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Experience Community



Jewish Federation of Greater Portland President and CEO Marc Blattner invites the community to experience the myriad of programs, services and organizations that make Oregon's Jewish community an engaging place.

On behalf of the Jewish Federation of Greater Portland and the Portland/SW Washington Jewish community, welcome to this wonderful communal resource guide about Oregon's Jewish community. We are grateful to Oregon Jewish Life for bringing this important information together in one place.

Portland is home to more than 45,000 Jews, and continues to grow. We are a vibrant Jewish community with programs and services for everyone. Our community has a myriad of wonderful and welcoming synagogues, a beautiful Jewish community center, diverse Jewish day schools, an incredible array of senior and social services, Jewish summer camps, adult education programs, and special cultural and social institutions. ***We have something for you and your entire family – at every stage of life!***

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This resource guide showcases the best we have to offer and we encourage you to take an active part in Greater Portland's Jewish community. Make the most out of all your Jewish experiences.

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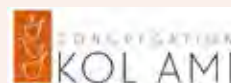
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LIFECYCLE:

The center of Jewish life



By Rabbi Dr. Shmuly Yanklowitz

Jewish life is centered around the cycle of life. While daily spiritual living is cherished, it's the unique moments that bring us together, bring tears to our eyes and remind us of what matters. These moments truly center us. In this review, I will not go into depth about "how to perform" Jewish lifecycles. The diversity of traditions and the richness of details are far too comprehensive. Rather, I will touch upon the "why," addressing the purpose of these lifecycle moments.

BIRTH

There are few moments more spiritually transformative and emotionally precious than the birth of a child. The first major ritual for a Jewish child is the naming. A name is considered by our revered sages to be much more than just a name. Rather a name is an aspiration, a calling. This generally happens, for a boy at the brit milah and for a girl at a minyan (prayer group) or at the simchat bat.

Brit Milah (bris) – Through this ceremony on the eighth day of life (conditions permitting), a baby boy enters the Jewish

covenant just as Abraham did 4,000 years ago. G-d partners with humans to complete creation. The Chassidic masters teach that at the cry of a baby at a brit, the heavens are compassionately open for our prayers. It is considered a very sacred moment, not merely a health-based procedure of circumcision.

Simchat Bat – At a simchat bat, the baby girl is celebrated and named. This ritual is an anomaly – unlike most other rituals, the simchat bat has no strict ancient tradition, and thus there is tremendous room for creativity at this ceremony. Thus, the parents have room to create their own tradition in welcoming their baby girl into the world.

Adoption – The Talmud teaches that an adopted child is considered the same as a birth child. He or she, according to Jewish tradition, is considered to be a child of the adopted parents in all ways. It is one of the greatest mitzvot in the Torah to care for and adopt a child and to provide a home and family for one who would become lost to the darkness of an orphanage.

PIDYON HABEN

There is a ritual for a boy who is 30 days old to be "redeemed" with silver coins by his father through a Kohen (one of Jewish ritual priestly ancestry). This ritual is only performed for first-born boys who were born naturally (no C-section) and whose father is not a Kohen himself.

UPSHERIN

Some wait to give their boy his first haircut until three years of age. This ceremony is called an upsherin. A primary kabbalistic (Jewish mystical) explanation is that a boy is trying to confuse the spiritual temptress of his gender. It is a joyous occasion marking a boy's transition from only being able to receive to now being able to give.

BAR AND BAT MITZVAH

It is only in a limited sense that a 13-year-old Jewish boy and a 12-year-old Jewish girl become "adults." Developmental psychologists actually now suggest that "emerging adulthood" occurs even later than previously anticipated, at 18-26 years old.

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WEDDINGS

A Jewish wedding has the potential to be one of the most powerful Jewish rituals. Having led many, there are few that I myself don't tear up at. It is a reminder of the power of love and union. Families gather together for a happy occasion, which occurs all too rarely; the couple being married, their parents, grandparents, relatives and friends all contemplate their own married lives and look with anticipation to the creation of a new family. There are a few stages to a traditional Jewish wedding: erusin (betrothal on the wedding day), ketubah (statement of obligations), chuppah (the wedding canopy), nesuin (marrying with a ring and witnesses), yichud (marital seclusion and intimacy), and sheva brachot (the seven blessings and celebrations). A Jewish wedding is a celebration of a contractual agreement of shared obligation, responsibility, and respect. Love is made concrete into committed actions. Though there are different opinions on the tradition, we break a glass at the end of the ceremony to remind us at the pinnacle of joy that there is brokenness in us and all over the world. It is another way to remind ourselves that while our marriages and families are inherently valuable, they are also vehicles toward enacting social justice and tikkun olam.





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Tragically, today, some “religious” men deny their wives a get, making them agunot (chained women unable to remarry). For this reason, in Orthodox circles, many embrace using a halakhic pre-nuptial agreement to prevent women from being chained to a broken marriage. In Conservative circles, many include the Lieberman clause into the ketubah that gives women an out from the marriage without a get. In most Reform circles, a get is not used at all and is not required to remarry.

DEATH AND MOURNING

One is buried with great haste and great modesty (humble burial shrouds, modest wooden casket, buried directly in the dirt). There is a mitzvah to join a burial society (chevra kaddishah) to assist in the cleaning of the body and to guard a body (as a shomer). While always tragic, the Jewish rituals around death, funerals and mourning can be quite profound. The Jewish tradition understands that the mourning and recovery process from the death of a loved one is a long and gradual process. Unlike other traditions (for example, think of many corporations that expect employees to take no more than three days off for

the death of a close relative), Jewish tradition makes the trauma of burial short, and the modest casket ensures that we do not feel obligated to spend huge sums to show our respect for the dead. Instead, we understand that after the burial, the full force of pain and loss hits those mourning with a tremendous impact. At this point, our tradition sustains us and helps us to gradually return to our regular lives through the following plan.

