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Rabbi's Message

On February 17, Shir Tikvah participated in NCJW's "Repro Shabbat," standing up for reproductive rights in our country. Here is the sermon I delivered in honor of that Shabbat.

I first learned about abortion from an unlikely source: the movie *Dirty Dancing*. I remember watching the movie with my mother back in 1988 and asking what the term "knocked up" meant. It was through the eyes of Penny, the resort's dance teacher, that I first learned about abortion;

about "dirty knives and folding tables," as they referred to them. I'd learn about coat hangers later.

Every time I say that word, coat hanger, a chill runs through me. And I feel nauseous as I think about the tens of thousands of pregnant people who might die because they no longer have access to safe, legal means to terminate an unwanted pregnancy. I thought we'd solved this issue in 1973. I am saddened to learn that the fight is only just beginning...again. For forty



Rabbi's Message (continued)

five years, I knew abortion as a right in this country. And yet in 2022, that right was rescinded in an act that "... violates the Establishment Clause by enshrining a particular religious view into law."

(NCJW Sermon Talking Points, Section 2: Reproductive Freedom is a First (and Fourteenth!) Amendment Issue)

"One in four people who can become pregnant will have an abortion by the age of 45."

The Torah, in this week's parashat Mishpatim, or laws, clarifies that causing the termination of a pregnancy is not considered murder and Jewish law even goes on to add that abortion is not only permitted but, in some cases, is required, when the life of the pregnant person is in danger. And because Judaism views mental health and physical health as both being of equal importance, abortion may even be permitted in a case where one's mental health would be in jeopardy were a pregnancy to go full term. These

are just a few of the reasons why abortion and reproductive rights are Jewish issues.

According to NCJW: "One in four people who can become pregnant will have an abortion by the age of 45. This includes Jews, and likely members of every Jewish community, including your own. Abortion is neither theoretical nor something that happens to 'other' people. Abortion is highly stigmatized in the greater American culture and this impacts people's experiences in Jewish spaces that, intentionally or unwittingly, perpetuate the stigma... Those who need abortion access should feel supported and cared for as they attend to their own reproductive health care, and should feel comfortable speaking about their experiences if they so choose – without stigma or shame."

(NCJW Sermon Talking Points, Section 3: Abortion is a Jewish Issue)

In addition to the stigma surrounding abortion in our country, there are also some assumptions, including the one regarding the individuals who have them. Did you know that 59% of people who have abortions are already parents? I imagine this is news to most of us. And this is why it's up to us to acknowledge our assumptions and to put an end to them, rendering individuals as nothing more than statistics, and forgetting that each of them has a personal story to tell. It is up to us to create a safe space for all individuals, and to support those in need in any way we can.

"The overturning of Roe will have – or has already had – a disproportionate impact on people with marginalized identities and communi-

Rabbi's Message (continued)

ties that have long experienced systemic oppression in this country. The racist Hyde amendment, in effect since 1980, prohibits Medicaid funding for abortion services..."and as a result, "a significant percentage of Black, Indigenous, and other people of color in the US have had no legal access to abortion care for decades. With the fall of Roe, Indigenous, Black, and Latino populations experienced large increases in travel time to abortion facilities, and abortion bans especially deadly for black women, who are three times more likely to die from a pregnancy-related cause than white women because of systemic racism in the medical system."

(NCJW Sermon Talking Points, Section 4: Jewish Community Leaders must Use Their Collective Power to Amplify the Voices and Leadership of those who are Most Impacted by Abortion Bans)

We have an obligation to act in order to ensure

access to safe abortions for all.

Jewish tradition values life. In fact, saving a life is a mitzvah that supersedes all others. But for us, life begins at birth, when a baby is outside the womb and can breathe on its own. A fetus is, as we see it, only a part of the mother, and not an independent being. And since, as we established earlier, according to the Torah, the death of a fetus is not considered murder, we have an obligation to stand up and speak out for reproductive rights and access to safe abortions for all.

There is a movement called Reproductive Justice that was founded by Black women and Black and Indigenous People of Color Women and trans and nonbinary people. "SisterSong: Women of Color Reproductive Justice Collective

defines Reproductive Justice as 'the human right to maintain personal bodily autonomy, have children, not have children, and parent the children we have in safe and sustainable communities.'"

