

The Update!

* 9/18/19 *

Here is what is happening at Congregation Shaarey Zedek
and in the Greater Lansing Jewish Community

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This Week

Friday, September 20 at 7:00 p.m.

- Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday, September 21

- Shabbat Morning Service at **9:30 a.m.**
- *Selichot* Service and Program at **7:30 p.m.**

A family-friendly worship service will begin at 7:30 p.m. During this service we will dress the Torah scrolls in their white mantels in preparation for the High Holy Days.

As the High Holy Days approach, we take time to reflect on our deeds of this past year. We make amends to our family, friends, and co-workers and get ready to ask forgiveness from God during the Ten Days of Awe. Our ancestors introduced the Selichot service to aid us in our preparations for this special time of year.

- *Being a Religious Minority* - Inter-congregational Series of Judaism and Islam with Imam Sohail Chaudry, Rabbi Michael Zimmerman, and Rabbi Amy Bigman) **8:15-9:30 p.m.**
Refreshments hosted by Shaarey Zedek

Sunday, September 22nd at 2:00 p.m.

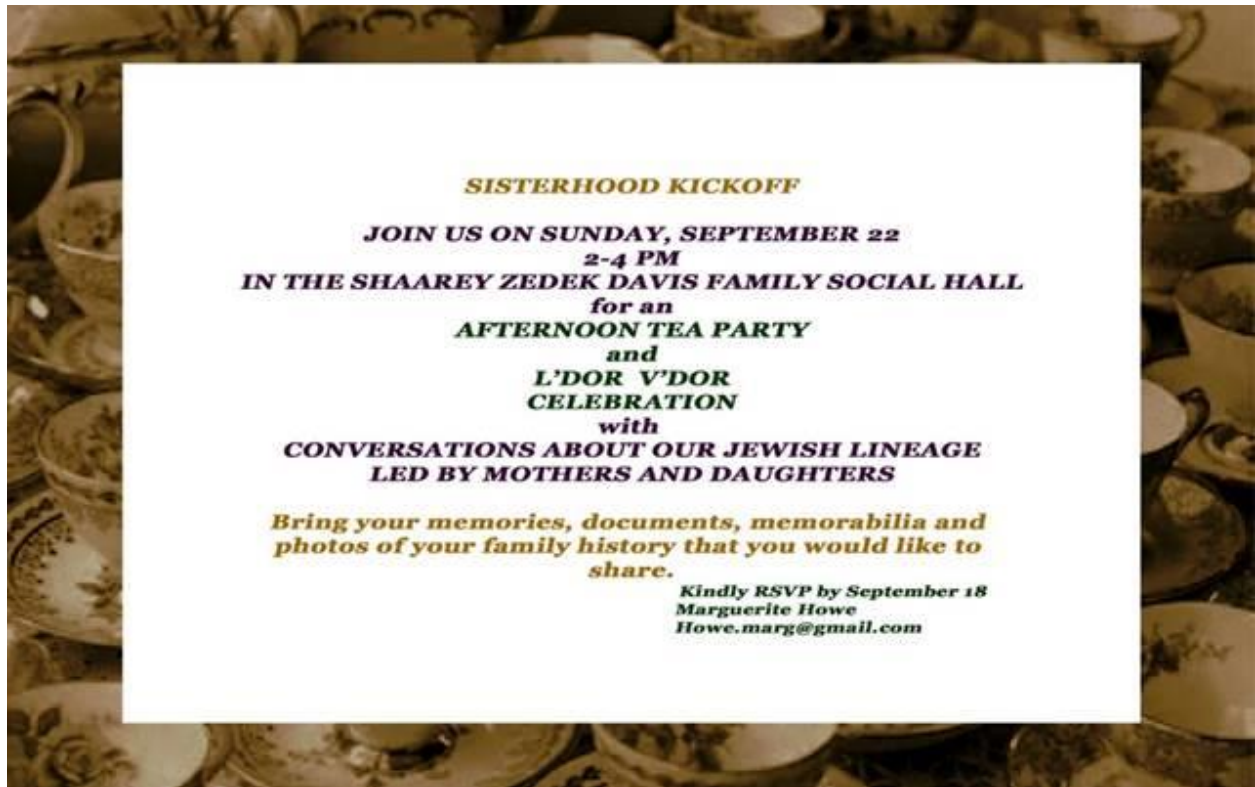
- Sisterhood Tea Party 2:00 p.m. (see postcard below and **RSVP September 18**)

Mark your Calendars!

Community Events

Serling Institute for Jewish Studies and Modern Israel at MSU (see flyers below)

- **Thursday, September 19, 7:00-8:30 p.m.** – *The Pathology of Polarization-The Story of Israel's 2019 Elections* James Madison College Library, 322 Case Hall, MSU Campus
- **Monday, September 23 7:00-9:00 p.m.** – *How Frontier Jews Made American Judaism* B-342 Wells Hall, MSU Campus



Serling Institute for Jewish Studies and Modern Israel at MSU
September 19th

Presented by The Michael and Elaine Serling Institute for Jewish Studies and Modern Israel

"The Pathology of Political Polarization- The Story of Israel's 2019 Elections"

Panel by Professors Alon Tal and Yael Aronoff

For the first time in its history, Israel's April 2019 elections ended in stalemate, and Likud Party Chair Benjamin Netanyahu was unable to cobble together a coalition with over 50% of the Knesset members. Israel's parliament, subsequently disbanded and new elections were called for September 17th. Two days after the elections, a post-election wrap up will take place, beginning with a presentation by Alon Tal, MSU's 2019 Serling Visiting Professor - and a founding member of the Blue & White party's list of Knesset candidates, who actively participated in both 2019 campaigns. He will answer questions like: *What were the issues? How were they framed? How does social media transform the country's political campaigns? What were the tactics used by different parties? And what do the results mean for Israel's future?* After Dr. Tal's opening presentation, Professor Yael Aronoff, Serling Chair in Israel Studies and Director of the Michael and Elaine Serling Institute for Jewish Studies and Modern Israel will respond with her analysis - and the two will then conduct an open discussion with the audience about this unique year in Israeli political history.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 19th
 7:00-8:30 PM
 James Madison College Library
 (332) 2nd Floor Hall

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September 23rd

Presented by The Michael and Elaine Serling Institute for Jewish Studies and Modern Israel

"How Frontier Judaism" by Shari Rabin

Panel by Professor Shari Rabin

Shari Rabin will discuss the experience of Jewish immigrants in the United States and how they developed and adapted to life in a new country. She will also discuss the experience of Jewish immigrants in the United States and how they developed and adapted to life in a new country. She will also discuss the experience of Jewish immigrants in the United States and how they developed and adapted to life in a new country.

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