Shiva – 7 most intense days of mourning

Shloshim – first 30 days of mourning

Aveilut – year of mourning. While one is an avel (mourner) for a full year for immediate relatives, one only says kaddish for the first 11 months of the year.

Unveiling – removing a veil to reveal the tombstone.

Yahrtzeit – observing the day of memory each year by saying kaddish and potentially also with tzedakah (charity) and visiting the grave.

CONVERSION

The Jewish community is very open to accepting converts. These individuals who bravely embrace Judaism without having been raised Jewish are to be considered heroes and role models in the community. Jewish law demands that they are cherished, embraced and never shunned.

After completing Jewish learning courses, committing to Judaism and the Jewish people, dipping in the mikvah (spiritual bath) and getting circumcised (for boys), converts are celebrated in the community and are no longer considered “converts” but just “normal” Jews. Let us remember this when we encounter those who have converted, and not look with suspicion on them. They have joined with us in the unique and spiritually uplifting rituals of the life cycle.

PHYSICALLY MODEST YET SPIRITUALLY LAVISH!

Very often today, many embrace the party of lifecycle events (the \$25,000 bar mitzvah and \$50,000 wedding). Judaism stresses the importance of having modest celebrations that focus on family, values, God and spiritual aspirations.

We need not spend so much on celebrations. The Talmud (*Sanhedrin 29b*) teaches that one is not to appear publicly in a way that flaunts his or her wealth, as this lifestyle not only leads to arrogance, but can also shame others and lead them to covet. *Histapkut bamuat* (being content with less) is a core Jewish value, and Ben Zoma taught that a wealthy individual is one who is content with one’s lot (*Pirkei Avot 4:1*).

The rabbis regulated spending. As a way of showing “deference to the poor” (*Moed Kattan 27*), even the richest people were to be buried plainly so as not to shame the poor.

Lifecycle events should be a time of spiritual reflection creating an ambiance of love by bringing together sacred community. We should work to create more creative and holy celebrations that foster inclusiveness and community building. A wedding, birth, funeral and the like are all opportunities for great spiritual and ethical possibilities and are a time for families to engage in financial introspection (*cheshebon ha’kis*).

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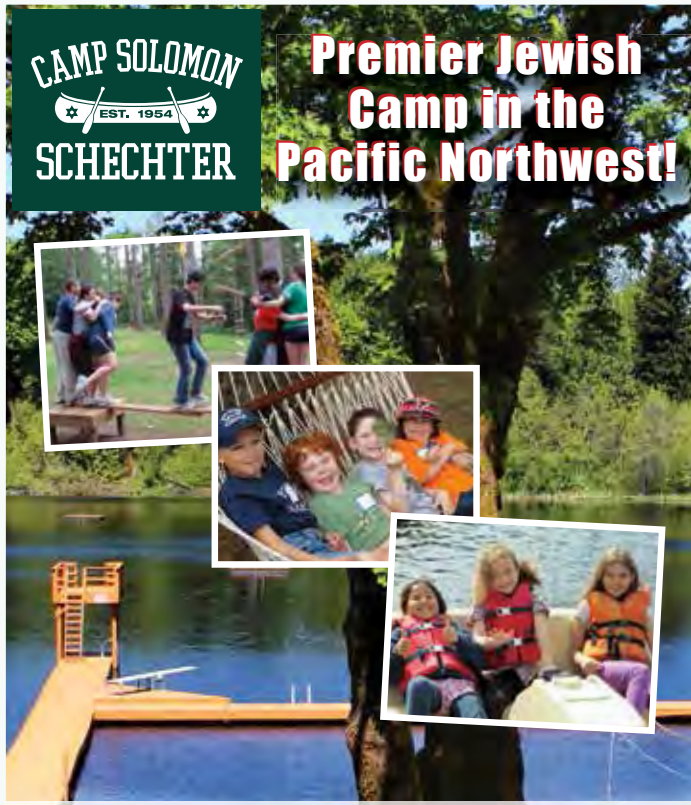
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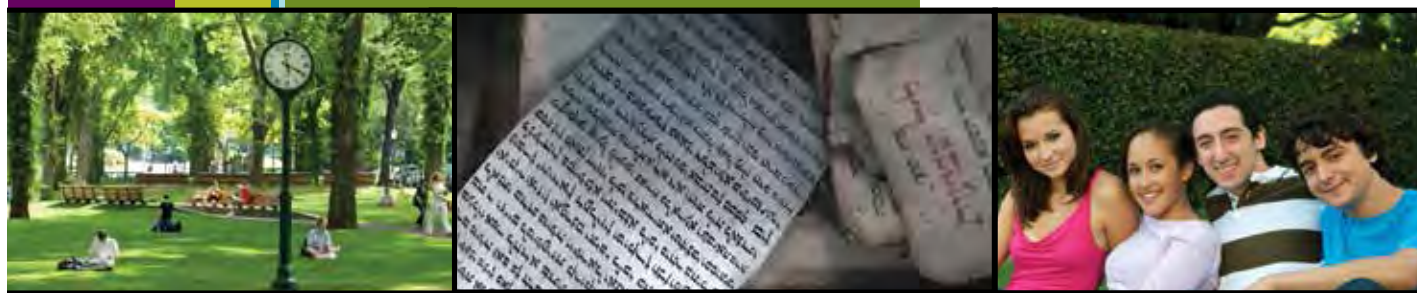


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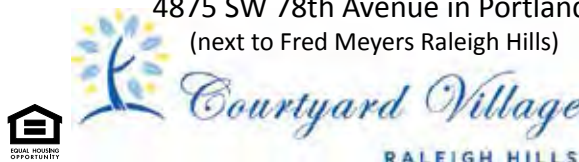
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HOLIDAY A GUIDE



A guide to Jewish holidays

Note: Jewish holidays start at sundown the day before the first day of the holiday.

