SHAAREY TPHILOH



Shabbat Shalom!!

December 26, 2020 11 Tevet, 5781

Services on hold due to the pandemic

<u>Parashat Vayigash</u>

Torah reading: Genesis 44:1847:27 Haftarah: Ezekiel 37:1528

Shabbat candle lighting: December 25, 3:51 pm Earliest Havdallah: December 26, 4:51 pm

This Week's Dvar Torah

This Friday is **Asarah Betevet**;

a fast day commemorating Nebuchadnezzar's siege of Jerusalem. The fast **begins at 5:40 am and ends at 4:46 pm on Friday, December 25**.

At a Glance Read what you want, in the order you want *If you see something underlined, try clicking!*

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Shaarey Tphiloh News

Acknowledgements

Todah to *Teri Berenson* for a generous donation <u>in beloved memory of grandmother</u>, **Anne Waxler**.

Todah to *Harry Krigman* for a generous donation <u>in beloved memory of brother</u>, **Michael Krigman**, devoted uncle of Ellie and Chaya.

Todah to *Marla Levenson* for a generous donation <u>in beloved memory of father</u>, **Wallace Jaffe**.

Todah to *Jeffrey Langholtz* for a generous donation to the shul.

Our condolences to *Jeri* and *Benny Brem* and *Florence Fleischer* on the recent passing of Jeris brother and Florences husband, **Dr. Linwood Fleischer**, who grew up in Portland and was an educator in Connecticut for many years. *May his memory be for a blessing.*

Shaarey Tphiloh Online!!

~ On hiatus until January 5 / 21 Tevet~

Friday 3 pm ~ Next on Jan. 8
Pre-Shabbat Meditations

When: Friday afternoon from 3:00 pm

Where: Facebook Live

Go to the <u>Congregation Shaarey Tphiloh Facebook group</u> at 3:00 pm ET to hear Rabbi Shub's meditations on this week's Torah reading.

Online Havdallah

Next on Jan. 9

When: Saturday evening
Where: Facebook Live

Come together to mark the end of Shabbat and sing (or hum!) along with us.

Tuesday 7 pm ~ Next on Jan. 5
Tuesday Night Learning

When: Tuesday evening from 7:00 pm

Where: **Zoom**

Join us Tuesday evenings on Zoom from 7:00-8:15 EST:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/797151978?
pwd=L2UwUlEzbTJpSGhRY2x5TW5DN0J2QT09

Meeting ID: 797 151 978 Password: 045797

You may also join by phone at +1-646-558-8656 and dialing the meeting ID: 797 151 978 when prompted.

Refuah Shleimah, a Speedy Recovery!

Channa Bryndel bat Bluma
Yoiel Meshilum Feish ben Ruchle
Elisheva bat Ephraim
Leah bat Doris
Chaya Necha bat Leah
Sarah Kayla bat Sarah
Brucha bat Miriam
Perel Etzel bat Simah Bayla

Carmela bat Mazal
Miriam Tovah bat Gittel
Akiva ben Sarah
Deena bat Yehudit
Zelda Norof
Meir ben Helen
Hannah bat Yonit
Rochel Michal bat Sarah vYossell

Dear Shaarey Tphiloh Community,

Please let us know if there is anyone whose name you would like included in our service and announcements by emailing us Keep us updated through their recovery.

Updates

As we experience another surge in COVID-19 infection rates across the state, Maine has <u>tightened its restrictions</u> around mask-wearing and interstate travel, and has readjusted its economic reopening plans. For the most up to date information for the City of Portland, please check here and for the State of Maine, click here.

Shaarey Tphiloh remains closed for regular services out of public health concerns, but with the news of vaccine development, is starting to consider our reopening plans.

We will keep you updated about additional programs and events listed under "Shaarey Tphiloh Online" as well as available resources with our weekly newsletters.

The Rabbi is happy to provide counseling and advice via <u>Rabbi@MaineSynagogue.org</u>. He is best reached between 3 and 5 pm on Mondays and Thursdays at (207) 613-5765.

Our office remains functioning via phone (207) 773-0693 and email (Office@MaineSynagogue.org).

Stay safe and healthy!



Yahrzeits

10 Tevet

Mark Meltzer Bernard Zade Max Zaitlin

11 Tevet

Betty Druker
Faye Branz Krantman
Anna Rosen
Morris Vinick

12 Tevet

Michael Krigman
Judith Abramson
Esta Astor
Chaya Brown Pasiencier Family
in the Shoah

13 Tevet

Wallace Jaffe Joseph Shatz Bea Lerman Tolin

14 Tevet

Myer Rubinstein Nathan Serota Anne Waxler

15 Tevet

Bertina Rosenthal Joseph Stern Royal Levinsky Sarah Rhodes Ilene Krouse

17 Tevet

Adeline Fleischer Samuel Hoffman Solomon Slotsky

Stories from Mount Sinai Cemetery



There are so many people buried at Mount Sinai and Smith Street
Cemeteries whose stories are lost to time. Often, the only thing we have are their names and some dates. How wonderful it would be if we could collect some of their stories and photos!

SMJCA will post a photo of a headstone and share what info we have. If you have a story, information or a photo, please share them with <u>us</u>.

Today we share the headstone of Jennie Goldberg Arnowitz who is buried in Mount Sinai Cemetery. Click <u>HERE</u> to read more about Jennie and her family.

Community Resources & Events

Online! Lunch and Learn Zoom talks Free! Wednesdays, noon to 1pm

Digital Resources from USM Judaica Collections with Susie Bock

Wednesday, January 21st at Noon EST

The State of the Ark with Robert Diamante

Wednesday, February 17th at Noon EST

For more information, contact the JCA (207-772-1959 or jca@mainejewish.org)

Sunday Simcha! - Tune in online or at

WMPG 90.9 FM.

Every Sunday Morning - 6:30 to 8:30 am

Hosts: Hillel, Barbara Merson, our very own Natan

Kahn, and Ben Naftali

Sunday Simcha is the only Jewish music program in Maine and northern New England and one of only a handful of Jewish music radio shows in the United States. Shows are wildly eclecticone of the few Jewish shows to feature modern, diverse, and cutting-edge recordings in addition to traditional music.



If you are interested in becoming a DJ, contact WMPG <u>here</u>.



<u>Documenting Maine Jewry</u> documents the history of Maine Jews and has wonderful archival materials online at <u>mainejews.org</u>.

Volunteer to Drive a Senior

Make a new friend, help your neighbors and improve your community.

ITN has instituted safety measures, and provides a mask and cleaning supplies to all drivers.



To learn more about driving for ITN, give us a call at 854-0505 or check us out onlineitnportland.org





Maine Jewish Museum

For more information, please <u>click here</u> or on the logo above.

Jacob Cousins Memorial





Unveiled in September 1935, the Jacob Cousins Memorial was part of an ongoing nationwide effort to highlight both the patriotism of Jewish Americans and their contribution during times of conflict. The memorial is a key artifact in the history of the Jewish community in southern Maine linking past to present and inspiring visitors to remember, respect and contemplate the cost of war.

The memorial was significantly renovated with extensive bench seating for viewing it and Casco Bay. The restoration was officially opened on October 1, 2018. Shaarey Tphiloh is proud to be one of the community sponsors of this memorial. Friends of the Eastern Promenade is continuing to raise funds to cover the cost of the recent redesign of this historic landmark.

To donate to this important cause, visit <u>here</u>.



For the latest information on classes and events through the **JCA**.... Go to the <u>events</u> calendar

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