

Ohev Sholom - The National Synagogue®

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MARCH 2010 SCHEDULE

Adar/Nissan 5770

6:30 am Daily Minyan. Followed by Talmud Study with Rabbi Herzfeld.

8:30 am Sundays & Legal Holidays

Maariv: Monday-Thursday: 7:30 pm - UNTIL MARCH 14, when Minchah and Maariv resumes at 15 minutes before Sunset.

Kiddush Lunch every Shabbat (will be discontinued for Passover preparation on March 20th and 27th). The Shabbat lunch is FREE and OPEN to the entire community. But we do seek sponsors....

SPECIAL: Shmurah matzah available at the synagogue for \$20 for 1 lb. box. Limited supply, no reservations. Must pick up at the synagogue.

Tuesday, March 2

7:30 am Rabbi Herzfeld visits Lakewood Matzah factory. All are welcome to travel with him. If you are interested email rabbihertzfeld@yahoo.com

Wednesday, March 3

7:45 pm Communal Beit Midrash meets. A multitude of classes will meet that evening. Rabbi Herzfeld will be teaching a four part class on the Laws of Pesach using the text of the Shulchan Aruch.

Thursday, March 4

7:45 pm Rabbi Herzfeld teaches a class on the Passover Haggadah for the next four weeks on Thursday evening following Mincha/Maariv.

Friday, March 5

5:46 pm Candles

5:50 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, March 6 - Ki Tisah/Parah

- 8:45 am Communal Torah Study.
9:15 am Shacharit with a Dvar Torah by Malka Adatto. Kiddush sponsored by the Furchtgott-Roth family in honor of the first anniversary of Theodore's Bar Mitzvah and his birthday.
5:30 pm Minchah followed by Seudah Shelishit and a Dvar Torah.
6:50 pm Shabbat ends

Sunday, March 7

- 9:30 am Bekiut Nach class meets
10 am-5 pm Our synagogue is proud to co-sponsor ROUTES: A Day of Jewish Learning at the Washington Convention Center. 70 great conversations with inspiring speakers. For more information go to www.pjll.org or contact Aliza Sperling.
5:50 pm Mincha and Maariv

Wednesday, March 10

Deadline for Passover Wine Orders – Get your order form into the synagogue today!

Friday, March 12

- 12:00 pm Rabbi Herzfeld's class meets on Capitol Hill. Contact the office for more information.
5:53 pm Candles
6:00 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat

This Shabbat we will celebrate Shabbat Orchim.

This Friday night, in the spirit of Abraham, we especially encourage people to host guests -- especially people they have not yet had the chance to host. If you would like to host guests or you would like to be hosted, please email sarah.gershman@gmail.com. The goal is to encourage everyone to meet new people and to welcome newcomers to our community.

Saturday, March 13 – Vayakhel/Pekudei Hachodesh

- 8:45 am Communal Torah Study.
9:15 am Shacharit with a celebration of Shabbat Orchim
During services on Shabbat morning, we will have an opportunity to engage in a communal study session where everyone will have the opportunity to study Torah with a partner - and meet new people.
- Kiddush lunch will also provide opportunities to sit with different people and welcome newcomers.
- 5:40 pm Mincha followed by Seudah Shelishit and a Dvar Torah by Rabbi Ben Mintz.
6:57 pm Shabbat ends

Sunday, March 14

- 9:30 am Bekiut Nach
6:55 pm **Mincha and Maariv (*****And for the entire week as well)**

Tuesday, March 16

- 7:00 pm Join us for a Pizza and Ice Cream as we prepare for Pesach with our friends from Jewish Foundation for Group Homes. Aaron, Leora, and Ariel Troy will be providing musical entertainment that evening. All are welcome.

Wednesday, March 17

An evening dedicated to the memory of Ernie Shalowitz

- 7:30 pm **PREPARE FOR PESACH BY UNDERSTANDING A MODERN DAY EXODUS STORY..We will show the movie REFUSNIK with a commentary by one of the leaders of the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry, Glenn Richter.** Free Admission. Pizza will be served.

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In addition, Glenn Richter is now doing oral history videotaping of folks involved in the American Soviet Jewry movement. All those active movement are invited to a collective interview from 9:45 - 10:30 which Ernie Shalowitz's contributions will be discussed as well.

About the movie REFUSNIK:

REFUSENIK is the first retrospective documentary to chronicle the thirty-year movement to free Soviet Jews. It shows how a small grassroots effort bold enough to take on a Cold War superpower blossomed into an international human rights campaign that engaged the disempowered and world leaders alike. Told through the eyes of activists on both sides of the Iron Curtain - many of whom survived punishment in Soviet Gulag labor camps - the film is a tapestry of first-person accounts of heroism, sacrifice, and ultimately, liberation. The campaign to free Soviet Jewry is a major event in Jewish history. By 1992, one and a half million Jews had left the Soviet Union to live in freedom as a direct result of what was likely the most successful human rights campaign of all times.