Rosh Hashanah

(Sept. 25-26, 2014)

Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, is celebrated each year on the first day of Tishrei, early in the fall. The day is a special time of rejoicing as we wish each other L'Shanah Tovah, a good year. It is also a solemn day because Rosh Hashanah is not only the day on which we celebrate the creation of the world, it is also important as the Day of Remembrance, when the sound of the shofar calls each of us to recount our deeds of the past year in preparation for repentance on Yom Kippur. The Rosh Hashanah festival meal table is set specially, as for Shabbat. Throughout the High Holy Days, the challah is to be a round spiral or "turban" loaf rather than a long twisted one. The round challah symbolizes the cyclical nature of life, the seasons and the Jewish year.

Yom Kippur

(Oct. 4, 2014)

Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, is a solemn fast day. We pray for forgiveness from G-d and repent sincerely for our sins during the past year. Families gather for a plentiful if simple meal before sundown on the eve of this holy day. At the end of the meal, festival candles are blessed and the fast begins for all adults in the household. The family then attends worship services at which Kol Nidre is chanted. While children under the age of 13 do not fast on Yom Kippur, meals for children should be Spartan to introduce the notion of fasting while still providing proper nutrition. At the conclusion of Yom Kippur, families and friends gather for a light break-the-fast meal.

Sukkot

(Oct. 9-16, 2014)

Beginning five days after Yom Kippur, this seven-day festival (*eight days* in the Diaspora) is a celebration of the abundance with which G-d has blessed us. We are encouraged to eat our meals in the sukkah throughout the festival. The sukkah is a temporary dwelling covered with leafy branches and decorated with fruits and vegetables, symbols of the harvest. The sukkah is a reminder of the temporary dwellings our ancestors in ancient Israel used to live in the fields during the harvest. It also reminds us of the booths in which G-d caused the Children of Israel to dwell during their wanderings in the desert after the exodus from slavery in Egypt. Meals throughout Sukkot include generous portions of fruit and vegetables, highlighting the importance of an abundant harvest.

Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah

(Oct. 16-17, 2014)

The days immediately following the end of the festival of Sukkot are the semi-independent holidays Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah. Some liberal congregations celebrate both in one day as Atzeret-Simchat Torah. Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah formally end the season of the High Holy Days. Simchat Torah is also the day on which we celebrate the renewal of the annual cycle of Torah readings. We read the final verses of Deuteronomy, then immediately recommence the cycle by reading the opening verses of Genesis. We mark the occasion with hakafot, joyous circuits of marching around the synagogue with Torah scrolls, flags and banners.

Hanukkah

(Dec. 16-24, 2014)

The festival of Hanukkah lasts for eight days, beginning on the 25th of Kislev, which can fall anywhere from late November to late December. The holiday celebrates the victory of the Maccabees, Jewish military leaders who rebelled against the Greek-Syrian King Antiochus, who forbade the practice of Judaism and desecrated the great Temple in Jerusalem. The word "Hanukkah" means "dedication," and the holy day commemorates the rededication of the Temple after the Maccabees' victory. The Talmud tells us that the festival lasts eight days because, when the Maccabees rededicated the Temple, they found only enough holy oil to light the eternal lamp for one day. A miracle was wrought, however, and the oil lasted eight days, long enough for new consecrated oil to be made. Another explanation is that when the Temple was rededicated, the Jews immediately celebrated the festivals of Sukkot and Shemini Atzeret, lasting a total of eight days. They did this because Antiochus had prevented them from observing Sukkot and Shemini Atzeret at the proper time. Foods fried in oil, reminiscent of the legend of the miracle of the oil in the Temple, are served during Hanukkah.

Tu B'Shevat

(Feb. 4, 2015)

Tu B'Shevat takes its name from its date on the Hebrew calendar, the 15th of Shevat. It is called the "Birthday of Trees," and it celebrates the first beginnings of spring. Tree-planting is a common activity on Tu B'Shevat. A tradition of holding a Tu B'Shevat seder, celebrating different kinds of fruits that grow in Israel, has become popular in recent years.

Beit Haverim Purim princess



Tu B'Shevat at Foundation School



Hanukkah at Beit Haverim



Passover at NE Portland Hebrew School



Maayan Torah Yom Ha'atzmaut



PJA Hanukkah Buddies



Purim

(March 5, 2015)

Purim celebrates the salvation of the Jews in ancient Persia from the wicked Haman, through the leadership of Queen Esther and her cousin Mordecai. Purim takes place on the 14th day of Adar. (In the case of a leap year, it takes place during the extra month of Adar II.)

Costumes are often worn on Purim and gifts of food – mishloach manot – are delivered door to door. The story of Purim is found in the Book of Esther, often referred to as “The Megillah.” When the name of Haman is read, people stomp their feet, hiss, boo or shake noisemakers called groggers to obliterate his name.

Passover

(April 4-11, 2015)

Passover, also known as Pesach, is the eight-day observance commemorating the freedom and exodus of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt. A time of family gatherings and lavish ritual meals called seders, the story of Passover is retold through the reading of the Haggadah. With its special foods, songs and customs, the seder is the focal point of the Passover celebration.

