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BEFORE OCT. 1ST**

Please complete form below & mail with a \$25.00 registration fee for each individual, made payable to **Herbert Tarr North Shore Institute**
Mail to: Herbert Tarr North Shore Inst.
c/o Shelter Rock Jewish Center
272 Shelter Rock Road, Roslyn, NY 11576

The \$25.00 registration fee includes one class in each semester PLUS the entire lecture series
For those not registering for a Jewish Studies course, there will be a fee of \$5.00 per person for each lecture, payable at the door.

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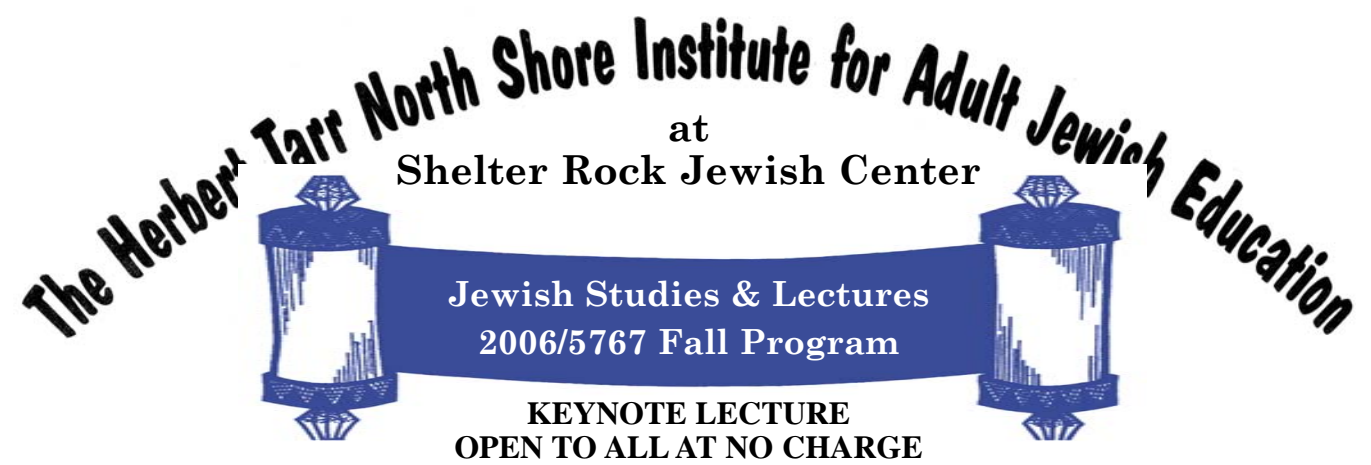
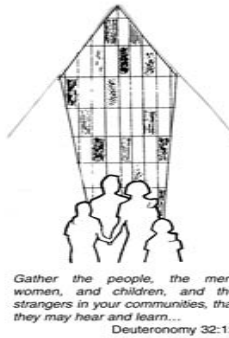
**We reserve the right to cancel any course due to insufficient registration
 See www.herberttarr.org for additional registration forms.*

Directions to Shelter Rock Jewish Center

272 Shelter Rock Road
 Roslyn, NY 11576
 516-741-4305
From West: L.I. Expressway (495) East to Shelter Rock Road, Exit 35 - Right at light (Shelter Rock Road) for 6 traffic lights - Turn left into Temple parking lot.
From East: L.I. Expressway to Exit 36, Seasingtown Road - Left Turn at light, proceed 5 traffic lights - Right Turn to Temple parking lot.

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**KEYNOTE LECTURE
OPEN TO ALL AT NO CHARGE**

MONDAY, October 16, 2006, at 7:45 P.M.

DAVID GILLETTE

Senior Lobbyist for AIPAC (American Israel Public Affairs Committee)

**“FROM POLITICS TO POLICY:
AN INSIDE VIEW OF THE PRO-ISRAEL AGENDA IN 2006”**



David Gillette, an extraordinarily articulate, energetic and compelling speaker, is the Senior Lobbyist for AIPAC (American Israel Public Affairs Committee), America’s pro-Israel Lobby. Faced with changing American demographics, Gillette works diligently with all members of Congress—Senators, Representatives and Congressional staff people—to promote the United States-Israel relationship. He is involved with issues such as supporting aid to Israel and advancing legislation to strengthen cooperation between the United States and Israel.

Mr. Gillette has previously served in the State Department as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Legislative Affairs where he represented the State Department on Capitol Hill and was involved with arms control, non-proliferation and the Middle East. Before joining the State Department, he was Staff Director for the Democratic National Committee General Chair and for Senator Christopher Dodd. Earlier, he worked for the House Democratic Leadership with then-Chief Deputy Majority Whip Bill Richardson, now the Governor of New Mexico.

