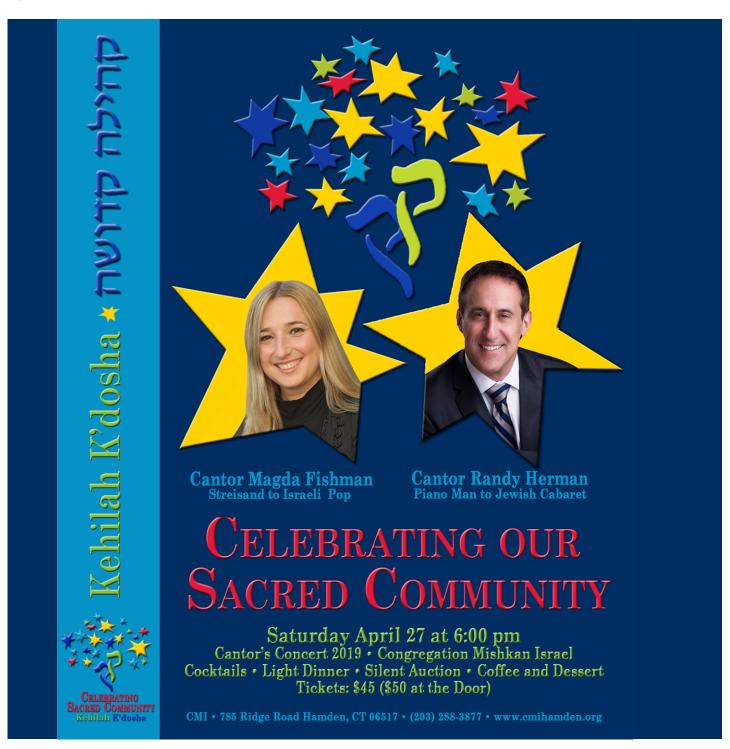


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We at CMI decided that this is a great time to follow our passion to leave a "green" thumbprint as a congregation. We have considered our role in the massive use of paper that we generate yearly and find this is a perfect time to "Go Green". We have implemented our "paperless" monthly bulletin as part of a series of eco-friendly initiatives here at CMI. Please go to https://cmi.wufoo.com/forms/miwucmp0trirl5/ to let us know if you wish to discontinue receiving the printed version of the monthly bulletin via mail or call the office at 203-288-3877. We will continue to mail a paper copy of the bulletin to your home if you do not opt-out.

Thank you.

TODAH RABAH SHABBAT WELCOME TEAM

Thank you to our greeters:

March

- 1 Richard & Marie Shaw
- 8 Ed Biondi & Sheila Greenstein
- 9 Richard Shaw
- 15 Chuck Naden & Alan Sturtz
- 22 Lorri Brown-Ominsky & George Ominsky
- 29 Ivey Cooley & Sheila Greenstein
- 30 Karen Kimball

For more information about our Team of greeters, contact co-chairs Karen Kimball at kjkimball@sbcglobal.net or Richard Shaw at rshaw@snet.net.

APRIL BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

Celebrate your birthday at Family Service.
April birthdays will be celebrated at the Family Service on Friday, April 5 at 6:00 p.m. If your child will be attending services in their birthday month, please call Tamara at 203-288-3877.

IS SOMEONE IN THE HOSPITAL?

Area hospitals are not permitted to notify us when a congregant has been admitted. If you know of a congregant who is in the hospital and would appreciate a call or visit, please contact Rabbi Immerman's office at (203) 288-3877 or rabbi@cmihamden.org

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A MESSAGE FROM THE RABBI

Rabbi Brian P. Immerman

Soon we will gather around our tables at home and at CMI for our Passover Seder. Together we'll go through the rituals of eating charosset, horseradish,

matzah and drinking wine. We will sit down together at our seder tables and first declare: "Let all who are hungry, come and eat; all who are needy come and celebrate Passover." Passover is a celebration of our freedom from slavery and we begin our ritual by inviting people to join us. When God freed us from Slavery, we became free to accept our obligation to take care of those who are still enslaved, whether by poverty, hunger, homelessness, loneliness, health issues, and more. No matter what the source of our shackles we open our arms and welcome everyone inside.

Our prophets chided the Israelites for living their lives oblivious to the suffering of the stranger and those within their own community. I used to wonder why we would declare such a phrase as "let all who are hungry come and eat," without actually opening our doors and inviting those less fortunate into our home. Shouldn't we reach out to people who are actually hungry and homeless? Yet I cannot remember a seder at which we didn't host people who didn't or couldn't celebrate with their own families or friends. All of us hunger for the embrace of our community.

