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KEY MARCH DATES

FRIDAY, MARCH 2

SOUTH STREET TEMPLE

6:30 PM

Family Shabbat service & dinner

SUNDAY, MARCH 4

SOUTH STREET TEMPLE SOCIAL HALL

1:30 PM

Purim festivities

SOUTH STREET TEMPLE SANCTUARY

3:00 PM

Purim spiel

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

SOUTH STREET TEMPLE SOCIAL HALL

6:00 PM

Game Night & Potluck Dinner

SUNDAY, MARCH 18

WALT LIBRARY, ROOM 2

1:30 PM

Book Club

TUESDAY, MARCH 20

LA PAZ MEXICAN RESTAURANT

12:00 N

Ladies' Lunch

SUNDAY, MARCH 25

SOUTH STREET TEMPLE SOCIAL HALL

1:30 PM

Board of Trustees meeting

March Anniversary

Mark & Stefani Singer
(March 4: 14 years)

Mazel tov!

Purim: A Poignant Parody



We often think of Purim, with its costumes, carnivals, groggers, and fairytale-like story (the heroes Mordechai and Esther are victorious over the wicked villain Haman), as a children's holiday.

But the story, which is found in the scroll, or *Megillah*, of Esther is complex and quite adult in nature: a mixture of merriment and buffoonery, parody and satire. There is laughter but, as Arthur Waskow notes, the laughter of Purim "is not gentle laughter: it is a kind of angry, blood-red humor that celebrates the tyrant's overthrow." One might even wonder how this story, filled with violence and revenge, with G-d's name not mentioned even once in the entire Book, made it into the Biblical canon.

But the themes and ideas of Purim are considered so important to Jewish life that our tradition tells us that we are to drop whatever we are doing to go and listen to the *Megillah* reading. What does the story of Purim and its celebration teach us, that is so important?

On its serious side, Purim is about Jewish survival and the need to blot out the memory of the evil attacks of Amalek – from whom Haman descends. It's a reminder of *our* Jewish story and our enduring belief that the struggle against anti-Semitism can be won any time we face it. Purim also pokes fun at anti-feminism. Recall Vashti who refuses to be the "entertainment" for the King's guests. The King looks for a new wife who will be dutiful and instead he gets Esther -one of the heroes of the story- who tactfully turns the events around so that Haman and not the Jews are impaled on the stake.

In another vein, Purim is about the importance of humor in our lives. Rabbi Lawrence Kushner says, "Purim elevates laughter to a religious category. It is the one day when taking oneself seriously is a sin. At Purim, we make fun of everything, especially what we consider to be most sacred and reverent. Because religion without humor is blasphemy."

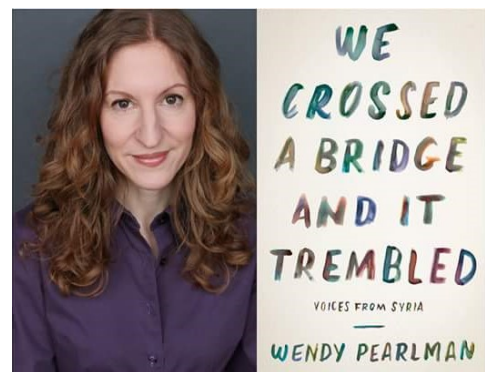


Dr. Tamara Ezkenazi (my Bible professor at HUC) suggests that the five *megillot* read during the year represent the seasons of our lives: The *Song of Songs*, read on Pesach in the early spring, is the time of our youth and the discovery of eros. The *Book of Ruth*, read on Shavuot in the late spring, is the time of building human community. *Lamentations*, read on Tisha b'Av in the summer, is a time of our losses. *Ecclesiastes*, read on Sukkot in the autumn, is a time to scan and reflect on the landscapes our lives. The *Book of Esther*, read on Purim in the winter, is the season of older age - a time of liberation and risk taking. It is the season of carnival. We've seen it all - we now have the need to hold on to the comic, the absurd.