Yom Hashoah

(April 15, 2015)

On April 12, 1951, the Knesset passed a resolution proclaiming the 27th of Nissan “the Holocaust and Ghetto Uprising Remembrance Day – a day of perpetual remembrance for the House of Israel.” The date was chosen to fall between the outbreak of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising in 1943 and the observance of Israel Independence Day. In Israel the day is marked by various observances including two minutes of silence signaled by the wailing of sirens on the morning of the observance.

Yom Hazikaron

(April 22, 2015)

Yom Hazikaron is Israel’s day of remembrance for the men and women, boys and girls who have lost their lives due to war or terrorism. It is celebrated on the fourth day of the Jewish month of Iyar. As the sun sets that evening, Israel turns to the celebration of Yom Ha’atzmaut.

Yom Ha’atzmaut

(April 23, 2015)

Yom Ha’atzmaut is the national independence day of Israel, commemorating the Jewish state’s declaration of independence in 1948.

Celebrated annually on 5th of Iyar, it centers around the declaration of the state of Israel by David Ben-Gurion in Tel Aviv on May 14, 1948 (5 Iyar, 5708) and the end of the British Mandate of Palestine.

Lag B’Omer

(May 7, 2015)

Lag B’Omer is celebrated on the 33rd day of the counting of the Omer, the 18th of Iyar.

According to the Torah, we are obligated to count the days from Passover to Shavuot. This period is known as the Counting of the Omer. An omer is a unit of measure of a sheaf of grain. The counting is intended to remind us of the link between Passover, which commemorates the Exodus, and Shavuot, which commemorates the giving of the Torah. It reminds us that the redemption from slavery was not complete until we received the Torah.

Yom Yerushalayim

(May 17, 2015)

Yom Yerushalayim (Jerusalem Day) is the fourth of the new holidays added to the Jewish calendar since the establishment of the State of Israel. The day commemorates the re-unification of Jerusalem in 1967, when the Old City came under Israeli control.

Shavuot

(May 24-25, 2015)

Shavuot occurs on the sixth day of the Hebrew month of Sivan. Shavuot commemorates the anniversary of the day G-d gave the Torah to Moses and the Israelites at Mount Sinai. It is one of the Shalosh Regalim, the three Biblical pilgrimage festivals. It marks the conclusion of the counting of the omer. Traditions on Shavuot include all-night study of the Torah on the first night and hearing the Ten Commandments in synagogue. It’s also traditional to eat dairy meals. The thought behind this custom is that the Jewish people had just received the laws of kashrut and had not yet had time to apply them to their animal slaughter.

Tisha B’Av

(July 26, 2015)

Tisha B’Av is a fast day that commemorates the destruction of the First and Second Temples. It has also become a day of general mourning for other major disasters that have befallen the Jewish people, including the Edict of Expulsion from England in 1290, the expulsion of the Jews from Spain in 1492, and the mass deportation of Jews from the Warsaw Ghetto during World War II.

2014
2015

calendar

Shabbat candle-lighting times listed on the calendar are for the Portland area. Since Shabbat candles should be lit before sunset, it is customary to list candle-lighting times 18 minutes prior to sundown on Friday evenings. Check your local sunset or candle-lighting times for areas outside of Portland.

Blessing when lighting Shabbat candles:

Baruch a-ta A-do-nay Elo-hei-nu me-lech ha-o-lam a-sheer ki-dee-sha-nu bi-mitz-vo-tav vi-tzi-va-noo li-had-leek ner shel Sha-bbat.

Translation: Blessed are you, Lord our G-d, King of the universe, who has sanctified us with His commandments, and commanded us to kindle the light of the Holy Shabbat.

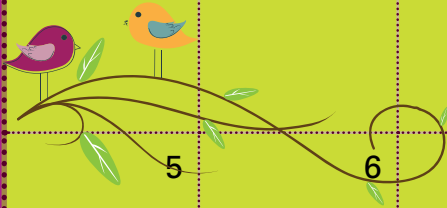
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September



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Neveh Shalom education open house Beit Haverim religious school open house	8	9	10	11	12 7:09	13
14 JFGP Super Sunday	15	16	17	18	19 6:56	20
21	22	23	Rosh Hashanah Erev 24	Rosh Hashanah 25	Rosh Hashanah 26 6:42	27
28	29	30		TISHREI		

October



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5	6	7	1	2	Yom Kippur Erev 3 6:29	Yom Kippur 4
			Sukkot Erev 8	Sukkot 9	Sukkot 10 6:16	Sukkot 11
Sukkot 12	Sukkot 13	Sukkot 14	Shemini Atzeret Erev 15	Shemini Atzeret Simchat Torah Erev 16	Simchat Torah 17 6:03	18
19	20	21	22	23	CHESHVAN 24 5:52	JFGP Community Celebration 25
26	27	28	29	30	31 5:41	

November



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9	10	11	12	JFGP Women's Impact 13	14 4:23	15
PJA Open House 16	17	18	19	20	21 4:17	22
KISLEV 23	24	25	26	27	28 4:12	29
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December



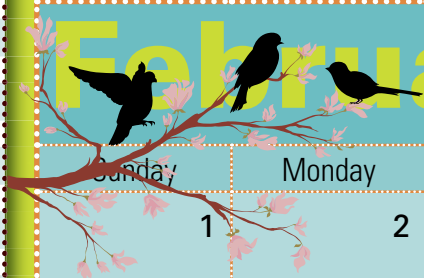
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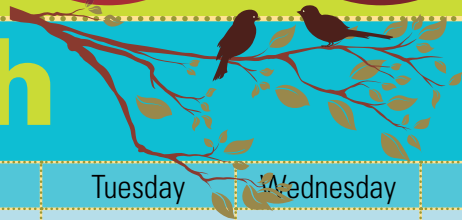
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18	19	20	SHEVAT 21	22	23 4:46	NCSY "The Q" 24
25	26	27	28	29	30 4:56	31