(NCJW Sermon Talking Points, Section 5: Rosh Hodesh Adar is a Chance to Amplify Silenced Voices and Untold Stories – in the Megillah and Today)

On this Repro Shabbat 5783, we reaffirm our commitment to this goal, to achieving Reproductive Justice in our country and beyond so that no pregnant individual be forced to endure stigma and scrutiny from strangers, emotional and physical pain, or be forced to risk their life.

In just a few weeks, we will celebrate the holiday of Purim. Among the stories in the Megillah is the one of Vashti, who fought for autonomy over her body and the one of Esther who was not accorded the

Rabbi's Message (continued)

"In Shushan, the men in power made decisions about what and how women and others should act,"

same. "In Shushan," NCJW tells us, "the men in power made decision about what and how women and others should act, when and with whom they had sex, and when and how they got pregnant. So too, today – the right to decide whether or not to have children and on what terms those children may be raised, has been taken. Reproductive Justice offers us a vision of what the world looks like when women, when all people, can exercise the most basic human rights. When we remember the unnamed women in the Purim story," [the women in Vashti's harem whose stories are never told,] "we can remember the people whose lives have been endangered and forever changed by oppressive abortion bans.

When we allow ourselves to see the parallels between the Purim story and our current political reality, we come with a deeper understanding of the urgency to fight for reproductive Justice for all."

(NCJW Sermon Talking Points, Section 5: Rosh Hodesh Adar is a Chance to Amplify Silenced Voices and Untold Stories – in the Megillah and Today)

I pray that the day comes when we don't need to host such a Shabbat anymore. But until such a time, may this Shabbat motivate us to act now for Reproductive Justice!

Shabbat Shalom

Rabbi Carmit Harari

**REPRO
SHABBAT**
FEBRUARY 17-18, 2023
National Council of Jewish Women

Presidents' Message

While we have had a mild winter to date, spring cannot be far away.

One of the signs that spring is approaching is Purim. While it is a fun holiday, it also has a serious note. Purim is the celebration of the defeat of Haman (*sound the groggers*) who wanted to kill all of the Jews in Persia. Through the power of the people, specifically Queen Esther, Haman's plot (*sound the groggers*) failed.

This year, we will be celebrating Purim on the evening of Monday, March 6. We will start the evening with an ice cream social, and then we will have the Megillah reading. The theme this year is "Peace, Love, Happiness, and Hamantaschen." To fit with the theme, songs will be performed to the music from "Hair." Get out your tie-dyed hippie outfits and join in the fun.

Queen Esther is an example and symbol for all of us. Today when any-

body can use the internet to broadcast lies and hate, it is more important than ever to speak up. Acts of anti-semitism have increased recently, and it is not just words of hate. It is actions, with graffiti, guns and hand grenades.

We are fortunate to live in a relatively safe community and have outstanding support from the local police departments. We need to all do our part to keep our communities and Shir Tikvah safe. We need to be alert to our surroundings, and if someone not known to us is loitering around our home or Shir Tikvah, we need to report them to the authorities. If someone we don't know leaves a strange bag, report it, also. We are all important to keeping our community and people safe.

On the afternoon of February 26, sixteen members and staff from Shir Tikvah took part in CPR Training conducted by the Flossmoor Fire Dept. Each attendee is now certified in CPR. Like the

Active Shooter Training that we offered several months ago, it is excellent training to have, but you hope you never have to use it.

In order to keep informed, please make sure to read our monthly bulletin and "This Week at Shir Tikvah", which is usually published every Thursday. They will keep you updated as to our Shabbat services, programs and social events. Each week we have a Friday evening and Saturday morning Shabbat service. You are welcome to attend in person or on Zoom.

There are many other events happening each week. For example on March 2 and 3, we will be delivering Shalach Manot bags. Hopefully you ordered bags or cards for family and friends. The cards were designed by a Shir Tikvah student, twelve-year-old Avi Miller and they are beautiful.

During the weekend of April 28-30, we will be celebrating Rabbi Harari's 10th anniversary as

our Rabbi. Please plan to attend some, if not all of the events. Also, the committee is still looking for people to help with planning and organization. If you are interested, please contact Ruth Friedman.

