



The Scroll

Congregation Shaara Tfile

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Calendar of Events

March

- 5-Sisterhood Meeting.....5:30pm
- 17-Congregation Breakfast/Speaker...9:30am
- 19-Havurah Vatik.....11:00am
- 23-Megillah Reading.....7:00pm
- 28-Tefillin Clinic.....8:30am

April

- 2-Sisterhood Meeting.....5:30pm
- 5-Friday Evening Service.....7:00pm
- 6-G Stein Bar Mitzvah.....9:30am
- 16-Havurah Vatik.....11:00am
- 23-Shul Seder.....6:00pm

Regular Services

- Mondays & Thursdays.....7:30am
- Saturdays.....9:30am

Office Hours*

- Monday-Friday.....9:00am-1:00pm

Adult Ed**

- Monday.....4:00pm

Hebrew School***

- Monday and Wednesday.....5:30pm

Please call the office if you have any questions about any of our programs - 518-584-2370

*The office will be closed April 8, 9, 22-24, 29, 30

**No adult ed on April 22, 29

***No Hebrew School on April 1, 3, 22, 29

Messages, including rsvp's for weekend events, left on the synagogue answering machine and emails are not checked after 1:00 pm on Fridays until the next non-holiday business day. Walk-ins for weekend events will not be accepted.



..for 7:30am Monday/Thursday minyons 1, 2 or more times a month so that kaddish can be said. Bagels & lox follow at about 8:30am.

From the Desk of the Rabbi

The early spring holidays, Purim and Passover, are the epitome, and undoubtedly the inspiration, of that old saw: "they tried to kill us, we won, let's eat." The two holidays celebrate victory over different approaches to destroying the Jews.



The Purim story represents ruthless genocidal hatred in its purest form. Haman is prepared to pay for the privilege of massacring a people ("he tried to murder all the Jews, though they were not to blame, sir"), on the flimsiest of pretenses: a single Jew refused to render him the obeisance he desired. Equally terrible, the king – such an empty suit that Haman literally seeks to usurp his station by wearing his clothes – authorizes Haman to exterminate the Jews, free of charge. The apathetic apparatchik is as dangerous as the murderous maniac. When the addled Ahasuerus does ultimately turn on Haman, it is not for recognition of the of the evil he attempted, but purely personal purposes. And even then, the king refuses to save the Jews by, you know, actually saving the Jews; rather, he saves the Jews by simply letting them fight for themselves without outside interference.

The Passover story reflects a different model of antisemitism. The Pharaoh's goal is not extermination; the Pharaoh wants to derive benefit from the Jews in his power. At the same time, he wants to restrict their religious practice (recall that Moses' initial request of the Pharaoh is only to allow the Hebrews a few days to worship in the desert), and he doesn't mind killing a significant proportion of them – infants, no less – to keep them in his control. Once the Ten Plagues convince the Pharaoh that he can't keep them as slaves, however, the Pharaoh then leads his chariots out with the apparent intention of slaughtering the Hebrews, a self-defeating effort which ends with his army drowned in the sea.

In another corner of the calendar, we encounter yet another model of antisemitism in the holiday of Chanukah (N.B. to settle all debate, the correct spelling is חֲנֻכָּה). The Greeks were not explicitly interested in killing Jews, but they did want to erase Judaism and turn Jews into Hebrew-accented Greeks. If they had succeeded, there would be people alive today descended from the Jews of that era, but they would not particularly know or care. There would be no Christianity or Islam in the world, which ironically would likely mean the learning and culture of Ancient Greece would be largely forgotten (for centuries after the fall of the Roman Empire, it was Muslims who studied and preserved Greek philosophy and mathematics), and the last millennium and more of human history, dominated by Christians, Muslims, and their wars between and among one another, would be radically different in completely unknowable ways.

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Rabbi Marmon's office hours:

To reach the Rabbi, you may either call the office or call the Rabbi directly at his number listed in the synagogue directory.

Office Hours: Office hours are

9:00am-1:00pm during the week except for days noted on page 1. Please call 518-584-2370 before coming over.

Carole's Request: Email communications to the office and for Scroll submissions are requested to be sent to the synagogue email address at saratogajcc@albany.twcbc.com . The deadline for Scroll submissions of text is on or before the 3rd Friday of the month prior to the next Scroll (i.e. April 19th for the May/June Scroll).

