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PURIM CARNIVAL

STEP RIGHT UP TO THE GREATEST PURIM CARNIVAL OF 5784!
Sunday, March 17 | 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. | Temple Shomer Emunim

Adults - \$2.00, Kids are FREE | Pre-register and receive 10 free tickets per child.
Additional game tickets and hamantaschen will be available for sale during the carnival. Game tickets : 5 tickets for \$1.00

The ENTIRE Jewish community is invited to celebrate together with food, games, prizes, hamantaschen, crafts and more!
Special adults only room with Bingo, lunch, prizes, mimosas and coffee!
The whole megillah is invited, so don't miss out! Everyone is encouraged to wear their costume. RSVP by Tuesday, March 12 to form.jotform.com/jewishtoledo/jfgtprograms or Sherry Majewski at 419-724-0351 or sherry@jewishtoledo.org

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This event is held in partnership with the Jewish Federation of Greater Toledo, Congregation B'nai Israel, Congregation Etz Chayim, and Temple Shomer Emunim.

HAPPY PURIM



PURIM BEGINS SATURDAY EVENING, MARCH 23 AND CONTINUES THROUGH SUNDAY, MARCH 24.

BE SURE TO JOIN US FOR A PURIM BREAKFAST AND AN ABBREVIATED ENGLISH MEGILLAH READING ON SUNDAY, MARCH 24 AT 9:30 a.m. AT ETZ CHAYIM.

Please R.S.V.P. to elsa@etzchayimtoledo.org or jaco824@bex.net

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<p>3 23 adar I</p> <p>10:00-Noon In-person Poker/Mahj at Etz Chayim</p>	<p>4 24 adar I</p>	<p>5 25 adar I</p>	<p>6 26 adar I</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Minyan</p>	<p>7 27 adar I</p>	<p>8 28 adar I </p> <p>6:16 p.m. Candlelighting</p>	<p>9 29 adar I </p> <p>7:16 p.m. Havdalah</p> <p><i>Vayakhel</i> SHABBAT SHEKALIM</p>
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<p>17 7 adar II</p> <p>10:30-Noon Community Purim Carnival at Temple Shomer Emunim</p>	<p>18 8 adar II</p>	<p>19 9 adar II</p>	<p>20 10 adar II</p> <p>10:00 a.m.-Knitzvah Project</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Minyan</p>	<p>21 11 adar II</p> <p>FAST OF ESTHER</p>	<p>22 12 adar II </p> <p>9:00 a.m.-Noon Shalach Manot bags pickup</p> <p>7:31 p.m. Candlelighting</p>	<p>23 13 adar II </p> <p>8:32 p.m. Havdalah</p> <p><i>Vayikra</i> SHABBAT ZACHOR MEGILLAH READING</p>
<p>24 14 adar II</p> <p>9:30-Purim Breakfast PURIM</p>	<p>25 15 adar II</p> <p>SHUSHAN PURIM</p>	<p>26 16 adar II</p>	<p>27 17 adar II</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Minyan</p>	<p>28 18 adar II</p>	<p>29 19 adar II </p> <p>7:39 p.m. Candlelighting</p>	<p>30 20 adar II </p> <p>8:40 p.m. Havdalah</p> <p><i>Tzav</i> SHABBAT PARAH</p>
<p>31 21 adar II</p> <p>10:00-Paris Tour on Zoor EASTER</p>						

FROM THE PRESIDENT



I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Future Committee, under the leadership of Steve Marcus, for its hard work and planning for the future of our shul. As a result of the survey that was sent out to our membership in December, and after meetings and much discussion, several recommendations from the Future Committee have been considered and passed by the Board of Trustees. Some of these decisions have already turned into actions.

In a cost saving measure, the lease on the apartment used by the visiting Rabbis has not been renewed, with certain areas in the shul being remodeled to provide in-house accommodations for visiting Rabbis. In addition, we are currently in discussion with the other Toledo synagogues regarding use of available space in their buildings. There are still plenty of details to work out and decisions to be made, but we are steadily making progress in our efforts to ensure a bright future for Congregation Etz Chayim.



Thanks go to a great many devoted members involved in making this possible. In particular, I would like to thank Laura Leventhal, Elsa Leveton, Margie Siegel, and Sharon Ravin.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I wish you a Happy Purim!

*Marc Jacobson,
President*

SISTERHOOD NEWS

Sisterhood has several exciting programs in store for you to enjoy!

There is a delicious Purim breakfast planned for Sunday, March 24 at Etz Chayim beginning at 9:30 a.m. In addition to the breakfast, there will also be a form of the Megillah read in English at that time. Mishloach Manot Purim bags may be picked up on that Sunday, March 24, 9:00 a.m. - Noon. Packages may also be picked up on Friday, March 22, 9:00 a.m. - Noon.



