

SHAAREY TPHILOH



Shabbat Shalom and Happy Chanukah!!

December 12, 2020
26 Kislev, 5781

Services on hold due to the pandemic

Parashat Vayeshev

&

2nd Day of Chanukah!!

Torah reading: Genesis 37:140:23; Numbers 7:18-23
Haftarah: Zechariah 2:144:7

Shabbat candle lighting: December 11, 3:46 pm

(Light 2 Chanukah candles before Shabbat candles)

Earliest Havdallah: December 12, 4:46 pm

(Light 3 Chanukah candles after Havdallah)

Online Havdallah [on Facebook Live]: 5:00 pm

Rosh Chodesh Tevet

Tuesday night, December 15 to Wednesday evening, December 16

We say full Hallel (for Chanukah) and Yaaleh vYavo

This Week's Dvar Torah

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

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- [Words of Torah](#) "We Ascend in Holiness and Do Not Diminish."
What meaning and what inspiration to grow personally can we derive from lighting one more candle each night of Chanukah?
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Shaarey Tphiloh News

Acknowledgements

Today to *Lou* and *Shula Bornstein* for a generous donation in beloved memory of aunt and uncle **Dorothy** and **Joseph Seigal**.

Today to *Jean Aron* and *Ray Oransky* for generous donations in beloved memory of mother and wife, **JoAnn Oransky**.

Chanukah Party!!

(Yes, online!)

Sunday, December 13 at 6 pm EST

Where: [Zoom](#)

Join us on Zoom to light candles together, to sing, and to play Kahoot! Come in at 6:00

EST at [this Zoom link](#):

If clicking above doesn't work, please try copy and pasting the link below:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/797151978?
pwd=L2UwUkZlZbTJpSGhRY2x5TW5DN0J2QT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/797151978?pwd=L2UwUkZlZbTJpSGhRY2x5TW5DN0J2QT09)

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.

Shaarey Tphiloh Online!!

Friday 3 pm

Pre-Shabbat Meditations

When: Friday afternoon from 3:00 pm

Where: [Facebook Live](#)

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 5:00 pm

Havdallah Online

When: Saturday evening from 5:00 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: Oh Chanukah, Oh Chanukah!

When: Tuesday evening from 7:00 pm

Where: [Zoom](#)

Oh, Chanukah, oh Chanukah! Let's learn some more Chanukah Torah.

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

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/797151978?
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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 [tightened its restrictions](#) 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 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!

Yahrzeits

26 Kislev

Maurice Minkin

27 Kislev

Anna Agger
Sophie Germaine
Alice Kodis
Benjamin Krouse
Joseph Seigal

28 Kislev

Jack Rosen

29 Kislev

Maria Indis
JoAnn Oransky
Maurice Rubinoff

1 Tevet

Philip Gerber

2 Tevet

Sarah Cook
Rose Glovsky
Elsie Levine
Dr. Lester Marcus
Muriel Reiss

3 Tevet

Sarah Berenson
Morris Cohen
Sidney Dorfman
Max Weissman
Bettina Levine
Yetta Zimmerman

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.

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 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](#).

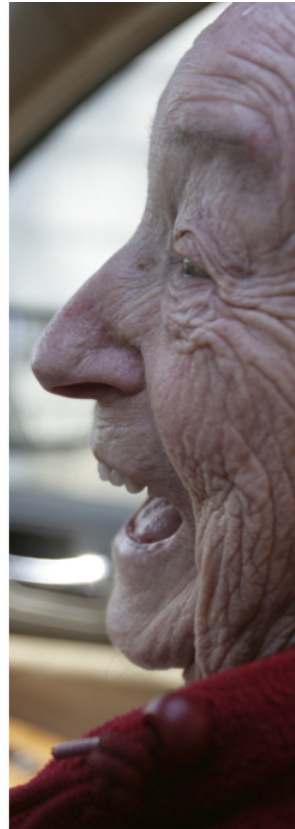


Volunteer to Drive a Senior

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.

***ITN*PortlandTM**
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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](#).



**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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