People enter Mishkan Israel's walls for many reasons; seeking prayer, healing, traditions, education, and guidance. We provide all of those opportunities, but even when people find what they need, the reason that people stay is because they find a community. When we feel connected to people in our community we develop a sense of belonging. For many people, CMI becomes even more than a community, it transforms into another home. Over the past eight months, more than one person has told me that CMI is their home.

It is incumbent upon us to always keep the doors to our home open wide to anyone who hungers for the same loving community that we know to be central to CMI. Each of us plays a vital role in fostering the connections that we share together. Whenever we encounter someone we do not know, whether our first meeting or our seventh, we are obligated to take time to get to know all members of our community and help each other maintain strong relationships. You could be, and probably are, the reason that someone feels welcome at CMI. May we all who are in need come and celebrate with us, during Passover and always.

The Board of Trustees decided that instead of asking each family to purchase a set for their own use, we ask that individuals and families consider donating them to CMI for use during the High Holy Days. We hope that you will dedicate one or more sets of Mishkan HaNefesh in memory or in honor of a loved one. We will put your dedication on a special bookplate affixed to the inside of each book you dedicate. You can find the online form at cmihamden.org or by calling the office.

I am excited to embark on this exciting journey with you all as we continue to renew the past and create a sacred future.

CMI Brotherhood of Men and Women Award of Merit Sevice April 12, 2019 • 6:00 PM

Honoring Marsha Moses





CANTOR'S NOTES

Cantor Arthur Giglio

Before I get started I must put in a plug for Deli Night on Saturday, April 6th. This is a joyous tradition that the CMI Brotherhood of Men and Woman hold every year. If

you have never gone, you are doing yourself a big disservice. Great food and entertainment is the theme of the day. It is mounted and staffed by these wonderful selfless people. Their contribution to the life and soul of CMI is without measure. Do it for Alan Lakin z"I, if for no other reason. His spirit and passion for the Brotherhood will be with us sharing in all the fun.

What else comes to mind when you think about April? If you are a tax paying US adult TAXES is what comes to mind! Taxes!! Well in celebration of that event the Parashah that opens April is Tazria and with it is the discussion of when to perform a circumcision after birth and most importantly, a nasty scaly affliction on the skin known as "tsara'at". Now, tsra'at according to modern interpretations, could have been many things, leprosy as translated in the Torah or just very nasty eczema. Were our ancestors afflicted with skin abnormalities due to the anticipation of tax day in ancient days? They very well could have. I know tax time makes me break out in a rash every year. So, is it divine coincidence that Tazria falls at Tax time? Could there be a bigger reason tax day always falls in April? This is one of those traditions that the sages and forefathers could have overlooked and not passed along. I hope no one needs to purge the Tzra'at from their body in the weeks leading up to April 15th!

In spite of tax time, there is a lot to rejoice about April! Erev Pesach is March 19th, an always joyous family event to be followed by the traditional CMI 2nd Night Community Seder on Saturday March 20th at 6 PM. This

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sarah B. Greenblatt The Meaning of Shabbat

In becoming President of our congregation last June, I have gained a deeper appreciation of the meaning of Shabbat. Come 4pm on

Friday afternoons I now stop my work – both paid and volunteer – to get ready for Shabbat. It has become a ritual I embrace because I have given myself permission to stop! I wish I could say I prepare a delicious Sabbath meal and ready my home for dinner after services, but that just hasn't been possible this year. Yet, I have allowed myself to prepare for Shabbat by reflecting on its meaning in a busy and ever troubling world as I get ready to greet our congregation at Shabbat services.

The Jewish approach to Shabbat has long intrigued me – intentionally taking time away from what we do each week to connect with ourselves and with our families/friends, to make peace with nature and to find meaning in our relationship with God. I have always valued the psychological benefits as well as the spiritual in experiencing the time of Shabbat. It is a desperately needed separation from the complex routine of each week so that we can reflect, celebrate life together and regenerate. Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, in his book The Sabbath, reflects that the intent is celebrate time rather than space. He writes that for six days we live under the tyranny of space and on Shabbat we try to become attuned to the holiness in time. This Shabbat time is essential as we use the time and space before and after Shabbat to make the world a better place.

The beauty of the Reform Movement is that we embrace Shabbat in ways that become meaningful to us – and also through the beauty of prayer and music together. We hope to see more of you at one of our Shabbat services each week – for adults, for families and for tots and their families. I look forward to wishing you Shabbat Shalom!

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NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

Susan Witten Nason *Early Childhood Director*

Happy April. We are counting on 'April showers bringing May flowers after a dreary winter!

We will be very busy this month learning about Passover. Believe

it or not, there are many ways you can cook with and prepare Matzah and we look forward to trying them all! From Matzah Brei to Chocolate covered Matzahwe'll cover all the bases. We look forward to all that Passover brings, along with participating in our own 'mini' Seders.

