a reluctant one at that. Jumping ahead 5 years, Rabbi Miller was instrumental in my coming here to Lancaster to serve as your rabbi. Since 1988, Rabbi Miller has been a good friend and an important mentor, to whom I'm exceedingly grateful.

Over these past 25 years, you have allowed me to bring in some dear friends and teachers to be our scholars in residence. I am especially grateful to Alan and Linda Loss who have endowed this annual weekend in the name of Alan's parents, Nathan and Natalie Loss, pillars of this congregation from another generation. This year, I am pleased and honored to be able to share Rabbi Miller with you once again, as he has already spoken here twice. Rabbi Miller spoke here in the fall of 1993 at my installation, and he spoke here again just a few years ago in his role as the chair of ARZA, the Association of Reform Zionists of America. On both occasions, Rabbi Miller's presence with us was a treat. I have no doubt that we will feel the same when he joins us for our sessions over the last weekend of January. With the perspective of his recent retirement after a distinguished career, Rabbi Miller will be exploring the meaning of life with us. As always, this event is open to the public, and free of charge.

This is just the first of many extraordinary events during the first half of 2019. The deadline is coming up soon and we're filling up fast for the Edward Freedman Congregational Retreat in April. All you have to do is come once to know why you only have to come once to be hooked on this experience, no matter what your age or family situation. It's highly likely that there will be toddlers and octogenarians. We'll laugh, play, and sing. We'll eat and drink. We'll learn and play. We'll embrace each other as more than fellow congregants and friends, but as family. And of course, in March, we'll enjoy the music and ruach of Michele Citrin, one of the biggest names on the American Jewish music scene today. She joins us for this year's Miller Music Festival, courtesy of Rosanne and David Selson.

This winter and spring, and throughout the year, invite your family and friends to share with us in the fullness of what Jewish life can be.

From my family to yours, may 2019 be a year of good health, much happiness, and deep fulfillment and meaning.



CONGREGATIONAL EVENTS

Feeling a bit out of the loop?

Want to know more about what's happening at Shaarai but don't know whom to ask?

Our Ambassadors can help!

Every Board member now has two to three Ambassadors who will reach out to our membership after every Board meeting to share Board actions, coming events, and help you find answers to any questions you may have.

You should have received a postcard (with the name of your Board member and Ambassador) and a phone call in December. If you did not, we want to know. Perhaps we need updated contact information for you. Please contact Randi Jacobson at 717-560-6541 (leave a message), RandiJ57@aol.com, or text 717-808-0293.

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Save the date!

Women of Shaarai Shomayim

invites you to our YES Fund evening
honoring

Ann Leisawitz

Be our guest for dinner with your contribution to
the Women of Reform Judaism YES Fund
(suggested \$36 minimum)

*Saturday, February 23 at
7 PM*

*Watch for your invitation
in the mail!*

Our Temple Family



To Deb and Lee Sanders on the marriage of their daughter, Lauren, to Timothy Hackman on November 10.

To parents Gail & Larry Stender on the engagement of their daughter Ally to Max Himmelstein. An August wedding is planned.

To Jenna Megalizzi and Curtis Sloyer on the birth of Josephine "Josie" Talia Sloyer on November 26.



Todah Rabah!

To everyone for the beautiful Uniongram in honor of our 25th wedding anniversary. It's especially meaningful as we met at our Temple. We don't get there very often these days, but certainly remember all of the many happy years we spent in the past. Also, Rabbi Paskoff renewing our vows every years has been a wonderful recommitment. Sincerely, *Irwin & Marcia Forman*

To my Temple Family, for your kindness during the recent illness and death of my mother, Helen Wilhelm. Thank you, Rabbi Paskoff, for always checking in on us. Sharon and Jim Wolman, thank you for visiting mom and for being there for us during the final weeks. Believe me when I say that every card, every visit, every comment helped. Sincerely – *Michele Stiefel and family*



Condolences

Rabbi Paskoff, President Oxenberg, and the Board of Trustees of Congregation Shaarai Shomayim express their condolences to Michele Stiefel and family on the passing of Michele's mother, Helen Wilhelm, on November 12.

Our sympathy is extended to family and friends of Phyllis Warble who passed away on November 23.



Uniongram Corrections

It has been brought to our attention that the Uniongram list recently sent to Temple members has some incorrect dates.

