

SHOMRIM OF PHILADELPHIA AND THE DELAWARE VALLEY

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Shomrim Herald



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December Meeting Notice
Thursday, December 13, 2012 at 7:30PM
Klein Jewish Community Center
10100 Jamison Ave
(Red Lion Road and Jamison Ave)
WWW.SHOMRIMPADV.ORG



"Support Shomrim, Get Involved, Attend Meetings"
"Refreshments will be served"

President's Message

Hopefully, you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving! Despite Hurricane Sandy devastating many, we each have had much to be thankful for. I'm sure that you expressed your gratitude for everything good in your lives. Collectively, we can also be thankful that Shomrim of Philadelphia and the Delaware Valley has weathered a storm this year and seems to be experiencing a strengthening of some members' commitment to the organization.

Speaking of Hurricane Sandy, Mike Gilbert and Cantor Edwards have agreed to spearhead a Hurricane Relief effort for us to help victims of the storm. We've heard that two members of a New York area Shomrim group lost everything. Many others have lost so much. Mike sent this message, via email:

Har Zion Temple at my request is sending out info to the entire congregation and asking for gift cards and/or cash to be converted to gift cards to help "First Responders" who lost everything during SANDY. As soon as I get them, I will forward them up to New York. I will also let you all know the amount as well.

Cantor Edwards worked for 25 hours after the hurricane with the Office of Emergency Management. His participation was certainly appreciated.

In last month's Herald, I said that there would be a speaker in December. Actually, the members decided to forgo a formal speaker at December's meeting and planned to have a Hanukkah party instead. We will have a special celebration on December 13, at 7:30 pm, after the Board meeting. Please join us and bring your children and/or grandchildren. Please, send an RSVP by December 9th to buch196@aol.com, so we'll have an idea of the number attending.

Elections are here! The nominations are listed in the Herald and we will follow the election procedures; so, be sure that you come to upcoming meetings. If you don't, we'll draft you for an elected office! Just kidding. Committees need more interested members to help. Recruitment remains a need of ours. I am sending information to local synagogues, on behalf of Shomrim, in order to inform them about our group. There may be requests for speakers. Are you interested in speaking? Let one of the Board members know.

Howard Rabinovitch is working on arranging some fabulous speakers for us, like the new head of security for the Philadelphia Israeli Consulate and a speaker from the Innocence Project. We would like a great turnout for the high quality speakers that Howard is planning for us. Show Howard your commitment to Shomrim by attending our Hanukkah party and then the meetings to hear the great speakers. See you on the 13th!

Please, be safe out there.

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CANTOR ALAN EDWARDS

If you have not been included on the Birthday and/or Anniversary Listings, please forward the information to herald@shomrimpadv.org so we can add you immediately.

We wish everyone well who may be struggling with health issues! Our prayers are with you.

Please send us any change of information to herald@shomrimpadv.org So we can keep up to date records.

Have you paid your dues for 2012 yet???

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

The Gift Of Light 5773

From December 9th through December 15th we will be celebrating the Festival of Chanukah, The Festival of Lights, the miracle of a small cruse of oil, enough but for one day, lasting for eight days, celebrating not the military victory, but the miracle of the menorah whose oil gave light after it should of been consumed.

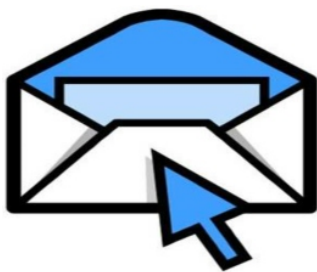
Chanukah is the embodiment of the supremacy of right over might, the delivery of the strong into the hands of the few, the arrogant into the hands of the Torah. The prophet Zechariah culminates the entire story of Chanukah very succinctly. "Not by force nor by might, but mu spirit says the L-d Hosts."

We as Jews place our faith in family, as the Chief Rabbi of Great Britain, Jonathan Sacks wrote "When families are strong, children are strong and they can face the future without fear. When families are weak, children grow up anxious and confused and a civilization begins to decline." The future of our world will not be decided by the Euro, Internet, or space probes to Mars, but how much or how little we value our children - by the flame we light at home.

We have been witness to a horrific calamity that of Hurricane Sandy. May we all hope and pray that the Almighty will give strength and comfort to all the inhabitants of the communities that were devastated by this storm. May the bright light of the Chanukah candles bring is hope and calm in the years to come.

On behalf of my dear family, I would like to wish all our members a beautiful, peaceful, and radiant year.

Chaplain Alan Edwards



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (DUES ARE \$25.00 A YEAR)

ACTIVE ASSOCIATE

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ APT: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____

ZIP: _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

OCCUPATION: _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ SINGLE: _____ MARRIED: _____

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A MEMBER OF THIS ASSOCIATION: YES NO

PROPOSER: _____

**THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS USED IN OUR MONTHLY PUBLICATION
"THE HERALD" TO HONOR BIRTHDAYS AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES.**

MEMBER NAME: _____

SPOUSE: _____ DOB _____

CHILD'S NAME(S): _____ DOB _____

NAME: _____ DOB _____

NAME: _____ DOB _____

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY DATE: _____

Signature

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