If you haven't heard, Shir Tikvah is going to Israel. The trip will be planned for the first half of 2024. At this time, we are looking for all interested parties. If you are interested, please contact Kay in the office and we will schedule an informational meeting. You do not need to make a commitment yet.

Lastly, another sign of spring is changing the clocks. Don't forget to spring ahead on Saturday night, March 11.

Sherry and Sherman

Women of Shir Tikvah

It's March! We haven't had a bad winter, but I think we are ready for warm weather.

Women of Shir Tikvah is busy planning our Annual Second Community Seder on Thursday, April 6. The cost is \$40 for adults and \$20 for children under 12. We will again be preparing all the food. Sign up with the flyer you will find in this bulletin.

We are also working on food for the celebratory weekend honoring Rabbi Harari on her 10 year anniversary.

Some of our Sisterhood members will be traveling to Itasca on March 9-12 to take part in the Midwest/Central District WRJ Convention. The Midwest and Central districts will become the Heartland District.

On Saturday, March 11, there will be an Awards Luncheon. WoST will be honoring Donelle Macey as our Woman

of Valor. The convention will also recognize the district Or Ami winners. Judy Lohr Safcik was the co-chair of a program, Building Bridges. That program won the Gold Or Ami which is the highest honor.

That evening, there will be an installation of the new officers for the Heartland District. Our own Carole Fefferman will be installed as the Worship Chair for the District.

We wish everyone a Happy Purim! Think Spring!

Gayle Weil

**"One in four
people who can
become pregnant
will have an
abortion by the
age of 45."**



School News

Our students, again, participated in a number of activities this month. We ended up last month literally making a timeline of events in Israel's history by using clothespins to pin the events to a line. They worked as a team examining the pictures and descriptions to determine the order in which the events happened.

At the beginning of this month, we took a break from the study of Israel to have a Tu B'Shevat Seder, during which the students got to taste different fruits and nuts while discussing the importance of trees, both metaphorically and physically.

The following session, they talked about the importance of a national anthem and learned the words to Hatikvah.

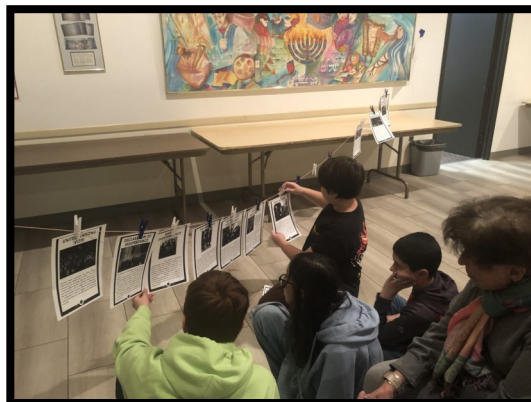
Finally, we reviewed the story of Purim after watching a Lego Purim story. They then talked about the role of opposites in this holiday, after

which they designed handouts to be distributed during the Purim service.

The students are at different levels in Hebrew School, so some are learning the letters, while others are practicing reading words and learning the prayers. They were able to demonstrate what they learned when they participated in a Shabbat service February 18th. The next time they participate in services will be March 25th. Please mark that date on your calendar so you can see how much they have achieved.

Finally, the students were surprised with a gift of a water cup with their Hebrew name on it that they can use during class. Thank you, Ms. Macey and Rabbi Harari. Another surprise will come to them soon.