Communications

- E-mail- We are trying to communicate more with our members and friends by email. We have been sending out weekly if not more often, email messages. If you have not been receiving weekly messages, please send your email address to the office (saratogajcc@albany.twcbc.com) so we can add it to our contacts.
- We have a phone tree that sends out messages from the synagogue. If you are not receiving the messages, please call the office and provide Carole with your phone number.

When You Need Something

- If you know of a congregant who would like a home or hospital visit, call Carole in the office. Cynthia Flax and Roberta Gottesman have generously started a sunshine outreach to our friends in the synagogue.
- Call the office at 518-584-2370 if you have any questions about any of our programs.

Memorial Candles & Birthday Greetings

- The Congregation sends out a reminder letter with a memorial candle when you have a yahrzeit for a loved one. We also send annual birthday greetings. Let the office know if you would prefer to not receive candles, or are not receiving reminder letters/ birthday greetings.

Remembrance/Dedications

- If you would like to honor your loved ones who have departed, we offer Memorial Plaques in the Sanctuary. They are a permanent remembrance for those who are no longer with us. The cost is \$500 per plaque. In addition, one can dedicate a Prayer book to honor a special occasion (\$36) or a gold leaf for the vestibule's Tree of Life (\$200). For more information, please call Carole in the office.
- As our Mi Sheberach list grows, we are not sure if some of our congregants and friends still need to be on the list. Please call Carole so that we can update our list and keep it current.

Cemetery

- The Cemetery Rules and Fees document of Congregation Shaara Tfillle spells out eligibility, rights, and fees. It also sets guidelines for use of the building and sanctuary during funerals. Call the office at 518-584-2370 if you wish to receive an electronic copy of the document.
- Our Cemetery is open year round. We ask that you be careful when visiting. The walkway can be slippery.

Services

- If you will be attending services in-house, we ask that you bring your own Tallis and Yarmulka. There will be no Friday night services during January and February, 2024.
- We especially need you for attendance at one, two or more 7:30am Minyan services on Monday and Thursday.

Yahrzeit List for March/April

MARCH 2024 (Adar-I 21 – Adar II 21, 5784)						
MAR	DAY	HEB DATE	MEMBER'S NAME	DECEASED (ENGLISH)	DECEASED (HEBREW)	REL
2	Sat	Adar-I 22	Ronni Rosenberg	Samuel Roth		F
3	Sun	23	Allen Kasin	Syde Kasin	Sarah bat Khat	M
5	T	25	Judith Ehrenshaft	Murray Linden		U/L
7	Th	27	Rabbi Josef Solomon	Judith Solomon Kravetz		S
9	Sat	29	Richard Chait	Florence Chait		M
14	Th	Adar-II 4	Louise Goldstein	Barbara Goldstein Proctor		S
18	M	8	Richard Chait	Samuel Chait		F
20	W	10	Piper Lutbak	Ray Perlman		M
23	Sat	13	Michele Herman	Sylvia Herman	Tsvia	M
27	W	17	Avram Freedberg	Max Padell	Natan Michael ben Shimon David	GF
29	F	19	Barbara Opitz	Mildred Lupian	Mindle bat Binyomin	M
30	Sat	20	Philip Weissman	Mildred Weissman	Miriam bat Yitzhak	M
APRIL 2024 (Adar-II 22 – Nisan 22, 5784)						
APR	DAY	HEB DATE	MEMBER'S NAME	DECEASED (ENGLISH)	DECEASED (HEBREW)	REL
7	Sun	Adar-II 28	Harvey Kalish	Ruth Kalish		M
9	T	Nisan 1	Susan Weissman	Al Butler		F
10	W	2	Dede Hirsch	Benjamin Hurwood	Benyamin	F
10	W	2	Seth Rosner	Oscar Rosner	Osher ben Avraham	F
11	Th	3	Arthur Ostrov	Rebecca Resnick	Rivka bat Yitzhak	GM
11	Th	3	Jerome Ostrov	Rebecca Resnick	Rivka bat Yitzhak	GM
11	Th	3	Richard Ostrov	Rebecca Resnick	Rivka bat Yitzhak	GM
13	Sat	5	Sondra Silverhart	Sylvia Silverhart	Tzvi bat Dovid	S/L
15	M	7	Sharon Dunn	Bessie Dunn		M
15	M	7	Miriam Messinger	Abraham Steuer	Avraham Moshe ben Menachim	F
16	T	8	David Kieserman	Esther Kieserman	Esther bat Lazur	M
18	Th	10	Leonard Mintzer	Ida Schecter	V'hair bat Chaim	GM
18	Th	10	Roberta Mintzer	Ida Schecter	V'hair bat Chaim	M
18	Th	10	Gene Salemi	Ellen Salemi		W
19	F	11	Avram Freedberg	Avraham Chaim Rogovin	Avraham Chaim ben Yochanan Meir	GGF
21	Sun	13	Loretta Ostrov	Viola Roston	Verga bat Yitzhak	GM
23	T	15	Marsha Katzman	Dorothy A Jacobs	Devorah	M
24	W	16	Susan Edwards	Harry Britt		GF
25	Th	17	Jay Goldman	Sol Goldman	Shmuel ben Yosef	F
25	Th	17	Sondra Silverhart	Sol Goldman	Shmuel ben Yosef	F
25	Th	17	Marcia Snyder	Mary Tabachnick	Miriam	M
26	F	18	Philip Weissman	Woodrow Weissman	Velvel	F
29	M	21	Judith Ehrenshaft	Joseph Ehrenshaft		F/L
29	M	21	Edward Greenberg	Roseann Greenberg		W
30	T	22	Michael Fischer	Eduard Fischer	Elyahu ben Yakov	F