In addition to hearing the *Megillah* read and having a *Seudat Purim* (a Purim celebration with a festive meal, drinking wine, putting on a Purim Shpiel and carnival), the four *mitzvot* associated with Purim also include *Matanot l'Evyonim*: giving money to the poor - a reminder that the purpose of being a Jew is to bring justice, freedom, and prosperity to all people; and *Misloach Manot*: giving gifts of at least two different kinds of food to neighbors and friends - a reminder that being a Jew means being part of a Jewish community.

Yes, Purim with its costumes and carnivals and rowdiness is fun for children (and adults, too). But, there are also deeper and more profound meanings to Purim as well.

Purim Sameach, Rabbi Appleby



Please join Lincoln native and Northwestern University professor Wendy Pearlman for a discussion about Syria based on her acclaimed new book. A book signing will follow after the discussion and Q&A session.

Wednesday, March 7th, 2018
6:30-8:30 pm
[Indigo Bridge Books & Cafe](#)

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Youth Group

Sue Schreiber, in memory of Ida Ruth Bogen Goldhammer, Abraham A, Goldhammer, Louis I. Bogen, Ira P. Schreiber & Si Kominsky

Ladies' Lunch Group



We will meet again on **Tuesday, March 20th** at **12:00 n** at [La Paz Mexican restaurant, 321 North Cotner.](#)

See you then!

Please contact [Deborah Swearingen](#) (402-475-7528) with any questions.

Temple Gift Shop

The Gift Shop is currently closed for the winter, but we will re-open in March, 2018, with all-new inventory, including Passover items. **Watch for our re-opening announcement!**

For those that may have a Yahrzeit during this time, please remember that Yahrzeit candles are free to our members and friends and that you can get them from the Temple office when the Gift Shop is not open.

LJCS News

[Religious school classes](#) will meet at their normal times and buildings this **Sunday, March 4** for Purim deliveries.

Parents, please join with your student(s) for hamantaschen at **11:45 am**.

Thank you to the **Siedband family** for their generous snack donation.

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SERVICES/TORAH STUDY/UPCOMING EVENTS [with events/activities for the home]

Thursday, March 1 – Purim

7:00 pm – Wald Lecture, Burnett Hall, room 115

Friday, March 2 – Shushan Purim

[Candlelighting for Shabbat at **6:01 pm**]

6:30 pm – Family Shabbat Service and dinner (**host needed!**)

Saturday, March 3

[Havdalah (72 minutes) at **7:32 pm**]

9:30 am – Shabbat morning service

10:30 am – Torah Study on Parashat Ki Tisa

Sunday, March 4

9:30 am – LJCS Gan – Grade 7

10:00 am – LJCS Gesher

1:30 pm – Purim Celebration begins!

3:00 pm – Purim spiel

7:00 pm – Pickleball at Tifereth Israel

Tuesday, March 6

7:00 pm – Introduction to Judaism: History I – Ancient to Pre-Modern

Wednesday, March 7

4:00 pm – LJCS Hebrew School

6:30 pm – Reading and book signing with Wendy Pearlman at Indigo Bridge

Friday, March 9 – National Day of Unplugging

[Candlelighting for Shabbat at **6:09 pm**]

6:30 pm – Shabbat Evening Service

7:30 pm – Oneg (**host needed!**)

Saturday, March 10 – Shabbat Parah

[Havdalah (72 minutes) at **7:40 pm**]

9:30 am – Shabbat morning service

10:30 am – Torah Study on Parashat Vayakhel-Pekude

Sunday, March 11 – Daylight Saving Time begins – No LJCS Classes

11:30 am – Adult Beginning Hebrew

7:00 pm – Pickleball at Tifereth Israel

Tuesday, March 13

7:00 pm – Introduction to Judaism: History II – Modernity

Wednesday, March 14 – No Hebrew School

Thursday, March 15

7:00 pm – Sebouh Aslanian lecture, Gaughan Multicultural Center, Unity Room

Friday, March 16 – Friday Night Live!

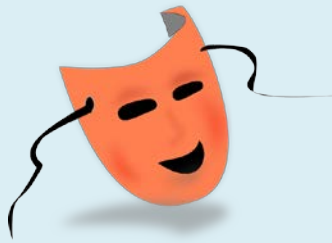
[Candlelighting for Shabbat at **7:17 pm**]

6:30 pm – Shabbat Evening Service with the Star City Kochavim

7:30 pm – Oneg (**host needed!**)





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Celebrate **Purim** at the Temple!