Sherry Dieckman
Donelle Macey
Carole Fefferman
Rabbi Carmit Harari



**“The students
are at
different
levels in
Hebrew
School.... ”**



Service Times

March 3

7:30 pm

Reform Service

March 4

9:45 am

Conservative Service

Shabbat Zachor

Parashat Tetzaveh

Torah Reading: Exodus 27:20-30:10

Haftarah:
(Ashkenazic) I Samuel 15:2-34

March 17

7:30 pm

Reform Service

March 18

9:45 am

Conservative Service

Shabbat Hahodesh

Parashat Vayakhel-Pekudei

Torah Reading: Exodus 35:1-40:38

Haftarah: (Sephardic)
Ezekiel 45:18-46:15

March 31

7:30 pm

Reform Service

April 1

9:45 am

Conservative Service

Shabbat Hagadol

Parashat Tzav

Torah Reading: Leviticus 6:1-8:36

Haftarah: Malachi 3:4-24

March 10

7:30 pm

Reform Service

March 11

9:45 am

Combined Service

Shabbat Parah

Parashat Ki Tisah

Torah Reading: Exodus 30:11-34:35, Numbers 19:1-22

Haftarah:
(Ashkenazic) Ezekiel 36:16-38

March 24

7:30 pm

Reform Service

March 25

9:45 am

Reform Service

Parashat Vayikra

Torah Reading: Leviticus 1:1-5:26

Haftarah: Isaiah 43:21-44:23



Candle Lighting and Havdallah Times for Homewood, IL and Mi Sheberach

Candle Lighting

March 3- 5:23 pm

Havdallah

March 4– 6:26 pm

Candle Lighting

March 10– 5:31 pm

Havdallah

March 11– 6:34 pm

Candle Lighting

March 17– 6:39 pm

Havdallah

March 18– 7:42 pm

Candle Lighting

March 24– 6:47 pm

Havdallah

March 25– 7:49 pm

Candle Lighting

March 31– 6:55 pm

Havdallah

April 1– 7:58 pm



Mi Sheberach List

Dan Argentar

Stu Argentar

Melissa Aronesti

Cathy Burnett

Gayla Cahan

Reuven ben Feivel v'Leah

Arie ben Feivel v'Leah

Ginny Gilbert

Ronnie Hamad

John Jenson

Millie Kruglick

Michael Lotz

Janet Muchnik

Marty Rabinovitz

Judy Lohr- Safcik

Carol Spector

Pat Wilkins

Vera Wilkins

Beckham Wilkins

In an effort to keep the Mi Sheberach list current it will be re-set again on April 15.

Please contact us for any additions to or deletions from the list. Thanks!

March Birthdays and Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

Sherman Friedman– March 4
 Evelyn Rosen– March 4
 Colton Fishman– March 5
 Barry Bayer– March 5
 Marvin Goldberg– March 7
 Lori Sugarman– March 8
 Burt Zeiger– March 8
 Larry Machtinger– March 11
 Dalia Podwol– March 12
 Joseph Miller– March 13
 Elliott Greenberg– March 14
 Robert Held– March 15
 Marcy Reisler– March 16
 Dan Greenberg– March 19
 David Schoeneman– March 21
 Barbara Wolf– March 22
 Ellen Kahn– March 22
 Cyndi Montesonti– March 25
 Chase Levy– March 26
 Jeff Goldberg– March 27

ANNIVERSARIES

John and Lauren Kern– March 16



April 28-30, 2023

For a Celebratory Weekend
Honoring Rabbi Carmit

Harari

On Her 10 Year Anniversary at Shir Tikvah

The weekend will feature
 a scholar in residence,
 delicious food,
 and time for toasting and roasting
 our wonderful rabbi.

March Tributes

GENERAL FUND

Sarah Smason in memory of Matthew Smason

Judy Lohr-Safcik in memory of Mike Safcik, Gertrude Safcik, Julius Wolf, Tillie Kaufer,
Norma Kaufer, Stanley Kaufer

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Cheryl Warshaw in memory of Allen Warshaw and Isaac Levinson