Chag Pesach Sameach:

Our Tzedakah project for April will be collecting books and art supplies, (paper, paint, crayons, craft supplies, etc.) for the after school program of Big Brothers Big Sisters. This program serves elementary school children in our area. The vision of Big Brothers Big Sisters is that all children succeed in life. Their mission is to provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported 1-to-1 relationships that change their lives for the better, forever. They partner with parents/guardians, volunteers and others in the community and hold ourselves accountable for each child in our program achieving:

- Higher aspirations, greater confidence, and better relationships
- Avoidance of risky behaviors
- Educational success

Thank you, as always, for your participation in our Tzedakah projects. Have a wonderful Spring!

CANTOR'S NOTES continued...

year it will be lead by Rabbi Immerman and myself and will be a joyous family event. So please don't forget to sign up and bring along all your extended family as well.

Exactly one week later, on Saturday April 27th at 6 PM will be our Annual Cantor's Concert Fundraiser. I know you have been hearing a lot about it from me in past newsletters but there is a good reason for that. You cannot afford to miss this concert. I have found for you two of the most talented people I know in the Cantorate. You would be hard pressed to go to Broadway or Las Vegas to find the

level of talent that is coming to your doorstep at CMI. But the real reason is, this fundraiser is very important. CMI is starkly facing the fiscal challenges that all non-profit institutions are having these days. We have a large facility with a magnificent sanctuary, but with that magnificence comes large obligations. CMI is our other home, our community. It is the place we turn to for all our life cycle events, whether good or bad. We name our new born children and we bury our loved ones. This is our community. Families have been here for generations and if you want us to continue to be there, through good and bad, then we all have an obligation to contribute and support this very special legacy. Purchase a table for your entire family and invite all your relatives! If you cannot come purchase tickets that can be made available for those who are less fortunate and would like to attend.

Magda and Randy will be bringing you a night that you will not soon forget.

Join us!!



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

Michelle Goldstein Religious School Director

As we begin to prepare for our Seder, our annual retelling of our journey to freedom we think of Moses, whom after being called by God speaks up for

those who are unable to advocate for themselves. Time and again we read, question, and discuss the means by which our ancestors have overcome such horrendous conditions. We learn throughout the Jewish experience that there have been many times when we have been in a position of powerlessness, yet have found a means in which to find our voice. This past month, it was five of our CMI teens who did just this. Journeying to Washington, D.C. for



the Religious Action Center's L'Taken program to give voice to Gun Violence Prevention and Climate Change. Throughout the weekend, students were taught about the RAC's position on many important current issues. They were engaged in programming surrounding lobbying, politics and economics. In the offices of Senators Blumenthal and Murphy as well as Representative DeLauro students met with staffers who listened intently as they expressed their concerns, their personal experiences, and the Reform Jewish perspective. Eliana Ross, Sircia Levitt and Callie Levitt wrote, "If climate change continues to drastically effect all of us, those who have financial

difficulty are placed in extreme danger. Many people who are not fortunate enough to live in Connecticut's more affluent towns barely have money to buy food, let alone flood insurance. They cannot rebound from the effects of environmental disasters." Climate change, an issue that is essential to the future of our planet yet questioned by many people, has a greater effect on those who remain powerless by others choices. Benjamin Rudikoff and Noah Brown presented on Gun Violence Prevention, not only from the perspective of the millions of students in America who feel at risk in their schools, but also as young Jewish men who do not want to continue to feel unsafe in their synagogue home. Ben and Noah noted "This is important to our Jewish" community because in Judaism one of the biggest beliefs is that every life is important. 'If you take away a life it is as if you are taking away a universe.' "Their work and dedication to their causes was admirable. The pride that I felt sitting in those rooms as they presented their opinions eloquently and professionally was swelling. Yashar Koach to them and their parents, it was truly an honor to be their chaperone.



YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Alex Forte

MITYOR would like to thank everyone for this year's hugely successful Purim Carnival! Every year gets more and more fun, and the kids make it all the more special. The teens had an

amazing time planning the event, coming up with new games and booths, and putting together this awesome community event. Thank you again, and we'll see you next year!

In April, we will be having our monthly Breakfast Before School on Sunday, April 14th @ 9:00 in the Brotherhood Coffee Shop. All teens are welcome to come, and the first trip through the line is ON US! We hope you'll join us for a nosh. On Sunday, April 28th @ 5:30, we will be hosting a Dinner and Game Night with board games, video games, and card games to enjoy together. Bring your competitive edge with you! Also in April, will be a trip to Adventure Park at the Discovery Museum in Bridgeport. The date is TBD, so please keep an eye on the CMI High Newsletter. Adventure and fun await this month, and we look forward to spending time together!

