

SHAAREY TPHILOH



Shabbat Shalom!

November 21, 2020
5 Kislev, 5781

Services on hold due to the pandemic

Parashat Toldot

Torah reading: Genesis 25:19-28:9
Haftarah: Malachi 1:12-7

Shabbat candle lighting: November 20, 3:54 pm

Havdalah: November 21, 4:52 pm

Online Havdallah [on Facebook]: 5:10 pm

This Week's Dvar Torah

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Shaarey Tphiloh News

Acknowledgement

Todah to *Myra Sallet* and *Maxine Isaacs* for a generous donation in beloved memory of mother, **Nettie Gershenson** whose yahrzeit will be remembered on 24 Kislev.

Shaarey Tphiloh Online

Friday 3 pm

Pre-Shabbat Meditations

When: *Friday afternoon* from 3:00 pm

Go to the [Congregation Shaarey Tphiloh Facebook group](#) at 3:00 pm ET to hear Rabbi Shub's meditations on this week's Torah reading.

Saturday 5:10 pm

Havdallah Online

When: *Saturday evening* from 5:10 pm

Where: [Facebook Live](#)

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

Tuesday 7 pm

Tuesday Night Learning: *Chanukah!*

Let's learn about the concept of "ma'alim bakodesh ve'eyn moridin (we increase in holiness, and do not decrease)" as a model for lighting Chanukah candles. Meet us on

Tuesday from 7:00-8:15 on Zoom:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/797151978?
pwd=L2UwUkEzbTJpSGhRY2x5TW5DN0J2QT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/797151978?pwd=L2UwUkEzbTJpSGhRY2x5TW5DN0J2QT09)

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	Carmela bat Mazal
Yoiel Meshilum Feish ben Ruchle	Miriam Tovah bat Gittel
Elisheva bat Ephraim	Akiva ben Sarah
Leah bat Doris	Deena bat Yehudit
Chaya Necha bat Leah	Zelda Norof
Sarah Kayla bat Sarah	Meir ben Helen
Brucha bat Miriam	Hannah bat Yonit
Perel Etzel bat Simah Bayla	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

Maine is beginning to re-open its economy gradually [under a controlled phased plan](#). For the most up to date information for the City of Portland, please check [here](#) and for the State of Maine, click [here](#).

While Shaarey Tphiloh remains closed for regular services out of public health concerns, we occasionally host *outdoors-only, mask-wearing, and socially-distanced, small gathering* while taking full precautionary measures.

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

5 Kislev

Tena Dvilinsky

Louis Krane

6 Kislev

Mamie Cinamon

George Hugo

Helen Krouse

11 Kislev

Joseph Nelson

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 [us](#).

Today we share the headstone of Israel Gold who is buried in Mount Sinai Cemetery. Click [HERE](#) to read more about Israel and his family.

MJFF: Maine Jewish Film Festival *Saturday, Nov. 7 through Sunday, Nov. 22*

[2020 MJFF](#) features a fascinating collection of films from around the world. Offerings include a gripping drama about a youth orchestra of Palestinians and Israeli Jews, a documentary about the only Arab recognized as righteous among nations by Israel, and a romantic story about an ex German POW who became a sports hero in England after WWII. You'll meet the wildlife photographer whose great white whale was a polar bear, the Yiddish poet who was rescued by Stalin and the gay Mormon stand-up comic studying for his bar mitzvah. Special programs give the opportunity to meet filmmakers, artists and experts who add so much to the festival experience.

