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8:00 am - 4:00 pm M-Thursday

9:00 am - 2:30 pm Friday

Lunch 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Friday Evening Shabbat Services are held at 6:15 PM.

Saturday Shabbat services are at 9:30 AM.

Thursday morning minyan at 7:00 AM

Please check the calendar each month for any special times.

Services at a Glance - March

Friday, March 1st

6:15 PM services

Saturday, March 2nd

9:30 AM services

Thursday, March 7th

7:00 AM minyan

Friday, March 8th

6:15 PM services

Saturday, March 9th

9:30 AM services

Thursday, March 14th

7:00 AM Minyan

Friday, March 15th

6:15 PM services

Saturday, March 16th

9:30 AM services

Thursday, March 21st

7:00 AM Minyan

Friday, March 22nd

6:15 PM services

Saturday, March 23rd

9:30 AM service

Thursday, March 28th

7:00 AM Minyan

Friday, March 29th

6:15 PM Services

Saturday, March 30th

9:30 AM Services



Big Easy Purim

**DINNER
6PM
\$10
GROWNUPS**



**PURIM
SHPIEL
7PM**



**SCROLL
8PM**



MARCH 20



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A Message from our Rabbi

As I write the words, we're a month out from Purim — the Shpiel is coming together, the choir is getting ready, a raucous new show is around the corner. I want to take a moment to reflect upon the meaning of the mitzvot associated with Purim.

1) We chant the Megillah; we recount the tale. We cheer the heroes and boo for the villain. Why? Because our stories are important — they're part of us. Those crazy plays I've been working on all these years — it's all part of an old tradition of merrymaking in Jewish communities around the world.

2) We give alms to the poor. Poverty doesn't go away. We do battle with it; we try to craft policies which help the needy. On Purim, a day of gratitude and joy, we reach out. It could be putting money in the tzedaka box at shul Thursday morning of Purim (3/21) or giving money or needed items to Daybreak, it could mean volunteering at Macon Outreach.

3) We share a special (se'udah **סעודה**) meal as a way of expressing our gratitude. Great meal, by the way, coming up on Wednesday night (6pm) March 20!

4) We exchange goodies — shalach manot, explicitly mentioned in the Megillah. It's part of the Purim magic.

All of these things speak to the joy of Adar. Because of the Jewish Leap year we actually have two Adar's — a double dose of joy. We need it!

I hope to see y'all at shul for Big Easy Purim!



A Message from our President

As most of you are aware, we have postponed Ian Altman's Fund Raiser Concert. We will keep you posted when we have a reschedule date.

Many thanks to Anne Bayme and everyone on her committee who helped with a great Super Bowl Party. A special thanks to all our sponsors for supporting our synagogue.

Also, thanks to Jan Lewis and her committee for our wonderful Scholar In Residence weekend with Merle Feld.

We send our condolences to the entire Bullington/Bloodworth/Bashuk families on the passing of Lauren. She was such a beautiful person in so many ways. May her memory forever be a blessing to everyone who knew and loved her.

We will continue with our monthly Sunday Coffee Bagel Lox Schmooze Zone on the first Sunday of each month. This is not just for Sunday School parents, but also for ALL members of our congregation to have chance nosh, schmooze, and get chance to know each other. I hope you will join us starting at 9:30 am until about 11:45 am.

As we roll into Purim, we are getting excited about the Purim shpiel. I hear the rehearsals are going great and we are sure to have some surprises. Speaking of Purim, how many of you make your own hamantashen at home? This is been a long-standing tradition at our house for years. Invite some friends over and start a new tradition! Always fun to cook and do something new. See the next page for a recipe for making your own hamantashen.

A big thank you to the Kruger family for funding the purchase of much needed additional *Lev Shalom Siddurs* in memory of Paul Kruger. Those who knew Paul, remember his sense of humor, positive attitude, and love of being around family and friends. I know opening a siddur and seeing Paul's name will bring a smile to everyone's face when they think about his sense of humor and his family's devotion to our congregation.

Be sure to watch your emails for more info about Havdallah in the Courtyard as we move into spring. We are in process of working out the details, and do not have everything in place at the writing of this article.

No, it is not your imagination, Purim and Passover are much later this year. This a "leap" year with months of Adar 1 and Adar 2. If you're like me and have never figured out how they calculate the "formula" on this, ask the Rabbi!

As we wind down the month, we will be moving full speed into preparation for Passover. Watch Facebook page for sharing of favorite Passover Recipes from members of our congregation!!!