Ida Raff in memory of Frida Faynshteyn and Yuly Raff

Sharon Lorsch in memory of Mark R. Leibowitz

Henry Lorsch in memory of Rosa Lorsch

Ed and Evelyn Rappaport in memory of Gerald Rappaport

Stuart Switt in memory of Sydney Switt

Donelle Macey in memory of Donald Steinberg Macey

CHOIR FUND

Sherm and Rhoda Rosen in memory of Betty L. Rosen

SISTERHOOD TRIBUTES

Judy Lohr-Safcik to Bob Oros for his 60th birthday

Judy Lohr-Safcik to Barb Schwarz to wish a speedy recovery

WoST Board to Barb Schwarz to wish a speedy recovery

Bonnie Mosbacher to Barb Schwarz to wish a speedy recovery

Susan and Barry Bayer to Barb Schwarz to wish a speedy recovery

Penny and Jerry Shnay to wish Barb Schwarz to wish a speedy recovery

Ruth and Sherman Friedman to wish Barb Schwarz a speedy recovery

Gayle Weil to wish Barb Schwarz a speedy recovery

March Yahrzeit List

March 3

Itzik Cohn
Zlata Dosick
Esther Fox
Muriel Ginsburg
Max Gould
Herman Greenberg
Raymond Greenberg
Mary Greenburg
Morris Handler
Jack Horowitz
Frida Iskhakova
Edwin Johnson
Leopold Kahn
Jessica Kempler
Irving Klein
Milford Kniaz
Jesse Krass
Sol Levine
Ida Lewis
Fanny Libmann
Jeffrey Mackevich
Morris Marcus
Yuly Raff
Isador Rohde
Lewis Rosenfeldt
Nathan Roth
Irvin Sadowsky
Phylis Schneider
Rose Schreiber
Drr. Max Spangenthal
Jack Stein
Louise Stein
Henrietta Tumerkin
Jerrold Wax



Tillie Weisler
Walter Wollman
Bertha Yanovsky
Ruth Zatz

March 10

Gerry Aronberg
Max Berlin
Alice Cap
Joseph Crane
Richard Dreyfus
Harold Eisenstein
Robert Eisenstein
Isaac Escandarani
Ronald Feigenbaum
Edith Friessner
Isidore Ginsburg
David Hatchwell
Benjamin Herman
Esther Hornstein
Morris Daniel Itzkowitz
Muriel Jacobson
Aaron Kopstein
Faye Krasny
Helene Levi
Alan Levitt
Simon Levy
Rosa Lorsch
Merol Rochel Marks
Mignon McDade
Irwin Mirsky
Fannie Oseas
Celia Pattis
Meyer Polunsky

Albert Raab
Sylvia Raab
Mary Rosen
Joseph Rosenstein
Sheldon Runes
Evone Sager
Louis Sandack
Phylis Schneider
Abe Schwartz
Loulou Schwartz
Ida Shlosberg
Ben J. Sichel
Esther Teplitsky
Charles Vinik
Harry Wishnoff
Betty Wiss
Henry Wolff
Alfred Zucker

March 17

Mildred Abrahams
Henry Astor
Joseph Barton
Bashele Berkovitz
Ruth Block
Ilse Buchsbaum-Levi
Irwin Buntman
Melvin Chesler
Laura Solmon Cohen
Max Dunn
William Elfman
Ida Felton
Marion Forkash

March Jahrzeit List

Ralf Friessner
 Lawrence Greenspan
 Jenny Hesky
 Elsa Koehler
 Allen Koltun
 Sylvia Kovitz
 Erna Leffler
 Ruth Marcus
 Solomon Selim Masliah
 Kim Miller
 Minnie Moline
 Sam Mozer
 Dorothy Nordwind
 Milton Pomeranz
 Gerald Rappaport
 Gloria Rosenstein
 Dr. Jack Saleh
 Sali Salm
 Ben Sax
 Meyer Shlensky
 Sam Silberg
 Gilbert Smith
 Sara Tejada
 Amalie Tersch
 Gertrude Weinberg
 Henry Wolf
 Raphael Wolkow
 Jennifer Joy Yurman
 Rachel Zand

March 24

Shalom Brenner
 Ilse Buchsbaum
 Therse Cohn
 Alvin L. Gitlitz

Fern Goldsmith
 Arthur Hirsch
 Eli Kaplan
 Mollie C. Kaplan
 Donald Karpen
 Henry Koehler
 Sadie Kulakofsky
 Bernice Landy
 Mark R. Leibowitz
 Celia Levin
 David Mintz
 Reuben Paper
 Max Pechter
 Rose Pincoffs
 Max Pollack
 Katherine Rabinovitz
 Elmer George Rodgers
 Hannah Schmidt
 Phiip Schneider
 Hank Schwab
 Max Schwartzberg
 Lillian Serlin
 Benjamin Shore
 Norma Jean Simmons
 Marie Smerling
 Alfred Stone
 Harry Sugar
 David Tamarkin
 Syliva Wolf
 Mollie Zalman