February



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	Tu B'Shevat 4	5	6 5:06	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 5:17	14
15	16	17	18	ADAR 19	20 5:27	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 5:37	28

March



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Purim	5	6
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
					6:56	JTC's opening of <i>The Ministry of Special Cases</i> MJCC Friends of the Center
Good Deeds Day 15	16	17	18	19	20	NISSAN 21
					7:05	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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29	30	31				

April



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	Passover Erev 3	Passover 4
					7:23	
Passover 5	Passover 6	Passover 7	Passover 8	Passover 9	Passover 10	Passover 11
					7:32	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
			Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day)		7:41	BB Camp annual gala
IYAR 19	20	21	22	23	24	25
			Yom Hazikaron (Israel Memorial Day)	Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israel Independence Day)	7:50	
26	27	28	29	OJCYF Dinner 30		

May

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	Lag B'Omer 7	8 8:08	9
10	11	12	13	JFCS Caring Community Luncheon 14	15 8:16	16
OJMCHE Gala 17	18	SIVAN 19	20	21	22 8:24	23
Shavuot 24	Shavuot 25	26	27	28	29 8:31	30
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June

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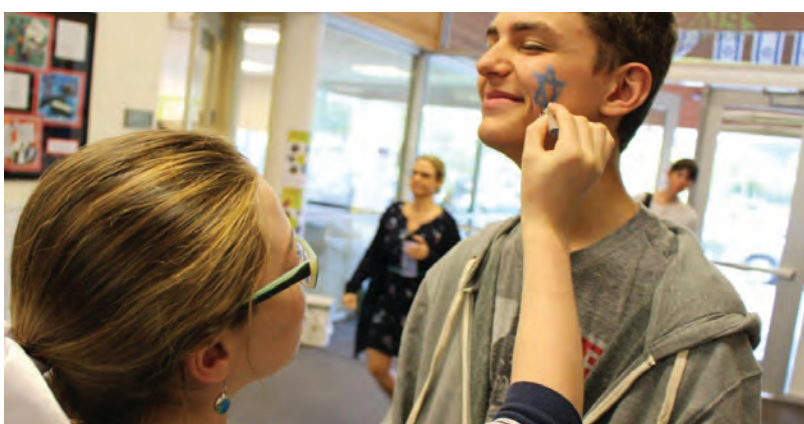
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December 2015

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Congregation Beth Israel's Religious School creates an environment where students in kindergarten through 12th grade learn to be comfortable being Jewish.

Younger students (K-5th grade) experience Judaism through their senses; music, art, cooking and stories expose them to the richness of Jewish culture. Intermediate students search for answers to life's questions through an exploration of Jewish values and feelings. Older students develop awareness for Judaism's rich history and modern Jewish community. They are encouraged to apply Jewish concepts to social action and personal decision making.

This past year, one bar mitzvah student did that in a very visible way.

"In this historic year for marriage equality in Oregon, one of our students gave a speech on the topic, which went viral on YouTube receiving more than 200,000 views," says Education Director Ben Sandler. "The video discussed his belief that people should be able to marry who they love. His speech and the other social justice projects and speeches given by our students truly impacted our community and society, as our students actively engaged in tikkun olam (repairing the world)."

In addition to developing mitzvah projects, b'nei mitzvah students also develop proficiency in Hebrew through CBI's Integrated Hebrew Program. Meeting in addition to regular Religious School Sundays, the Integrated Program teaches students to read Hebrew with accuracy and normal pace and phrasing; to understand and speak basic Hebrew vocabulary and have some basic knowledge of prefixes, suffixes and sentence structure; and to become a fluent participant in the service.

The school also has a strong focus on the arts. Students regularly attend specialty sessions for music, dance, drama and crafts, including art mediums such as ceramics, print making, drawing and collage. Students in grades 2-5 are welcome to join Cantor's Chanters, our children's choir.

"Congregation Beth Israel is not just the beautiful byzantine sanctuary where our *mishpacha minyan* (family service) takes place every Sunday; Beth Israel is the people," says Ben. "Our dedicated and talented rabbis, cantors, teachers and *madrichim* make joyful learning and community building top priorities and create a Jewish educational setting that is welcoming, interesting and fun."

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This year 10 PJA students in 4th through 8th grade were recognized in local, state and national arts and literary competitions.

PJA is fully accredited through the Northwest Association of Independent Schools.

"By serving children from 6 weeks through 8th grade, we create a strong community of learners," says PJA Principal Merrill Hendin. "Our early childhood department has increased its focus on Hebrew and Jewish studies, and our preschoolers have classes with our school librarian and enjoy physical education and Israeli dance that supplement our already strong and enriching curriculum."

Being housed at the Mittleman Jewish Community Center enables PJA to partner with a strong Jewish community institution in a beautiful facility.

PJA nurtures and inspires positive Jewish engagement, respect for human and religious differences, and responsibility for the world in which we live. PJA has an inquiry-based, project oriented curriculum, with a full arts and physical education program.

For the past two years, PJA has focused on STEAM – Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics – in all grades. We continue to invest in the latest technology and integrate technology into our already deep and thoughtful curriculum in ways that serve to enhance students' experience in the classroom.

One of PJA's most important initiatives in recent years is in the area of support services. We strive to serve a diverse community of learners in all subject areas. PJA has added faculty and worked with consultants and a committee of lay leadership to continue to meet the needs of our students.

"At PJA our students think for themselves and work for the world," says Merrill. "Students who graduate from PJA are successful in high school and beyond, and are known for their strong writing and critical thinking skills, science knowledge and continued engagement in Jewish life and values."