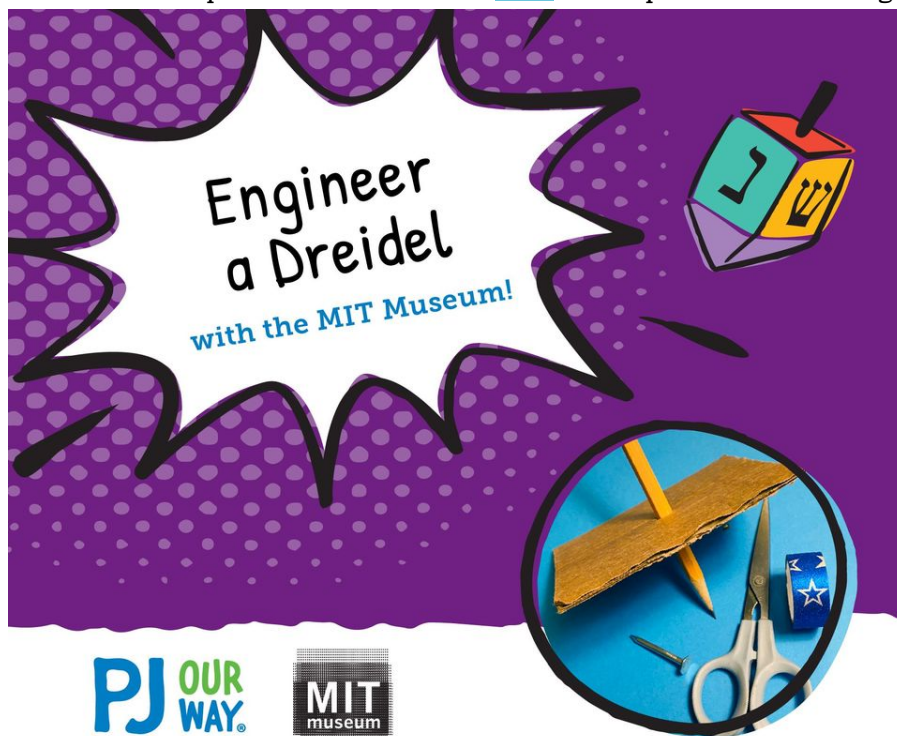
For further info., visit: <https://www.mjff.org>

Online! PJ Library Events Free!
Registration Required for both events
Sunday, December 6 at 3pm and 4pm

Engineer Your Own Dreidel with PJ Our Way and the MIT Museum
Sunday, December 6th at 3:00 PM EST

For kids ages 9-12

Space is limited - Click [here](#) or the poster below to register

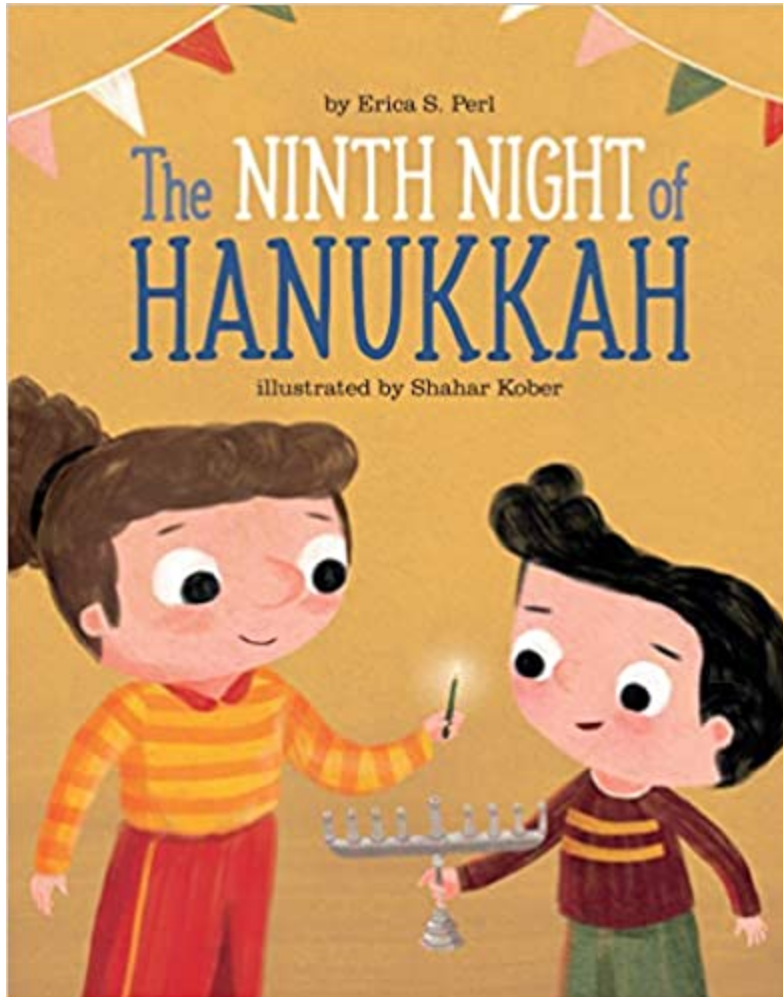


The Ninth Night of Hanukkah A special family program with author Erica Perl

Sunday, December 6th at 4:00 PM EST

Advanced registration required by Friday 12/4 at 12 noon

Register by clicking [here](#) or the poster below.



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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Maine Jewish Museum



Temporarily closed

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](#).

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 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.



Jewish Community Alliance of Southern Maine

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

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