

THE DOME APRIL 2022

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This month, we observe Passover. For some of us, it is an exciting opportunity to spring clean, prepare our homes for this holiday and get ready for the congregation's first seder in several years. For others, it brings forward memories of seders we had with family members who are no longer here.

As a rabbi, I look at the seder as the largest organized learning opportunity and moment of connection across the Jewish world. In fact, according to Pew, the majority of Jews in this country engage in cultural activities such as cooking Jewish food. We love to come together and share recipes with each other about the best matzah ball (is yours dense, fluffy, large, small?); brisket (do you marinate yours overnight?); Passover desserts (I have some amazing grain-free ideas if you are curious).

Beyond that, the seder offers us an opportunity to reconnect with our heritage, our sacred story—the story of the Exodus. This part of the Bible is so important to us—the telling of the story and the observance of the seder, that the Israelites were instructed, as part of their journey out of Egypt, to prepare a seder (Ex. 12).

In the Klau Library, at Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati, a search of their database yields over 3,700 various Haggadot. The Klau Library is a treasure; it is the largest collection of Hebraica in the US and is one of the highest ranked libraries of Hebraica globally. The reason there are so many Haggadot, is that one can retell the events of the Exodus in so many ways. The Torah provides a narrative explicitly, though implicitly it leaves open the possibility of a wide array of options to retell it in a personal way. It can be told of as: a nation liberating itself; a story of powerful and powerless; a story of discovering oneself and finding God. The Torah mandates that this story be told, and then retold generation after generation, leaving the choice regarding the focus every year to the seder leader.



The classic Haggadah focuses not around the story based on the Book of Exodus, rather on the verses from Deuteronomy 26:5-10 which describes that the people went from landless wanderers to settled farmers living in the Land of Israel. The focus then is: "The Lord freed us from Egypt by a mighty hand, by an outstretched arm and awesome power, and by signs and portents, bringing us to this place and giving us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey." (Deut 26:8-9). For the authors of the classic haggadah, the Land of Israel was important, since these were among the first generations who were living in the Diaspora after the destruction of the Second Temple in 70 CE.

Yet exploring other Haggadot, through the Klau, it will become apparent that later generations each placed their mark on this narrative. They incorporated various traditions recalling tragedies; incorporating songs (e.g., Ha Gadya, Dayenu); including sexual and gender minorities (the orange on the seder plate and Miriam's Cup) and creating original artwork (Italian graphics, many options of the four children, etc.). As we join together, the seder becomes an opportunity for us to extoll our wisdom gleaned from COVID or other experiences specific to us. It is a narrative which sits safely in our hands, the hands of its intended narrators— "that we may recount in the hearing of our children and of our children's children." (Ex. 10:2, paraphrased).

May this year, as we retell the story and break matzah together, be a special one!

Happy Passover





A Message from President Betty Taylor

Spring is here and we are thrilled to be meeting in person again. Kiddush Club and Shabbat Services are going well on Fridays. Board meetings and Book Club have been resumed in person.

The Windows on Judaism went well. Several people in the Middle Georgia area attended. We all had a good time at the last session as we made challah and sampled several different Jewish treats.

We had a lovely Purim Carnival with games and a large bounce house for the children. There was a new family that attended and expressed interest in Hebrew School for the daughter. It was refreshing to have some of our adults attend, have some snacks, and just chat.

After two years, we are ready for an in-person Pesach seder. We will gather for first night seder. We know this is normally when members gather with their families. We hope you will consider bringing your family to our first night seder as we gather with our TBI family.

Our Sisterhood Book Club continues to meet and occasionally have the authors join us via Zoom. Sharon Gloger Friedman joined us for our March discussion, and Donna Everhart will be joining us for our April discussion.

Thank you to all those who have faithfully paid their membership dues. This allows us to provide compelling Religious Services, unique and meaningful programming, and most importantly, have the strong clergy and janitorial and security staff to support this effort. It also allows us maintain upkeep on our beautiful historic building.

I look forward to seeing you all soon at various Temple functions.

Betty Taylor



Please take a moment to read & consider donating to the gofundme listed below. Last month, David Schnee was given unexpected news of having Stage 4 esophageal cancer and learned it has spread to his lungs, lymph nodes, liver and stomach. David Nathan Schnee passed away on March 27, 2022.

Please continue your prayers for comfort to his beloved parents Jerry and Beverly Schnee, his wife Sandi, his children, and his brother Darren.

David was unable to continue his work as owner/operator of Schnee Services leaving him with no source of income.

<https://gofund.me/54226490>

If you are not financially able to give, please pray for strength & peace for both of them as they navigate this. Prayers are greatly appreciated!

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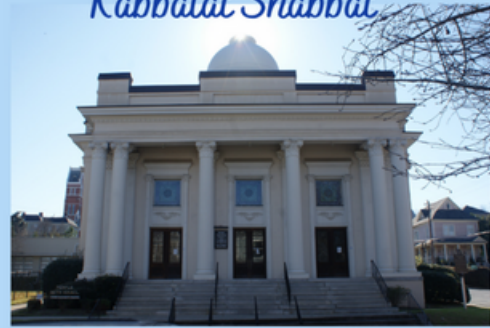
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Contact Carl at admin@TBIMacon.org

April 15th - Shabbat Services 5:15pm
Passover Seder 6:00pm

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FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 2022 | 892 CHERRY STREET

