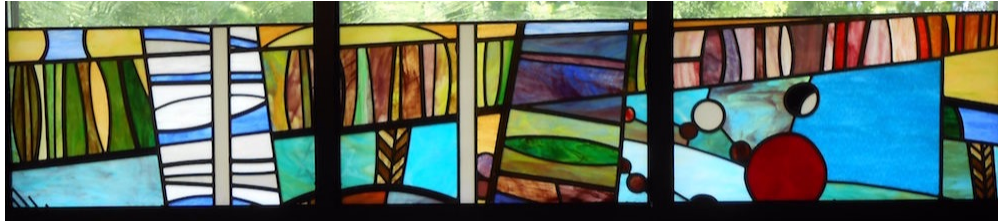


SHAAREY TPHILOH



Shabbat Shalom!!

May 1, 2021

19 Iyar, 5781

Omer 34

Services on hold due to the pandemic

Parashat Emor

Torah reading: Leviticus 21:1-24:23

Haftarah: Ezekiel 44:15-31

Shabbat candle lighting: April 30, 7:25 pm

Earliest Havdalah: May 1, 8:26 pm

This Week's Dvar Torah

Lag b'Omer is Friday, April 30th. The time marking the end of the plague that decimated many of Rabbi Akiva's disciples, it is traditionally celebrated with bonfires, hikes, and barbecues. Also the end of the mourning practices of the Omer.

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Shaarey Tphiloh News

Acknowledgments

Todah to *Donna Geller* and *Larry Geller* for a generous donation to the shul in loving memory of **Ray Oransky**. Condolences to Jean, Charlie, and Susan.

Todah to *Marla Levenson* for a generous donation to the shul in loving memory of **Ray Oransky**. With deepest sympathy to Jean, Charlie and Susan.

Todah to *Benny* and *Jeri Brem* for a generous donation to the shul in loving memory of Benny's father, **Paul Brem**, whose yahrzeit was remembered on the 9th of Iyar.

Shul Membership Survey

We are updating our synagogue records. Please help us in this endeavor by clicking [here](#) (or type in: <http://bit.ly/STUpdate5781>) to fill out our survey form so we may better serve you and your family.

****Your privacy is important to us. Any information you share will of course not be shared with any other person or entity.****

Shaarey Tphiloh Online!!

SundayFriday Mornings Daily Taste of Torah

When: Every morning from Sunday through Friday.

Visit our [Congregation Shaarey Tphiloh Facebook group](#) six days a week to hear a few thoughts on the weekly Torah reading, one aliyah at a time.

Friday afternoons are a time when you may join us for prayers for healing (Mi Sheberach) and for remembering yahrtzeits.

Tuesday 7 pm Tuesday Night Learning

When: Tuesday evening from 7:00 pm

Where: [Zoom](#)

With Pesach behind us and Shavuot ahead of us, this is a perfect time to study Torah related to yom tov. This week, we will explore the laws of *muktzeh*, things that we are forbidden to touch on holy days. Join us on Tuesday at 7:00 PM EST on Zoom:

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

Meeting ID: 797 151 978

Passcode: 045797

Refuah Shleimah, a Speedy Recovery!

Channa Bryndel bat Bluma
Yoel 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
Asher ben Hodaya

Carmela bat Mazal
Miriam Tovah bat Gittel
Akiva ben Sarah
Deena bat Yehudit
Meir ben Helen
Hannah bat Yonit
Rochel Michal bat Sarah vYossell
Yaakov ben Shmuel v Batya
Dov Ber ben Eeta

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

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 vaccinations beginning, we are 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 Rabbi@MaineSynagogue.org. 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!

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Yahrzeits

19 Iyar

Dr. Mack

22 Iyar

Carl Kopel

20 Iyar

Stuart Leman

23 Iyar

Tobie Grunes

21 Iyar

Joseph Slosberg

24 Iyar

David Lipshitz

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 about them. If you have a story, information or a photo, please share them with [us](#).

Today we share the headstone of Etta D. Erlick who is buried in Mount Sinai Cemetery. Click [HERE](#) to read more about Etta and her family.

Community Resources & Events

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.

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



Maine Jewish Museum



For more information, please [click here](#) 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 [here](#).



For the latest information on classes and events through the JCA.... Go to the [events calendar](#)

Sunday Simcha! - Listen to the archived programs [online](#).

Hosts: Hillel, Barbara Merson, 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 eclectic one 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 [here](#).***



[Documenting Maine Jewry](#) documents the history of Maine Jews and has wonderful archival materials online at mainejews.org.

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