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In continuing our caution, and with the consideration for the safety of our membership, Shaare Tefila will continue to require face coverings regardless of vaccination status. This policy will continue to be reviewed over time. Thank you for continuing to help us protect everyone at Shaare Tefila.

Celebrating our 71st year

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FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

RABBI JONAH LAYMAN

עבדים הינו...עתה בני חורין
We Were Slaves (in Egypt)...Now We Are Free

The line above is a central theme of our Passover seder. The Haggadah's focus is to recount the dramatic events in Egypt over 3,000 years ago in song, prayer, and story, and it all revolves around God's miraculous intervention in our history. God heard our cries in Egyptian servitude and sent Moses and Aaron to Pharaoh in order to free us and lead us to the Promised Land.

Though the observance of Passover today can be narrowly understood as a celebration and commemoration of the Exodus 3,300 years ago, most rabbis over the centuries and most modern Haggadot understand the pursuit of freedom more globally and metaphorically. We understand that our freedom requires us to advocate for the freedom of all people from persecution and oppression. When a segment of our community is discriminated against and suffers persecution, we are called to help them overcome it. When a country is attacked we are duty-bound to protect it.

And when we as individuals suffer - due to a physical, mental, or emotional ailment - we pray and strive to be free. When we are ill, when we are under duress, when we are in pain we feel as if we are enslaved - stuck without hope to be free. We long for the day when we can breathe freely again.

How can we overcome? We look to God for strength and guidance. God may not directly intervene in our lives and miraculously cure us, but we can pray to God for the support and comfort we need. We can reach out to family, friends, and the community for help and assistance.

There is tremendous suffering in the world around us. The Haggadah's reminder of the miracle 3,300 years ago is a call to us to do our best to help ourselves and others to experience the miracle of freedom, in whatever form it can take. May this Passover holiday be the beginning of that process.

With blessings for a sweet and healthy Passover,

Rabbi Jonah Layman



PRESIDENT

PERRY SANDLER

It seems like just yesterday that I received a call from the Shaare Tefila nominating committee asking that I agree to be nominated for President of our congregation. Yes, I was stunned!

I think that I told you, via this column, in my very first publication in the Shofar that I was pretty sure that I could do the job – but that the hardest part might be writing this monthly column. In many ways, I was right!

Let me reminisce a little bit. I so fondly remember my parents waiting every month for the Shofar to arrive in the mail. (I'm pretty sure that it was the '60s). They both read every piece of content – but by far the most important part of the content was the monthly gossip column that I think Florence Lipsky wrote. (Yes, I know that there have been other writers in subsequent years). The column was one of the ways that everyone kept up with who was in Florida for the winter, where congregants' children were going to college, who had new grandchildren, and what vacations people were taking – and with whom. I remember it well.

Oh, there's one more thing that I remember well. It had to do with yahrzeit cards. I think that my mom did that job for at least 10 years. I'm thinking it was the late '50s to the late '60s. Every month she sat down at the kitchen table, updated her lists, and sent out the announcements. A total manual function.

Now we're faced with realities. The Coronavirus, Ukraine, inflation, and the price of gas (and everything else). Meeting by Zoom or in person. And a host of other issues. Over the past seven months, we had to replace our executive director, we've focused on monetizing the cemetery property that we own off of Adelphi Road, we're moving forward with leasing our classrooms to a long-term tenant. It seems that every month there's something new. And yet somehow, despite distractions, major issues, interruptions in our daily routines, etc., I find the congregation resilient. No, operations are not entirely normal; but we've managed to continue our routines of services, school, events, etc. Everyone should be immensely proud of our organization, our staff, and our clergy.

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Can you believe that it is already April? The flowers are sprouting and blooming, trees are budding with our area cherry trees past their peak already - every year I am amazed by the strength these delicate blooms demonstrate, holding onto their branches when the winds blow. Our synagogue community has continued to demonstrate the same level of strength during the past two years, and the resilience of the children of Shaare Tefila has been remarkable.

