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Upcoming Services

MAY

Saturday, May 1

9:30 am Service

Thursday, May 6

7:00 am Minyan

Friday, May 7

6:15 pm Service

Saturday, May 8

9:30 am Service

Thursday, May 13

7:00 am Minyan

Friday, May 14

6:15 pm Service

Saturday, May 15

9:30 am Service

Thursday, May 20

7:00 am Minyan

Friday, May 21

6:15 pm Service

Saturday, May 22

9:30 am Service

Thursday, May 27

7:00 am Minyan

Friday, May 28

6:15 pm Service

Saturday, May 29

9:30 am Service



Zoom Davening

conducted via Zoom. You can access these either via computer, smart phone or call in and listen to services with any phone.

Here are the links you will need to 'attend' services:

Weekly Torah Study - Wednesday, May 5, 12, 19, 26 at 7 pm

https://zoom.us/j/94748985900?pwd=cmU3N1RUV0JYR25rTGRNZCtOaFBPUT09

Passcode: 381362

By Phone: 1-929-436-2866

Meeting ID: 947 4898 5900 Password: studytorah

Thursday Morning Minyan - May 6, 13, 20, 27 at 7:00 am

https://zoom.us/j/94233255435?pwd=NDg2bE5jejFOcVpgay9MZm42VGp0QT09

Passcode: 695052

By Phone: 1-929-436-2866

Meeting ID: 942 3325 5435 Password: 695052

Friday Evening Kabbalat Shabbat - May 7, 14, 21, 28 at 6 pm

https://zoom.us/i/93760006426?pwd=RERBMU5KQ1cwR0RRUFI1TnYvcm9VZz09

Passcode: 661400

By Phone: 1-929-436-2866

Meeting ID: 937 6000 6426 Password: 661400

Saturday Morning - May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 at 9:30 am

https://zoom.us/j/94484008047?pwd=NkN2eVNiOTIMc3kwakpwdFdJdVVPUT09

Passcode: 420674

By Phone: 1-929-436-2866

Meeting ID: 944 8400 8047 Password: 420674



A Word from the Rabbi

Growing into Change Together

Some recent glances at headlines bluntly remind me that, as a species, human beings have a painfully long road ahead ...

Immediately following a headline talking about an imminent Disney World opening was a headline describing a catastrophe of biblical proportions crushing India. And right on the heels of the guilty verdict for George Floyd's murderer — no less than half a dozen police killings of African Americans.

When I ponder this at length and consider the fanciful midrashic literature describing the angels who seem to resent God giving Torah to human beings, I realize that it's *not at all* about angels being jealous about people — it's about a range of human behaviors that is far from noble or exalted. God gave us Torah because we need it, and the angels don't.

On a related note, as more of us are vaccinated (I sincerely hope and pray that as many as possible make the decision to take one of the vaccines when offered the opportunity), there's a journey forward into a changed world. Each of us is already aware of new habits we want to embrace, old habits that we're ready to drop — and

a bunch of stuff we need to figure out.

In less than a month — coming back to shul, to a building at the corner of First and Plum that has witnessed over a century of Jewish life here in Central Georgia. One thing I have powerfully learned (and embraced) is that community includes people near and far. Zoom, for all its limitations, has brought many folks into shul and church and mosque — and we're all realizing just how vital it is that we nurture all of our connections and relationships. I find this crossroad to be exciting, complicated, and humbling. We all have an opportunity to learn and relearn how we'll celebrate together, both in person and through the wires!

Temple Beth Israel is inviting CSI to join them for a trip on Thursday, May 20th to the High Museum of Art in Atlanta followed by an outdoor lunch. TBI's Rabbi Barhar will lead a tour of art with biblical context at the museum. Those who are interested in attending or carpooling should contact Kelly McWilliams, TBI's office manager, at admin@tbimacon.org. Individuals must purchase their own tickets at https://high.org/tickets/#close. Children under 6 and High Museum members are free. TBI will leave Macon around 8:00 am. Those who wish to caravan can meet at Temple Beth Israel at 892 Cherry Street.

Dr. Lawrence A. Haskins Memorial Trust 2021

In 1980 Gertie and Harry Haskins, longtime members of Congregation Sha'arey Israel (CSI), established a memorial trust to honor their son Lawrence. A periodontist born and raised in Macon, Dr. Haskins died at the age of 34, leaving a wife and two young daughters. The purpose of the Haskins Memorial Trust as endowed is "to perpetuate and enhance Jewish education for CSI students." The Trust, now in its 41st year, sunsets in 2030, so the committee's challenge is to present scholarships to as many young congregants as possible within this time frame. Given the cancellation of most summer camps in 2020, 2020 Haskins Trust recipients may use the funds this summer without reapplying for the award. Simply contact me to utilize the funds. If you are a new applicant, please read the guidelines, process, and deadline below.