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REFRESHMENTS FOLLOWING

Young Family Movie Matinee



APRIL 10 | 1PM
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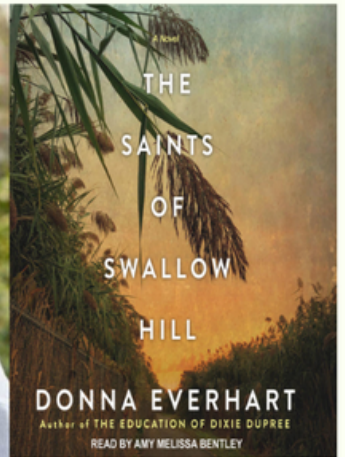
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CLUB

The Saints of
Swallow Hill
Sunday | 1 PM
April 24th
Temple Beth Israel

Join us in person or on
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Author
Donna Everhart
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Windows into Judaism





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Happy Anniversary

Sigfried & Lise Dayan – April 14th

Brian & Kelly Wolk – April 26th

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

WE CONGRATULATE THE FOLLOWING
FOR THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Caren Read - April 1st

Nancy Kaplan - April 5th

Evan Wade - April 5th

Leslie Bashuk - April 10th

Taylor Bashuk - April 10th

Lana Salis - April 12th

Janet Brown - April 13th

Nancy Frank - April 17th

Diane Alemán - April 19th

Cole Kirshner - April 19th

Jamie Downing - April 21st

Marianna Kaufman - April 22nd

Glenn Rosen - April 24th

Ciara Kirshner April 29th

Lise Kaplan April 30th





We Remember the Following on Shabbat

April 2 Sabbath of Observance (March 26 - April 1)

- Simon Mony Kaufman** March 26, 1949
 - Hilda Goldstein** March 26, 2010
 - Richard Nadler** March 27, 2017
 - Leon Fried** March 28, 1947
 - Max Wood** March 28, 2004
 - David M. Kalish Sr.** March 29, 1976
 - Richard Wint** March 29, 1977
 - Louise Wright** March 29, 2010
 - Sam Denham** March 29, 2021
 - Leonard Philip Kaplan** March 30, 2000
 - Fanny Waxelbaum Moscowitz** March 31, 1968
 - Nathan Dayan** April 1, 2021
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We Remember the Following on Shabbat

April 9 Sabbath of Observance (April 2-8)

- John Howard Starr** 04/02/1944
 - Jacob Harris** 04/03/1891
 - Dorothy Isaacs Gans** 04/04/1993
 - Helene Sacks Torch** 04/05/1997
 - Morris Finley** 04/06/2013
 - John Marks** 04/08/1897
 - Isaac Block** 04/08/1945
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We Remember the Following on Shabbat

April 16 Sabbath of Observance (April 9 - 15)

- Pinkus Happ** 04/09/1901
- Julius J. Waxelbaum** 04/12/1911
- Allison H. Dodson** 04/12/1978
- Julius Mack** 04/15/1928
- Walter F. Dannenberg** 04/15/1966
- Milford Purcel** 04/15/1969
- Rowena Fiveash Wood** 04/15/1999

We Remember the Following on Shabbat

April 23 Sabbath of Observance (April 16 - 22)

- Peggy Strauss** 04/16/1901
 - Joseph Oxman** 04/16/1955
 - Abraham Michael Bernstein** 04/16/1999
 - Christine Rene Cotè** 04/16/2011
 - Marian Bloch Hecht** 04/17/1994
 - Isadore Putzel** 04/18/1961
 - Frank R. Happ** 04/20/1952
 - Sam Guthman, Jr.** 04/21/1920
 - Frances Morris** 04/22/1917
 - Max Morris** 04/22/1918
 - Harry Shapiro** 04/22/1952
 - Estelle Newman** 04/22/1975
 - J.M. (Mickey) Lubel** 04/22/2004
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We Remember the Following on Shabbat

April 30 Sabbath of Observance (April 23 - 29)

- Louis Julius Roobin** 04/23/1925
 - James Arthur Wood** 04/24/1969
 - Yetta Cohen** 04/24/1976
 - Philip Flowers** 04/24/2016
 - Susie Fleischer** 04/25/1965
 - Esther Fried** 04/25/1972
 - Theodore Fried** 04/26/1939
 - Rabbi Jacob Voorsanger** 04/27/1908
 - Moses Jack Wood** 04/28/1944
 - Lena Roobin Minkoff** 04/29/2004
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We Remember the Following on Shabbat

May 7 Sabbath of Observance (April 30 - May 6)

- Laura Marie Newman** 04/30/1997



APRIL 2022



SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB

The Saints of Swallow Hill
 Sunday | 1 PM
 April 24th
 Temple Beth Israel

Join us in person or on Zoom!
 Author: Donna Everhart
 joins us on Zoom

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29 4:00 PM: HEBREW SCHOOL	30	31	1 5:15 PM KIDDUSH CLUB 6:30 PM KABBALAT SHABBAT	2
3	4	5 4:00 PM: HEBREW SCHOOL	6	7	8 6:00 PM HISTORICAL MARKER DEDICATION 6:30 PM KABBALAT SHABBAT	9
10 1:00 PM YOUNG FAMILY MOVIE MATINEE PRINCE OF EGYPT	11	12 4:00 PM: HEBREW SCHOOL	13	14	15 1ST DAY OF PASSOVER 5:15 - 5:45PM KABBALAT SHABBAT 6:00 PM PASSOVER SEDER	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 5:15 PM KIDDUSH CLUB 6:30 PM KABBALAT SHABBAT	23 FINAL DAY OF PASSOVER
24 1:00 PM: SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB THE SAINTS OF SWALLOW HILL	25	26 4:00 PM: HEBREW SCHOOL	27 YOM HASHOAH	28	29 YOM HASHOAH OBSERVED 5:15 PM KIDDUSH CLUB 6:30 PM KABBALAT SHABBAT	30



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