November 2024

## Welcome All!

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2ND FRIDAY
OF EACH MONTH
7:00PM
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ZOOM SHABBAT
SERVICES ALL
FRIDAYS @7:00PM.
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FEW DAYS BEFORE
EACH SERVICE

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#### **Upcoming Events:**

Wednesday, November 6, 3:00pm - Annual Congregational meeting Come hear about Beit Chaverim's plans for the future.

Light refreshments served. <u>REGISTER</u>: www.beitchaverimutah.org Zions Bank, 40 E St. George Blvd, St. George, Community Room 2nd floor

Friday, November 8, 7:00pm - in-person Shabbat service Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church. Educational bldg.

Saturday, November 9, 10:00am- Crop Walk for Hunger/Larkspur Park (St. George community Event)

https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/event/saintgeorgeut

Saturday, November 9, 2:00pm - Author Faye Lincoln, 'Values that Shape the World', lecture and light refreshments, FREE event Southern Utah Veterans Home - Ivins

REGISTER online: www.beitchaverimutah.org

Monday, November 18, 10:00am- Breakfast With the Rabbi.

George's Corner, St. George Blvd. RSVP: secretary@beitchaverimutah.org

Saturday, December 28 - SAVE THE DATE Chanukah *musical celebration* with Rabbi/Cantor Sam Cohen ... Stay tuned for more details!

Online REGISTRATION instructions: www.beitchaverimutah.org, select Calendar and Events, then choose the event. Voila!

#### **Social Action Committee - performing MITZVOT**

Jewish tradition, being of service to those in need is a 'mitzvah', a good deed, visiting the sick, sending in food for shiva or during an illness, helping to find transportation to services or events, or to a doctors appointment.

If we can be of service to you or do you know of someone in need?

Are you able to volunteer? or willing to join the committee?

Contact Liza Ness: <a href="mailto:leezans@aol.com">leezans@aol.com</a>

### from the desk of .... Rabbi Helene Ainbinder



American Jewish communities have balanced the Christian secular world and the Judaic world with wonderful opportunities in this country we call home. Thanksgiving and Hanukkah are holidays that celebrate our religious freedoms. While these holidays fall each year on different dates in the Gregorian calendar, Hanukkah is always on the Hebrew date of 25th of Kislev.

Our Hanukkiah is taken from the Temple Menorah which was a seven branched lamp. Jewish law prohibited the use of this menorah outside of the Temple.

Centuries later, after the Maccabees defeated the Greeks and Assyrians at the Second Temple in 70 C.E., they celebrated with a Dedication and the use of the Hanukkiah (eight candles and a shamash helper candle). All candles must be level, except the shamash which is separated from the others.

Both Hanukkah and Thanksgiving rarely coincide, however, they will in the secular year 2070. "Why would I be telling you this?" Many Christians think that Hanukkah is the Jewish Christmas or Thanksgiving! That is beyond learned comprehension since Hanukkah was celebrating the Jewish people's "Religious Freedom" after twenty five years of fighting a war! Only Jonathan, the brother of Judah, survived and then became the leader of the Jewish people, and then became a free nation. We could not practice our faith, so we used a top for pretend gambling if soldiers found us teaching Judaism (dreidels are used today).

May we be blessed to celebrate the beauty and opportunity to share our Jewish traditions with our children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. May we always be blessed, appreciate and continue to protect our freedoms as we enjoy being Jewish Americans.

### Harakat HaTov (Recognizing the Good)

Harakat HaTov is the Hebrew for "gratitude". Beit Chaverim Board of Directors, the Religious Committee and the Hospitality Committee wish to extend our deepest *gratitude* to all those who participated in making our High Holy Day services meaningful, beautiful and "delicious". As our Beit Chaverim family grows, we welcome congregant participation in all aspects of the service and the meals that follow, which help make the holidays so special. The following is a list of those who gave of their time and service during the past recent holidays. Thank you also to those who pitched in without prior commitment. You too deserve equal thanks.

#### **READERS:**

Marilyn Adler, Lisa Bernath, Kim Blackman, Hope & Larry Grabarnick, Bret Harrell, Linda Hudson, Marilyn Kanas, Penny Lindenbaum, Roland Luthi, Gary MacDonald, Marv Marcus, Lee Miller, Ellen Nathan, Marilee Perkal, Katharina Schmidler, Christina Schwarz, Roger Talman, Leslie Robinson

#### **TORAH HONORS:**

Marilyn Adler, Lisa Bernath, Larry Grabarnick, Michael & Claire Heyman, Gary MacDonald, Marv Marcus, Russ Robinson, Jay Rosenblum, Evan Sanders, Mike Satter, Herb & Christina Schwarz, Roger Talman

#### **FOOD DONORS:**

Deborah Abner, Marilyn Adler, Lisa Bernath, Hope Grabarnick, Claire Heyman, Randi Kottler, Ellen Margles, Gary MacDonald, Marv Marcus, Ellen Nathan, Suzanne Parry, Marilee Perkal, Leslie Robinson, Evan Sanders, Christina Schwarz, Sylvia Seltzer, Julie Soncrant

#### KITCHEN HELP and CLEAN UP:

Deborah Abner, Marilyn Adler, Hope Grabarnick, Claire Heyman, Linda Hudson, Randi Kottler, Marilee Perkal, Katharina Schilder, Christina Schwarz, Julie Soncrant, LaLonnie Swagger

To anyone who I may have missed, **todah rabah** (thank you very much). It takes a village! *Ellen Margles*, hospitality & religious committee member

On **October 7th,** we held a gathering at my house to share, honor, and commemorate the tragic events of Oct 7th and the year.