March 31

Rose Alpert
 Julius Bayer
 Arnold Bierig

Sheldon Braunstein
 Nachama Brown
 Marvin Cahan
 Herman Dessauer
 Walter Dukes
 Sylvia Elliot
 Isaac Elsergoni
 Clara Freundlich
 Helen Friedman
 Vivian Gerber
 Bertha Ginsburg
 Emma Hahn
 Gabriel Haspel
 Gordon Hely
 Margaret Hesky
 Wolf B. Levy
 Beverly Narter
 Sam Papermaster
 Frieda Price
 Marjorie Proctor
 Laura S. Rader
 Anna Ratowitz
 Samuel Riekes
 Adolph D. Rosenberg
 William Safcik
 Richard Schwab
 Ethel Seaver
 Milton Seaver
 Lillian Sevelow
 Louis Sherman
 Phillip Silberg
 Max Solomon
 Alan Sporn
 Marjorie L. Stone
 Herb Wexler
 Harold Yatvin

Shir Tikvah Events

Peace, Love, Freedom, Hamentaschen!

Join us for a groovy Purim celebration



Monday, March 6, 2023

6:15pm Ice Cream Social

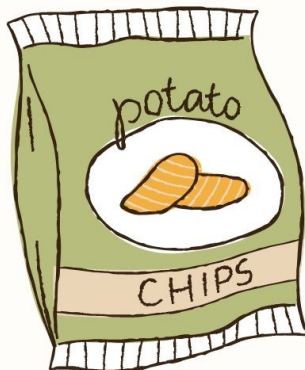
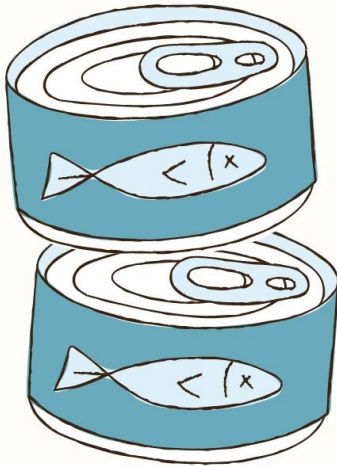
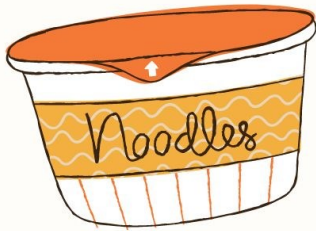
7:00pm Megillah Reading



With songs based on the hit musical "Hair"



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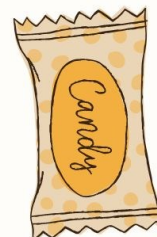
Food Drive

MARCH 6- APRIL 16

One of the mitzvot of Purim is **matanot la-evyanim**, gifts for the poor.

We are beginning a food drive, collecting non-perishable food to be donated to the Ark and Respond Now for those in need. Items collected will be donated as part of Good Deeds Day on April 16.

Please bring donations of canned and shelf-stable foods to Shir Tikvah, beginning at Purim, March 6 and through April 16, and help fulfill one of the mitzvot of the holiday as well as do a good deed for those in need.



Shir Tikvah Events



Come join our knitting (crochet, needlepoint) circle! Bring your current project OR make a project for someone in need.

Join us as we come together to catch up and maybe even learn some new skills!

Join us:

**Wednesday, March 8, at 1:30pm
in person at Shir Tikvah**

Completed projects for someone in need will be donated to:

NCJW South Cook's Albine Gerson Layette project or

JUF TOV Volunteer Network's Nourish our Neighborhoods program

For more details: amybloomberg@juf.org



Shir Tikvah Events



Don't miss these very special events!

March 22– April 28: Americans & the Holocaust Exhibit and Lectures @Prairie State College

The Americans and the Holocaust Initiative, a groundbreaking ten-year project of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, is presenting an exhibition that focuses on “the American aspects of the Holocaust.”