The resilience I mentioned above was evident at our Erev Purim Megillah reading, as all the children in grades 3 and up led the festivities, in front of a full Sanctuary! Each of them read his or her verses with a great deal of enthusiasm and brought joy to everyone present, whether in person, over zoom, or on our live stream. The holiday celebration continued that Sunday with a fun-filled Purim Carnival in the Front Yard, where games were played, hot dogs were eaten, and prizes were won.



Passover at Chavaya! Everyone began to get into the holiday spirit at our last Sunday session in March. Each class started its individual holiday lessons, then gathered to create ritual items that can be used on their family seder table: a matzah cover and a seder plate. All the children got to experience the Matzah Factory with our friend from JCrafts, where they learned about the harvesting and grinding of the wheat for flour, as well as how the flour and water are mixed for the dough. Each child was able to roll out a piece of dough and make the holes in the piece before taking it home to bake. **April 3** will be our last Chavaya session before Montgomery County spring break and the beginning of Passover, so classes will conclude their holiday lessons then. **Everyone will return to Chavaya on Sunday, April 24.**



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Then Miriam the prophetess, Aaron's sister, took a timbrel in her hand, and all the women went out after her in dance with timbrels. And Miriam chanted for them: Sing to Adonai, for God has triumphed gloriously; Horse and driver God has hurled into the sea. - Ex. 15:20-21



The Shaare Tefila community truly fulfilled the Talmudic directive '*When the month of Adar enters, we increase in joy.*' -Talmud, Taanit 29 in multiple ways during March.

- ◆ We had **our first Havdalah Experience program** gathering since 2020, a lively discussion on the award winning Israeli film "Shoelaces."
- ◆ **Erev Purim's Megillah reading** brought everyone back together in our Sanctuary to celebrate! The room was full and those who could not be there on zoom and livestream. **Led by the children of Shaare Tefila the place was rocking!**



- ◆ **Purim Carnival in the Front Yard!** Everyone, including visitors from the Olney area, had a blast at our outdoor Carnival this year - we even raised money to support the Jews of Ukraine by raffling off two adorable stuffed toys.
- ◆ At the last Shabbat service of Adar we celebrated **Samantha Fero** becoming a Bat Mitzvah , AND thanks to the time and generosity of many people involved, reopened our Shabbat Kiddush gathering.

Looking ahead to April and the month of Nisan, we are getting ready for Passover, with the first seder the evening of April 15th. Keeping that in mind, personally I have been focusing on the celebration that takes place after the Israelites cross the Sea of Reeds, led by Miriam. During this time of difficulty for many people, in the US and around the world, I wish you the hope and inspiration that the story of Passover and our people provides us.

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Happy Spring and Happy upcoming Passover! In the rhythm of Spring, we are all excited for the new change of seasons; warmer weather, trees sprouting, and more in person get togethers. Services, programs, and YES, our Shabbat kiddishes and dinners are back to in person. We have been patient and have waited for this time. The time for renewal of getting back to our synagogue life through services, programs, and special events. Note that Shaare Tefila current guidelines still require that we wear face masks when in the building to help keep our congregants and guests safe as we transition back to our normal lifestyles post pandemic. ***Please save the date and do your best to attend our first post-Covid Shaare Tefila Shabbat dinner on Friday, May 6, 2022. Weather permitting, we will have dinner outside, or if necessary in the building. Details to follow shortly!***

Our Membership team of volunteers is getting ready to launch our new **“Shaare Tefila Uniting Generations, Community and Creating Connections”** plan. This new program’s mission is to help make sure that every Shaare Tefila member feels connected and a part of their Shaare Tefila family. We want all members, seasoned and new to know they are a part of our caring, thriving community. Membership volunteers will be contacting all congregants through calls, email and yes even snail mail to let them know our community is here for them. In addition, we will check to make sure we have the most current contact information for them and find out what areas they would like to be involved in with our synagogue family. **If you are interested in volunteering and helping to make outreach calls to our members, please contact Cilla Grosberg at [cgrosberg58@gmail.com](mailto:crosberg58@gmail.com) or phone her at 301-452-5443.**

I hope you feel as excited as I do about celebrating births, marriages, bar and bat mitzvahs, birthdays, anniversaries, and holiday celebrations again in person. The past year has still been a bit of a roller coaster for all of us with transitioning from Covid, getting vaccines and boosters, wearing masks or not to wear a mask? Attending services in person or zooming? It has been a challenge for all of us. However, how wonderful does it feel to know we now have the choice of coming together in person to share all these wonderful events together again at our synagogue home.