Haskins Trust Guidelines and Process

- 1. A recipient must be between the ages of 10 and 20, which, for the purposes of the scholarship means to be at least 10 years old and no older than 20 years old in the calendar year in which he or she is granted the award or uses the award money.
- 2. An applicant must have attended Sha'arey's religious school for at least one full year.
- 3. An applicant has "achieved scholastic excellence." This is a vague tenet of the scholarship, but is contained in the original document.
- 4. The process requires a brief application letter to the committee to include the following information:

- 5. The scholarship can be used to defray the cost of:
- a. Travel to Israel through an approved program, not individual or family travel.
- b. Attendance at a Jewish camp, conference, seminar or convention sponsored by a Jewish organization with which Sha'arey Israel is affiliated.
- c. A Jewish studies course or class in the United States, Israel, or anywhere in the world at an accredited institution. The student/family must provide a course description, proof of enrollment, and final course grade before payment is made.

We prefer to send payment directly to the camp, school, program or travel organization. However, if a recipient's family has already paid for the program, payment will be sent to the parent(s) with proof of payment.

Each recipient may be asked to speak briefly on his/her camp, travel or educational experience at a Shabbat service. Guidelines will be provided.

6. Nominations or applications must be received by Monday, May 10, 2021 and should be emailed to Haskins Trust Chair, Jamie Gaudet, at

jfsgaudet@aol.com.

- 7. Decisions will be made by Monday, May 24, 2021.
- 8. A scholarship award will be sent to each winner and the student's name(s) will be announced in the synagogue bulletin and on the bimah at services by the synagogue president.
- 9. The Haskins Memorial Trust Committee selects a recipient or recipients annually and approves the

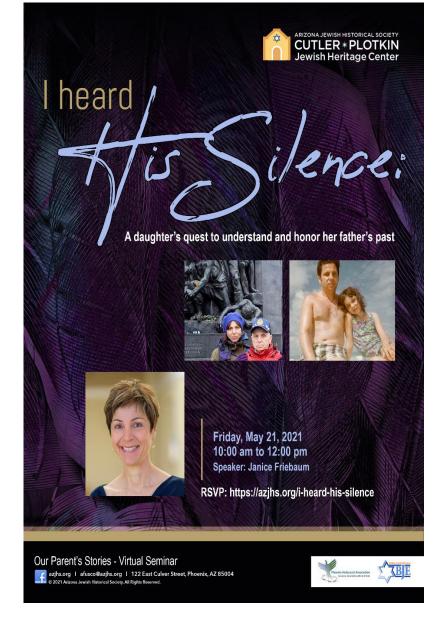
- a. Applicant's name
- b. Age
- c. Brief statement of why the applicant believes he/she is worthy of the scholarship
- d. Name of program and organization or institution, including the address, phone number, date(s) attending, and cost.
- e. Recommendation letter from a Sha'arey Israel congregant or religious school teacher familiar with the applicant's character and academic achievement.

use of the funds. There is no cap on the number of recipients in a calendar year.

10. Each year, the amount of the award varies according to the number of recipients and funds remaining in the trust. The duration of the trust is 50 years. 2021 is year 41.

Parents and congregants, please encourage our young people to apply for this generous scholarship. If I can answer any questions about the fund or application process, please contact me.

Best regards-Jami Gaudet Haskins Memorial Trust Chair jsfgaudet@aol.com



I Heard His Silence: A Daughter's Quest to Understand and Honor Her Father's Past

I'm happy to share this special educational opportunity with the congregation. Janice Friebaum is an extraordinary woman, speaker, advocate, environmentalist, administrator, educator, and trainer.

Janice was my camper in a bunk full of 10-year-olds in the Catskill Mountains when I was a teenager. Raised in Queens and the child of a Holocaust survivor, she was whip smart, inherently kind, and a terrific athlete.