In Memorium for Two Very Special Long Term Members of Congregation Shaara Tfill

Congregation Shaara Tfill sends its deepest sympathy to Helen Gordon on the recent passing of her husband and longtime congregant Sid Gordon

Congregation Shaara Tfill sends its deepest sympathy to Carole and Allan Polacsek on the recent passing of their daughter and longtime congregant Pamela Polacsek

Contributions

Memorial Candles

- Richard Reisman in memory of Jane Reisman
- Rhoda and Avram Freedberg in memory of Melvin Freedberg
- Stuart Mintzer and Carol Moore in memory of Stella Mintzer
- Stuart Mintzer and Carol Moore in memory of Milton Mintzer
- Stuart Mintzer and Carol Moore in memory of Sadie Mintzer
- Stuart Mintzer and Carol Moore in memory of Julius Mintzer
- Barry Potoker and Sharon Liese in memory of Renee Potoker
- Linda Bertrand in memory of Florence Ike
- Linda Bertrand in memory of Phyllis Laike
- Linda Bertrand in memory of Irving Laike
- Richard Reisman in memory of Kenneth Reisman
- Ken and Susi Ritzenberg in memory of Albert Ritzenberg
- Howard and Fran Zuckerman in memory of Mary Zuckerman
- Edward and Ruth Dweck in memory of Sophie Dweck
- Edward and Ruth Dweck in memory of Jacob Dweck
- Leonard and Roberta Mintzer in memory of Abraham Schechter
- Leonard and Roberta Mintzer in memory of Jennie Sherman
- Eugene and Dianna Nachamkin in memory of Elle Nachamkin
- Marcia Snyder in memory of Rose Snyder
- Deborah Sabin in memory of Margaret Sabin
- Patricia Bruder in memory of Herbert Rothman
- Jerold Grodin and Felice Karlitz in memory of Betty Grodin
- Jerold Grodin and Felice Karlitz in memory of George Grodin
- Jerold Grodin and Felice Karlitz in memory of Nathan Karlitz
- Leonard and Roberta Mintzer in memory of Julius Mintzer
- Leonard and Roberta Mintzer in memory of Charles Mintzer
- Avram and Rhoda Freedberg in memory of Sidney Bernstein
- Avram and Rhoda Freedberg in memory of Stanley Freedberg
- Jack Mintzer and Adena Wirkerman in memory of Julius Mintzer
- Sharon Dunn and Harvey Zirofsky in memory of Irving Dunn
- Felice Karlitz and Jerold Grodin in memory of Freida Karlitz
- Wilma and David Koss in memory of Max Koss
- Wilma and David Koss in memory of Ruth Koss
- Wilma and David Koss in memory of Louis Weinstein
- Carole and Allan Polacsek in memory of Otto Silverhart
- Susan and Joseph Greenbaum in memory of Doris Greenbaum
- Richard and Carol Anne Chait in memory of Louis Pies
- Richard and Carol Anne Chait in memory of Florence Chait
- Richard and Carol Anne Chait in memory of Samuel Chait
- Marilyn Phillips in memory of Nathan Nonkin
- Susan and Mitchell Frost in memory of Annette Reeder
- Susan and Mitchell Frost in memory of Murray Frost
- Avram and Rhoda Freedberg in memory of Max Padell

