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*The Executive Board
and
Trustees
of
Temple Beth Elohim*

*wish you and yours
a Passover full of
warmth, joy and
traditions.*

“ziessen Pesach”

DID YOUR ANCESTOR SERVE IN THE CIVIL WAR?

Help us complete the [Roster Project](#), a comprehensive database of Jewish-American soldiers and sailors who fought in the Civil War for both the Union and the Confederacy. The result of more than 25,000 hours of research, we are convinced that the Shapell Roster will be of interest to academic scholars, descendants, and anyone interested in Jewish American history.

Our searchable database, which will be free to the public online, will go live with a limited set of records in 2019. As we complete additional research, more records will become available. We are so excited, and hope people like you will be, as well.

My goal is to connect with descendants whose ancestors served during the American Civil War. Does that include you? Contact me, Eliza, at eliza@shapell.org to connect.

PASSOVER IS APPROACHING

The annual Temple Beth Elohim Passover *seder* will take place in the Social Hall on Friday evening, 19 April 2019. The meal will consist of an appetizer (gefilte fish or fruit cup); soup (matzo ball); roast chicken with a potato and vegetable; dessert.

The cost will be \$20 per member and \$25 per non-member. There will be a separate invitational mailing giving further details. Priority will be given to temple members and their guests until 4 April 2019. When you receive your invitation, please respond early. Seating is limited.

It has been our tradition that attending members bring an appropriate dessert for the *seder*.

Happy Passover to one and all.

Wisdom From Afar....

Suzan Cohen

Let all who are hungry enter and eat. Let all who need come and celebrate Pesach.

This statement from the *Haggadah* expands the traditional Jewish principle of offering hospitality to those in need to specifically include the observance of the Passover *seder*. The phrase “let all who need” is vague, perhaps intentionally so. Could the visitor need more than just food, but also the sustenance of companionship or learning? Could those “who need” include the hosts?



Ritual Chair Suzan

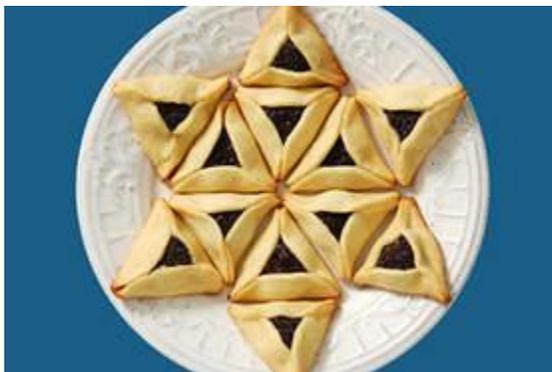
There is an element of truth in this discussion in my own family experience. As the children grew older, and thus the story of the Exodus less and less new, our observance of the *seder* became more perfunctory. We rarely resumed the story after the conclusion of the meal. Three days of cooking to prepare; then it was all over after we closed the door to Elijah.

Then one year we invited some friends who had never before been to a *seder*. Their “need” was curiosity, a “hunger” for a new experience. For us, it forced us to step back and take a fresh look at the story of the Exodus. The obligation to explain it to others gave us the opportunity to reconnect to our traditions.

Whether or not there are any “newbies” at your *seder* table this year, it’s worth looking at the text from the perspective of how you would explain to someone who doesn’t know the story of the Exodus. What would this person want to know; how would you answer his or her questions?

Make that three days of cooking worth all the effort.

Happy Durim



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TEMPLE BOARD MEETINGS

Check our website for date, time and place. Members are encouraged to be present.

Want to advertise in *The Rising Star*? Contact Richard Dimentstein rdimentstein@sc.rr.com. Any life cycle events? Contact Seymour Birnbaum [joyandsey@ethanrand.com]

TEMPLE MEMBERS, please note: You have access to membership information by going to www.chaitrack.com. If you need a user name and password, contact Andy Friedman, andy.friedman@hotmail.com.

Let us fervently pray for the comfort and recovery of our dear temple members and friends and for the continued strength of their caregivers



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A check for \$ _____ (\$36 per leaf) has been enclosed. Checks should be made payable to **Temple Beth Elohim**.

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Let us pray together for the speedy recovery and complete restoration of health of

SHANE FINKEL

grandson of Carrol Sallas

CHARITY DRIVES

We have set up two receptacles in our social hall. One is for clothing items. The other is for non-perishable food, toiletries and sundries. All that we collect will be donated to a local shelter or food pantry.

Please remember this when you are removing things from your drawers, closets and cabinets.

The Temple Beth Elohim Gift Shop Is Now Open

Each and every Friday, before *Shabbat*, we will be selling Judaic items such as *mezuzah*, *yahrzeit* lights, ceramic trivets, Chanukah candles, and an assortment of unique objects d'art. Joy Birnbaum and Carrol Sallas will be on hand to act as customer service representatives.