The birthday for Lori Lapman on March 9 is incorrect. Lori will be celebrating her 65th birthday on June 6, 2020.

The birthday for Harriet Rosenbaum is July 1, not April 17.

The birthday on March 30 is Jessica Scott, not Christopher.

Also, a date on the 2018 list for Fran & Stephen Miller which had them celebrating their 50th anniversary on Nov. 9 was incorrect. That date is Fran's birthday; their 50th anniversary was on June 6. A new Uniongram recognizing their 50th anniversary on the proper date will be prepared and delivered.

Our apologies for the database & human glitches that resulted in these errors!

Directory Corrections & Additions

Slater, Marlene
new email, dancingsoul620@comcast.net

Weisberg, Joel & Jill
6205 Shoreline Dr, #1304
St Petersburg FL, 33708

New Members

Throne, Beth & Jason
Daniel 12/26/04, Sophia 11/7/06, Madison 8/9/09,
Oliver 9/2/16
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jthrone@comcast.net (Jason)
352 Addison Place
Lancaster, PA 17601
215-432-5718 (Beth)

CONGREGATIONAL & COMMUNITY EVENTS

Hooray for Chavurot!

A Chavurah can be an enriching religious and personal experience. Since our introduction of this program at Shaarai Shomayim years ago, we have established Chavurot that are still active today. We encourage you to give careful thought to what a Chavurah can offer you if you've ever felt ...

that you wish you had others to be your surrogate family at holidays and life-cycle events,



that you might be facing something in your life you would like to share with others in the same situation,



that you want to study or celebrate some aspect of Jewish life on a regular basis,



that you are new to the community and would like to meet new friends,



that you want the sense of familiarity from being with other Jews.

There is lots more that a Chavurah can offer. We look forward to your involvement in this dynamic possibility for living your Jewish life within our congregation.

If you are interested in forming or joining, contact Harvey Scolnick, 717-538-2453 or hscolnick@aol.com who can help. (In the works already: a Chavurot Shabbat in Feb. or Mar.)

Brotherhood Sports Excursions

HERSHEY BEARS vs. Lehigh Valley PHANTOMS
Ice Hockey

Sunday, January 13, 2019* 5 p.m. game time

GIANT Center, Hershey, PA

Cost \$25/person. Only 20 tickets are available so reserve your seats now!

FYI, January 14 is a school holiday (MLK Day)



Not a hockey fan? Heeeeeeeeeere's B-BALL!

Saturday, Jan. 19, 2019 - 5 p.m. game time

UPENN QUAKERS vs. TEMPLE OWLS

Liacouras Center, Philadelphia,

Tickets \$24

Please contact Jack Enco at

j1120axon@hotmail.com or 717-314-9317 to reserve your seats for either game!



BREAKFAST WITH BROTHERHOOD

JANUARY 6, 2019

IN WISE HALL

LIGHT BREAKFAST

(\$5 DONATION SUGGESTED)

SERVED 9:30 - 10 A.M.,

HON. MIKE STURLA, GUEST SPEAKER,
AT 10:00

OPEN TO ALL SHAARAI SHOMAYIM MEMBERS,
GUESTS, AND FRIENDS

SPECIAL INVITATION TO MEN OF THE
CONGREGATION & SH'ARIM PARENTS



and every donation to JFS.

Thank you to everyone who donated to Jewish Family Service of Lancaster during the Extraordinary Give. We know there was lots of competition for your donation dollars that day and we appreciate each

JCAL's annual campaign for 2019 has begun! Please take this opportunity to learn about JCAL, JFNA, The Jewish Agency for Israel, the American Joint Distribution Committee, and how you can help the Lancaster Jewish community and Jews all over the world. Go to <https://www.jcalancaster.org/annual-campaign.html> for more information and to make your donation. Thank you.



ADULT JEWISH GROWTH

MONDAY NIGHT SERIES IN JANUARY/FEBRUARY

7 - 8:30 p.m. in the Wise Memorial Social Hall

(Please enter through the 1st set of **JAMES** St glass doors closest to Duke St.)

Seven Days: Many Voices

Rabbi Jack Paskoff, 1/7

Our Rabbi will facilitate discussion on his contribution to this collection about Creation, “Determining the Path Ourselves: What Might Shabbat Look Like for Us?”

See picture
on the first
page!