Contributions

- Steven Goldberg in honor of Tu B'Shevat
- Lary and Barbara Opitz
- Garry and Jane Sanders
- Merry Sloane
- PAL'S ALLIANCE, LTD.
- Rabbi Josef Solomon and Judith Thomas honoring Don Brown and Carole Leakakos for the love and service that they have given, SO committedly to Shaara Tfilla, over SO many years.
- Renaissance Charitable Foundation
- Judith Ehrenshaft in honor of Carole and Bill Leakakos for always going above and beyond
- Larry Aronson in honor of Bob Katzman
- Linda Bertrand in honor of Carole and Bill Leakakos

Kiddush Contributions

- J. Lawrence Paltrowitz
- B. Minde Kornfeld in loving memory of Irma and Dr. Joseph Mintzer
- Sharon Dunn and Harvey Zirofsky

Mitzvah Club 2023-2024

- Anonymous
- Larry Aronson
- Linda Bertrand and Bert Isen
- Patricia Bruder
- Carol and Steven Chudy/The Chudy Family Trust
- Judith Ehrenshaft and Seth Rosner
- Rita and Michael Fischer
- Roberta and Samuel Gottesman
- Lorraine and Steven Hammer
- Judith and Martin Kaplan
- Bunny and Allen Kasin
- Marsha and Robert Katzman
- Irving Metzger
- Diane White and Ted Orosz
- Loretta and Arthur Ostrov
- Bobi Baruch and Jerry Ostrov
- J. Lawrence Paltrowitz/PAL'S ALLIANCE, LTD.
- Richard Reisman
- Ronni and Lester Rosenberg
- Bernard Singer
- Kim and Matt Stein

In Memory of Sidney Gordon

- Linda Bertrand and Bert Isen
- Patricia Bruder
- Sharon Dunn and Harvey Zirofsky
- The Messing Family
- Louis Sitrin
- Carole and Bill Leakakos
- Sue and Allan Littell
- Judith Ehrenshaft and Seth Rosner
- Patricia Watkins
- Rita and Michael Fischer
- Judith Thomas and Rabbi Josef Solomon
- Adele Figelman Roof

Contributions (Continued)

In Memory of Pamela Polacsek

Avram and Rhoda Freedberg
 James and Susan Bowen
 Linda Bertrand and Bert Isen
 The Messing Family
 Alvin and Gay Gamage
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5784 Yom Kippur Appeal has raised over \$32,000

We would like to thank and acknowledge all of our Members and Friends who have supported Congregation Shaara Tfillle by their generous contributions. This helps us keep a strong Conservative Jewish presence in the Saratoga Springs area.

May you be blessed with a healthy and happy New Year.

March Birthdays & Anniversaries

03 Marcia Snyder
 04 Harold Weinstein
 07 Susan Weissman
 10 Marc Barr
 10 Marc Weinstein
 16 Cynthia Flax
 19 Nathan & Jessica McCullen
 26 Nathan McCullen
 28 Felice Karlitz
 29 Mitchell & Susan Frost
 31 Rhoda Freedberg

April Birthdays & Anniversaries

02 Brian Lee
 03 Helen Gordon
 06 Philip Weissman
 07 Judiann Stern
 10 Ted Orosz
 11 Ruth Doyle
 16 Mark Doyle
 16 Carole Leakakos
 19 Allen & Bunny Kasin
 21 Susan Edwards
 21 Stuart Mintzer
 22 Patricia Carson
 24 Deborah Sabin
 27 Susan Greenbaum
 27 Elizabeth McCullen

From the Desk of the Rabbi (Continued from Page 1)

It is a strange new feeling to celebrate these holidays of Jewish survival against genocidal antisemitism in the midst of a war, more so a war that was instigated by a rampage of murder, rape, and kidnapping, and even more so a war in which the State of Israel stands – inaccurately – accused of genocide. The inversion of truth in the discourse about this war is astounding. There are Israeli Arab citizens, both Muslim and Christian, about 2,000,000 or roughly 20% of the Israeli populace; there are zero Jewish citizens of the Palestinian Authority or Hamas-stan in Gaza, the Arab parties to the conflict have never contemplated peacefully absorbing Jewish residents as citizens in their areas of control as part of a solution to the conflict (though they expect Israel to absorb millions of Arab “refugees”), and the “moderate” Palestinian Authority prescribes the death penalty for Arabs who peacefully sell land to Jews. So which side is accused of ethnic cleansing?