Sisterhood has been busy thinking of many great events for members to take part in. Coming Wednesday, April 3 there will be a paper flower making class. You have a chance to make some beautiful paper flowers that can be shown off for Passover. The class will be held at Etz Chayim starting at 10:30 a.m. and will be taught by Mary Willets. Mary is known for her beautiful paper creations. Cost for the class is \$18.00 per person. Please RSVP to Andrea Lublin or Cheryl Berkowitz if you would like to attend.

The next Sisterhood meeting will be Tuesday, March 5 at 10:00 a.m. on Zoom. Please let Elsa Leveton know at 419-473-2401 or elsa@etzchayimtoledo.org if you would like to join us.

MARCH PROGRAM NEWS

Etz Chayim had a beautiful Havdallah service & Tu B'Shevat seder last month. Many thanks to Mel & Margie Siegel for opening their home. Thank you to Phyllis & Charles Wittenberg and Ellen Federman for planning, leading, sharing, & teaching such a lovely & meaningful program.

Who is interested? Would you be interested in joining and learning Hebrew? If there is interest, I will contact an instructor and organize a class. Please email me (Jaco824@bex.net) if you are interested.

Everyone is invited to our Sunday Poker & Mahj games on March 3 from 10:00 a.m. to Noon. Beginners are welcome and snacks will be served. Contact Marc Jacobson for Poker (mdjaco@gmail.com) and Nancy Jacobson (Jaco824@bex.net), for Mahj.

Purim fun: Sisterhood will be sponsoring a Purim breakfast on Sunday, March 24 at 9:30 a.m. An abbreviated version of the Megillah will be read in English following breakfast. Please RSVP to Elsa Leveton at elsa@etzchayimtoledo.org.

I am excited to re-introduce our "knitzvah project" back to Etz Chayim. Anyone who is interested in knitting or crocheting items for Basket of Care, please contact Nancy Jacobson. Bring your items to knit or crochet on Wednesday, March 20 at 10:00 a.m. and share in conversation, coffee, & sweets. If interested, this will be a monthly get-together.

ETZ CHAYIM MEMBERSHIP AND THE ENTIRE TOLEDO JEWISH COMMUNITY ARE INVITED TO A VIRTUAL TOUR OF JEWISH PARIS

Join us on Zoom on Sunday morning, March 31 at 10:30 a.m. for a virtual tour of Jewish Paris. Tour guide Karen Rudel will lead a fascinating, informative, and funny 90-minute virtual walking tour of Jewish Paris! This tour guides you around the Jewish quarter, pointing out cultural landmarks. We will visit Le Marais, the main Jewish neighborhood in Paris, the oldest synagogue in Paris, the Holocaust Museum, and much more! Karen artfully and soulfully manages to present the information in a way that is filled with humor, life, and hope. It is something you won't forget! Please register by email to Elsa Leveton, elsa@etzchayimtoledo.org, or Nancy Jacobson, jaco824@bex.net. A link to the program will be sent a few days prior to the showing.

I wish everyone a Happy Purim.

Chag Purim Sameach,

*Nancy Jacobson, Program Director
Jaco824@bex.net*



SUNDAY, MARCH 3 - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - In-person Mahj & Poker at Etz Chayim.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 - 10:00 a.m. - First meeting of the new "Knitzvah Project" at Etz Chayim.

SUNDAY, MARCH 24 - 9:30 a.m. - Breakfast & Megillah reading in English sponsored by Sisterhood.

SUNDAY, MARCH 31 - 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. - Virtual tour of Jewish Paris on Zoom.

PLEASE NOTE: All programs require registration. Please contact either Nancy Jacobson at jaco824@bex.net or Elsa Leveton at 419-473-2401 or elsa@etzchayimtoledo.org for further information and registration.

HAPPY NOTES

...Those celebrating birthdays in the month of March:

- 3 - Phyllis Wittenberg
- 4 - Laura Leventhal
- 5 - Jeff Lublin
- 7- Rebecca Wengrow
- 8 - Marc Jacobson, Jackie Oricko
- 11 - Barbara Konop
- 12 - Ricki Rubin
- 13 - Frances Weinblatt
- 14 - Dennis Kale
- 17 - Jeff Grunberg
- 19 - Susi Fingerhut
- 20 - Linda Selman
- 24 - Marcia Frank
- 26 - Sharon Ravin



MAZEL TOV

...to Larry & Marcia Frank on the upcoming marriage of their grandson Gershon Shanske to Chavi Greenberg.

mazel tov!!

TODAH RABAH

Thank you to our wonderful members & friends who make very generous contributions to our shul...



