SHAAREY TPHILOH



Shabbat Shalom!!

January 9, 2021 25 Tevet, 5781

Services on hold due to the pandemic

Parashat Shemot

Torah reading: Exodus 1:1-6:1 Haftarah: Isaiah 27:6-28:13; 29:22-23

Shabbat candle lighting: January 8, 4:01 pm Earliest Havdallah: January 9, 5:03 pm

This Week's Dvar Torah

Rosh Chodesh S<u>hevat</u>

We bless the new month on Shabbat. Rosh Chodesh Shevat begins Wednesday night, January 13 and continues through Thursday evening, January 14. We say half Hallel and Yaaleh vYavo.

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 Barry and Marjorie Afergan for a generous donation <u>in beloved memory</u> of Marjories mother, *Evelyn Silverman* and Barrys parents, *Moise* and *Malka Afergan*.

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Todah to Adeline (Channah) Glovsky Hale for a generous donation<u>in beloved</u> <u>memory</u> of brother **Joel Glovsky (Yoel ben Dovid)** whose yahrzeit was 23 Tevet.

Todah to Libby and Steven Peiser for a generous donation to the shul.

Shaarey Tphiloh Online!!

SundayFriday Morning Daily Taste of Torah

When: Every morning from Sunday through Friday

The Torah portion is divided into seven aliyot. Every day, check our <u>Congregation Shaarey Tphiloh Facebook group</u> for a short video on that day's aliyah. The sixth and seventh aliyot will be explored together on Fridays.

Tuesday 7 pm Tuesday Night Learning: Tefillin

When: *Tuesday evening* from 7:00 pm

Where: **Zoom**

Come join a vibrant community of Torah learners as we study the laws, customs, and meanings of **tefillin**. Don't get yourself tied up in knots! Come learn the sources with us! Join us from 7:00-8:15 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 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 <u>emailing us</u> 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 <u>here</u> and for the State of Maine, click <u>here</u>.

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 (<u>Office@MaineSynagogue.org</u>).

Stay safe and healthy!



Yahrzeits

25 Tevet Mindel Cope Samuel Burokoff Ruth Tabachnick

26 Tevet Evelyn Silverman Roberta Freedman-Rosenberg

> **28 Tevet** Hazel Brenerman Janette Kamens Eli Lerman Harold Seltzer

29 Tevet Ted Beatty Alfred Goldman

1 Shevat Ethel Vinick Melvin Schwartz Robert Rosen Michael Card

> **2 Shevat** Bernard Cope

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

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> <u>calendar</u>

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 <u>online</u> 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>.



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<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.

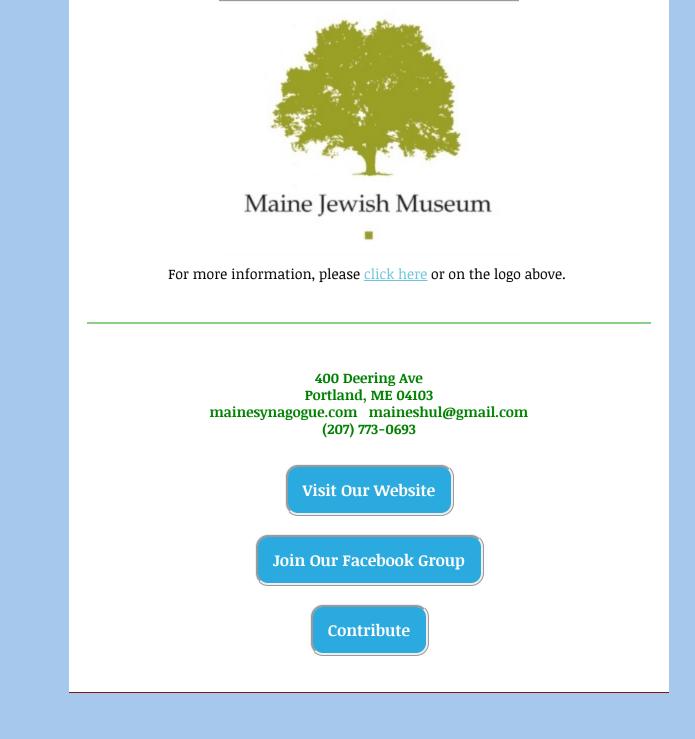
ITN has instituted safety measures, and provides a mask and cleaning supplies to all drivers.

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





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