The population of Palestinian areas captured by Israel in 1967 was around 1.3 million. Today, the Palestinian population in situ approaches 5 million, with 2 million in Gaza alone (1967 population: fewer than 400,000). On the other hand, Hamas’ founding charter “aspires to the realization of Allah’s promise, no matter how long that should take” that “Moslems fight the Jews (killing the Jews), when the Jew will hide behind stones and trees. The stones and trees will say O Moslems, O Abdulla, there is a Jew behind me, come and kill him.” (Translation from the Avalon Project of Yale Law School’s Lillian Goldman Law Library.) Beyond mere aspiration, in just one day of running free in a small sliver of Israeli territory, Hamas operatives murdered 1200 Israelis (and others), over 80% of them civilians, and kidnapped 253 Israelis (and others), but not before raping, torturing, and mutilating many of them. In other words, Palestinians under nearly sixty years of Israeli occupation have grown to five times their numbers; Israelis under one day of Palestinian occupation in parts of the Gaza Envelope (an area of roughly 70,000 residents in total) suffered the deadliest day for Jews since the Holocaust, deadlier than any day in Gaza during the war, and probably in human history. Which side would you suppose is on trial for genocide?

There are analogs to be drawn from the spring holidays to the current state of affairs. Just as the cruel and stubborn choices of the Pharaoh were responsible for the death and destruction in Egypt and at the sea, the cruel and stubborn choices of Hamas are responsible for the death and destruction of this war. Just as in the days of Mordechai and Esther, all our Israeli cousins ask from the world is to be allowed to fight for their own lives without outside interference.

Of course, those early spring holidays focused largely on simple survival also start a literal count-up to the late spring holiday of Shavuot, the anniversary of Revelation at Sinai. For our ancestors, it was less than two months from an enslaved rabble to a kingdom of priests and a holy people. I don’t entirely agree, but many historians today regard the Yom Kippur War as a necessary precursor and condition-setter for the peace with Egypt in 1979. I am not remotely a Pollyanna about this, but it is not beyond hope that the horror of the October 7th massacre, and the brutality of the Gaza war, will in time help bring forward leaders on both sides of the conflict (but let’s be honest, the miracle would be on the Palestinian side) who can see compromises for the sake of peace as a better way forward for their people than the fantasy of total victory in the next war, or the next, or the next after that. And isn’t the anticipation of new life and new light after bleak winter what spring is all about?

From the Desk of the Editor

Some brief thoughts of the two special people we recently lost but whom will be remembered for years to come.

Sidney ‘Sid’ Gordon- A constant presence in our Synagogue, looking out for his dear wife Helen, his many departed friends in the cemetery, his words of wisdom to the rest of us, and his dedication as the chaplain of Saratoga’s National Cemetery. Only Sid knows how many hand written letters he made to past and present Congregants, requesting funds to assure the perpetual care of the Shaara Tfillle cemetery. Contributions in Sid’s memory to help maintain the care of the cemetery will hopefully continue without his letters.

Pamela ‘Pam’ Polacsek- Without a doubt, Pam was the heroine of Congregation Shaara Tfillle, the Saratoga Springs community, and the Capital District Jewish community. She truly was a wonder woman, able to fly in her chariot and trusty van. Her life was spent helping others. We are indebted to the help of her parents and care givers for providing the power that made Pam’s achievements possible during the past 30+ years. May we all follow in Pam’s footsteps.

Congregation Shaara Tfille would like to welcome new members David, Pamela, Haley and Ethan Hammer

Kim and Matt Stein cordially invite you to the Bar Mitzvah of their son GABE on Saturday April 6, 2024

Mazel Tov to Marcia Snyder on the recent marriage of her grandson and the recent engagement of her granddaughter.

Lorraine and Steven Hammer proudly announce the birth of their grandson Sutton Charles Liszewski born on November 18, 2023 to Sharra and Andrew Liszewski of Clifton Park and brother Auden Pryce. Mazel Tov to the entire family.

A new Tree of Leaf has been added to our Tree of Recognition in honor of Mason Lawrence Hallow, born January 22, 2019, with love from his Bubbe, Deborah Sabin.