Friday, March 19

7:00 pm Candlelighting
7:00 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, March 20 - Vaikra

We welcome Rabbi Aaron Frank and Laura Shaw Frank as our guest scholars for Shabbat.

8:45 am Communal Torah Study.
9:15 am Shacharit with a Dvar Torah by Rabbi Aaron Frank. Rabbi Frank is the Principal of Beth Tfiloh Dahan Community High School in Baltimore. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO KIDDUSH LUNCH UNTIL AFTER PESACH.**

6:45 pm Mincha followed by a Seudah Shelishit Dvar Torah with Laura Shaw Frank. Laura Shaw Frank teaches Tanach and Jewish History at Beth Tfiloh Dahan Community High School. Prior to that she was a litigator for Stroock and Stroock and Lavan.

8:04 pm Shabbat ends followed by a Musical Kiddush Levanah with our Steinsaltz Ambassadors.

Sunday, March 21

9:30 am **Special Pre-Passover Lecture by Tammy Jacobowitz: "The Haggadah as a Celebration of Midrash,"**

Recent years have witnessed a surge in "special-interest" Haggadahs: the Vegetarian Haggadah, the Feminist Haggadah, etc. In all corners of the Jewish world, it seems, Seder participants are eager to link their own lives - and narratives to the formative Exodus story, as it is told in the Haggadah. Where, how and why did this adventure in storytelling begin? Come learn how the story of the Haggadah's evolution can enrich your own Seder experience.

Tammy Jacobowitz is writing her dissertation on Vayikra Rabbah at the University of Pennsylvania with a Wexner Graduate Fellowship. A graduate of the Drisha Scholars Circle, Tammy has taught in a variety of educational settings throughout the New York and Philadelphia areas. Tammy recently co-authored JOFA's gender-sensitive Shmot curriculum and is on the Rabbinics faculty for Me'ah NYC

7:05 pm Mincha & Maariv.

7:30 pm Book club meets. David Epstein will be presenting Esther Kreitman's **The Dance of the Demons**. This is a Yiddish classic and promises to be a great read.

ALSO AT 7:30 pm

Learn how to bake your own matzah for Pesach. Join Rabbi Yehuda Fishkind and Rabbi Shmuel Herzfeld in the synagogue kitchen as we bake real 100% kosher, shmurah matzah! Kids and Adults are most welcome!

Monday, March 22

7:30 pm Captains meeting about the Free Passover Seder, plus a review of Passover Songs sung at the Seder. Led by Rabbi Herzfeld and Yaakov Sussman.

Friday, March 26 - SHABBAT HAGADOL

7:07 pm Candles
7:00 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, March 27 - Tzav

- 8:45 am Communal Torah Study.
9:15 am Shacharit
6:50 pm Mincha followed by a Shabbat Hagadol lecture by Rabbi Herzfeld:
"Understanding Matzah: A Halakhic, Theological, and Practical Discussion."
8:11 pm Shabbat ends

Sunday, March 28

- 9:30 am Rabbi Ben Mintz teaches a class on the Haggadah
7:10 pm Mincha
8:10 pm Search for Chametz

Monday, March 29 - Erev Pesach

- 6:30 am Shacharit followed by a Siyyum. Fast begins (for those First Born males
not attending the Siyyum) at 5:40 AM.
11:07 am Last Time for Eating Chometz
12:09 pm Last Time for Burning Chometz
7:09 pm Candles
7:00 pm Mincha
7:30 pm Our Free SEDER begins. Kiddush will take place after 8:09 pm

If you would like to join us for the FREE Seder please email cvaloris@gmail.com. Space is limited. See the form below.

Tuesday, 30 - Pesach Day 1

- 9:15 am Shacharit with a Dvar Torah
7:00 pm Mincha & Maariv. Candle Lighting should take place after 8:09
PM. After candle lighting, Seder, kiddush and preparations
may begin. Counting of the *Omer* begins

This year the synagogue will be offering a Seder on the Second night of Pesach as well. It will be led and hosted by our Steinsaltz Ambassadors. The cost per person is \$40. Children under 12 are \$18 a person. Space is limited to the first 50 people to register with cvaloris@gmail.com.