Janice has had a fascinating work life with a circuitous route to becoming a soughtafter speaker on the Holocaust and other Jewish topics. She worked as a park ranger and naturalist in the Great Smoky Mountains; administrator in the Washington State Department of Natural Resources; special project manager for the Insurance Commissioner's Recovery of Holocaust Era Insurance Policy Benefits; and Senior Planner for the Jewish Federation in Florida's South Palm Beach County. Janice and her husband Michael Lefkowitz live in Scottsdale where she serves as Vice-President of the Phoenix Holocaust Association. She holds a B.A. in Environmental Studies/Biology from Eisenhower College, a M.S. in Plant Ecology from the University of Tennessee, and a M.A. from the University of Chicago in Jewish and Holocaust Studies.

An engaging presenter, Janice made two Zoom appearances in April: the first a solo program, *From Private to Public: How the Holocaust Shaped my Life*, and as a panelist, along with two other survivors' children, for Yom Hashoah.

On May 21, she'll present the Zoom program advertised on this flyer. In order to view the presentation you must RSVP and provide an email address. Both this presentation and the first one in April will be posted online, and I will share the links when they become available.

Best regards to all - Jami Gaudet



May Anniversaries

2 - Vickie & Williams Richards

15 - Peggy & Ben Feldman

23 - Joan & David Kent

24 - Shelley Davidson & Jeff Lehman

26 - Mark Bresler & Trudy Posner



May Birthdays

- 2 Linda Haskins
- 4 Reeda Katz
- 5 Max Burke
- 6 Erica Wilkinson
- 7 Theresa Rosengart
 - 8 Carol Kaplan
 - 8 Brenda Turetsky
 - 11 Ricky Katz
 - 13 Alex Koplin
 - 14 Alan Kirsh
 - 15 Barbara Chaite
 - 17 Martha Galindo



CSI's Book Club will meet on Sunday, May 16th at 1 pm to discuss Cynthia Ozick's *THE* PUTTERMESSER PAPERS.

The meeting will be held via

Zoom. If you have any
questions, please contact Jan
Lewis at janlewis73@gmail.com.



Kruger Torah Fund

Happy Birthday
Billy Singer
Terri & David Frolich



SYNAGOGUE & MAZEL TOV

17 - Jack Finkelstein 18 - Lara Geller 19 - Jessica Koplin 20 - Lise Dayan 23 - Jay Freedman 24 - Fran Hirsh 24 - Joshua Perkel 25 - Will Finkelstein 26 - Jake Wilkinson 28 - Scott Bayme

28 - Robert Donner

28 - Gail Krapf

Although Rabbi Aaron is not able to physically meet with congregants, he can be reached by phone if needed. You can call him at 478-250-5952.



Please call Stephanie at the synagogue office 478-745-4571 or email her at secretary@csimacon.org for donations to all funds Except The Wall of Jerusalem and Noah's Ark Funds.

For donations to the Wall of Jerusalem Fund, please call Shelley Kruger at 478-474-0060.

FUND DONATIONS

In loving memory of my mother, Leah Frolich David Frolich *In loving memory of mother-in*law, Freida Goodrich Ellen Goodrich In loving memory of my husband, Samuel Melvin Goodrich Ellen Goodrich In loving memory of my cousin, Michael Goodrich Anne Bayme In loving memory of my mother, Sonja Greasley Sharon Elowitz In loving memory of my mother, Lena M. Singer Richard Singer

Happy birthday to Billy Singer Hershene & Alan Goldman

Happy birthday to Linda Haskins

Alan & Hershene Goldman

Happy birthday to Alan Kirsh
Alan & Hershene Goldman

Happy birthday to Scott Bayme
Alan & Hershene Goldman

In Memory of Kay Morrison Israel



For donations to the Noah's Ark Fund, please call Anne Bayme at 478-474-0063.

Yahrtzeit donations should be mailed directly to synagogue.

Please note that you can also make donations to the various CSI funds through our website:

www.csimacon.org

It's easy and quick!
You can designate which fund to honor your loved ones.



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the easy way!
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a portion of what you spend.
http://smile.amazon.com



Mi Sheberach

Congregation Sha'arey Israel extends Get Well Wishes

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In loving memory of my father,

Isadore Robinson

Laurel Robinson

In loving memory of my mother,

Mae Weiss Robinson

Laurel Robinson

With gratitude
Eugene & Nancy Shapiro

In honor of Sharona Rubinstein for her beautiful singing & inspiring dancing

In honor of Zohar Rubinstein for his technical support, programmatic leadership

In honor of Rabbi Aaron for discerning what it takes to get it done & being an early zoomer

In honor of CSI members for still being a big part of our family & meaningful circle of friends

Jay and Lynn Freedman Rachel, Seth, Owen, Lev, Rudy & Mae Lemansky to the following:

Larry Elowitz Scott Bayme



Daybreak also needs volunteers. If you are at least 18 years old and can commit to at least 2 hours, 1 day a week, you can make a difference to someone in need. Daybreak meets all recommended safety guidelines. For more information, contact Tyia.Sprinkle@depaul.usa.org.