Sunday, March 4, 2018
South Street Temple
2061 South 20th Street

The fun begins at 1:30 pm:

-  Please bring non-perishable food or personal care to donate.
-  Learn how to make hamantaschen with Chef Nathaniel
-  Prepare mishloach manot bags
-  Get your face painted, and...

Our “Purim Takes Broadway” Spiel begins at 3:00 pm!

(We'll eat our fresh-baked hamantaschen after the play)

March Birthdays

- March 2:** Sonia Feigenbaum
- March 4:** Ava Draper-Moore, Marcia Kushner, Dottie Shapiro
- March 7:** Jared Murray
- March 8:** Susan Senft
- March 9:** Amy Zlotosky
- March 10:** Alicia Chapelle, Peter Levitov
- March 12:** Marci Rosenberg
- March 15:** Nathan Hack-Curtis
- March 16:** Lisa Woodward-Zinn
- March 18:** Lydia Dalton
- March 19:** Alisa Murray)
- March 20:** Rachel Balter, Alan Tomkins, Chris Zygielbaum
- March 21:** Linda Glaser, Kate Rosenbaum
- March 22:** Sean Hollibaugh, Rachel Lundholm
- March 25:** Randy Reinhart
- March 31:** Jack Brackhan, Ralph Stump



SERVICES/TORAH STUDY/UPCOMING EVENTS [with events/activities for the home]

Saturday, March 17 – Shabbat HaChodesh – Rosh Chodesh Nisan

- [Havdalah (72 minutes) at 8:48 pm]
- 9:30 am** – Shabbat morning service
- 10:30 am** – Torah Study on Parashat Vayikra
- 6:00 pm** – Game Night & Potluck dinner

Sunday, March 18

- 9:30 am** – LJCS Gan – Grade 7
- 10:00 am** – LJCS Geshet
- 11:30 am** – Adult Beginning Hebrew
- 1:30 pm** – Jewish Book Club, Walt Library: Room 2
- 2:30 pm** – Feeding the kids at the F Street Rec Center
- 7:00 pm** – Pickleball at Tifereth Israel

Tuesday, March 20

- 12:00 n** – Ladies' Lunch at La Paz
- 7:00 pm** – Introduction to Judaism: Holy Days/Festivals - Pesach

Wednesday, March 21

- 4:00 pm** – LJCS Hebrew School

Friday, March 23

- [Candlelighting for Shabbat at 7:24 pm]
- 6:30 pm** – Shabbat Evening Service
- 7:30 pm** – Oneg (hosted by Marc Shkolnick)

Saturday, March 24 – Shabbat HaGadol

- [Havdalah (72 minutes) at 8:55 pm]
- 9:30 am** – Shabbat morning service
- 10:30 am** – Torah Study on Parashat Tzav

Sunday, March 25

- 9:30 am** – LJCS Gan – Grade 7
- 10:00 am** – LJCS Geshet
- 11:30 am** – Adult Beginning Hebrew
- 1:30 pm** – Board of Trustees meeting
- 7:00 pm** – Pickleball at Tifereth Israel

Wednesday, March 28

- 4:00 pm** – LJCS Hebrew School

Thursday, March 29 – Search for Chametz

Friday, March 30 – Erev Pesach/First Seder – No Services at Temple

Saturday, March 31 – Passover/Pesach I – No Services or Torah Study

- 6:00 pm** – Community Seder

Oneg hosts needed!



Open dates: March 2, 9, 16 and 23

☆ **Upcoming Yahrzeits** ☆

February 25 – March 3, 2018

Milton Bennett
Jacob Boekstal
Abraham Byron
Louis Freedman
Rosalie May Friend
Willard "Bill" Goldfein
Myer Kominsky
Claude Randall Matkin
Mary Matkin
Erik Peterson
Blanche Rayor
Isaac Rosenberg
Marsha Plotkin Rosenberg
Janet Kohn Speck

