

# Sunday Series

## Combating Anti-Semitism & Enhancing Security: An overview of Jewish Federation's community-wide efforts

October 22, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.



Dan Rozett, Federation's Director of Community Relations and Israel Engagement will provide an update on the national and local picture on the rise in antisemitism, including statistics and examples of hatred against Jews in our community. More importantly Dan will provide an overview on what Federation is bringing to the community both in legislation, education and security preparedness as pre-emptive measures as a response.



In-person and Zoom

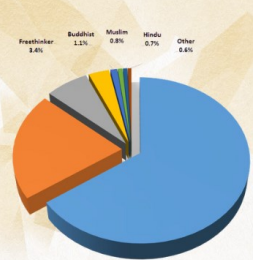


## Sunday Series: Faces of Genius: Jewish Nobel Prize Laureates in Science and Medicine



The Nobel Prizes are a set of international awards established by the 1895 will of the Swedish inventor Alfred Nobel. The prizes are bestowed on those who confer humankind's most significant benefit in five categories: physics, chemistry, physiology or medicine, peace, literature, and economics. Jewish people number less than 0.2% of the world's population yet comprise 22.5% of all Nobel Prize winners. This presentation honors and highlights the private lives and contributions of 10 Jewish American Nobel Laureates in physics, chemistry, and medicine.

November 19, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.



Presented by Jessica Solomon, Executive Director at the Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County (JHMOMC)

## Sunday Series: Got Kosher?

The story of kashrut in America is one of adaptation and innovation, a merging of traditional practice with the American palette. Join us in discovering the intertwine between our Jewish tradition and the world of American food, such as how products like coca-cola became kosher and the development of kosher certification in the age of the modern food industry.



December 17, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.



Presented by Rabbi Jonathan Falco

## Sunday Series: European Jewish Genealogy

Workshop led by Rabbi Scott Kalmikoff, a genealogist who has spent the past 17 years exploring his roots, building his family tree and meeting relatives around the world. By walking you through the steps he took to conduct his personal genealogical research, Rabbi Scott will teach you the methodology of searching for records & documents, analyzing them and using the information they contain to build your family tree. The workshop gives you an overview of online Jewish genealogical resources so you can use them from the comfort of your home.



January 21, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.



Presented by Rabbi Scott Kalmikoff

## SUNDAY SERIES: FILM: iMORDECAI

WHAT DOESN'T KILL YOU MAKES YOU FAMOUS. BASED ON A TRUE STORY, "iMORDECAI" IS A COMEDY ABOUT A BROADCAST SURVIVOR WHOSE LIFE CHANGES WHEN HIS SON BOYS HIM AN IPHONE.

MORDECAI (JODI HUSCH) LIKES TO FIX THINGS. IT'S WHY HIS PHONE IS 20 YEARS OLD AND HELD TOGETHER WITH DUCT TAPE AND TIN OIL. IT'S WHY HE WORKED HIS ENTIRE LIFE AS A PLUMBER AND A PAINTER. BUT THIS IS A STORY ABOUT THE THINGS HE CANNOT FIX. GETTING OLDER, THE ALZHEIMER'S DIAGNOSIS OF HIS WIFE FELIA (CAROL KANE), HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH HIS SON MARVIN (SEAN BALE).

SOMETIMES, SOMETHING SMALL AND UNEXPECTED CAN CHANGE YOUR WHOLE WORLD. FOR MORDECAI, THIS MOMENT HAPPENS WHEN HIS SON, MARVIN, REPLACES HIS ANCIENT PHONE WITH A BRAND NEW IPHONE. THIS KEY SETS OFF A SERIES OF UNEXPECTED EVENTS AND MAGICALLY CHANGES BOTH MORDECAI AND THE PEOPLE CLOSEST TO HIM. MORDECAI BECOMES FRIENDS WITH THE "TENSILENS" LED BY NINA (AARON BALE), WHO TEACH HIM TO USE THIS STRANGE DEVICE WITH NO BUTTONS. HE BECOMES OPEN TO NEW EXPERIENCES AND NEW PERSPECTIVES.