Cantor Ellen Dreskin will visit by remote on 1/14

Cantor Dreskin is the head of the Cantorial Certification Program, HUC-JIR/New York and an innovative leader in today's Reform Movement. Her expertise extends from music to synagogue transformation, from experiential education to enlivened liturgy and mysticism. Her contribution to Seven Days..., “Music and the Punctuation of Time” shares her views of the 4th day of creation.

Rabbi Kevin Kleinman visits on 1/28

Rabbi Kleinman was ordained by Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion in 2009 after graduating from Brandeis in 2002 and served as the Associate Rabbi for Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel in Elkins Park before becoming Main Line Reform Temple's Director of Education in 2016.

Rabbi Kleinman writes extensively for Reform Movement on-line and print publications. He is a featured author in The Sacred Table: Creating a Jewish Food Ethic and The Gender Gap: A Congregational Guide for Beginning the Conversation about Men's Involvement in Synagogue Life in addition to being a regular contributor to the Religious Action Center's blog. His contribution to Seven Days: ...: “Water Conservation as Biblical Imperative.”



Wise Aging (February)

What is our journey in life? How do we deal with loss—loss of our changing bodies, our changing relationships

Rabbi Jack Paskoff, 2/4 & 11

A two-part series explaining “What is An Ethical Will.” Participants will have time to write one; at the second session, we will share those ethical wills with each other.



Rabbi Richard Address on 2/25

Topics explored through the Spring will include Religious, Secular, & Business Ethics in March; the Holocaust in April; and Themes of Spring in May. For more information, visit our website, www.shaarai.org, and explore the possibilities or call the Temple office at 717-397-5575. We hope to see you join us.



***SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE
JANUARY 25-27, 2019***

Rabbi Bennett Miller

**The story of one's life:
Who am I?
Where did I come from?
Where am I going?
Who will I be?**

**Rabbi Miller will lead us in conversations
and study about the meaning of life: the
mystery and the insight of living!**

**Sessions will be held Friday night, at Erev Shabbat,
beginning at 7:30; Saturday morning beginning at 9:00;
dessert reception and Havdalah, Saturday evening
beginning at 7:00, and Sunday morning beginning at 10:00.**

**Bonus session: Lunch at noon on Saturday for those who
want to learn more about ARZA. Please reply to Rabbi
Paskoff, jpaskoff@shaarai.org or 727-397-5575, so we'll
have enough food.**

Each session is stand-alone—come to one, come to all!

Rabbi Emeritus at Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple in New Brunswick, NJ.,
Rabbi Miller also served as the senior rabbi at Anshe Emeth when Rabbi Paskoff
served as the assistant rabbi.

DON'T MISS THIS WONDERFUL WEEKEND!

SH'ARIM | GATEWAYS What's New in Sh'arim

Sh'arim continues to be responsive to the learning needs of our students. Our first Yom Choice was held on December 16; we focused the offerings specific to age groups, and we have worked very hard to increase the offering choices. Some of the long standing offerings like flower arranging, yoga, Israeli dancing continue, but we were pleased to introduce challah braiding, jewelry making, an Escape Room, learning about Israel, Torah Study, and Shaarai History Detectives. We are excited to see how this alternative learning day on Judaism is received.

We also continue to explore innovative ways to teach Hebrew and to that end Nikki Wilson and I visited Congregation Keneseth Israel again watching Hebrew Through Movement in action.

Our plan is to pilot this fun, interactive, auditory approach with our younger students during the second half of this school year. We are also studying the best time to introduce decoding, or learning to read Hebrew. Many new approaches encourage waiting until 5th grade before starting to read Hebrew, and all seem to have good results preparing students for B'nai Mitzvah.

Finally, thanks to the Women of Shaarai Shomayim for cooking latkes for our annual Chanukah Latke Party... they were delicious!!

Bob Houghton
Teaching Coach

SAVE THE DATE!
FEBRUARY SHABBAT DINNER
FIRST FRIDAY,
FOLLOWING
EDUCATION SHABBAT.
WATCH FOR DETAILS!