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"At Beit Haverim we view Judaism as a way of life and encourage families to attend services at Beit Haverim and practice meaningful Jewish traditions at home as a way of holistically educating children in our tradition," says Michelle Bombet Minch, who chairs the congregation's Marketing/PR Committee.

"Our Religious School, with its small class sizes and dedicated teachers, gives our students from both Jewish and interfaith families an excellent Jewish education in a comfortable and enjoyable setting," she adds.

Throughout the school year, Rabbi Alan Berg provides supplemental programs to enrich students' experiences of Jewish life.

The school's mission is to ensure students gain basic knowledge of the Bible stories, the weekly parsha, Jewish music, dance, art and Israel programming. Arts are integrated into the classroom through Israeli dancing, painting, music and more.

Beginning in kindergarten, students explore Jewish values including the concepts of tzedakah and tikkun olam (healing the world). That learning culminates in sixth and seventh grade with participation in tikkun olam projects in the community. Last year the sixth/seventh grade class helped pack Thanksgiving food boxes for families in need.

The sixth/seventh grade class also took a variety of field trips to the Oregon Jewish Museum and a performance of the Fiddler on the Roof.

Our religious school is augmented by our Tot Shabbats held one Saturday morning a month. Led by Rabbi Berg, the fun-filled, casual service of songs and stories is followed by snack and a craft. "We bring Shabbat to life for our preschool aged children and their families," says Michelle. "These events give your child a sense of Shabbat in a pleasant environment, as well as a chance for you to celebrate Shabbat with your child and other young families at Beit Haverim."



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Congregation Shaarie Torah offers education programs for children, families, teens and adults.

"Shaarie Torah is a tight knit community; we know each and every family by name," says Education and Program Director Dorice Horenstein. "Our love of Israel and the Jewish people energizes and drives many of our programs. We thrive on the joy of being Jewish, through learning the stories from our past and interjecting them with the influences of current events."

Weekday preschool, weekend religious school and Wednesday night school for middle school and high school teens aims to instill Jewish identity in every child and teen, by teaching our rituals and values in accordance with Conservative Judaism.

"Engaging both parents and children, we seek to increase knowledge of our sacred texts, while teaching their relevance in today's world," says Horenstein. "Above all, we strive to foster in each child the ability and desire to live a Jewish life, a commitment to tikkun olam (repair of the world), and a sense of joy in experiencing all that our heritage has to offer."

Torah learning is incorporated into morning and Shabbat services giving members the opportunity to learn and get involved.

Shaarie Torah has received two awards from the Conservative movement this past year. We received the Solomon Schechter Award for our creative High Holy Days Family Service, says Horenstein. The other award was a Maalot grant for an Israel program in conjunction with Nefesh B'Nefesh and the Israel Strategic Partnerships. With this grant, we established a virtual connection with a school in Israel, bringing Israel right into our synagogue classrooms.

This year Shaarie Torah welcomes Rabbi Joshua Rose as the congregation's new rabbi. A Portland native, Rabbi Rose has returned to Portland after serving as the senior rabbi at Har HaShem in Boulder, CO. Rabbi Rose is looking forward to engaging with our teens during the Wednesday night sessions, family education events on Sunday mornings, b'nai mitzvah meetings and holiday celebrations throughout the year.



Congregation Shir Tikvah

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Congregation Shir Tikvah offers educational programming for Jewish children of all ages. “Our goal as educators is to encourage lifelong learning and engagement with Judaism,” says Education Director Katie Schneider. “We believe that parents are the first and best teachers. We’re here to support them in whatever way possible.”

Shir Tikvah’s program for school-aged children (ages 4-13) is called the Nashira Education Project. Their schedule combines 18 Sunday morning classes with congregation-wide celebrations. Classes are held at the Tucker Maxon Oral School on Southeast 28th and Holgate.

At Shir Tikvah, educators are able to tailor the curriculum to meet the needs of individual students. Some highlights from last year were an archaeological “dig,” a Noah’s Ark construction project and instruction on Israel from a college student just back from the Middle East. Schoolwide artist visits, like last November’s presentation by Oregon Book Award winner Barry Deutsch, expose students to the breadth and depth of the Jewish community here in Portland. Parents are encouraged to stick around while their children learn, to have a cup of coffee with friends or sit in on the parent discussion group with Rabbi Ariel Stone.

“We tackle Judaism’s big questions in age-appropriate ways,” Schneider says, “and do our best to welcome families of all different backgrounds.”

Chevra, Shir Tikvah’s youth group, offers high school students an opportunity to continue their religious involvement post bar and bat mitzvah. Whether it’s attending “Fiddler on the Roof” at Portland Center Stage or working on tzedakah projects, Chevra students engage with Judaism in an active, hands-on way. They also receive support to develop leadership and Torah reading skills.

For the very youngest congregants, Shir Tikvah also offers an informal Jewish playgroup for infants and toddlers. The group meets on the same days as programming for older kids at Tucker Maxon Oral School. Shir Tikvah also will be sponsoring a “Shabbat Storytime” starting in September. These will take place at the synagogue on Irving Street.



Congregation Kol Ami Religious School, Hebrew School & Senior Teens

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Congregation Kol Ami education programs include a K-12 weekly religious school, Hebrew school and adult education all supervised by Rabbi Elizabeth Dunsker and Education Director Lauren Trexler. Age-appropriate social groups heighten the learning and facilitate tikkun olam.

Congregation Kol Ami recently received an honorable mention certificate from the Union for Reform Judaism’s Epstein Communicate Awards recognizing the congregation’s successful and innovative educational programs.

