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TBI Seder

Our Community Passover Seder will be held 4:30 p.m. Sat., April 19 at the Temple. Please join us for the telling of one of our greatest stories. Rabbi Nathan will be in town to lead us. The cost for the Seder is \$10.00 for 12 and up. Children under 12 are free. Julienne Tomatoes caters the Seder and provides staff for serving and cleaning. We still need help with organization, set-up and clean up. Please contact Tom at 231-487-1661 or tjohnson9916@charter.net to RSVP & for information.

Why Three Matzos?

With a question like that, you must feel how close we are getting to Passover! So let’s back up. On the table for the Seder, we have a stack of three matzos, we break the middle one, and half of that becomes the Afikomen. So what is so special about three? There are many beautiful meanings that have been attributed to it. Some say that it is a reminder of the generosity of our ancestor Sarah who prepared three loaves of bread for wandering strangers in need of hospitality. Some say that it represents the unity of Jews who were made up of Kohenites, Levites, and Israelites. The truth is that it came about through a heated discussion between Jews. For Shabbat and special holidays, we bless two loaves in honor of the double portion that God provides for us on these days. But some of the ancient Rabbis thought that to symbolize our oppression, we should have slightly less by breaking one loaf (matzo) in half. Others said that it is impossible to truly celebrate the joy of liberation without the complete double portion. Eventually, a compromise was reached. There would be two matzos, with one broken in half to represent the oppression. Then an additional matzo would be added to the unbroken one so that there would still be two complete “loaves” to celebrate. So as not to be wasteful, the other broken half would serve as a dessert (Afikomen). Three matzos... Sometimes, less really is more!
Student Rabbi Nathan Farb

Hebrew Free Loan of Detroit (HFL) is rolling out a groundbreaking new program for college students of any age which they have named The William Davidson Jewish College Loan Program (WDJCLP). This program is a new interest free loan initiative that can provide Michigan Jewish students up to \$7,500 per year toward the cost of undergraduate or graduate studies.

William Davidson Jewish College Loan Program

1. Need-based, interest-free loan program for Jewish, Michigan residents
2. Enrolled in full-time accredited colleges or universities in Michigan
3. FAFSA to be completed for eligibility; must show active pursuit of available funding
4. Online application begins April 1, 2014 at www.jewishcollegeloansmi.org
5. Post-application interview
6. Minimum of one qualified cosigner required
7. Monthly loan repayments begin six months post-college
8. While attending school, required annual loan repayments are \$100
9. No fee to apply – contact Hebrew Free Loan: info@jewishcollegeloansmi.org



Yale Strom delighted the community at the concert last month.



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Rabbi Nathan’s
Last Visit will be
May 16—18

 Temple B’Nai Israel **5774** April 2014
Nissan 5774

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 30	31	April 1 <i>Rosh Chodesh</i>	2	3	4 7:53 	5 <i>Parshat Metzora</i>
6	7	8	9	10	11 8:02 	12 <i>Parshat Acharei</i>
13 10:00 Sunday School	14 <i>Passover</i> <i>1st Seder</i>	15 <i>Passover</i> <i>2nd Seder</i>	16 <i>Passover</i>	17 <i>Passover</i>	18 5:30 Tot Shabbat 7:30 Shabbat Services <i>Passover</i> 8:11 	19 <i>Passover</i> 4:30 TBI Seder
20 <i>Passover</i>	21 <i>Passover</i>	22	23	24	25 8:20 	26 <i>Parshat Kedoshim</i>
27 10:00 Sunday School	28	29	30	May 1	2 8:28 	3 <i>Parshat Emor</i>