Our heartfelt thanks to our Synagogue Family for your love, kindness and support during the illness and passing of our beloved daughter Pamela.
Allan and Carole Polacsek



**Please Join Us as We Celebrate Purim
Come in Costume!**

**When..Saturday, March 23, 2024
Refreshments at 7:00pm
Megillah Reading at 7:30pm**

The Zoom link for our Megillah reading will be sent with the Synagogue bulletin on Friday, March 22, 2024.



March 28 @ 9:00am-Tefillin Clinic



Forgot how (or discover how) to put on Tefillin? Following the morning minyan on March 28, Rabbi Marmon will provide a clinic on putting on Tefillin. A set of Tefillin will be provided if you do not have one of your own. Come early for minyan and breakfast!

Sunday, March 17th - Congregation Breakfast

Please join us on Sunday, March 17, at 9:30 am for a Congregation breakfast. The Men’s Club members will be doing the preparing. Following the breakfast, at about 10:00 am, Chef Rabbi Zac will talk about her special food preparations. **We ask that you rsvp by Thursday, March 14, if you will be joining us so that we can prepare accordingly.** The cost is \$10 per person.



Havurah Vatik

Presentations and luncheon sponsored by Havurah Vatik will be held starting at 11:00am on Tuesday, March 19, and Tuesday, April 16. Details will be forthcoming.

Sunday, April 7th - Congregation Breakfast



Please join us on Sunday, April 7th, at 9:30 am for a Congregation breakfast. The Men’s Club members will be doing the preparing. Following the breakfast, at about 10:00 am, Kim van Alkemade, the New York Times bestselling author of the historical novels **Orphan #8** and **Bachelor Girl**, will talk about her work, including her latest book, a historical fiction, **Counting the Stars**. Kim was born in New York City and spent her childhood in suburban New Jersey. Her late father, an immigrant from the Netherlands, met her mother, a descendant of Eastern European Jewish immigrants, in the Empire State Building. She attended college in Wisconsin, earning a doctorate in English from UW-Milwaukee. For many years, she was an English professor at Shippensburg University in Pennsylvania. Now a full-time writer, she lives in Saratoga Springs, NY, with her partner, their two rescue dogs, and three feisty backyard chickens. **We ask that you rsvp by April 3rd if you will be joining us so that we can prepare accordingly.** The cost is \$10 per person.



Authorization to Sell Chametz

I, undersigned, hereby authorize Rabbi Boaz Marmon of Congregation Shaara Tfilla to sell all chametz or other food items in my possession which are forbidden during Passover according to my practice. I pledge that all included items will be stored at the address(es) below, by noon on 22 April 2024 (14 Nisan 5784), pending delivery to the purchaser. I further authorize Rabbi Marmon to repurchase these items on my behalf, effective 8:30pm on 30 April (23 Nisan 5784), if delivery is not completed by that time.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I enclose a contribution of \$ _____ as a token “agency fee”.

Please return this form with payment made payable to: Congregation Shaara Tfilla, 84 Weibel Ave., Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

This form must be received by Thursday, April 18, 2024



Please note: The kitchen will be closed during Passover. Do not bring in or take out any food during this period. Do not bring any chametz into the kitchen until after Passover.

JOIN US FOR OUR CONTEMPORARY PASSOVER SEDER



Celebrate the Jews' freedom from slavery. Congregation Shaara Tfillle will be hosting the second Seder on Tuesday, April 23, 2024.

**Time: The Service and Seder starts promptly at 6:00 p.m.
Cost: Adults — \$36 per person member, \$45 non-member
Children 12 and under — \$15**

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Traditional Seder Plate

- ☆ Matzo Ball Soup ☆ Gefilte Fish ☆ Hard Boiled Eggs
- ☆ Roast Chicken or Acorn Squash Stuffed with Mixed Roasted Vegetables
- ☆ Tzimmes ☆ Confetti Vegetable Kugel ☆ Roasted Potato (White & Sweet)
- ☆ Brownies and Assorted Coconut Macaroons ☆ Fresh Fruit
- ☆ Beverages

Important: No meal substitutions

Reservations are required. No walk-ins on day of Seder. Reservations (check, cash, credit card, PayPal) must be received in the office by Wednesday, April 10, 2024.