APRIL CALENDAR

APRIL 2019

SATURDAY	6 9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Morning Service 5:30 p.m. Deli Night	13 9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Morning Service	9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Passover Morning Service 6:00 p.m. Congregational Passover Seder	27 9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Morning Service 6:00 p.m. Cantor's Concert	
FRIDAY	5 5:30 p.m. Early Oneg 5:30 p.m. Tot Shabbat 6:00 p.m. Family Service & Birthday Blessing 7:00 p.m. Congregational Shabbat Dinner	12 5:30 p.m. Early Oneg 6:00 p.m. Brotherhood Award of Merit Service	19 First Night of Passover	Last Day of Passover Office & School Closed 11:00 a.m. Yizkor Service 5:30 p.m. Early Oneg 6:00 p.m. Evening Service	
THURSDAY	4	11	18	25	
WEDNESDAY	11:00 a.m. Introduction to Judaism 12:00 noon Book Group 12:15 p.m. Intermediate Hebrew 6:30 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting	11:00 a.m. Introduction to Judaism 12:15 p.m. Intermediate Hebrew 7:00 p.m. Ritual Committee Meeting	11:00 a.m. Introduction to Judaism 12:15 p.m. Intermediate Hebrew 7:00 p.m. Board Meeting	24 11:00 a.m. Introduction to Judaism 12:15 p.m. Intermediate Hebrew	
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April 6

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RITUAL COMMITTEE NEWS

Let's Bake Hamantaschen

The CMI Kitchen

was busy in
February baking
hamantaschen for
the upcoming Purim
megillah reading and shpiel.
Thank you to our amazing
baking team: Lina Lawall, Betsy Rosenthal,
Susan Millen, Nancy Horowitz, Susan Nobelman,
Phil and Nagu Kent, Kim Braun Cohen, Aaron
Signer, Jared Katz, Nedra Gusenburg and
Barbara Segaloff.





CHEVRA HANDS

Chevra Hands has a lot of yarn waiting to be made into shawls, baby blankets or lap blankets. Much of the yarn is wool. Please stop by the social hall on Sunday, April 7 and help yourself.

We also welcome anyone who would like to join us to make quilts for new babies or shawls and lap blankets for those who may enjoy comfort from the CMI community.

For further information please contact Sue Millen smillen179@sbcglobal.net or Lina Lawall lalawall250@gmail.com

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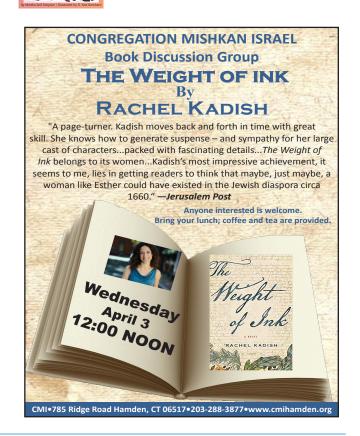
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CMI Community 2nd Night Passover Seder

Saturday, April 20 6:00 p.m.

All are welcome

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Seder meal prepared by Crown Market.

CMI Community 2nd Night Passover Seder

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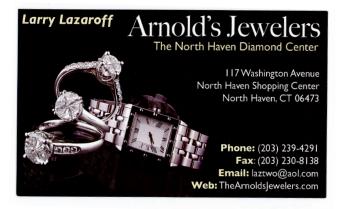
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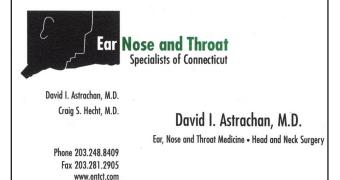
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APRIL WORSHIP SERVICES & STUDY

SHABBAT TAZRIA

Lev. 12:1-13:59

Friday, April 5

5:30 p.m. Early Oneg 5:30 p.m. Tot Shabbat

6:00 p.m. Family Service & Birthday Blessing

Saturday, April 6

9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Morning Service

SHABBAT METZORA

Lev. 14:1-15:33

Friday, April 12

5:30 p.m. Early Oneg

6:00 p.m. Brotherhood Award of Merit Service

Saturday, April 13

9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Morning Service

FIRST DAY OF PESACH

Friday, April 19

First night of Passover - NO Services

Saturday, April 20

9:00 a.m. Torah Study

10:30 a.m. Passover Morning Service 6:00 p.m. Congregational Seder

LAST DAY OF PESACH

Friday, April 26

11:00 a.m. Yizkor Service 5:30 p.m. Early Oneg 6:00 p.m. Evening Service

Saturday, April 27

9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Morning Service