Mr. Gillette received a Bachelors degree in International Relations from Wesleyan University, a Masters in Public Administration from the University of Southern California and a Masters in Jewish Communal Service from Hebrew Union College. He also studied in Israel for two years.

ABOUT HERBERT TARR

Eleven years ago the North Shore Institute for Adult Jewish Education was renamed to memorialize Rabbi Herbert Tarr, the best-selling author and humorist whose warmth, wit and wisdom exemplified in his critically acclaimed novels (*The Conversion of Chaplain Cohen*, *Heaven Help Us!*, *So Help Me God*, *A Woman of Spirit*, etc.) reached both Jew and non-Jew, enhancing their appreciation and understanding of Judaism. Rabbi Tarr was the quintessential Jew and truly believed that all Israel should respect and be responsible for one another--be they Conservative, Orthodox, Reconstructionist or Reform. This Institute, now comprising 18 synagogues including one Jewish Community Center, abides by this philosophy. We are honored to fulfill Rabbi Herbert Tarr’s legacy.

Our program offers a diverse spectrum of courses designed to broaden your knowledge and understanding of our rich heritage. The first hour will be devoted to the course you select. The second hour will feature a different guest lecturer each week who will speak on contemporary Jewish issues.



COURSES IN JEWISH STUDIES

Beginning Monday, October 23 - 7:30 to 8:20 P.M.

Please select one 3-week course from SEMESTER I AND another 3-week course from SEMESTER II

SEMESTER I (Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6) MONDAYS

Course #1

Title: **JEWISH ETHICAL REALISM: AN INQUIRY INTO THE LEGAL PRACTICES OF THE MARKETPLACE**

Instructor: **Rabbi Shelley Kovar Becker
Temple Sholom of Floral Park**

This course will explore the ethics of the ancient marketplace and the rabbis' use of the Talmud to interpret Jewish law in their changing world. The topic emerged from the ethical dilemmas in the secular marketplace of the late 1980's and has increasing relevance for us in light of the many recent corporate debacles.

Course #2

Title: **BUT IT'S KOSHER!**

Instructor: **Rabbi Robert D. Block, Roslyn Synagogue**

Judaism's dietary laws are extremely complex. The ingredients that go into a product are just one of the criteria determining a food's Kashrut. Utilizing both traditional and modern sources, we will review what makes one food acceptable and another not; what makes one establishment approved and another not. Aside from covering the rudiments of Kashrut, we will discuss the current state of Kashrut supervision. Questions will be encouraged.

Course #3

Title: **RECLAIMING THE MIKDASH**

Instructor: **Rabbi Martin S. Cohen
Shelter Rock Jewish Center**

No building or complex of buildings comes close to occupying the place the Jerusalem Temple retains, even today, in the psyche of the Jewish people. The focus of countless prayers and focal point of almost all redemptive, messianic and eschatological Jewish speculation retains enough residual holiness to make it the ultimate political "hot potato" in Mid-Eastern politics. This course will usher moderns into the ancient precincts of the Jerusalem Temple, giving them an overview of the structure, the courtyards and inner chamber, as well as the day-to-day routine. We will attempt to understand the hold the memory of this sanctuary has on the Jewish spiritual consciousness.

Course #4

Title: **18th - 19th CENTURY EASTERN EUROPEAN LITERATURE**

Instructor: **Rabbi Judy Cohen-Rosenberg
Community Reform Temple, Westbury**

The literature of Eastern European Jewry of the late 18th-19th century reflects the tension between Orthodoxy and Assimilation. Let us study together how our favorite writers, including A.D. Gordon and I.L. Peretz, expressed the desires and conflicts of a generation.

Course #5

Title: **THE TALMUD'S TAKE ON WAR AND PEACE**

Instructor: **Rabbi Benjamin David, Temple Sinai of Roslyn**

The Talmud, the original Jewish Encyclopedia, covers every topic one could imagine. What is even more impressive is the fact that the arguments and teachings found in this text remain so relevant. Find out how the rabbis of the Talmud felt about war, the myriad categories they devised with regards to war, and how their discussions might impact the discussions we have concerning our own times.

Course #6

Title: **INSPIRING A COMMITMENT TO HALACHA**

Instructor: **Rabbi Alan B. Lucas, Temple Beth Sholom**

This course will survey questions such as: What is Halacha? What are the different approaches to Halacha among the various streams of Judaism? Do you see Halacha as binding in your life? How Halacha can be the way in which we find ourselves in the world. We will also study some contemporary Teshuvot (Respona) to see how Halacha responds to modern challenges.

SEMESTER II (Nov. 13, 20 and 27) MONDAYS

Course #7

Title: **MORAL DILEMMAS OF EVERYDAY LIFE**

Instructor: **Rabbi Todd Chizner, Temple Judea**

This class will explore the richness of Jewish wisdom through its insights into those "typical" situations we seem to find ourselves in on a usual basis. We will examine questions such as: When can we lie and when can't we lie? Is gossip ever acceptable? Must we always be kind, and do we have to give money to the homeless person on the street?