ULTIMATELY, THROUGH LETTING GO, HE BEGINS TO HEAL THE THINGS HE CANNOT FIX AND TURN THE PAIN OF HIS PAST INTO SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL. A JOURNEY THAT TAKES YOU THROUGH EVERY HUMAN EMOTION, "iMORDECAI" TEACHES YOU THAT IT'S NEVER TOO LATE FOR INSPIRATION.



February 18, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.  
in-person only



Greenwich Entertainment

MORE INFORMATION AT [WWW.SHAARIEMETH.ORG/ADULTCLASSES](http://WWW.SHAARIEMETH.ORG/ADULTCLASSES)

## OTHER WAYS TO LEARN SOMETHING NEW



BEGINNING HEBREW FOR ADULTS  
TUESDAY AT 7:30PM BEGINNING OCTOBER 31ST



### ADULT B'NAI MITZVAH CLASS

Have you ever been interested in learning to read Shabbat prayers? Have you wanted to help your child prepare for his/her b'nai mitzvah? Have you missed out on your own bar/bat mitzvah service? Or are you just intrigued about learning something new with other interested adults?

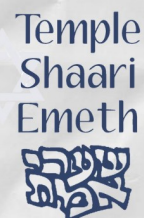
Tuesdays at 7:30PM beginning on October 31st

## Shiva Minyan Leader Training

Led by Cantor Wally Schachet-Briskin

November 15th at 7 p.m.

Our sages tell us that consoling the bereaved is an obligation on each of us, whose reward is immeasurable. Bringing comfort to the mourner is a huge part of how we as a congregation take care of each other and sustain our kehilla kedosha, our sacred community. The opportunity to lead a Shiva Minyan is an honor and is something each member can do, and we are here to help. Please join us for an hour to learn the basics of visiting the house of the mourner, leading a brief prayer service, and performing an immeasurable mitzvah.



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## Sunday Series: WWII & Hollywood's Jewish Question

The Production Code in 1934, the Great Depression, the rise of the Nazi Party in Germany and a general growth in anti-Semitism didn't bode well for the Hollywood studio moguls, Jewish men like Louis B. Mayer, Harry Cohn, Jack Warner and others who virtually created Hollywood. The moguls tried to ignore the rise of Nazism but that could only go so far, even as they continued distributing films in Germany up until the war broke out and not making an anti-Nazi film until 1940. With World War II & Hollywood's Jewish Question, we look at how the Jewish moguls reacted--and failed to react--to what was happening in Europe in the 1930s, and how they proceeded through the war and its subsequent years.



March 17, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.



## Sunday Series: Israeli Dancing

Israeli dancing is a cornerstone for Jewish gatherings, from summer camps to institution wide conventions and more. Since the onset of modern Zionism, Israeli dancing has been an important cultural element to communal functions located both in the Land of Israel and the Diaspora. As a cultural hobby, Israeli dance sessions take place throughout the world -- including Israel, the USA, Canada, Europe, Central & South America, Australia, and even in China & Japan. Join us on May 5th as Israeli Dance Instructor Don Schillinger guides us through this fun mode of Jewish expression by teaching classic and contemporary dances to the group. No experience necessary.



May 5, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.

Presented by Don Schillinger. RAK DAN Entertainment offers Israeli Dancing for Jewish Day schools, synagogue Hebrew schools, summer camps, Bar & Bat Mitzvahs and weddings (usually in conjunction with DJ services), special events, and fundraisers. With more than 25 years of experience, Don makes Israeli dancing a non threatening, contemporary, and energizing experience for people of all ages and levels of experience



## Sunday Series: Passover Baking with The Kosher Baker

Of all of the Jewish holidays throughout the year, Passover is among the most widely observed holidays in American Jewish life, regardless of people's level of observance. Jews all around the world share in the tradition of eating matzah and avoiding chametz in the kitchen and on the table. Join us at 11:30am for a baking demonstration by renowned kosher baker, Paula Shoyer, as she helps to prepare us for Passover by guiding us through the recipes of her kosher for Passover treats!