The Kol Ami Religious School engages students in experiential and creative learning in small classes where students are able to build community with each other and find role models and mentors in their teachers. The kindergarten through 8th grade curriculum centers around the study of Torah, Israel, life cycle events and mitzvot. The high school program, Kol Ami Senior Teens, has a four-year rotating curriculum that covers Israel History & Politics, Jewish Views of Sex, the Holocaust and Study of Jewish Values through Photography. Kol Ami boasts an almost 100% retention rate of students post-b’nei mitzvah.

“At Kol Ami we believe in a personalized approach to learning, creating personal relationships with students and their families,” says Lauren. “Our strong emphasis on family education will expand in 5775 as we introduce Yom Mishpacha sessions – days that allow students and parents to learn together. Studying together as a family, among peers, and with other parents increases community and builds a strong Jewish identity.”

Students in the Hebrew school not only master Shabbat prayers, but also Torah and haftarah trope and continue participating in services post b’nei mitzvah as Torah chanters and song leaders. They also volunteer as tutors in the Hebrew School after becoming bar or bat mitzvah.

“We are very proud of our school and of our students,” adds Lauren. “Our students have found employment opportunities during college as teachers and Hebrew tutors at congregations near their schools. Many of them come back and volunteer in our school when they are home for vacation. We work hard to give them Jewish knowledge and skills as well as instill in them the value of community and their role in the continuity of the Jewish community wherever they find themselves.”



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The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute of the University of Oregon is designed for adults “ages 50 and better.” Members shape the programming to expand their views of the world and enrich their lives and communities.

“Members at our Central Oregon site organized an eight-week course on Gettysburg to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the battle,” explains OLLI-UO Program Director Ruth Heller. “Five OLLI members with varying backgrounds gave overviews of the battle scene, military strategy, politics and personalities of the generals, weaponry and the role of women in battle.”

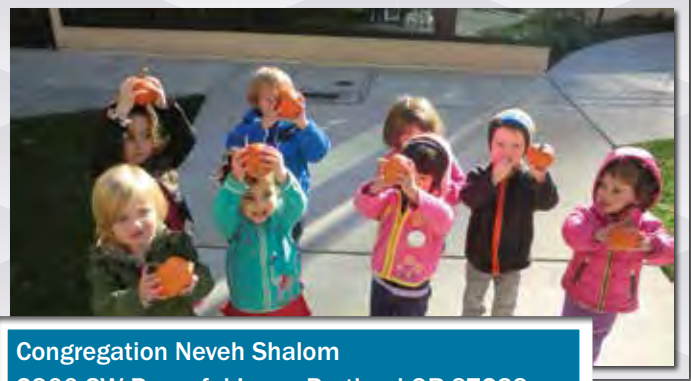
In Eugene-Springfield, a member of the UO faculty partnered OLLI members with students of the UO Honors College for a seminar in Feminist Science Fiction.

“Our members describe the program well,” says Heller.

Those comments include: “The topics, ideas and people keep me thinking and exploring.” “It’s always a mind expanding experience.”

OLLI-UO is an intellectual and social community of engaged adult learners committed to celebrating the joy of learning. Membership is open to all interested adults; a previous affiliation with the University of Oregon is not a requirement of membership.

The OLLI-UO curriculum is diverse, encompassing many areas of focus from current events to the sciences, humanities, and appreciation of the visual and performing arts.



Congregation Neveh Shalom

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ALIYAH Jewish Learning Program

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Neveh Shalom is committed to meaningful education at all stages of life.

“At Neveh Shalom, kids grow up loving being Jewish,” says Director of Congregational Learning Mel Berwin.

Children ages 2 to 5 attend the Foundation School, which celebrates its 60th year this fall. We see our students as extraordinarily capable learners, says Early Childhood Director Leah Conley. We respect them as individuals exploring the world around them. We provide opportunities and challenges that are within their grasp but not beneath their capacity. Through emergent curriculum, students partner with teachers. Children are encouraged to test their theories of the world and develop a love of learning, a strong sense of self-reliance and a solid foundation for critical thinking. Foundation School is grounded in Jewish values. We are committed to nurturing good citizens and providing exceptional early childhood education.

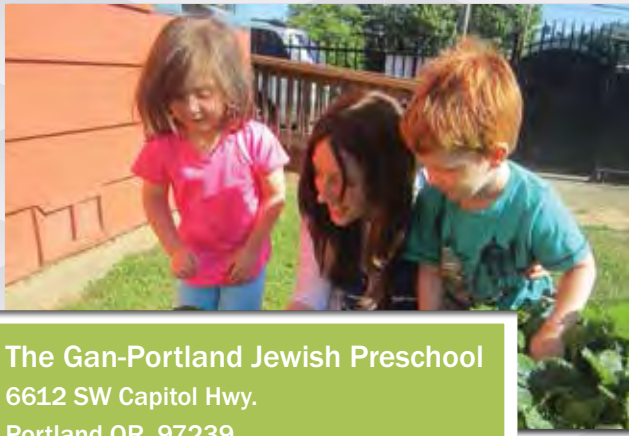
The learning continues for kindergartners through 12th graders in the ALIYAH Jewish Learning Program.

“In the warm community of ALIYAH, our students experience Jewish holidays and traditions, gain strong Hebrew language skills, and grow from the many opportunities for meaningful leadership within the congregational community” says Berwin.

“ALIYAH helps kids develop their own ‘what, how and why’ of Jewish life. Kids growing up in Portland are not saturated with Jewish experience. ALIYAH provides the community and the experiences that allow youth of all ages to understand their culture, their holidays, their language, their history and their values.”