Wishing you all a wonderful and meaningful Passover and looking forward to seeing in shul soon!

Cilla B. Grosberg, ST Membership VP

Passover Service Schedule

Friday April 15

**8:45am morning minyan
followed by study session
for first born and burning
chametz (in person and
ZOOM)**



NO 6PM service - 1st Seder

Shabbat April 16

9:30am Shabbat and 1st Day Passover Service - service includes Hallel and prayer for dew (in person, ZOOM, watch)

NO EVENING SERVICE/HAVDALAH - 2nd Seder

Sunday April 17

9:30am 2nd Day Passover Festival Service - service includes Hallel and blessing of kohanim (in person, ZOOM, watch)

8:35pm - evening service and havdalah (ZOOM)

Thursday April 21

6pm - 7th Day Passover Festival Evening evening service - (ZOOM and watch)

Friday April 22

9:30am - 7th Day Passover Service - service includes Hallel and blessing of kohanim (in person, ZOOM, watch)

6pm - Shabbat and 8th day Passover service (ZOOM, watch)

Shabbat April 23

9:30am - Shabbat and 8th Day Passover service - service includes Hallel, selections from Song of Songs and Yizkor (in person, ZOOM, watch)

8:40pm - evening service and havdalah (ZOOM)

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Lisa Hedgepeth
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The Social Action Committee has been diligently working on the best way for us to get involved assisting Afghan refugee families currently entering the US and resettling in the DMV area. The efforts are varied and complicated. We've been in contact with other congregations and organizations to find our best fit. We have a core group of volunteers ready to assist. If you are interested in being a part of this cohort, please email Lisa Hedgepeth at lisachedge@gmail.com.

Good Deeds Week is April 3-10. Shaare Tefila has partnered with JCADA (Jewish Coalition Against Domestic Abuse) and Temple Emanuel's Early Childhood Center in their Good Deeds projects. Please refer to the flyers in this Shofar for detailed information about how you can contribute!

Get involved!

Lisa Hedgepeth, Social Action Chair

(Education article cont'd.)



Open House Opportunity! April 24 - Do you have friends who you think would love our Chavaya learning program? PLEASE invite them to join us for our Spring Open House. Children will have a chance to visit and participate in our classes and I will meet with parents to discuss all we have to offer. [Questions? Feel free to contact me by email.](#)

There are just two more dates for Junior Congregation this school year! Join me and Morah Ilana on **April 2** and even if you have never come before this year, you can attend on **May 14** and receive some recognition for your participation. Junior Congregation will continue in September.

Chag Pesach Sameach/Happy Passover!

Babette



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Dear Sisterhood Sisters and Shaare Tefila Community,

Please join us for a complimentary, wonderful, and heartwarming Sisterhood Zoom event called "Pesachs Past."

This event will be an opportunity to bring together our sisters and Shaare Tefila community members to share your special memories of Passover as a child, growing up, and within your own families today. We also want to share with one another the amazing recipes, traditions, and practices you have incorporated into your own Seders over the years.

We encourage you to join Sisterhood and your Shaare Tefila community, sharing fond memories, 'Show and Tells', and favorite recipes for Pesach that you make, and would like to share. Don't have something to share - no worries, no pressure - attend and enjoy the stories, traditions and recipes of others (can't you just smell the brisket cooking?)!

This great event will be on **Sunday, April 10 at 4:00 pm** and to join us for this wonderful virtual event, please click on the register button below. The ZOOM Link will be sent out to all registrants, prior to the event.

REGISTRATION FORM

We look forward to seeing and hearing from you on April 10!

Warmest regards to all,

Shaare Tefila Sisterhood

(Programming article cont'd.)