...to Sisterhood for their excellent job on the Shaloch Manot project.
...to Mel & Margie Siegel for hosting the Havdallah Service and Sisterhood Poetry Reading.

HAMANTASCHEN SALE

The hamantaschen sale is going strong and supplies are limited!

The cost is \$8.00 per dozen for raspberry, blueberry, apricot, prune, poppy seed and chocolate flavors.



The cost is \$10.00 per dozen for chocolate dipped raspberry, chocolate dipped apricot and chocolate dipped chocolate flavors.

Individual prices are \$.70 each for regular hamantaschen and \$.85 each for chocolate dipped.

SYNAGOGUE OFFICE HOURS

The office hours for the synagogue are as follows:

Monday 9:00 a.m. - Noon
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



The office is also open at other times by appointment.

DON'T FORGET TO SET YOU'RE YOUR CLOCKS 1 HOUR AHEAD ON MARCH 10!!

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour on Sunday morning, March 10, 2024 as Daylight Savings Time begins at 2:00 a.m.

Welcome to spring!!

IT IS WITH DEEP REGRET THAT WE RECORD THE DEATH OF:

DR. STEVEN GALE

Wife of Kati Gale

Father of Daniel Gale & Anna Gale

We extend sincere condolences to friends and family members and pray that they be comforted at this time.



FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS ARE ALWAYS APPRECIATED. CONTRIBUTIONS WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED AS FOLLOWS:

STANDARD ANNOUNCEMENT

In Memory, Yahrzeit, Speedy Recovery, Happy Events - **\$10.00**

IN APPRECIATION- **\$12.00**

MISHABERACHS (Special Prayer) - **\$12.00**

CHAI FUND - **\$18.00**

DOUBLE CHAI FUND - **\$36.00**

TREE PLANTED IN ISRAEL - **\$18.00**

SILVER CONTRIBUTION (Single Box) - **\$25.00**

GOLD CONTRIBUTION (Double Box) - **\$50.00**

PLATINUM CONTRIBUTION (Bold Box) - **\$100.00**

(Box to include up to 4 names. Over 4 names will be an additional charge of \$8.00 per name.)

SHABBAS/HOLIDAY PRAYER BOOK - **\$50.00**

CHUMASH - **75.00**

BIMA FLOWER FUND - Shabbas - **\$100.00**

Holidays - **\$125.00**

TREE OF LIFE LEAF - **\$150.00** STONE - **\$500.00**

MEMORIAL PLATES - **\$600.00**

SHABBAT KIDDUSH - **\$75.00**

SHALOSH SEUDOS (November - March) - **\$125.00**

PLATES ON ODESKY PLAQUE - **\$180.00**

SANCTUARY DEDICATION PLATES - **\$1000.00**

**Thank you to our members & friends
who make generous contributions to our shul**

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

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DR. STEVEN GALE**
Linda Selman

YAHRTZEIT IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

**YAHRTZEIT IN LOVING MEMORY
OF
ROSE SCHEER**
Marianne Scheer & Family

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OF BELOVED MOTHER
ANNA R. MILLMAN**
R. William Millman

**YAHRTZEIT IN LOVING MEMORY OF
HARRY WEINMAN**
Rochelle Russell

**YAHRTZEIT IN LOVING MEMORY OF
HELEN SELMAN**
Linda Selman

**MISHABERACH FOR A SPEEDY
RECOVERY OF:**

BILL STEIN
Jeff & Judy Cohen

HAPPY EVENT IN HONOR OF:

**DIANE & DAVID TREUHAFT ON THEIR
ANNIVERSARY**
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MEL SIEGEL ON HIS BIRTHDAY
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CHAI FUND

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

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Frances Dolgin
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YAHRTZEIT IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

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**YAHRTZEIT IN LOVING MEMORY
OF JACK GALLON**
Kathryn Southard

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YAHRTZEIT IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

LOUIS M. WITTENBERG
Charles & Phyllis Wittenberg

**YAHRTZEIT IN LOVING MEMORY OF
BELOVED DAUGHTER
BETH MINDY KAPLAN**
David & Marcia Kaplan

**YAHRTZEIT IN LOVING MEMORY OF
SYLVIA PHILLIPS**
Lois & Andy Skaff



MEMORY OF THE RIGHTEOUS IS A BLESSING
YAHRTZEIT DATES
 (Kaddish is recited on the evening before the date listed.)