Each K-6 grade has its own goals in the area of Hebrew, Tefilah (Prayer) and Yahadut (Jewish building blocks) plus a specific mitzvah or Jewish value to focus on for the year. Sunday classes also include chugim (specialty activities) such as art, music, dance, drama, Jewish super-heroes and other creative topics. Students have many opportunities to “live” their Judaism through leading services, celebrating holidays, putting on a Jewish wedding celebration, cooking or participating in tzedakah projects that support others.

Seventh- to 12th-graders choose projects such as: Interfaith Project on Hunger; Social Issues from a Jewish perspective; Sacred Space: Designing a 21st Century Synagogue; or Voices & Visions: using art and words as commentary on sacred texts.



The Gan-Portland Jewish Preschool

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At The Gan-Portland Jewish Preschool, children thrive in a creative, progressive Jewish environment under the care of exceptionally loving and nurturing staff. In addition to its preschool for children ages 18 months to 5 years, The Gan offers a Mommy & Me program for children from birth to 2 years accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

The Gan is a Reggio-inspired preschool that is certified eco-friendly. With a warm and welcoming atmosphere, the preschool has developed a diverse and community-centered that is joyfully Jewish.

“We believe that children learn best when they are encouraged to explore their environment and express themselves through words, movement, drawing, painting, playing and other natural modes of expression,” says Preschool Director Mimi Wilhelm. “We promote an atmosphere in which children can develop collaboration and critical thinking skills that will serve them throughout their lives. At The Gan, we strive to inspire curiosity, creativity and compassion in a joyfully Jewish environment!”

The Gan-Portland Jewish Preschool nurtures development and education through open-ended, investigative opportunities for learning that bolster children's natural curiosity and the joy of discovery. We focus on hands-on, meaningful science experiences such as tending the preschool garden, or observing hatching chicks.

Children bake challah every Friday, celebrate Jewish holidays, and explore Jewish traditions, music and symbols. Weekly, children enjoy special music and stories in Hebrew with Hebrew language instructors. In addition, children enjoy a monthly Friday morning music program in honor of Shabbat with Kim Palumbis.

“This year we raised the funds for the first phase of our natural playground,” says Mimi. “Our natural playground includes a hill with slides, boulders, tree stumps, garden boxes and a sand box. A natural playground allows children to stretch their muscles *and* their imagination.”

Due to increasing demand, the Gan has added two new preschool classrooms for the 2014-2015 school year.

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At Maimonides Jewish Day School, children in kindergarten through eighth grade thrive at the highest levels of Jewish and general studies. In an atmosphere infused with respect for all, teachers instill knowledge and values to ensure meaningful and intentional lifelong connections to Jewish living.

Everything we do at Maimonides is based on the essential question: *How does what we do support each child's cognitive, social, emotional, intellectual, physical and spiritual development?*

To consistently address this question, MJDS Admissions Director Simi Mishulovim says, “We affirm that each child is a unique, valuable individual created in the image of G-d; therefore all children deserve to be known and respected. We consider differences in learning styles, interests, ideas, strengths and challenges and support them through our lesson plans. Further, we believe students should be active participants in their learning and genuinely invested in developing and discovering knowledge.”

Students engage in experiential learning that is authentic, holistic and challenging. Along with core lessons which incorporate reading, writing, math, science, social studies and art standards, the small classroom sizes allow teachers to tailor the curriculum to meet children where they are academically and socially, and to help them meet their highest potential. Additionally, through projects such as our learning garden, designing models of watersheds, or observing the behaviors of a class pet, students learn new concepts, and real-life critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

“We use cutting edge curriculum for Hebrew language and Jewish studies,” says Judaic Studies Director Chaya Rivkin. “The Torah is a book of lessons for a meaningful life; every day at school, students learn another lesson that prepares them to be thoughtful and ethical individuals. We incorporate these values throughout the day, in everything we do.”

Maimonides recently-expanded campus includes an outside amphitheater to be used in multiple ways, such as an outdoor lunch area and stage for school performances. The expansion is adding more features including a natural playscape, a basketball court and a sports field.

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The Harold Schnitzer Family Program in Judaic Studies was established to foster academic achievement, civic engagement, and leadership skills through rigorous and in-depth interdisciplinary study of Jewish history, culture, and civilization. The interaction of our four core faculty members, working in the study of ancient Jewry, modern Jewish history, Israel Studies, and Jewish literature, together with affiliated faculty in Hebrew language, medieval history, and Middle East Studies creates an enriching and stimulating atmosphere. Thanks to the program's intimate learning environment, students benefit from the type of personal attention normally associated with small liberal arts colleges while still having the advantages of a large urban university. Integral to the program's mission is a strong commitment to community engagement, which includes a broad array of programming such as lectures, seminars, and arts events.

The major in Judaic Studies trains students of all backgrounds in the skills and tools associated with the academic study of Judaism and Jewish culture, offering knowledge and understanding of a major world civilization, with important and widely applicable lessons in close reading, canonicity, historical analysis, the complexity of identity, and the dynamics of tradition and modernity. Through exploration of Jewish culture, Jewish contributions to other cultures, and the impact of modernity on national, ethnic, and religious identity, students will have broadened and deepened their education, better preparing them for our interconnected world of diverse cultures and religions.

Our program offers major and minor degrees in Judaic Studies. Students undertaking the B.A. in Judaic Studies can choose from concentrations in Judaism; Jews in Antiquity; Israel Studies; Modern Jewish History; and Literature, Culture, and the Arts.

The University recently approved the major in Judaic Studies, opening the way for the launch of the first undergraduate degree in Judaic Studies in the greater Portland area in fall 2014. Larry and Pam Levy, longtime supporters of the program, established the Levy Program Fund to support innovative academic programming on an annual basis.

Students undertaking the major in Judaic Studies at PSU may be eligible for a number of scholarships which cover a portion or full cost of tuition and fees.

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