The following worship & program opportunities are being offered in April:

- ◆ **THIS SHABBAT - 4/2, 10:15 am, Junior Congregation** for school age children, with a focus on 3-7 grades, will gather for a joyous Shabbat service in the Chapel. **Next & Last Date for 5782: 5/14**
- ◆ **THIS SUNDAY - 4/3, 9:15-10:45 am, Gan Katan Preschool Experience.** Join Morah Mara for a wonderful morning getting ready for Passover! [RSVP to Babette so we know you are coming!](#)
- ◆ **THIS SUNDAY - 4/3, 2:30 pm, Makers & Bakers: Charoset From Around the World!** Join Mara Lansky and me for another great Makers & Bakers program. [SEE ALL THE DETAILS AND REGISTER NOW on Eventbrite here ASAP.](#)
- ◆ **4/23, 10:15 am, Tot Shabbat** for families with children age 0-7. Join Morah Mara & Morah Babette for a fun-filled Shabbat experience!



Wishing everyone a *Zissen Pesach*/Sweet Passover holiday,

Babette



LIFELONG LEARNING AT SHAARE TEFILA

Spring – 2022/5782

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 relations between Jews and their non-Jewish neighbors.

10:30 am – **Prayer Book** – Our liturgy inspires us to spiritually connect with God. Let's learn about the Shabbat morning service and how the vocabulary, structure, and choreography help us make Shabbat more meaningful.

WEEKDAYS

NEW CLASS: Mondays – 11 am – Join Rabbi Jonah in this weekly class as he explores current events from a Jewish perspective. We'll learn together what Judaism has to teach us about issues in the world today.

Wednesdays – 11 am – Torah Study – We learn about the weekly Torah portion focusing on concepts, events, and issues that arise.

Fridays – 9:30 am – Torah Class – This class focusses on the Torah, line by line with the traditional medieval rabbinic commentators. This year we are nearing the end of the book of Deuteronomy.

ALL CLASSES MEET ON [ZOOM](#)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3026500395?pwd=QktRaUlqYzdqUDhJdVlkZG9BdDZMQT09>



SISTERHOOD PRESIDENT
JACKIE BENN
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Hello all Sisterhood members,

Now that April has arrived that means the snow (hopefully) has gone away and warmer days are ahead. I don't know about all of you, but that makes me very happy.

We are looking forward to another ZOOM event next Sunday. We will reminisce about previous Passovers. Please bring anything that has a special memory for you or just come and listen to others and maybe get some ideas. During this event, if you have a special recipe for Passover, please bring them. You don't need to prepare any food. Maybe you have a recipe that someone else has been trying to find, and your recipe will make someone's Passover extra special this year. Remember we're all one community and help each other even when we are not in the same room.

With that being said, if you need someone to talk to or just need a little assistance please let me know, and I will try my best to assist. I know of a number of people that every week call different congregants just to check to make sure they are OK. If you would prefer to be on my personal list that is fine too. Please, call me at 301-512-0694 or email me at relaybenns@gmail.com, and I would be happy to add you to my list.

In May, we plan on having our first in-person outside event in over two years. It will be open to all congregants. This will be a time to socialize and find out how other members of the congregation have been doing. More details to come later this month.

Please be safe and have a great Pesach.

Sincerely,

Jackie Benn
Sisterhood President

Rosh Chodesh Women's Circle Discussions (RCWC)



Join us on ZOOM!

The [ZOOM Link](#) is, and will continue to be:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86076367965?pwd=ZkMwZzI0bVVIUkRhS3YxcWQ2RmNjdz09>

Upcoming dates are:

- Nisan Sunday April 3rd
- Iyar Sunday May 15th

<https://www.shaaretefila.org/news-and-events/calendar/>

(President's article cont'd)

In several months we will have our annual meeting. (You may have already received a notice of the date.) At that time, we'll review what's happened in the last year, our forecast for the future, and, most importantly, elect a new slate of officers and members of the Board. I am extremely pleased that we continue to have members step up to serve our congregation, and I believe that you will find that the nominated slate represents members with significant skills.

So let me say, THANK YOU.