WSS FUN NIGHT OUT
1/24/19 6:30-8:30 PM
HARVEST MOON BAGELS
BAGEL MAKING CLASS & NOSH
\$25 PER PERSON FOR FOOD,
BEVERAGE, AND LESSON (YOU
ARE WELCOME TO BRING
WINE)
CLASS SIZE LIMITED TO 1ST 20
WHO CONTACT JACI HOOSIER
717-380-6668 (CALL OR TEXT)
OR JMD271@YAHOO.COM

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SAVE the DATE

Franklin & Marshall College
Klehr Center for Jewish Life
Thursday Night Reading Group
Book list for 2018-19

February 28, 2019
American Pastoral, by Philip Roth

May 16, 2018
Pumpkin Flowers, by Matti Friedman

We meet 7-8:30 p.m. in the Klehr Center for Jewish Life living room, 645 College Ave, Lancaster.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Temple

Mitzvah Fund

In honor of Sandy and Dick Bloom
Rhea and Phil Starr

In memory of Sivia Lazarus
Carole D'Ettorre

In memory of Helen Wilhelm
Maureen and Michael Rostolsky

Miller Music Fund

In memory of Dr. Erk Ketels
Rosanne and David Selfon

In memory of Alan Levin
Rosanne and David Selfon

In memory of Linda Benn Wilson
Rosanne and David Selfon

Historic Preservation Fund

In honor of Ellen and Carl Pike
Sandy Bloom

WSS

Prayerbook/commentary Fund

In memory of Eve's parents, Lore & Fred Homburger
Eve & Brad Jacobs

CONGREGATIONAL PROGRAMS

Women of Shaarai Shomayim
Judaica Shop

ORDER ONLINE!

BROWSE seven online shops using the
links on goo.gl/owxEEE

BUY directly online—up to 10% of
sales come straight back to WSS

ENJOY our affiliates ship items right to
your door!

Women of Shaarai Shomayim Yellow Pages

Yellow Pages? You don't know what Women of Shaarai Shomayim yellow pages are? Just look in the center of your Temple directory. You'll find advertisements from fellow congregants printed on yellow paper, just like in an old fashioned phone book.

Would you like to see your business featured in our Yellow Pages? It's easy:

1. Choose one of four sizes for your ad:

Full page: 8" x 10.5" landscape for \$145

Half page: 5" x 8" portrait for \$75

Quarter page: 4" x 5" landscape for \$50

Business card (six per page): for \$25

2. Design your ad or scan your business card

3. Email the ad (preferably JPG or PNG) to

miriam.ag.baumgartner@gmail.com, including
your selected ad size, by **January 15, 2019**

4. Mail a check, payable to Women of Shaarai
Shomayim, to Miriam Baumgartner, 100 Kilgannon
Ln., Lancaster PA 17603. **Payment must be received
by January 15, 2019.**

The fine print: Member's name must appear in the ad. Yellow pages are printed in black and white on yellow paper. The first check received for a full page ad will be printed in the centerfold.

Why should you place an ad in the Yellow Pages? To support WSS, who in turn support Sh'arim, SSTY, Girls of Shaarai Shomayim, the Temple kitchen, bring national speakers to Lancaster, provide social activities for all women of Shaarai Shomayim, and much more. Also, it's a low-cost way of letting our members know that fellow congregants are welcome to become your patients, clients, or customers. Questions? Call Miriam at 717-392-1245.

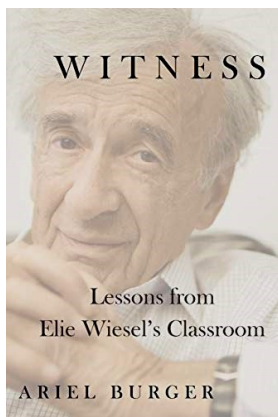
Yahrzeit

These names are remembered on perpetual memorial plaques displayed permanently or on the appropriate week of their Yahrzeits in our Sanctuary:

January 4 Arline Friedman Harry Lapkin Lena Levy Pauline Ellis William Barnett David P. Koenigsberg Sidney Greenstein Simon B. Hirsh Maurice Weinstock Fred Geissen Daniel Manheimer Doris O. Zaritzky Rose Foreman Jacques Herts Geisenberger Sr. Charlotte Heyman Ethel C. Jacobson Sarah Mary Kranich	Joseph Simon January 11 Shirley W. Peitzman Robert S. Bloom William Levy Nelson L. Albert Albert Rosenstein David Miller Ellen Steinman Heloise Hirsh Juliet Karmiohl Lockman Alan Dove Morris Gottlieb Dora C. Pomerantz Shirley Selfon Edelson Barnet Miller Dorothy G. Rosenstein	January 18 Elsie Rothschild Wolff Burton Margolis Jack Roth Rachel Simon Etting Herbert Lazarus Jacob Joseph Comer Dr. Joshua Sherman Pauline Goldberg Jacob P. Friedman Michael Richman Freda Slotkin Goldie Greenstein Davis January 25 Bruno Astrich Louis Gansman Sadie Alboum Meyer Cohn	Doris K. Harlem Ella Loeb Klein Rabbi Lester Roubey Dora K. Wainer Iris Moss Jacob Fichter Albert S. Rosman Rose Strauss David Abrahams Adrienne Miller Ballen Rebecca Minkoff Henrietta Ryder Dine D. Cohen Madaline Miller Dora Wesler Harry Friedman Simon A. Cantor Jacob Rosenthal
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If you would like to have any names added to the Kaddish list, please notify the Temple office, 717-397-5575 or office@shaarai.org by Wednesday of the week you would like those additions read.

TEMPLE & COMMUNITY EVENTS



Not Quite Simchat Torah...

...but within a few weeks of finishing a book, the Monday noon book club starts a new one! The group will finish its current book in January.

On February 4, they will begin discussion of Witness: Lessons from Elie Wiesel's Classroom by Ariel Burger.

"Elie Wiesel was a towering presence on the world stage—a Nobel laureate, activist, adviser to world leaders, and the author of more than forty books, including the Oprah's Book Club selection Night. But when asked, Wiesel always said, "I am a teacher first..."

Please let the office know by January 20 if you would like us to order a copy for you. Cost will be about \$14.99 for Kindle, \$17.10 for a hard cover copy.

Jewish Family Service of Lancaster is hiring!

Your donations, along with grants from the Lancaster County Community Foundation and an allocation from JCAL, have helped JFS grow and we need staff.

We are looking for a part-time client advocate and office administrator. We expect this job to be around 12 – 15 hours per week, mostly during the day. Clients contact JFS when they are in need of our services, you will work with clients and other community agencies to resolve the immediate issue and refer the client elsewhere for longer term guidance, as needed. Resources will be provided. A high school diploma or equivalent is required, and a background in social work is a huge plus. Please email jfshelps@gmail.com or call Miriam Baumgartner at 717-392-1245 for more information.

JFS Senior Care Services needs independent in-home care givers. If you are reliable, can work independently, and will treat all clients with dignity and respect, we need to talk. Requirements for this job include reliable transportation to work, liability insurance, a high school diploma or equivalent, and a willingness to work in home environments of clients who may have values or standards different than your own. Certification (CNA, PCA, etc.) is a plus. Please email jfshelps@gmail.com or call Miriam Baumgartner at 717-392-1245 for more information.



OUR CONGREGATION

Plant a tree, celebrate lifecycle events!

We have been given the guardianship of our environment, given the mitzvah of being stewards of the earth. Tu B'shevat, the Jewish Arbor Day, is when it is most appropriate to actively participate in this mitzvah by planting trees.

In Israel, the Jewish National Fund makes it easy to donate to environmental projects such as reforestation, desalinization, and ecologically friendly farming. It's a terrific way of saying thank you, Mazel Tov!, or memorializing someone close to you.



You can donate directly online by visiting <http://www.jnf.org/support/tree-planting-center/> or fill out the form below and send it to the JNF donation center, 78 Randall Avenue, Rockville Centre, NY 11570

Select Gift Amount

☐ Tree certificates \$18 ea OR ☐ \$100 ☐ \$180 ☐ \$500 ☐ \$1,000 ☐ I prefer to give: \$ _____

Your Information

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☐ Disabilities & Special Needs ☐ Research & Development ☐ Heritage Sites ☐ Where It's Needed Most

☐ My check payable to Jewish National Fund is enclosed OR

Charge my: ☐ Visa ☐ MC ☐ Amex ☐ Disc

CARD # _____ EXP. DATE _____
mm/yyyy

SIGNATURE _____

The Earth will thank you!

The Mitzvah of Tzedakah

Over the years, various funds have been set up by individuals, Sisterhood, the Temple, and Brotherhood for the benefit of Congregation Shaarai Shomayim, its members, and the community. A donation to any of these funds serves a three-fold purpose:

☆ It benefits the purpose for which the fund was established. ☆ It benefits the one for whom you are donating.