Evan "Elmo" Koplin





Adult Education Event

Hillel Kaplan, CSI Librarian
Will discuss Purim,
The Jewish Mardi Gras
And the Book of Esther

Sunday, March 10th at 10:00 am
Have a cup of coffee and a shmear
A kibbitz and a peek at
Early Jewish History in the Diaspora



Gift shop
Non-Judaica merchandise
70% off

While merchandise lasts

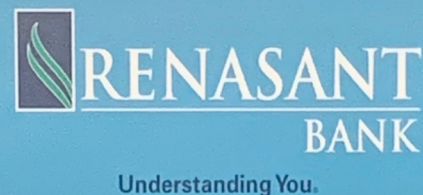
Call Deborah Adler 478-474-0505 for appointment
Open during Sunday school - 9:30 am to 12:30 pm



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THIS IM-
PORTANT EVENT
YOM HA'SHOAH COMMEMORATION

I NEVER SAW ANOTHER BUTTERFLY
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 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
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SAVE THE DATE

FILM NIGHT
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APRIL 7th
 4:00 PM

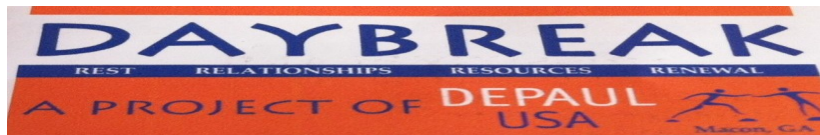
AT THE HOME OF
 GAIL AND JACK KRAPF
 IN MILLEDGEVILLE

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW
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Macon Outreach Needs Your Support

Please everyone, remember to bring food donations for the Macon Outreach Food Pantry. Our donations will serve many families in the Middle Georgia area who are in need of help. Items such as canned fish and beans, peanut butter, macaroni & cheese, applesauce, canned fruits and vegetables, rice and pastas are all especially helpful. Please help contribute to Tikkun Olam by bringing a can with you on your way to services and/or religious school.



Congregation Sha'arey Israel is a partner with DAYBREAK, a daytime haven for members of our community who are either homeless or are in need of a place to spend a day with people; a place where they can shower, get a light snack, and feel part of a community.

Donations are needed for the following supplies: **shampoo/body wash; body lotion; paper towels; toilet tissue; 13 gallon trash bags; HE laundry detergent; bleach; disposable food service gloves; disposable razors; washcloths; spray deodorant; dish detergent; coffee; coffee creamers; coffee stirrers; sugar bags; powdered lemonade; canned fruit cocktails; crew and boot socks; tea bags; air disinfectant spray**

Daybreak has opened a boutique of gently used clothing. The store is called WEAR, and is located at 466 First Street. All donated items must be clean. Hangers are appreciated, but not required. Clothes for all members of the family are welcomed. All profits from the sale of the clothing will go to support Daybreak. You can drop off your donations at DAYBREAK, 174 Walnut Street



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TO RECEIVE
A PORTION OF WHAT YOU SPEND
<http://smile.amazon.com>



NOAH'S ARK DONATION WALL

Honor the children of CSI with a plaque acknowledging their important milestones and achievements up to age 18.

Minimum donation for a plaque is \$36.00 and \$250.00 for adopting an animal.

These donations make a great newborn baby gift, Bar/bat mitzvah, graduation gift or special recognition of a CSI member's child.

Donations go to the Educational Resource Fund.
Call Anne Bayme 478-474-0063 to make your donation.

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Aaron's

HERBAL VINEGARS & HOT PEPPER SAUCE



Mulato, Chipotle, Arbol, Cascabel, Morita, Serrano, Jalapeño, and Habanero peppers. Get yourself some great stuff. To rephrase a famous lyric by the Young Rascals - *if you got the fever, I got the cure!*



3 NEW VINEGAR FLAVORS!

- ☛ Red wine vinegar with dill, marjoram, basil, bay leaves & black peppercorn
- ☛ White wine vinegar with lemon balm, garlic, tarragon & whole cloves
- ☛ Champaign vinegar with lemon balm

Proceeds benefit Neve Michael and Tikkun Olam Nicaragua



NEW FLAVORS

Champaign vinegar with parsley, basil and garlic

White wine vinegar with arbol peppers and oregano (yummy & hot)

Sherry vinegar with parsley, thyme and rosemary

Red wine vinegar with marjoram and rosemary

Apple cider vinegar with shallots and tarragon

Check with Rabbi Aaron for current flavors
And availability



**PROCEEDS FROM THE
PURCHASE OF
RABBI AARON'S HOT SAUCE AND VINEGARS
WILL BE DONATED TO
MACON OUTREACH AND DAYBREAK**

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<p>17 10 adar II</p> <p>SUNDAY SCHOOL</p>	<p>18 11 adar II</p>	<p>19 12 adar II</p>	<p>20 13 adar II</p> <p>PURIM DINNER AND SCHPIEL AT 6:00 PM</p> <p>SPRING BEGINS FAST OF ESTHER MEGILLAH READING</p>	<p>21 14 adar II</p> <p>MINYAN 7:00PM</p> <p>PURIM</p>	<p>22 15 adar II </p> <p>SERVICES 6:15 PM CANDLELIGHTING 7:29</p> <p>SHUSHAN PURIM</p>	<p>23 16 adar II </p> <p>SERVICES 9:30 AM</p> <p><i>Tzav</i></p>
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