Perry

The Jewish Federation's Sara & Samuel J. Lessans

Good Deeds Week

April 3-10, 2022



Shaare Tefila is partnering with JCADA (Jewish Coalition Against Domestic Abuse) for Good Deeds Week. We are collecting grocery store gift cards for survivors of intimate partner violence in need.

Here's how you can help:

Drop Off or Mail Grocery Store Gift Cards to:

Shaare Tefila Congregation
16620 Georgia Avenue
Olney, MD 20832

Or...

1. Visit JCADA's [Amazon wish list](#) to send a grocery or visa gift card to survivors of intimate partner violence in need.
2. Enter the email jcada@jcada.org to send the gift card to JCADA.
3. Include your name, email address, and Shaare Tefila in the comment section.

Questions? Email lisachedge@gmail.com

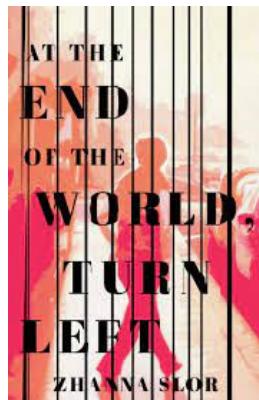
Each card helps combat food insecurity and empower survivors!



Ending Domestic Violence. Empowering Survivors. Empowering Our Communities.

Beth Shalom's Jewish Author Series
co-sponsored with Shaare Tefila, our "sister shul"
April 7 2022

Join us virtually for this amazing
author:



At the End of the World, Turn Left
by Zhanna Slor
Thursday, April 7 at 7:45 p.m.

This coming of age novel centers around two sisters of Russian immigrant parents with very different outlooks on life. When the

novel opens, twenty-five-year-old Masha, the older sister, has been living in Israel for five years but flies home to southern Wisconsin after her father pleads with her to help him locate Anna

who has been missing for several weeks. "The book is filled with twists and turns and double backs that in the end leaves you wanting more" writes one Amazon Reviewer. This book has rave reviews from NPR, Publishers Weekly, Booklist and more!

Zhanna Slor was born in the former Soviet Union and moved to the Midwest in the early 1990's. She has been published in many literary magazines and is a frequent contributor to the Forward. She currently lives with her husband and daughter in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. This is her first novel.

Purchase this book from Amazon Smile [here](#).

REGISTER TODAY!

The Jewish Federation's Sara & Samuel J. Lessans

Good Deeds Week

April 3-10, 2022

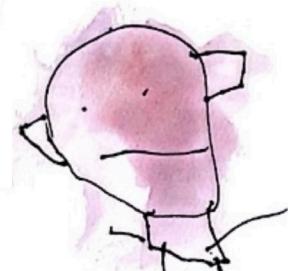
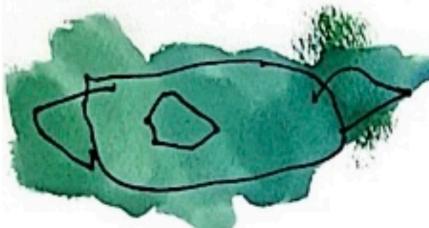


Please join Temple Emanuel Early Childhood Center in partnership with Shaare Tefila's Social Action Committee for a week long

DIAPER DRIVE

Please drop off donations (see list on other side) at Shaare Tefila between April 3rd - 10th, 2022.

All donations will be given to the DC Diaper Bank



We happily accept the following NEW and unexpired items:

- Disposable Diapers (open packs are fine, please label the outside of the pack with the size and number of diapers)
- Unexpired and unopened formula
- Unexpired and unopened baby food & toddler snacks
- New and unopened bottles and nipples
- New and unopened pacifiers
- Pull-Ups (open packs are fine, please label the outside of the pack with the size and number of diapers)
- Wipes
- Diaper Rash Cream
- Tampons/Pads (we take open boxes as long as they are individually wrapped)
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Toothbrushes/Toothpaste for adults and children
- Lotion for adults and babies
- New & unopened packages of Adult diapers
- Cloth diapers
- Toilet paper
- Soap
- Laundry detergent

We happily accept the following gently used items:

- Potty training seats
- Baby bathtubs
- Soft-sided, front carry baby carriers

What We Don't Accept

- Postpartum hospital supplies
- Swim Diapers
- Baby Clothing
- Used or new baby gear or furniture- cribs/mattresses/strollers
- Used breast pumps or pump parts
- Used bottles or feeding supplies
- Used or new maternity clothes
- Baby Powder

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The Purim Committee would like to thank all of its special volunteers, without whom we could never have been so successful. Shout outs to **Briana Porter, Debbie Yedlin, Diane Kieval, Ken Libby, Elaine Salter, Betty Freedman, Betty Balin, Amy Federman, and Alice Gantz** from Tikvat Israel, who helps us each year. Also, **Luis** was invaluable as always! A big thanks goes out to those of you who helped deliver bags to friends, relatives, and neighbors in your community. That was a huge help in distributing the goodies to everyone.

We hope that you enjoyed our mischloach manot offerings, and if you have not yet received yours, please plan to pick your bag up in the shul office as soon as possible.

Your Purim Committee, Stephanie Buckberg, Lois Freedman, and Ethel Levine

Calling all congregants!

Speaking about calling: would you like to be the recipient of a fellow congregant's call once a month or so? Just to catch up, talk, be in touch?

Speaking about calling: are you interested in being a congregant who calls a fellow congregant once a month or so? Just to catch up, talk, be in touch?

If one of the above is to your liking, you are in luck!

The Chesed Committee has re-instituted its friendly calling initiative.

Currently, there are 15 volunteers who are contacting 36 fellow congregants for a monthly chat.

Can we count on you to be either a recipient or a caller?

Please contact Adriana (sandleraa@gmail.com) or 301-871-1164 to sign up or for additional information.



Shaare Tefila Men's Club
16620 Georgia Ave. Olney, MD 20832
2022 Passover Wine Fundraiser
[All wines Kosher for Passover]

Please order by email, phone or regular mail from MARCH 20 to APRIL 10
Pickup and/or home delivery beginning MARCH 20

ISRAELI WHITE WINES

Barkan Chardonnay	\$ 18	Teberberg Vision White	\$ 19
Carmel Moscato	\$ 18	Tishbi Emerald Riesling	\$ 22
Lineage Sauv Blanc	\$ 24	Tishbi Sauvignon Blanc	\$ 22
Tabor Adama Sauvignon Blanc	\$ 28	Yarden Mt. Hermon White	\$ 22

ISRAELI RED WINES

Barkan Cabernet	\$ 20	Galil Merlot	\$ 27
Barkan Pinot Noir	\$ 22	Morad Grapefruit (Fruit wine)	\$ 26
Barkan Pointage	\$ 20	Morad Lychee (Fruit wine)	\$ 26
Carmel Concord	\$ 14	Morad Passion Fruit (Fruit wine)	\$ 26
Dalton Cabernet	\$ 25	Morad Pomegranate (Fruit wine)	\$ 26
Dalton Merlot	\$ 25	Recanti Merlot	\$ 26
Dalton Shiraz	\$ 25	Tabor Shiraz	\$ 24
Dolev Muscat Hamburg (Blush wine)	\$ 19	Yarden Mt. Hermon Red	\$ 22

WINES FROM CALIFORNIA, NY OR OTHER COUNTRIES THAN ISRAEL

(Australia) Altoona Hills Cabernet Sauvignon / Merlot (Red)	\$ 17	(Chile) Lanzur Merlot (Red)	\$ 20
(Australia) Altoona Hills Chardonnay (White)	\$ 17	(Italy) Bartenura Moscato (White)	\$ 21
(Australia) Altoona Hills Shiraz (Red)	\$ 17	(Italy) Borgo Reale Pinot Grigio (White)	\$ 28
(Australia) Teal Lake Cabernet/Merlot (Mix) (Red)	\$ 20	(New York) Manischewitz Concord (Red)	\$ 12
(Australia) Teal Lake Chardonnay (White)	\$ 20	(New York) Manischewitz Cream Red	\$ 14
(Australia) Teal Lake Shiraz	\$ 20	(New York) Manischewitz Cream White	\$ 14
(Australia) Teal Lake Merlot (Red)	\$ 20	(New Zealand) O'Dwyers Creek Sauvignon Blanc (White)	\$ 28
(California) Herzog Merlot (Red)	\$ 21	(New Zealand) Goose Bay Pinot Noir	\$ 35
(California) Herzog White Zinfandel (Blush wine)	\$ 16	(Spain) Herenza (Red)	\$ 27
(Chile) Lanzur Cabernet Sauvignon (Red)	\$ 20	(Spain) Ramon Cordona Rioja (Red)	\$ 35
(Chile) Lanzur Chardonnay (White)	\$ 20		

