



## PURIM IS ALMOST HERE

**Adult Purim Shpiel**  
**Saturday, February 24, 2018**  
**7:00pm**  
Click [here](#) for more information

**Purim Carnival**  
**Sunday, February 25, 2018**  
**10:00am - 1:00pm**  
Click [here](#) for more information

**Religious School**  
**Purim and Pizza**  
**Wednesday, February 28, 2018**  
**4:45pm**

## This Week's Events

### Monday, February 5

3:00pm - Food Pantry Open

### Tuesday, February 6

6:30pm - Gentle Yoga (Auditorium)

7:30pm - Shir KLEZI! Rehearsal (Abraham-Swerdlow Sanctuary)

### Wednesday, February 7

9:00am - WoSA Daytime Mah Jongg (Chodorow FLC)

7:30pm - Choir Rehearsal (Abraham-Swerdlow Sanctuary)

7:30pm - WoSA Evening Book Club (Chodorow FLC)

### Thursday, February 8

6:15pm - Sr. SHAFTY Executive Board Meeting (Youth Lounge)

7:00pm - Intro to Judaism (Auditorium)

7:30pm - Lifelong Learning - "Who is a Prophet?" Led by Rabbi Simon

**Friday, February 9**

7:30pm - Shabbat Service with Shir KLEZI (Abraham-Swerdlow Sanctuary)

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### TRIVIA NIGHT

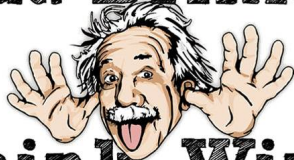
**Saturday, February 10, 2018  
7:30pm**

Cost: \$10 per person payable at the door  
Over \$250 in prizes for the winning team  
For more information, email Fred at  
[fred.fisher@rocketmail.com](mailto:fred.fisher@rocketmail.com)

To RSVP click [here](#)

BYOB - Snacks and Desserts Provided

# Eat. Drink.



# Think. Win.

The Shir Ami Men's Club continues a long history of supporting Shir Ami, our Youth Scholarship Program, as well as the local Jewish Community. We become stronger and more vibrant with YOU participating in events, participating in an auxiliary, or helping to plan future events.

Click here to learn more about and to join the Shir Ami Men's Club. If you have questions about the Men's Club or about any upcoming events, please contact

Mike Markowitz

[mike.markowitz@gmail.com](mailto:mike.markowitz@gmail.com)

## Lifelong Learning

**Thursday, February 8 - 7:30pm  
Tuesday, February 13 - 11:00am**

### WHO IS A PROPHET?

At this introductory class, we will explore what exactly makes someone a prophet. Using the text of Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, we will explore the life of the prophet, along with a discussion of what prophecy meant in the past and what it could mean today.

### LUNCH AND LEARN

**Thursday, February 15, 2018  
11:45am**

Join Rabbi Simon after Valentine's Day as we look at the role of love and sex in our tradition, focusing on where the two meet and where they don't. We'll look at biblical stories and laws along with traditions from the later Rabbis as we look at a part of Judaism that you may not have learned in Sunday School.

**The Bucks County Rabbis Council is please to once again offer an Introduction to Judaism class, taught by Bucks County's Reform, Conservative and Reconstructionist rabbis.**

The class is held at Shir Ami on Thursday evenings beginning in October. If you are in an interfaith relationship, know someone interested in conversion or learning more about Judaism, or just looking to freshen up your own knowledge on Jewish "basics," please contact Rabbi Simon at

[jsimon@shiramipa.org](mailto:jsimon@shiramipa.org)

to learn more about the class and to register.

## THEATER GROUP



**Dear Evan Hansen** - Sunday, April 8, 2018  
at 3pm in New York. SOLD OUT keeping  
a wait list.

**My Fair Lady** - Sunday, June 10, 2018.  
SOLD OUT keeping a wait list.

**Carousel** - Sunday, July 15, 2018 at 3pm in New  
York. \$139 per orchestra seat.

Contact Andee Losben at 215-860-6868  
(after 10:30am) or [ALosben@adl.com](mailto:ALosben@adl.com)

**SAVE THE  
DATES!**

**JUNE  
1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup>**



### **Shabbat Service**

Alan Sheinberg, Chair  
[asheinberg726@gmail.com](mailto:asheinberg726@gmail.com)

### **Oneg**

Stephanie Kravatz, Chair  
[mamadocor@comcast.net](mailto:mamadocor@comcast.net)

### **Party**

Becky Markowitz, Chair  
[beckymarkowitz@gmail.com](mailto:beckymarkowitz@gmail.com)

## CANTOR'S SABBATICAL

After 33 years as cantor of Shir Ami, Cantor Elson is taking a well-deserved sabbatical this month and

WOMEN OF  
**SHIR AMI**  
Many voices. One song.

### GENTLE YOGA

Tuesday's 6:30 - 7:30pm

#### Winter Session

Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27

Mar. 6



[Click here to join the WoSA](#)

### GIFT SHOP

For your convenience, there will be a a  
**Gift Shop table in the  
Sunday School lobby on  
March 18  
April 29**

Appointments can be made by contacting  
Cari Sacks-Witten at  
[soccermom1815@yahoo.com](mailto:soccermom1815@yahoo.com)  
or 215-579-1667

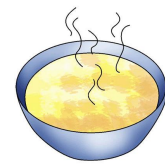
### SHIR AMI FOOD PANTRY

**SHIR AMI FOOD PANTRY WILL BE OPEN  
3 - 4:30pm**

Monday, February 5  
Monday, March 5  
Monday, April 2  
Monday, May 7  
Monday, June 4

**This month's  
FOOD OF THE MONTH ARE  
condiments, soups, fruit (canned, dried,  
or in jars), cereal**

next. Before leaving, Cantor ensured that his multiple roles are covered, and they are split up among many people. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Rabbi Simon ([jsimon@shiramipa.org](mailto:jsimon@shiramipa.org)), Phil Nordlinger ([pnordlinger@shiramipa.org](mailto:pnordlinger@shiramipa.org)), or our President, Sharon Benoff ([sbenoff@shiramipa.org](mailto:sbenoff@shiramipa.org)). We look forward to welcoming Cantor Elson back in March and celebrating with him the weekend of June 1st!



The Food Pantry is also in need of:

\* Peanut butter \*Jelly \*Cereals  
\*Salad dressing \*condiments \*snacks  
\*pasta sauce \*coffee \*tea \*sugar

As an alternative to donating items on this list, the pantry can use gift cards from the Super Markets to buy items needed in the pantry. The best way to buy gift cards is through the synagogue office. The synagogue will then also get a percentage of the card value as an additional rebate.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### SUPER SUNDAY

Sunday, February 11, 2018  
10:00am - 1:00pm

Join us at Shir Ami for the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia's largest day of community fundraising!

Click [here](#) for information on how to register and more information

### BABY BOOMER NETWORKING REFRESHER

Sunday, March 4, 2018  
2:30-4:30pm

click [here](#) for more information on location and how to register

AME Zion Church  
is offering help for people with incomes  
less than \$55,000  
Saturdays 9am - 2pm  
from February to April

St. Mark's AME Church  
136 N. Congress Street  
Newtown, PA 18940  
215-579-9295

[stmarkamezion@yahoo.com](mailto:stmarkamezion@yahoo.com)

## QUICK LINKS

[Our Website](#)

[February Shiron](#)

[Synagogue Calendar](#)

[Torah Portion of the Week](#)

[To Make a Donation](#)

[Shir Ami YouTube Channel - Sermons and More](#)

## CONTACT US

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