☆ It benefits you by giving you the opportunity to fulfill the Mitzvah of Tzedakah.

Contributions are welcome in honor or memory of any person or event, Jewish or non-Jewish, local or not.

TEMPLE

**These funds are chaired by Carole D'Ettorre,
962 Buckwalter Rd, Lititz PA 17543**

- ☆ Building Fund
- ☆ Chavrai Zamir Fund
- ☆ Miller Music Fund
- ☆ Endowment Fund
- ☆ Historic Presr. Fund
- ☆ L. Robinson Tikkun Olam Fund
- ☆ Gilat Zikkaron "Joy of Remembrance"
- ☆ Peitzman Religious School Technology Fund
- ☆ Nathan & Natalie Loss Scholar in Residence Fund
- ☆ Camper Fund
- ☆ Cantorial Music Fund
- ☆ Klezmer Band
- ☆ Mitzvah Fund

SISTERHOOD

**These funds are chaired by Natalie Freedman,
1600 Aldred Circle, Lancaster, PA 17601**

- ☆ Children's Library Fund
- ☆ Religious School Fund
- ☆ Sisterhood Improvement Fund
- ☆ Sofian Youth Fund
- ☆ Social Welfare Fund

Prayerbook — Torah Commentary Fund,
handled by **Judy Shenk, 451 Hillside Dr,
Mountville 17554**. Prayer books are \$40, Commentaries are \$50.

Tree of Life, chaired by **Ilene Schenkel**,
1842 Sturbridge Dr., Lancaster 17601. \$55

Uniongrams, chaired by **Carli Feldman**,
570-234-5485. \$1 per name.

Pulpit Flowers, chaired by **Rita Hallock**, 872-5127. Please
check with Rita about the cost of a flower arrangement.

BROTHERHOOD

**Please send donations to Bobby Dickman, 23 Spring Hill
La, Mountville 17554**

Israel Scholarship Fund

Mort Nierenberg Memorial Scholarship Fund

Donations can be made online through your
Shulcloud account at www.shaarai.org.

Unless requested otherwise, all donations will be
published in the Bulletin.

In order for any donation to be properly
acknowledged, please include the following
information in your request:

Your name and address, email if applicable.
**The name and address of the person for
whom the donation is being made, and if
there is a familial relationship. If you wish
a note of acknowledgement to be sent to
that person, please indicate that, also.**

The reason for the donation.

The fund to which you wish your donation to
be credited.

Donations are requested by mail, regular or e-.

All of our donations chairs are volunteers.
Some of them have been doing this for years, some
of them are new. Whether you have been donating
for years, or this is the first time, please do not
assume that the chairs know who you are, to whom
you are related, or what your wishes are.

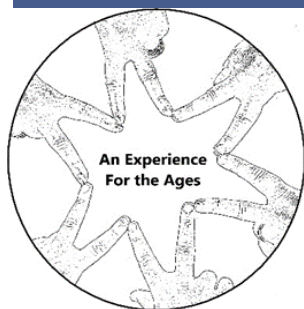
***Donations are a minimum of \$5 (unless
otherwise noted), and payment must be
received before acknowledgments are sent or
placed in the Bulletin. NEITHER SISTERHOOD,
BROTHERHOOD, NOR TEMPLE WILL BILL FOR
DONATIONS.***

Sending your donation to the correct
person will facilitate timely acknowledgment.

If you would like more information about
any of these funds, **please contact the
chairpersons listed.**

**PLEASE DO NOT SEND DONATIONS
TO THE TEMPLE OFFICE.**

CONGREGATIONAL EVENTS



Shaarai Shomayim Edward Freedman Congregational Retreat - April 5 – April 7, 2019

At each stage of our lives, we have different needs and experiences. Together, let's explore how Judaism gives us opportunities for holiness and meaning at each age. This weekend, we'll share our insights in the joy of community.



Friday night, arrive at the Capital Retreat Center, check in, and get ready to begin your unique Shabbat experience with a community dinner, service, and Oneg. Join with friends afterward to hang out or retire for the evening.

As Shabbat dawns, enjoy breakfast together followed by a spiritual morning service. We will unroll the Torah and experience the fullness of its words and meaning and look on with wonder. You will be able to participate in multiple programs and events throughout the day or grab a Shabbat nap. We will conclude Shabbat with Havdalah, a bonfire, s'mores, and a song session. Then join friends for games and social time.