BIRTHDAYS

MARCH

3 Art Kaufman
4 Mace Lieberman
8 Craig Lieberman
20 Debbie Pentecost
22 David Kossove

APRIL

4 Michael Davidson
12 Michele Bennett
18 Lynn Davidson
19 Tom Llewellyn
20 Dick Rosen
22 Brian Berry
23 Marcia Katz
30 Susan Berry



ANNIVERSARIES

MARCH

23 Jana & Paul
Hletko

APRIL

22 Debbie Smith &
Alan Sherlock



DONATIONS



Richard Dimentstein to the General Fund in memory of Bonnie Linado
and Rabbi Deborah Slavitt

Shirley & AJ Giegerich to the General Fund in memory of Ruth Ader

Rosa Lee & Dr. Eric Heiden to the General Fund in memory of J.J. Heiden

Barry L. Kelmachter to the General Fund in memory of Bonnie Linado

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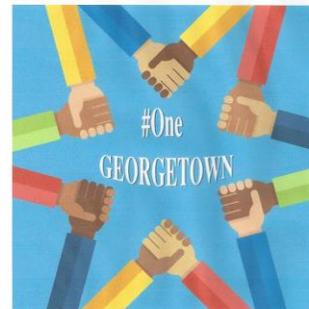
Contact Eliza, eliza@shapell.org, to connect.

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ROSTER OF JEWISH CIVIL WAR SOLDIERS

The Georgetown Unity Alliance presents
The 3rd Annual

Melting Pot March

Saturday, March 23, 2019 - 2:00 PM



Beginning at:
Winyah Auditorim
1200 Highmarket Street
Georgetown

Ending at:
Howard Adult Education Center
500 S. Kaminski Street
Georgetown

Music ~ Food ~ Fun
At Howard after the march
enjoy fellowship, Chicken Bog, Ice
Cream and Drinks

March to the beat of the Premier
Community Drum Line.

Join with old friends and new friends to celebrate unity in diversity!

Advance Registration and Purchase t-shirts on our Facebook Page
fb.me/GeorgetownSCUnity

Donations gratefully accepted
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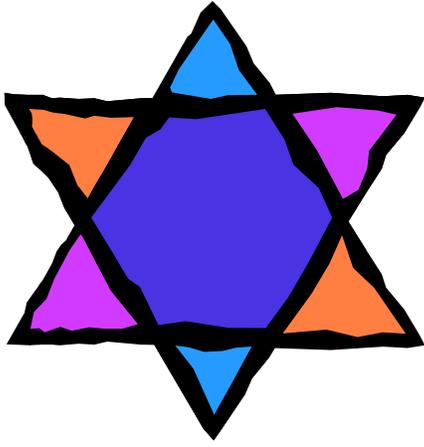
For addition information contact Al Joseph - 843-422-3682 or aljoseph1963@gmail.com

Our New Safety Measure

The side door of our synagogue (High Market Street) will be locked once services begin at 7:30 p.m. Worshipers are asked to proceed to the main entrance (Screven Street). If this is a hardship, then please ring the doorbell to the right of the doorpost and someone will let you in.

Mi Shebeirach List

A prayer for healing is chanted at each *Shabbat* service. The leader of the service will read from a list and then invite the congregation to call out names that are not on this list that is read weekly. If you wish to have a name added to the weekly list (or removed), you must submit the name to Richard Dimentstein (rdimentstein@gmail.com).



First Class
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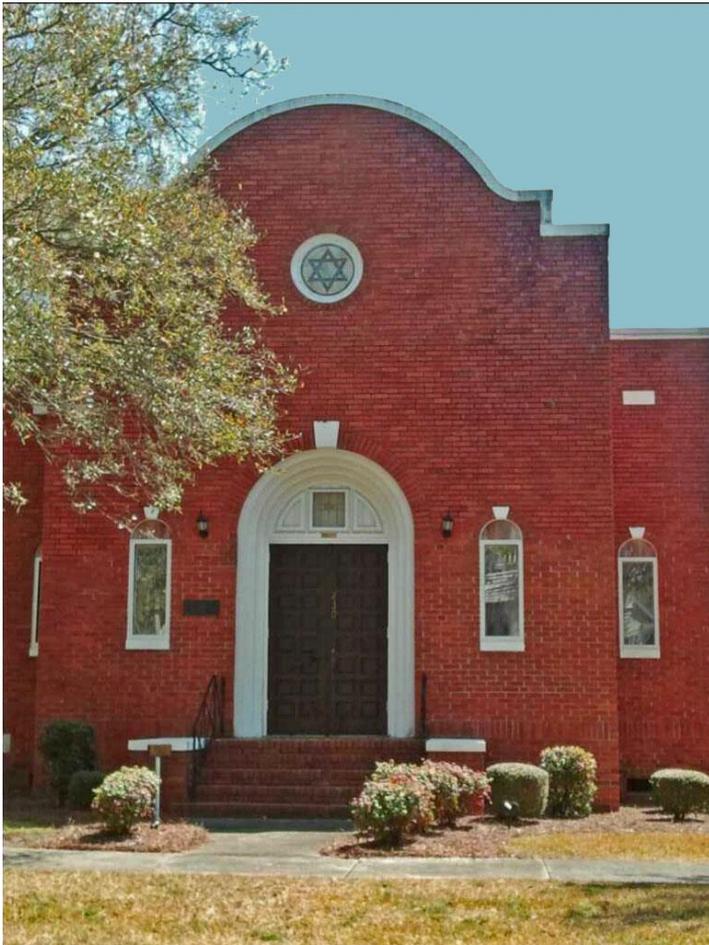
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