MARCH 1 ADAR I 21

Ann Black*
 Gilbert Black*
 Gustave Cohen*
 Max Feldstein*
 Louis Hoffman*
 Eva McGrath*
 William Osnowitz
 Ethel Pertcheck*
 Charles Segall*
 Manuel Tarschis*
 Kalman Weinman*

MARCH 2 ADAR I 22

Isadore Cohen*
 Joseph Friedman*
 Renee Jacobson
 Benjamin Latez*
 Harry Rayman*
 David Schwartz*

MARCH 3 ADAR I 23

Isadore Borenstein*
 Lillian Isenstein*
 Abraham Ludacer*
 Alfred Samborn*
 Rose Scheer*

MARCH 4 ADAR I 24

David Bame*
 Charles Feilhardt*
 Betty Goldstein*
 Phil Hallem*
 Benjamin Korman*
 Reva Levey*
 Diane Markowicz*
 Louis Schwartz*
 Richard Shugarman
 Shirley Shugarman
 Evelyn Silverman*

MARCH 5 ADAR I 25

Ethel Diamond*
 Goldye Feldstein*
 Alta Shall*
 Celia Sharfe*
 Sarah Spanglet*
 Anna Weisberg*
 Nadalynne Weisberg*

MARCH 6 ADAR I 26

Saul Abrams*
 David Blitz*
 Sadie Dolgin*
 Sam Finkelstein*
 Ethel Grunberg*
 Charla Gulino
 Mae Himmelfarb*
 William Part*
 Ethel Stark*

MARCH 7 ADAR I 27

Abraham (Louis)
 Abramowitz (Abrams)*
 Jack Gallon
 Steven Mandelbaum*
 Sofie Marenberg
 Seymour Ziatz*

MARCH 8 ADAR I 28

Mortiz Choinowski
 David Jacobson*
 Samuel Rosenberg*
 Florence Siegel*
 James Steinberg*
 Aaron Tarschis*
 Louis Thal*
 Ann Weisberg*
 Gustave Wexler*

MARCH 9 ADAR I 29

Abraham Blumenthal*
 Jack Erlen*
 Dr. Philip Kass*
 Jeannette O'Brien*
 Belle Treuhaff*

MARCH 10 ADAR I 30

Bessie Fishler*
 Sam Glassman*
 Harry Levine*
 Rose Schoen*
 Murray Schomer*
 Salek Wainberg*

MARCH 11 ADAR II 1

Mariann Forman*
 Philip Goldstein*

MARCH 14 ADAR II 4

Anne Slotnick*

MARCH 15 ADAR II 5

Paul Lavsky*

MARCH 17 ADAR II 7

Gerson Korngut*
 Edward Newmark*

MARCH 18 ADAR II 8

Sarah Applebaum*

MARCH 19 ADAR II 9

Mendel Eiser*
 Tillie Silverman*

MARCH 21 ADAR II 11

Rabbi Jacob Aharoni*
 Herman Sharfman*

MARCH 22 ADAR II 12

Harold Bauer*
 Anna Millman

MARCH 23 ADAR II 13

Beatrice Chausky*
 Louis Webne*

MARCH 24 ADAR II 14

Aron Aharoni*
 Sol Wittenberg*

MARCH 25 ADAR II 15

Louis Benenson*
 Benjamin Ferber*
 Anna Jacob*
 Susan Rollins*

MARCH 26 ADAR II 16

William Blaustein*
 Sylvia Phillips*
 Max Simon
 Morris Solomon*

MARCH 27 ADAR II 17

Phillip Berkowitz*
 Molly Liber*
 Ben Newman
 Ida Salzman*

MARCH 28 ADAR II 18

Mary Slotnick*

MARCH 29 ADAR II 19

Laura Faudman*
 Frieda Okun*
 Harry Weinman*

MARCH 30 ADAR II 20

Beth Mindy Kaplan*
 Paul Lavsky*
 Charles Markoff*
 Henry Odesky*
 Morris Singer*
 Lena Stram*

MARCH 31 ADAR II 21

Philip Lublin*
 Nathan Soldinger*



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SHABBAT SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>FRIDAY NIGHT CANDLELIGHTING</u>
Friday, March 1	6:07 p.m.
Friday, March 8	6:16 p.m.
Friday, March 15	7:23 p.m.
Friday, March 22	7:31 p.m.
Friday, March 29	7:39 p.m.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>HAVDALAH TIME</u>
Saturday, March 2	7:08 p.m.
Saturday, March 9	7:16 p.m.
Saturday, March 16	8:24 p.m.
Saturday, March 23	8:32 p.m.
Saturday, March 30	8:40 p.m.

Candle Lighting Blessing

Boruch atta A-do-noy elohainu melech
ho'olam asher kidshano b'mitzvosov,
v'tzivonu l'hadlik nair shel:

On Shabbos conclude: Shabbos.

On Festivals conclude: Yom Tov.

On Festivals occurring Friday conclude:
Shabbos ve'yom tov.

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, our G-d, King of the universe, who hast sanctified us by Thy commandments and instructed us to kindle the Sabbath (and/or) Festival Lights.



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