**For more information call 518-584-2370
or saratogajcc@albany.twcbc.com**

CONGREGATION SHAARA TFILLE PASSOVER SEDER RESERVATION FORM

Name(s): _____

Phone Number: _____

Important: No meal substitutions

Number Attending			
Adult Member @\$36		Child 12 and Under @\$15	
Adult Non-member @\$45			
Total Enclosed			

Meal Choice (indicate number ordered)		
	Adult	Child
Chicken		
Vegetarian		

Please return this form with payment (check or cash) made payable to:

Congregation Shaara Tfillle, 84 Weibel Avenue, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Payment by credit card or PayPal requires a call to the office at 518-584-2370

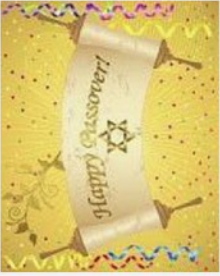

This form must be received by Wednesday, April 10, 2024



March 2024

	FRI Mar 1	SAT 2
21st of Adar I First Day of Women's History Mo	22nd of Adar I 9:30am Shabbat Services	
27th of Adar I 7:30am Services	29th of Adar I Mevarchim Chodesh Adar II Shabbat Shekalim 9:30am Shabbat Services	
26th of Adar I 5:30pm Hebrew School	4th of Adar II 7:30am Services	6th of Adar II 9:30am Shabbat Services
25th of Adar I 5:30pm Sisterhood	3rd of Adar II 5:30pm Hebrew School	13th of Adar II 9:30am Shabbat Services
24th of Adar I 7:30am Services 4pm Adult Ed 5:30pm Hebrew School	2nd of Adar II 5:30pm Board Meeting	12th of Adar II 9:30am Shabbat Services
23rd of Adar I	1st of Adar II, 5784 Rosh Chodesh Adar II 7:30am Services 4pm Adult Ed 5:30pm Hebrew School	11th of Adar II 7:30am Services 4pm Adult Ed 5:30pm Hebrew School
30th of Adar I Daylight Saving Time starts Rosh Chodesh Adar II	8th of Adar II 7:30am Services 4pm Adult Ed 5:30pm Hebrew School	10th of Adar II 5:30pm Hebrew School
7th of Adar II St. Patrick's Day 9:30am Cong Breakfast	9th of Adar II 11am Havurah Vatik	18th of Adar II 7:30am Services
14th of Adar II Purim	15th of Adar II Shushan Purim 7:30am Services 4pm Adult Ed 5:30pm Hebrew School	17th of Adar II 5:30pm Hebrew School
21st of Adar II Easter Sunday	19th of Adar II 18th of Adar II 7:30am Services	20th of Adar II Shabbat Parah 9:30am Shabbat Services



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	22nd of Adar II Easter Monday ● 7:30am Services	23rd of Adar II ● 5:30pm Sisterhood	24th of Adar II ● 5:30pm Hebrew School	25th of Adar II ● 7:30am Services	26th of Adar II ● 7pm Service	27th of Adar II ● Mevarchim Chodesh Nisan ● Shabbat HaChodesh ● 9:30am G Stein Bar Mitzvah ● 9:30am Shabbat Services
7 28th of Adar II ● 9:30am Cong Breckfast	8 29th of Adar II ● 7:30am Services ● 4pm Adult Ed ● 5:30pm Hebrew School	9 1st of Nisan, 5784 ● Rosh Chodesh Nisan ● 5:30pm Board Meeting	10 2nd of Nisan ● 5:30pm Hebrew School	11 3rd of Nisan ● 7:30am Services	12 4th of Nisan	13 5th of Nisan ● 9:30am Shabbat Services
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21 13th of Nisan	22 Office Closed 14th of Nisan ● Taanit Bechorot ● Erev Pesach ● 9am Services	23 Office Closed 15th of Nisan ● Pesach I ● 9am Services ● 6pm Shul Seder	24 Office Closed 16th of Nisan ● Pesach II ● 9am Services ● 5:30pm Hebrew School	25 17th of Nisan ● Pesach III (CH"M) ● 7:30am Services	26 18th of Nisan ● Pesach IV (CH"M)	27 19th of Nisan ● Pesach V (CH"M) ● 9:30am Shabbat Services
28 20th of Nisan ● Pesach VI (CH"M)	29 Office Closed 21st of Nisan ● Pesach VII ● 7:30am Services	30 Office Closed 22nd of Nisan ● Pesach VIII ● 9am Services				

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