Here is a list of their greatest needs:

Financial donations

Gloves - latex free gloves and food service gloves

Disinfectant sprays/wipes/cleaners- Spic-n-Span, Pine Sol (make sure it is

antibacterial), Clorox

Lotions

Large hand sanitizers

Gatorade

Water bottles

Cold cereal

Wet wipes/baby wipes

New men and women's underwear

Men's belts

Hairbrushes/combs

Batteries (AAA)

Rain ponchos

Medical clinic:

Cough drops

Prodigy Diabetic glucose test strips

1cc insulin syringes

Canes

Bio freeze

Saline eye drops

Dulcolax

Zyrtec

1% cortisone cream

Naproxen

Knee support sleeves: one size fits all

Secondary list:

Patio furniture

Umbrellas

Sturdy Backpacks

Men's Extra-large scrubs

Thank you for all you do to help serve our community.

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.



May 2021 Yahrzeits

Evening of April 30th/May 1st-May 7th

Isadore Goldstein
Marvin Simson
Lena K. Slotchiver*
Mary Divinsky
Ann Goldman*
Dolph Proskauer*
Beri Rubel*
David Van Ollefen
Ida Schwartz
Leah Frolich*
Joseph M. Schwartz*
Hyman Adler
Stewart Klein
Nathan Shapiro

<u>Evening of</u> <u>May 7th/8th-May 14th</u>

Henry S. Nirenstein*

Norma Koplin Oliner*

Gladys Annes*
Samuel Barnett*
Edith Theresa Becker*
Rebecca Dreizin*
Ellis Goodrich
Sol M. Kent
Rosalie Torch*
Lillian Haskins Katz*
Rose Levin*
Jack Zablow

Arthur Besser
Kevy Kahn
Martin Ellis Kahn
Herbert Ronald Krapf*
Sylvia Wolf*
Blossom Macey Avrunin*
Morris Burg*
Reva Kalinsky
Max Moore

Reuben Max Reifler*
Glenn David Tudzin
Dorothy Hebert

Kate Cohn Moore* Eda Yardeni Tavor*

Evening of May 14th/15-May 21st

Rose Graber

Charles A. Harris
Louis Oscherwitz
Eli Lehman*
Sol Schwartz*
Diana Eisinger
Lee Carter
Rhonda Marlene Cohen*
Ida Gordon Chanin*
Henry Koplin*
Annie S. Levy
Myar Nirenstein

Evening of May 21st/22nd-May 28th

Blanche Krugman Rosenberg
Harry Chanin*
Esther Harris
Murray Eckstein
Beatrice Holtz
Israel Meyer Roobin*
Ruth Brahn Karson*

Evening of May 28th/29th-June 4th

Edythe Frank Cohen*
Linda Lamb*
Annie Becker Marshall*
Max Nathan*
Hermina Stern Spielberger*
Hyman David Kaplan*
Mark Zarks*
Dorothy Mark Pross
Shelby Starner
Fannie Zailen Mark
Zelig Wolf*
George Brahn*
Oscar Klein*

* Indicates names listed on a plaque in the main sanctuary.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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9 27 iyar	10 28 iyar	11 ^{29 iyar}	12 1 sivan	13 MINYAN 7 AM	3 sivan 3 8 siva	15 ^{4 sivan} M
16 5 sivan	17 6 sivan M	7 sivan Yizkor SHAVUOT	19 8 sivan	20 MINYAN 7 AM	21 10 sivan M 8:13 PM SERVICE 6:15 PM	22 11 sivan SERVICE 9:30 AM
23 12 sivan 30 19 sivan	24 13 sivan VICTORIA DAY CANADA 20 sivan MEMORIAL DAY	25 ^{14 sivan}	26 15 sivan	27 16 sivan MINYAN 7 AM	28 17 sivan 38 8:18 PM SERVICE 6:15 PM	SERVICE 9:30 AM Beha'alotecha

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Secretary Stephanie Johnson

Office Hours

Due to Covid-19, the office is not open daily, however, the secretary is in on Tuesday and Thursday. She can be reached by email during regular work hours, or feel free to leave a voicemail.

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