<https://prairiestate.edu/events/ushmm.aspx> For group registration: <https://forms.mart.com/form/2a0q?via=f8s.co>

April 4-17: Violins of Hope on display at Prairie State College

Thursday, April 13, 6-9 pm: Film /Lecture, “50 Children: One Ordinary American Couple’s Extraordinary Rescue Mission into the Heart of Nazi Germany” at Barnes & Noble Auditorium at Prairie State College
(Sponsored by Iris Dreyfuss Fund, NCJW South Cook Section)

Monday, April 17, 6 pm: Yom HaShoah Service at Barnes & Noble Auditorium at PSC

Community Rabbis will lead a Yom HaShoah memorial service

Monday, April 17, 7-9 pm: Violins of Hope Concert at Barnes & Noble Auditorium at PSC

Violins of Hope is a project of concerts based on a private collection of violins, violas and cellos all collected since the end of WWII. <https://prairiestate.edu/events/ushmm.aspx>

Thursday, April 27, 6 pm: Marion Blumenthal Lazon Closing Event at Prairie State College

(Sponsored by NCJW South Cook Section)

Saturday, May 13: Violins of Hope: Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra at Trinity Christian College

A pre-concert reception is being planned. Details will be listed later at the link below.

<https://ipomusic.org/2022-23season>

Tuesday, May 16, 1 pm: Violins of Hope at Shalom Over 50's at Shir Tikvah, 1424 183rd St., Homewood, IL

Presentation and Story-telling. Registration required for NON-Shalom Over 50 members:

juhlmann@jccchicago.org

Shir Tikvah Events

Shir Tikvah Community Seder

1424 West 183rd Street

Homewood, IL 60430

Thursday, April 6, 2023

6:00 p.m.



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Reservations must be made by Monday, March 20, 2023. Please allow sufficient time for us to receive your reservation. **Absolutely no reservations will be accepted after that date.**

Adults \$40 per person
Children under 12 - \$20

Name: _____ Phone # _____

of Adults _____ Total cost \$ _____

of Children _____ Total cost \$ _____

Check # _____ Total paid \$ _____

Reservations MUST be received with a check payable to Women of Shir Tikvah, 1424 W 183rd Street, Homewood, IL 60430, Attention: Harlene.

Shir Tikvah Events



Community Shabbat

March 24, 2023

7:30 PM

In person and on Zoom



Hosted by:

Temple Anshe Sholom/Temple Beth-El

10001 Columbia Avenue

Munster Indiana

Shir Tikvah Events



Sunday, April 23, 9:30 am

Translating Yiddish Women's Literature

Shir Tikvah, 1424 183rd St, Homewood, IL

Dr. Jessica Kirzane is a scholar of Yiddish Studies, specializing in questions of race, gender, and regionalism in American Yiddish fiction. She has translated two Yiddish novels by Miriam Karpilove. *Judith* was published by Farlag Press in January 2022. *Diary of a Lonely Girl, or the Battle Against Free Love* was published by Syracuse University Press in 2020. Dr. Kirzane's work to translate Yiddish women writers was featured in *The New York Times* a year ago.

After receiving her Ph.D. in Yiddish studies from Columbia University in 2017, Dr. Kirzane became the Assistant Instructional Professor at the University of Chicago. She teaches all levels of Yiddish language, as well as courses in Yiddish culture and literature. She also serves the Editor-in-Chief of *In geveb: A Journal of Yiddish Studies*.

Light refreshments will be served.

Please Register: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfm5q4-FRGq5okq2kMMgdKCQQP6dvPNPGzxgGy6Ls0i1Hxvzw/viewform>

Or call: 708-799-4110



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Shir Tikvah Events



Shir Tikvah is going to Israel!

We have talked about a Shir Tikvah trip to Israel for several years. It is now time to discuss and assess the interest in embarking on a trip to Israel with your fellow congregants and Rabbi Harari. While nothing is definite, we are thinking of a 10 day trip to Israel to visit historical, religious and cultural sites. We would have professional tour guides and stay in 3 and 4 star hotels. We are targeting a price of approximately \$5,000 per person plus airfare. The trip would be scheduled in the first half of 2024.

If you are interested in learning more about this trip, please contact Kay in the Shir Tikvah office and we will schedule a group meeting.

Community Events



Families with children 5 and under
are invited (and siblings, too!)

Join us for a program celebrating
Spring and Jewish music!

Sunday, March 19

11:00 AM

Joliet Jewish Congregation

250 N. Midland Ave

Joliet, Illinois



Program needs a minimum of 8
children to run. Deadline for
registration is March 12.

To register email:

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Community Events



Don't miss these very special events!

March 22– April 28: Americans & the Holocaust Exhibit and Lectures @Prairie State College

The Americans and the Holocaust Initiative, a groundbreaking ten-year project of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, is presenting an exhibition that focuses on “the American aspects of the Holocaust.”