Wednesday, March 31 - Pesach Day 2

- 9:15 am Shacharit with a Dvar Torah by Rabbi Ben Mintz
7:20 pm Mincha & Maariv.
8:12 pm Havdalah

Ongoing Class Schedule

Monday , 12:30-1:30 pm	Rabbi Herzfeld's Parshah Class for Women
Tuesday , 8-9:15 pm	Women's Beit Midrash (with Aliza Sperling)
Wednesday , 12:30-1:30 pm	Rabbi Herzfeld's Downtown Class: Hudson Institute (1015 15th Street, NW, 6th Floor)
Wednesday , 8 pm	Communal Beit Midrash.
Thursdays , 7:45 pm	Parshah of the Week with Rabbi Herzfeld.
Shabbat Mornings , 8:45 am	Group Torah Study of the Parshah
Sunday Mornings , 9:30 am	Shmoozin' with Shmuel - WMET 1160 AM
Sunday Mornings , 9:30 am	Bekiut Nach Project

WEIGHT WATCHERS

Our synagogue hosts a Weight Watchers meeting every Thursday evening at 6:00 pm and Sunday morning at 9 am. The cost is \$14/meeting or \$39.99/month (which includes their on-line program as well). For further information email cvaloris@gmail.com

Tefillin Challenge: Come thirty times in sixty days to our morning service and earn your first pair of tefillin for FREE. Estimated value: **priceless!**

Milkshake Challenge: Any child (under 16) that comes to 15 non-Shabbat services (morning or evening) in one month earns a free milkshake with Rabbi Herzfeld.

TO SPONSOR OUR FREE KIDDUSH LUNCH

CALL (202) 882-7225

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Email our Executive Director, Carol Valoris at cvaloris@gmail.com

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SALE OF CHAMETZ FORM & SEDER APPLICATIONS

Before Pesach it is a requirement to eliminate all chametz (bread products or derivatives of bread products) from our possession. Jewish law does allow for chametz, especially and preferably, only in non-breadlike form (e.g. liquors, mixtures, etc.) to be sold to a gentile in those circumstances when elimination is not an option.

Arrangements for such sale may be made through Rabbi Shmuel Herzfeld using the form below. It must be received by Friday, March 26. As you know, Rabbi Herzfeld does not accept personal monetary gifts for this service, which he views as a privilege to perform. He does however welcome contributions to the Synagogue which will be used to fund the Synagogue's FREE Passover Seder and our Passover Outreach Programs. This is a service we offer to the community and we very much need your help to support it. (Information about our FREE Seder is below.)

Please mail your form into the Synagogue or email it directly to Rabbiherzfeld@yahoo.com

Additionally, it is a mitzvah to help those less fortunate observe the holiday of Pesach. This is called Maot Chittim. If you would like, Rabbi Herzfeld can distribute such money on your behalf to the poor. Please mark your check accordingly.

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SALE OF CHAMETZ FOR PASSOVER 5770/2010

Be it proclaimed that I hereby empower and authorize Rabbi Shmuel Herzfeld to sell all chametz that may be in my possession, wherever it may be — at home, a place of business or elsewhere. This includes all goods which may be delivered to me over Passover as well as stocks owned in full or in part in corporations which sell or deal with chametz. The Rabbi has full right to sell, dispose, and conduct all transactions, including rental of the place where the chametz is stored and rental of right of way as he deems fit and proper, for such time which he believes necessary in accordance with detailed terms and details forms explained in the contracts in their possession. The above power hereby being given, is meant to conform with all Torah and Rabbinic regulations and laws, and also in accordance with the laws of Washington, D.C.

Name:

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Address(es) where chametz is stored (Home, Office, etc.):

Street _____ City _____ State _____

PLACE WHERE CHAMETZ IS STORED (Kitchen, Pantry, Bar, etc.):

ESTIMATED VALUE OF CHAMETZ (EDIBLES): _____

TYPE OF CHAMETZ:

Groceries _____ Liquor _____

Access to chametz can be arranged by contacting: _____

(If you or your chametz will be in a different time zone for Pesach, please detail so that your chametz can be sold and repurchased in the appropriate time.)

To the above, I affix my signature:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

JOIN US FOR OUR FREE SEDER

Monday, March 29, 7:30 PM - FREE PASSOVER SEDER

At the Passover Seder we say *Kol Dichfin Yeisi Ve-khol*, let all who are hungry come and eat. Well, we really mean it. Everyone is welcome at our Seder. With delicious food, great songs, and wonderful Torah insights, why would you want to go anywhere else? Space is limited. First come, first serve. Please email cvaloris@gmail.com with your reservation or check yes on the line below.

With your reservation we ask that you provide us with the following information so that we can better enhance your Seder experience:

Yes we will be attending the FREE Seder_____.

We are _____ adults. We are _____ children.

I am interested in being a captain at the seder and coming to the captains' meeting the week before the seder (Monday, March 22 at 7:30 pm) _____.

I want to learn some of the Seder's songs in advance and will attend the Free Seder singing prep on March 22 at 7:30 pm _____.

I have an interesting personal story about Passover that I would like to share at the Seder_____.

I am a vegetarian_____.

SECOND NIGHT SEDER

Tuesday, March 30, 7:45 pm

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Yes we will be attending the SECOND Seder_____.

We are _____ adults. We are _____ children.

I want to learn some of the Seder's songs in advance and will attend the Free Seder singing prep on March 22 at 7:30 pm _____.

I am a vegetarian_____.

Credit card information: Type of card _____

Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____

ID number on back of card _____ Zip Code for billing address _____

Amount to charge \$ _____