April 14, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.

Paula Shoyer, "the kosher baker," authored five cookbooks: The Healthy Jewish Kitchen, The Holiday Kosher Baker, The Kosher Baker, The New Passover Menu and The Instant Pot Kosher Cookbook. Paula is a former attorney who went to pastry school at the Ritz Escoffier Paris. She has done events worldwide and over 225 virtual cooking classes.

Paula's recipes have been featured in Food 52, New York Times, Washington Post, Wine Spectator, Jerusalem Post, Fleishigs Magazine, and more. She has also written for Washington Post, thekitchn.com, Hadassah Magazine. Paula recently launched a food tour business. She competed on Food Network's "Sweet Genius" and has appeared on TV over 55 times, including on Home and Family, NBC Washington, Fox News New York, and i24News Israel. She is a regular guest on Good Morning Washington.

Married to Andy Shoyer, she has four adult children and lives in Chevy Chase, Maryland. Paula can travel anywhere and does talks, cooking or baking demonstrations, or bake-along events. Paula shares how she went from lawyer to chef, how to take the calories out of Jewish foods and how to bring food me



## Sunday Series: Crash Course: Jewish Holidays & Observances

The Jewish calendrical year is punctuated by numerous holidays, both major and minor, many of which have their own customs and practices unique to the occasion. From the High Holidays in the Fall to Tisha b'Av in the summer, Jews all over the world connect to these holidays by performing rituals both prescribed by tradition and reimagined in modernity. Join Rabbi Falco for a crash course on the holidays throughout the year and the various ways in which we mark and observe them.



June 9, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.



Presented by Rabbi Jonathan Falco





# Address Block

## Learning with Clergy

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### Making Prayer Real with Rabbi Panken

Part of the Learning with Clergy Series

Tuesdays at 8:15PM    October 24th to December 5

In-person and on Zoom

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[bit.ly/prayerwithpanken](https://bit.ly/prayerwithpanken)

Making Prayer Real a six week introduction to the history, structure and meaning of the prayers in the siddur/prayer book. Why do we pray? How do we pray? What are the words we use for prayer and how can these ancient words inspire us in a modern world? How can prayer help us cultivate a sense of the Divine in the world? We will look at examples of changes and additions the Reform Movement has made to the prayer book using Mishkan Tefila as our textbook for the class.

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## REFORM RESPONSA

### with Rabbi Jonathan Falco

In this 8-week mini-course, participants will delve into the rich landscape of Jewish legal responses crafted within the context of Reform Judaism. We'll explore the contemporary issues addressed by Reform rabbinic authorities that highlight the interplay between tradition and modernity. Through engaging discussions and textual study, attendees will gain a deeper appreciation for the living, adaptive nature of Jewish law and ethics within the Reform movement.

**Wednesdays, February 7th to March 27th**

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## Cantillation Rejuvenation

### with Cantor Wally

**Weekly, Wednesdays at 7:00 pm, April 3 through May 8, 2024 (no class April 24 during Passover).**

How do folks who know how to chant from the Prophets and Writings (the N and the Ch of TaNaCh, our Jewish Bible) learn what the melody is supposed to sound like? How do those funny little markings in the study texts that are not consonants or vowels get vocalized for Haftarah? Could I decode those markings too? How did Esther chant the scroll named for her? So many more of your questions about cantillation, or trope, will be answered in this five-week course offered by Cantor Wally Schachet-Briskin. This is a followup to his Cantillation Jubilation offered in Spring 2023, yet no prior exposure to Torah melodies is required. Study the basics of the chanting system developed many centuries ago which continues to reveal our sacred texts' beauty and meaning today, with our cantor.

