

## **Adas Yoshuron Synagogue**

## Adult Education Class: Chanukah

Thursday, December 19; 6:30-8:00 p.m. on Zoom

The second of two classes will be **taught on Zoom** (online or by phone; not at the synagogue), led by Rabbi Lily Solochek. Even if you missed the first class, you are welcome to join in for the second lively and enlightening session.

What is Chanukah? How many ways can we spell it? Are miracles real? Why isnt the book of Maccabees in our Tanakh (Hebrew Bible)? How do we, as modern Jews, approach a holiday about religious zealotry? Come explore these and more questions together while we learn the classical Jewish texts about the Festival of Light.

Browse to <a href="https://bcm.zoom.us/j/842358860">https://bcm.zoom.us/j/842358860</a> or call 669-900-6833 (toll) or 877-369-0926 (toll free) and enter meeting ID 842 358 860#

### **Shabbat**

#### **Chanukah Shabbat Services**

Friday, December 27, 6:00 p.m.

Bring your menorah and join us for a Chanukah-themed Shabbat service. We will light Chanukah candles, welcome Shabbat with song and prayer, and sing some Chanukah songs.

Services will be followed by a light dinner sponsored by Sheri and Cliff Dacso.



#### Chanukah Family Program

Join us on **Sunday**, **December 29 at 10:00 a.m.** at the synagogue for Chanukah songs, stories, crafts and baking.

All families are welcome to join us for this morning of fun together.



Casco Bay Tummlers Klezmer Band

### 2019 Adas Yoshuron Chanukah Party

Mark your calendars for our annual Chanukah party on **Sunday**, **December 29 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Rockport Opera House**. This year well be dancing to the strains of the Casco Bay Tummlers music! Well light the Chanukah candles with our electric menorahs, so please bring yours along. The Hebrew School students will sing the blessing and a few other Chanukah songs. Well have some unique childrens crafts this year! Bring your appetite for delicious latkes, sour cream, and applesauce, green salad, drinks, and desserts.

Can you bake cookies for this event? Can you help decorate the hall, pick up the chafing dishes at Wallace Tent (and return them), or help clean up at the end of the party? Can you put up posters in your town? We hope youll get involved in this festive event, and help make it a success!

Please contact Linda Garson Smith to volunteer. lindagarson.smith@gmail.com

#### **Community Christmas Dinner 2019**

If youre looking for something worthwhile and fun to do on Christmas day, you are invited to participate in an extraordinary community dinner on December 25 at St. Peters Episcopal Church, 11 White Street in Rockland. For the last 30 years, Adas Yoshuron has served 150 guests a family style turkey dinner on Christmas. To do this we contact local restaurants and individuals to cook the turkeys and make the fixings.

#### Heres what we need:

- Someone to coordinate turkey deliveries.
- 12 people to each cook a large turkey, save drippings and deliver to church on Christmas by
- 9:00 a.m.
- Many folks to show up beginning at 9:00 a.m. to start preparing appetizers and other fixings
- Many hands to show up at 11:30 a.m. to prepare to serve the appetizers and wash dishes
- Many servers to show up at 12:30 p.m. to be ready to serve the dinner at 1:00 p.m.
- Folks to pack leftovers and clean up starting at 2:00 p.m.

Please sign up on the online form <u>2019 Christmas Community Dinner</u> You may also contact Linda at <u>lindagarson.smith@gmail.com</u>. Please consider getting the whole family involved! Books and Bagels will meet **Sunday, December 15 at 10:00 a.m.** to discuss *Uprooted* by Lyn Julius. This book is a discussion of the Jews who lived in the Arab world before Israel, what happened to them, and how they have integrated into Israel.

For more information, contact Judy Stein at <a href="mailto:judykstein@gmail.com">judykstein@gmail.com</a>

Community Event in Belfast

# Menorah Lighting in Belfast Sunday, December 22

Our Town Belfast invites community members to Post Office Square to celebrate the holidays in Belfast. Everyone will gather around the 7-foot-tall menorah near sundown on the first night of Chanukah. The community celebration includes a Chanukah sing-along, readings, and traditional snacks.

According to the organizers, people should dress warmly and start arriving around 3:30 p.m. on Sunday.

The menorah will remain lit throughout the holiday.





Contact our office: <a href="mailto:info@adasyoshuron.org">info@adasyoshuron.org</a>

We hope you like receiving our emails. However, you can always unsubscribe from this list.

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Office hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.