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**Welcome to our synagogue! ברוכים הבאים**

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**Tetzaveh - תצוה**

**March 11, 2017 – 13 Adar 5777**

**Shabbat Zachor—פרשת זכור**

In last week's Parasha, Moses asked the Children of Israel to bring all kinds of things to be used in the building of the Tabernacle. This week, more details are given related to the Temple, its content and who will serve in the temple. For the Menorah, which was described in last week's Parasha, we need oil. Moses is commanded to ask the Children of Israel to contribute pure olive oil which will be used in lighting the Menorah daily. Aaron, the high priest, will have the honor of Lighting the Menorah.

This Parasha also describes the various garments that Aaron and his sons will wear when they are performing the service in the temple. There are also detailed instructions on how Aaron and his sons will be initiated into the service of the Temple.

Also this Shabbat, we read a short paragraph from the Book of Devarim, where we are commanded to Remember what Amalek did to the Children of Israel when they came out of Egypt. It was the first unprovoked attack on the Israelites who had just gained their freedom from slavery. Every year on the Shabbat before Purim, we read this passage to remember the senseless hate of Haman for the Jewish people, and his plan to annihilate them. These are difficult times for our people. There is an upsurge of antisemitic incidents in our country and in Europe, indicating that hatred and divisiveness of society are as present today as they were in the days of (cont.)

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## Parashat Tetzaveh (cont.)

Mordechai and Esther in Shushan. Enemies of Israel and the Jewish people are attempting to isolate Israel thru the BDS movement, and cause fear and uncertainty in the Jewish community thru the bomb threats to JCCs and other Jewish institutions. Purim reminds us that we prevailed then and we shall prevail again. HAPPY PURIM!!

### This Day in Jewish History—13 Adar

On Adar 13, during the biblical story of Purim, the 10 sons of Haman were hanged (Esther 9:7). This would find eerie parallel over 2,000 years later when 10 top Nazi officials were hanged at the Nuremberg Trials. Incredibly, the Hebrew year of the hangings at Nuremberg, 5707, is encoded in the Book of Esther: In the listing of Haman's 10 sons, three Hebrew letters -- *taf*, *shin* and *zayin*, representing the year 5707 -- are written unusually small. (This anomaly appears in every authentic Megillah scroll, written that way for over 2,000 years.) Incredibly, when Nazi officer Julius Streicher ascended the gallows to be hanged at Nuremberg, he shouted, "Purimfest 1946."



Adar 13 is also the yahrtzeit of Rabbi Moshe Feinstein (1895-1986), the great leader of 20th century American Jewry. Born in Russia, Rabbi Feinstein escaped the Stalinist regime in 1937 and settled in New York. He became recognized as the leading rabbinic figure of his generation, issuing thousands of responsa on all matters of Jewish law (published in a collection called *Igros Moshe*, *The Letters of Moshe*). Rabbi Feinstein was known for his genius

command of talmudic literature, which enabled him to delve into topics of modern medicine, economics and ethics, thus demonstrating the power of Torah to integrate with the modern world. Rabbi Feinstein was born on Adar 7, the birth date of the biblical Moses, after whom he is named. Rabbi Feinstein was revered for his great humility and concern for every human being. He was buried in Jerusalem, where 200,000 people attended his funeral on Purim day.

(courtesy of Aish.com—'Day in Jewish History')

### Maot Hittim Fund Drive

Purim is here, which means that Pesach is not far behind. As Jewish families prepare to celebrate the Festival of Pesach, we must remember those who will find it difficult to purchase Kosher for Passover items. Again this year, Sharei Chesed is sponsoring its annual Maot Hittim fund drive, with the money raised to be used to provide food to those in need. We are very fortunate to have members and friends who make sure that this Mitzvah is observed. Please consider sponsoring one or more packages at \$50 each, or a portion of a package, and let us fulfill the Mitzvah that is found right at the beginning of the Haggadah: "Whoever is Hungry may come and eat."



## Upcoming Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to Olga Taran Margulis!!

## Today's Kiddush Luncheon

We hope you will stay with us following services for our weekly Kiddush luncheon. Today's luncheon is sponsored by Asya Akerman in observance of the Yahrzeit of her husband Efim Akerman of blessed memory.