## Rabbi Panken's Jewish Interest Book Club

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Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 29th  
6:00 pm on Zoom/7:00 p.m in-person

Start reading now.....

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# How will you study Torah?

## TORAH STUDY

Wednesdays with Rabbi Panken  
11:00 a.m.

Saturdays with Rabbi Falco  
9:00 a.m.

in person or on Zoom at [shaariemeth.org/torah](https://shaariemeth.org/torah)

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Cocktails & Conversation

for adults 21 to 101

Discover the heart of Jewish discourse in "Cocktails & Conversation." Led by Rabbi Falco, this discussion series delves into both contemporary and timeless culturally Jewish topics. Engage in open dialogue that connects our rich heritage with today's world, all while sipping together and sharing in a welcoming community.

**Sundays at 6:30-7:30pm**  
Nov 5, Jan 7, March 3rd, May 5th

Formerly known as Torah & Titos

## Shabbat Speaker Series

### Guest dvars throughout the year

**December 1, 2023, Camp Kabbalat Shabbat**  
The impact of Jewish summer camp on the American Jewish experience cannot be overstated. In a world of competing priorities, Jewish camps provide the space for the development and growth of Jewish identity among Jewish youth. From the songs they learn to the practices they bring back home with them, Jewish summer camp is a vehicle for both Jewish exploration and maturation. Join us for services on December 1st to hear firsthand about how camp enriches the Jewish life of our youth and young adults.

**January 26, 2024, Tu B'shevat Shabbat: Cider for a Cause, Charles Rosen**  
Our tradition charges us to be good stewards of the earth and responsive to the needs of the vulnerable in our midst. Charles Rosen, owner and founder of Ironbound Farm based right here in New Jersey, embodies these principles through his pioneering work of bringing back the hard cider industry that had once thrived in Newark. Employing formerly incarcerated persons on his apple orchard, Charles helps them get back on their feet by paying them a livable wage for their work, brewing cider from native apples on land revived by he and his team that is now home to Ironbound Hard Cider. Join us for services on to hear Charles' inspiring story and his efforts to restore the local cider industry along with the dignity of others.

**March 15, 2024, Adult B'nai Mitzvah, Past Participants**  
At Temple Shaari Emeth, we embrace a culture of lifelong Jewish learning and active engagement in communal Jewish life. Taking ownership of one's Jewish identity through study and publicly affirming one's place in the Jewish world through ritual are powerful means of connecting to our tradition on a spiritual level. Come join us for services on March 15th as past participants of our Adult B'nai Mitzvah program share with us what their journeys meant to them.

**March 22, 2024, HIAS Shabbat, Lenny Glickman**  
The Jewish people are known for many things, one of which is the many years of painful wandering from place to place in the absence of a land of our own. The old Jewish adage that, "kol hatkhalot kashot" – that all beginnings are challenging – is especially true for those beginning a new life in a new place. The Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS) has a storied history of assisting Jewish refugees and asylum seekers escape persecution and live without fear of repression. HIAS's mission has expanded over the years to meet the needs of the moment and today offers assistance to refugees and asylum seekers of all backgrounds from around the world. Join us for Shabbat services on March 29th as we welcome community member Lenny Glickman to speak to us about his own experience working for HIAS and its deep connection to Jewish values and tradition.

**June 21, 2024, Pride, Keshet**  
Judaism, as an all-in-one ethnicity, religion, and civilization, is as vibrant and multifaceted as the greater world in which we live. In our Reform Jewish tradition, we embrace radical welcoming and champion diversity as a means to enrich our communal life as well as our individual understandings. Join TSE in celebrating Pride Month as we welcome a Keshet representative to come speak to us about the intersection of LGBTQ+ identity and modern Jewish life.

**Join us for services during the year to learn from our guest speakers. The knowledge they will share and the passion they bring will make for an exciting series of Shabbat teachings.**