March 4-10, 2018

Marty Barron
Louis I. Bogen, MD
Yaris Rae DeButts
Phyllis Friedman
Abraham A. Goldhammer
Baila S. Kennedy
Jarold "Jerry" Merker
Burt Polsky
Morris Polsky
Joseph Rosenberg
Gabriel Rosenberg
Barbara Simon
Abraham Somberg
Alfred Speier
Frances Zinn Weidenbaum

March 11-17, 2018

Lena Bakker
Robert Bates
Wayne Leo Cadwallader
Evelyn Goldberg Claymon
Sarah Cole
Keith Dalton
Louie Fink
Isaac M. Friend
Rabbi Wolfgang Hamburger
Joseph Heller
James Hicks
Aaron Jacobs
Etta Jacobs
Margaret A. Lyons
Louis Mayer
Babette "Bobbie" Prostok
Charles B. Simon
Howard Wilcox
Elsa Storch Youssi
Inez Hansen Zeman



☆ **Upcoming Yahrzeits** ☆

March 18-24, 2018

Sidney Babbitz
Joseph Baum
Sophie Lavruk Ewanuff
Simon Friend
Sara Gelsin
Ruth Zolot Goldberg
David Honigberg
Morris Levy
Bertha Maness
Mathilde M. Schreiber
Dora Silberger
Walter Simon
Henry Williams

March 25-31, 2018

Phillip Byron
Ellen Chapelle
Hortense Deinard
Erich Hamburger
Marjorie Mae Huntley
Estelle Kominsky
Edward Korn
Nathan Lieberman
Cyla Martin
Jack Nisker
Max D. Prostok
Stanley Ross
Elizabeth Roth
Lili Weisz

April 1-7, 2018

Julius Adler
Eva Byron
Jacob William Chesen
Frank Cole, MD
Roy J. Cole
Violet Ellinger
Frances Rosenblum Freedman
Sylvia W. Friend
Samuel W. Goldfein
Robert Lang
Rebeccah Mairson
Michael Meyer
Claude Mullinaux
Dora Myers
D. David Neff
Gloria Reinhart
M. Murray Schwartz
Edwin M. Walker
Maria Sowa Waters



Zichronam livracha:

May their memories be for blessing.

South Street Temple is partnering with "We Can Do This" to provide weekend meals to the children of the F Street Community Center.



The neighborhood surrounding the F Street Community Center is designated as an "extreme poverty area" by the U.S. Census Bureau. While the Center provides evening meals during the school week, it does not have the budget to serve anything to eat on weekends, leaving some children with little or no food during the day.

Join us as we provide lunch on the third Sunday of every month. Food/monetary donations, meal preparation and assistance with setting up, serving, and clean-up are needed!

We will serve our next meal on
March 18th at 2:30 pm

For more information, contact
Aimee Hyten at aimee.hyten@gmail.com or
Lupe Malcom at lupemalcom65@gmail.com

THE WEEKLY TORAH PORTION

Parashat Ki Tisa: [Exodus 30:11 - 34:35](#)



Read more at the [URJ's Torah Study site](#)

As you start to make summer plans, consider sending your child to LJCS CAMP ISRAEL!



July 9 - July 20
9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Tifereth Israel Synagogue

Tuition:
July 9-13 - \$75 per camper
July 16-20 - \$75 per camper

Light Kosher dairy snack and lunch included

This program is open to children entering kindergarten through sixth grade.

We require ALL campers to be registered through the LJCS, therefore we cannot accept drop-in guests.

Summer Camp 2018

Jewish Federation of Lincoln Youth Camp Grants & Scholarships

Camp Incentive Grants

All Federation families are eligible for Camp Incentive Grants of \$300 per camper to cover the initial camp registration deposit. Additional camp scholarships beyond the incentive grants are based on need and require an application submission. All campers who receive Federation support (whether grant or scholarship) are expected to participate in a tzedakah activity in support of the Jewish community, and are asked to please submit a Tzedakah Project Agreement.

Application forms and more information are [available here](#).



The Jewish Federations[®]
OF NORTH AMERICA

The Jewish Federations of North America are delighted to announce that, thanks to the generosity of The Michael and Anita Siegal *One Happy Camper* Fund, five \$1,000 incentive grants are available. Any Jewish child who would like to have a first-time experience at a Jewish overnight camp, and who lives in a community that is part of JFNA's Network of Independent Communities (and Lincoln, NE is just such a community), is eligible to apply.