## Condolences

Sharei Chesed expresses its condolences to the families and friends of both Rene Fishman and Lidiya Mazelev, both of whom passed away earlier this week.

We also welcome Rita Grinberg and Ephraim Grinberg here today. They are observing the Yahrzeits of Rita's husband Azriel, and also Azriel's father Bentzion.

May their memories always be for a blessing.

## Kabbalat Shabbat—Friday Evening March 24th

Our next Kabbalat Shabbat will be on Friday evening March 24th when our guest speaker will be Rachel English of Jewish Community Action. Rachel is a community organizer at JCA focusing on criminal justice system reform—the topic of her talk this evening.



Contact the synagogue office by Friday March 17th to make your reservations.

## Purim—Tonight and Tomorrow

Join us for our annual Purim celebrations beginning tonight:

- Tonight at 6:30 P.M.—Purim services and the Reading of the Megillah!!
- Tomorrow morning at 8:30 A.M.—Shaharit services and the Reading of the Megillah again.
- Tomorrow afternoon at 5:30 P.M.—Our annual Purim party, featuring:
  - Hot dog and spaghetti dinner
  - Talent show, games and prizes
  - Magic show by Bruce Colton
  - Music by Judith Eisner and “Eisner’s Klezmerim”

See you then!!



# Yahrzeits for week of March 11 - March 17, 2017

**13 Adar - 19 Adar 5777**

**Please help with the daily Minyan**

**Yahrzeit of**

**Remembered by**

**Saturday, March 11th (13 Adar)**

Yefim Dain	
Yankel Frumkin	Yakov ben Yosef
Gershon Portnoy	Gershon ben Velvel
Jamie Sherman	

Nina Dain  
Eugene Frumkin  
  
Norman Sherman

**Sunday, March 12th (14 Adar)**

Sheldon Pomush	
David Vaynberg	David ben Avran
Lores Zaydenknop	

Shirley Haskovitz, Darlene Schwartz  
Sahra Vaynberg, Avram Vaynberg, Alla Vaynberg  
Irina Rasstryzhenkau and Grigory Zaydenknop

**Monday March 13th (15 Adar)**

Rachel Block	Rytze bat Shmuel Eli haKohen
Morris Kauffman	Moshe ben Yitzchak
Arlan Pomush	Aryeh Tzvi ben Israel
Israel Pomush	Israel Lipman ben Arye Tzvi
Fania Rabinowitz	
Ephraim Schochet	Ephraim ben Haim Leb
Gloria Walder	Gitl bat Chaim Boruch

Allan Block and Faye Krasner  
Sybille and Renee Aaron  
Shirley Haskowitz, Darlene Schwartz  
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Jaymee Chanen

**Tuesday March 14th (16 Adar)**

Lena Beers	Leah bat Pesach
Bentzion Grinberg	Bentzion ben Aharon Mordechai
Gersh Gitelman	Gersh ben Chaim
Mark Royter	

Rita Grinberg, Ephraim Grinberg, Simon Grinberg  
Shulim Gitelman  
Irma Davydova

**Wednesday March 15th (17 Adar)**

Fannie Farb	
Chaim Hurwitz	Chaim ben Mordechai
Bluma Libinson	Bluma bat Chaim Leib
Grigory Royter	Gershon ben Mordechai v'Rayza
Max Weingarten	Mordechai Gershon ben Avraham

Harry Farb  
Lee Reinharz  
Era Kirzon  
  
Dr. Alan Weingarten

**Thursday, March 16th (18 Adar)**

Albert Astashinskiy	Albert ben Roman v'Genaya
Lois Joffee	
Gitl Murakhver	Gitl bat Lev
Roman Rubinstein	Yerachmiel ben Yehuda
Pete Sasner	Pasha ben Avraham
Debbie Zalilgson	Devorah bat Berle

Leonid Astashinsky  
Neal Joffee  
  
Esther Rubinstein, Eddy Rubinstein  
Minna Hudson  
Paul Abzug

**Friday, March 10th (19 Adar)**

Pinkus Cooperstock	Pinchas Aharon ben Moshe haCohen
Mikhail Geyfman	Yitzchak Michel ben Moshe
Jeffrey Weinberg	Itzhak Avraham Ber ben Yehuda v'Esther

Sandra Johnson  
Gennady Geyfman  
Renee and Loren Weinberg

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