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

NAME _____ PHONE _____ \$ AMT. ENCLOSED _____

BRAND _____ SIZE _____ QUANTITY _____

SELL YOUR CHAMETZ

The main ritual of Passover preparation is ridding our homes of all grain and leavened products (*chametz*). To actually throw out our food would be wasteful. The rabbis 1500 years ago devised a legal fiction that would permit us to leave the food in our homes. By selling the *chametz* to someone not obligated to observe the holiday, we fulfill the commandment “do not have *chametz* in your possession.”

*In order to “sell” your chametz, complete the form below and return it to Rabbi Layman by Friday morning April 15, 2022. When “selling” our chametz, it is customary to make a donation called *ma’ot chitim* to enable those who are poor to celebrate Passover. All monies will be donated to MAZON: The Jewish Response to Hunger.*

I (we) hereby authorize Rabbi Jonah Layman to serve as my (our) agent to sell my (our) chametz. I (we) understand that I (we) cannot touch the chametz in my (our) home from 10:00 AM Friday April 15, 2022 to 8:36 PM Saturday April 23, 2022.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

HEBREW NAME: _____ son/daughter of _____

Enclosed is a donation of \$ _____ made payable to *MAZON*

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS



April

April 3, 9:15am: Gan Katan
4:00pm: Rosh Chodesh Women's Circle
April 5, 8:00pm: Scholar Stream - The Power of the Prophets
April 10, 4:00pm: Sisterhood Passover Event
April 7, 7:45pm: Jewish Author Series
April 11, 8:00pm: Sisterhood Board Meeting
April 12, 8:00pm: Scholar Stream - The Power of the Prophets
April 13, 10:00am: Men's Discussion Group
April 15, 8:45am: Special Morning Minyan, study session and burning chametz
April 16, 9:30am: Shabbat & Passover Services
April 17, 9:30am: Passover Services
April 21, 6:00pm: Passover Services
April 22, 9:30am: Passover Services
April 23, 9:30am: Shabbat & Passover Services Including Yizkor

May

May 1, 10:30am: Intergeneration Program - "Samuel's Project"
May 3, 8:00pm: Scholar Stream - Liturgy of Miracles: Hanukkah, Purim and Yom HaAtzma'ut
May 9, 8:00pm: Sisterhood Board Meeting
May 10, 8:00pm: Scholar Stream - Liturgy of Miracles: Hanukkah, Purim and Yom HaAtzma'ut
May 11, 10:00am: Men's Discussion Group
1:00pm: Scholar Stream - Israel: Models of Resilience
May 14, 10:30am: Junior Congregation
May 15, 9:15am: Gan Katan
4:00pm: Rosh Chodesh Women's Circle
May 17, 8:00pm: Scholar Stream - Liturgy of Miracles: Hanukkah, Purim and Yom HaAtzma'ut
May 18, 1:00pm: Scholar Stream - Israel: Models of Resilience
May 24, 8:00pm: Scholar Stream - Liturgy of Miracles: Hanukkah, Purim and Yom HaAtzma'ut
May 25, 1:00pm: Scholar Stream - Israel: Models of Resilience

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Toby Barnett, son of **Francine and Tony Barnett**, is a junior at Rockville High School. He is a Scholastic All-American and nationally ranked age group swimmer in the USA. He recently verbally committed to Indiana University-Bloomington to study and swim in the fall of 2023. **Even more exciting, he has been selected to swim in Israel representing the USA in the 21st Maccabiah Games in July of 2022.** If you would like to support him in his fundraising efforts for his Israel trip, please follow this [link](#).



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