<https://prairiestate.edu/events/ushmm.aspx> For group registration: <https://formsnarts.com/form/2a0g?via=f8s.co>

April 4-17: Violins of Hope on display at Prairie State College

Thursday, April 13, 6-9 pm: Film /Lecture, “50 Children: One Ordinary American Couple’s Extraordinary Rescue Mission into the Heart of Nazi Germany” at Barnes & Noble Auditorium at Prairie State College
(Sponsored by Iris Dreyfuss Fund, NCJW South Cook Section)

Monday, April 17, 6 pm: Yom HaShoah Service at Barnes & Noble Auditorium at PSC

Community Rabbis will lead a Yom HaShoah memorial service

Monday, April 17, 7-9 pm: Violins of Hope Concert at Barnes & Noble Auditorium at PSC

Violins of Hope is a project of concerts based on a private collection of violins, violas and cellos all collected since the end of WWII. <https://prairiestate.edu/events/ushmm.aspx>

Thursday, April 27, 6 pm: Marion Blumenthal Lazon Closing Event at Prairie State College

(Sponsored by NCJW South Cook Section)

Saturday, May 13: Violins of Hope: Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra at Trinity Christian College

A pre-concert reception is being planned. Details will be listed later at the link below.

<https://ipomusic.org/2022-23season>

Tuesday, May 16, 1 pm: Violins of Hope at Shalom Over 50's at Shir Tikvah, 1424 183rd St., Homewood, IL

Presentation and Story-telling. Registration required for NON-Shalom Over 50 members:

juhlmann@jccchicago.org

Community Events

Join us as we welcome acclaimed musician

Naomi Less

May 20-22, 2023

Temple Anshe Sholom/Temple Beth-El 10001 Columbia Avenue Munster Indiana



Friday, May 20, 7:30 P.M.

Kabbalat Shabbat

Entering the Soul of Shabbat-Naomi Less will join Rabbi Gidon Isaacs in Shabbat through music, meditation, and soulful explorations into the meaning behind prayers.

Saturday, May 21, 7:00 P.M.

Havdalah & Concert of Revelation

Naomi will sing original songs about unfolding opportunities for revelation in life.

Sunday, May 22, Family Program 10:00 A.M.

Shavuot Pajama Party & Kids Concert

About Naomi:

Naomi Less is a Brooklyn-based, internationally celebrated singer/songwriter, ritualist & educator. Beloved for her warm smile and inviting presence, communities celebrate her imagination and innovation, tenderness and pizzazz! Her original music is sung in worship communities worldwide.

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March 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Reform Service- 7:30 pm <i>Oneg sponsored by Susan Bayer</i> SHALACH MANOT DELIVERIES	4 Conservative Service- 9:45 am
5 Sunday School- 10 am	6 Purim Ice Cream Social & Megillah Reading- 6:15 pm	7 Shalom Over 50s- 11 am NO Hebrew School Gr. Prairie Choir- 7 pm	8 CJC Knitting Circle- 1:30 pm	9 ZOOM Adult Ed Meeting- 7:30 pm	10 Reform Service-7:30 pm	11 Combined Service- 9:45 am
12 Sunday School- 10 am DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS	13 WoST Bd Meeting- 10:30 am ZOOM Board Mtg- 7:30 pm	14 Shalom Over 50s- 11 am Hebrew School- 4:30 pm Gr. Prairie Choir- 7 pm	15	16	17 Flossmoor Book Club - 12 pm Reform Service-7:30 pm	18 Conservative Service- 9:45 am
19 Sunday School- 10 am	20 DEADLINE TO SIGN UP FOR COMMUNITY SEDER	21 Shalom Over 50s- 11 am Hebrew School- 4:30 pm Gr. Prairie Choir- 7 pm	22	23	24 CJC Community Shabbat at Anshe Sholom-7:30 pm	25 Reform Service- 9:45 am (students participate)
26 CJC Maot Chitim (pting lot)- 10 am Sunday School- 10 am	27	28 Shalom Over 50s- 11 am Hebrew School- 4:30 pm Gr. Prairie Choir- 7 pm	29	30	31 Reform Service-7:30 pm	