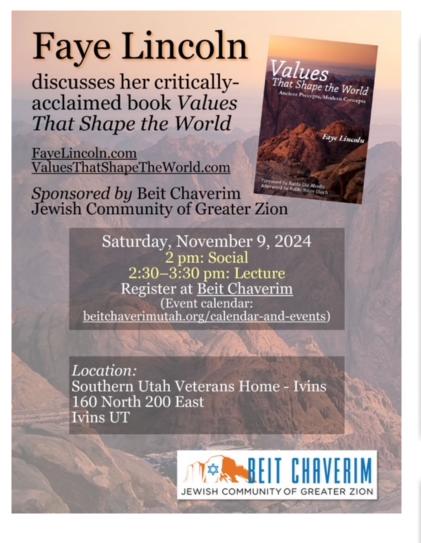
The horrific massacre in Israel on **October 7th 2023**, which started a war, was the darkest day for the Jewish people in Israel and around the world in decades. It was heartwarming to be with each other, listen and talk together.

I thank my niece and nephew(both about 30 years old) who live in Israel, who zoomed in(at 2am their time!) to share their personal experiences.

Thank you to all who participated and to those who were unable to be there in person but are part of our worldwide Jewish nation and Beit Chaverim."

'I continue to stand with the State of Israel and the Jewish people worldwide who remain under attack'.

Lisa Ness, congregation member



Dave McKean from SCAN has an opportunity to travel to St George Thursday, Nov 7 (evening) and all-day Friday, Nov 8 to provide SCN security training for those who may have missed the security training session in June. (it was GREAT!)

Let us know if you are interested in this training. It will cover "Countering Active Threats", "Stop the Bleed".

In these unpredictable times, it's important to be informed and prepared.

secretary@beitchaverimutah.org

#### **IN MEMORIAM:**

With great sadness, we lost the following members this past year:

Toby Rosenblum (wife of Jay Rosenblum)
Robert Trott (husband of Andrea Trott)

May their memory be a blessing...

# "CHANUKAH OH CHANUKAH Come Light the Menorah"

Make plans to attend the Beit Chaverim Chanukah party and song fest.

**December 28**, Rabbi/Cantor Sam Cohen will return to St. George to lead us in a joyful Chanukah celebration. On this fourth night of Chanukah we will light the menorah, share in a Chanukah dinner and join Cantor Sam as he brings *music* and enjoyment to Beit Chaverim.

This Chanukah celebration will take place at the Brio Clubhouse.

Watch for details in next month's newsletter.





#### FUNNY SCHTICKS THANKS TO LEE MILLER



The rabbi's son turns 16 and he starts negotiating with his dad to drive the family car.

His father says, "I'll make you a deal. You get your grades up, you learn some more Torah, and you get a haircut, I'll let you use the car once in a while.

So a month later, the son goes to see his father and he says, "Dad I got my grades up, and I've been learning more Torah with you. Can I use the car?" His father says, "What about the haircut?" The son replies, "Yeah Dad, I've been thinking about that. Samson in the Bible had long hair. Moses had long hair. Even Abraham had long hair."

The rabbi replies, "You're right! And everywhere they went, they walked.

### Mr. Foodie's Reviews by Andy Margles

#### **BEST RESTAURANTS TO BRING YOUR PET**

Hi everyone! It's me, Dolly! I'm Mr. and Mrs. Foodie's 2-year-old Maltipoo. I mostly like treats and playing ball, but my humans can't seem to enjoy their dinner out unless I'm with them. That's why <u>I'm</u> writing this review. I want them and all the wonderful readers to go to the best eateries where you can bring your dog, or cat, if you have no taste. Also, I'm only including places where my humans like the food, along with nice accommodations for me.

**GEORGE'S:** American pub food, with a great covered patio, misters/heaters.

**WOOD-ASH RYE:** Gourmet tappas, with classy, covered patios

RIB AND CHOP HOUSE: Steakhouse with covered patio, fire pit

**XETAVA:** Healthy diverse menu, with partially covered garden patio, heaters

PICA-RICA: BBQ, with partially covered patio in back, smokers

FARMSTEAD BAKERY: Bakery-café, with large, covered patio

## Congregation Bulletin Board



**Ellen Margles** 

Ellen Nathan

Marilee Perkal

### **Mazel Tov**

Do you have something to announce?

email me: membership@beitchaverimutah.org ANNIVERSARY

Lois & Ben Farb Lisa Peters

## Membership

Welcome NEW member:

**Lucas Garrett**