To apply for the *One Happy Camper* grant, [click here](#), and follow the instructions on the application. **These grants are first come, first served.** Families must apply by Friday, March 16, 2018 to be considered. Applicants will be notified by Friday, April 13, 2018 if they have been awarded one of these grants. This is an incredible opportunity and we hope you will spread the word in your community.

To learn more about the *One Happy Camper* first-time incentive scholarship initiative of the Foundation for Jewish Camp or explore the numerous Jewish camp possibilities for children, [click here](#).

If you have questions regarding the *One Happy Camper* grant application process for Network communities, please contact Edward Finkel, JFNA/Network Regional Director, at [\(212\) 284-6530](tel:212-284-6530) or by e-mail at edward.finkel@jewishfederations.org.



Jewish Book Club



A small group gathered for our most recent meeting (Sunday, January 21st) and had a lively discussion of *Between Gods*, by Allison Pick. This was our first interstate session, with Zoya Zeman joining us from Tucson via Facetime. (Remember that this is an option if you are traveling and don't want to miss a book group session!) People found Allison Pick's story of secret connections to Judaism relatable. Her therapist's line, "You can't heal the Holocaust" resonated for several people. A working theme that Suzanne put forward was: "What if there's a family secret that you can still do something about?"

Our next meeting will be:

March 18, 1:30-3:30

Walt Library, Room 2

6701 South 14th Street (68512)

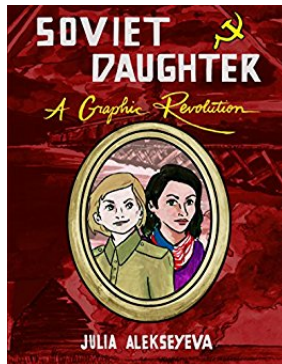
**(South of Old Cheney Road on S. 14th ,
near Cooper YMCA)**

Bringing of treats is permitted. (Thanks, Wendy Weiss, for the wonderful pumpkin bread at the Sunday meeting!) Also note that this is not intended to be a women's-only group; it just keeps turning out that way!

Members attending the last meeting picked a couple of graphic novels for our next session.

1. [*The Adventures of Rabbi Harvey: A Graphic Novel of Jewish Wisdom and Wit in the Wild West*](#) by Steve Sheinkin (There are actually three Rabbi Harvey books, published by Jewish Lights Publishing. Read any one of the series, or read all three.)
2. [*Soviet Daughter: A Graphic Revolution*](#) by Julia Alekseyeva

Note: There are reports that the display of graphic novels on Kindle-type devices can be a little clunky.



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Chesed (Caring): Vicki Edwards

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Malchut (Building and Grounds): Dan Senft

Netzach (Special Events): Aimee Hyten

Ruach (Spirit): Elaine Monnier

Yasod (Foundation): Art Zygielbaum

Vad (Unifying): Leslie Delserone, Nathaniel Kaup, Julie Moore



The **In Moderation** series, sponsored through the **Phillip & Ethel Klutznik Chair at Creighton University** in partnership with the **Jewish Federation of Omaha**, is offering three evenings of discussion topics particularly relevant to the Jewish community in a manner that allows for the productive exchange of points of view and the opportunity for each person to examine his or her beliefs. [Find out more](#)

The series is open to the public free of charge. Reservations are not required. However, we request that you let us know you are coming by phoning [\(402\) 334-6463](tel:402-334-6463) or emailing mkirchhoff@jewishomaha.org.

Monday, March 26, Topic to be announced; 7-9 pm,
Kripke Jewish Federation Library

LIFE CYCLE AND SIMCHA

If you have something to celebrate or know someone in need of prayers, please notify the Temple office. If you wish to commemorate important milestones in the lives of family and friends, please consider a tax-deductible gift to the Temple. An acknowledgment will be sent to the honoree, and a notice will appear in the Temple bulletin.

Go to the [Temple web site](#), and select DONATE. If you are a Member or Friend of the Temple, please log into your account first.

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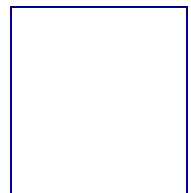
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