Sunday morning, another breakfast and a wrap up session that will make you wish that the retreat wasn't coming to an end. We guarantee that you will come away with new friends, stronger relationships, new foundations and family values, and traditions. You will be energized and ready for our next retreat!

Join us as we take a journey through our life cycles as Jews together and grow deeper, more meaningful relationships with friends and family at the same time.

*****Space is very limited, we will assign rooms in the order that registrations are received *****

Non-refundable deposit of \$100 per family or \$50 per single due by **January 15, 2019** holds your place. Balance due by **February 15, 2019**. Please make checks out to Shaarai Shomayim or register online at www.shaarai.org.

Cost to congregants:

\$270 per adult (13 and older) *
(double occupancy)
\$215 per youth (ages 5-12)
\$35 per child under 5 years of age
\$800 family maximum
*Single occupancy is \$375


Cost to friends from the Jewish community:

\$310 per adult (13 and older)*
(double occupancy)
\$240 per youth (ages 5-12)
\$50 per child under 5 years of age
*Single occupancy is \$400

For financial assistance, please contact Rabbi Jack Paskoff at jpaskoff@shaarai.org
If you have any questions, email emily.ritholz@gmail.com

Please consider adding a donation to the Edward Freedman Congregational Retreat Fund, so that we may continue to offer financial support to those in need!

January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Tevet 25 New Year's Day Office closed	2 Tevet 26 Minyan 7:45-8:15 NO Sh'arim. Faculty dinner & workshop	3 Tevet 27	4 Tevet 28 1 st Friday Erev Shabbat 6 p.m.	5 Tevet 29 Torah themes & Shabbat service 9 a.m. <i>Vaera</i>
6 Tevet 30 Sh'arim 9:15-noon 11-12th grades meet	7 Shevat 1 Book group meets noon Adult Jewish Growth see p. 5 <i>Rosh Chodesh Shevat</i>	8 Shevat 2 Talmud discussion noon Executive Board meets at the Temple	9 Shevat 3 Minyan 7:45-8:15 Sh'arim 4:30-6 Adult Hebrew 5-6 p.m.	10 Shevat 4	11 Shevat 5 Erev Shabbat service led by Shaarai Ha-am 7:30	12 Shevat 6 Torah themes & Shabbat service 9 a.m. <i>Bo</i>
13 Shevat 7 Sh'arim 9:15-noon Shaarai Y'lاديم family ed	14 Shevat 8 Book group meets noon Israel comm. meets 6:00 Adult Jewish Growth see p. 5	15 Shevat 9 Talmud discussion noon Temple Board committees meet, please see your chair for time and place	16 Shevat 10 Minyan 7:45-8:15 Sh'arim 4:30-6 Adult Hebrew 5-6 p.m.	17 Shevat 11	18 Shevat 12 Rabbi Shabbat in a home	19 Shevat 13 Torah themes & Shabbat service 9 a.m. <i>Beshelach</i>
20 Shevat 14 Sh'arim 9:15-noon	21 Shevat 15 MLK Day Office closed <i>Tu B'Shevat</i> 	22 Shevat 16 Talmud discussion noon Temple Board meets at the Temple 6:30 p.m.	23 Shevat 17 Minyan 7:45-8:15 Sh'arim 4:30-6 <i>Tu B'Shevat seder</i> Adult Hebrew 5-6 p.m.	24 Shevat 18	25 Shevat 19 Erev Shabbat service 7:30	26 Shevat 20 <i>Yitro</i>
27 Shevat 21 Sh'arim 9:15-noon 11-12th grades meet	28 Shevat 22 Book group meets noon Adult Jewish Growth see p. 5	29 Shevat 23 Talmud discussion noon	30 Shevat 24 Minyan 7:45-8:15 Sh'arim 4:30-6 Adult Hebrew 5-6 p.m.	31 Shevat 25	<p>JOIN US FOR 1ST FRIDAY EREV SHABBAT SERVICE & DINNER IN FEBRUARY TO HONOR SH'ARIM!</p>	



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Friday, March 1 - A Soulful Shabbat
Saturday, March 2 - Lunch and Learn with Michelle
Saturday evening - Rock Out with Michelle in Concert