Course #8

Title: **ANGELS AND DEMONS**

Instructor: **Rabbi Jeni Friedman, Temple Beth Sholom**

Angels and demons play a greater role in Jewish literature than many of us imagine. In this class we will explore the function of these different characters—who they are, what they look like, what they do, and their position in the Tanakh, the Talmud and our liturgy.

Course #9

Title: **BACK TO OUR ROOTS WITH A TASTE OF YIDDISH**

Instructor: **Mr. Moishe Geller
Practicing Attorney & Yiddish Teacher**

Be part of the renaissance of Yiddish language and culture. Join us for *Drei nacht lidlech, maiserlech, vitzlech, moosic und schmooze, und a Yiddisher Mikado auchet*. Three nights of fun and *mama loschen*.

Course #10

Title: **TROUBLE IN THE PALACE: THE SEEDIER SIDE OF LIFE IN THE ROYAL FAMILIES OF ISRAEL**

Instructor: **Rabbi Randy Sheinberg, Temple Emanuel**

Corruption, sexual misconduct, deception, intrigue—these are not only plagues of modern royal families and heads of state. Through a close reading of excerpts from the books of Samuel and Kings, we will learn about the dark side of ancient Israel's monarchies—and what these stories can teach us about our own beliefs and conduct.

Course #11

Title: **THE BIBLE TELLS US TO LOVE GOD... BUT DO WE HAVE TO LIKE HIM?**

Instructor: **Rabbi Cara Weinstein Rosenthal, Jewish Educator**

Why do bad things happen to good people? That's one of the most common questions asked—and one of the most difficult to answer. The philosophical field of theodicy—literally, "justifying God"—tries to explain how God could allow so much evil and still be a benevolent Deity. What happens when we find it too difficult to justify God? This course will focus on Biblical texts, such as the story of Job, in which good people suffer undue hardships; what the medieval commentators thought of these texts; and how some of our Biblical ancestors responded to their misfortunes. We will also explore what it means to struggle with God today in light of the Holocaust and 9/11.

Course #12

Title: **DEATH, DYING AND THE AFTERLIFE**

Instructor: **Rabbi Michael A. White, Temple Sinai of Roslyn**

In this three week course, we will examine how sacred scripture defines our understanding of these existential concerns. In learning the Jewish view of death and the afterlife, we will also come to see Judaism's concern for and appreciation of life.

LECTURE SERIES FOLLOWING COURSES

Registration in the Jewish Studies Courses (pg.2) includes complimentary admission to the following weekly lectures.

Monday, October 23, 2006, 8:30 P.M.

Title: ***DATELINE ISRAEL: AN INSIDER'S BRIEFING***

Guest Lecturer: **Dr. Yossi Olmert**

Dr. Yossi Olmert is a rare combination: a top Middle East scholar who is very much a political insider as well as a much published journalist and highly sought after speaker. His masterful analysis and presentations are informed by his first-hand access to policymakers in Israel, the Arab world and the United States, to say nothing of his fluency in Arabic.

As Director of the Government Press Office and Advisor to then-Prime Minister Yitzchak Shamir during the first Gulf War and the International Peace Conference in Madrid, he established press relations with the Soviet Union and the People's Republic of China and also represented the Prime Minister in numerous conferences and appearances in the United States, Great Britain, Australia, China, Japan, etc.

Dr. Olmert holds a PhD from the London School of Economics in Middle East History and headed the Syria and Lebanon desks at Tel Aviv University's Faculty of Middle East Studies until 1989.

Born into one of Israel's most prominent founding families, Dr. Olmert has been a visiting scholar at numerous universities and think tanks, including Cornell University, the College of the City of New York, as well as an official guest of the U.S. Government.

Monday, October 30, 2006, 8:30 P.M.

****(NOTE CHANGE OF TEMPLE)****

at **TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM (Roslyn Road)**

Title: ***THE RE-IMAGINATION AND REVITALIZATION OF AMERICAN JUDAISM***

Guest Lecturer: **Professor Arnold Eisen**

Prof. Arnold Eisen has been named the seventh Chancellor in the 120-year history of the Jewish Theological Seminary which is the academic and spiritual center of Conservative Judaism worldwide.

Prof. Eisen is considered one of the world's foremost experts in American Judaism, and is currently Koshland Professor of Jewish Culture and Religion and Chair of the Department of Religious Studies at Stanford University. He will assume the Chancellorship on July 1, 2007, so that he can fulfill his teaching commitments to Stanford. He embodies the Conservative Movement's deep reverence for tradition combined with great appreciation of the pluralistic nature of American Jewry. He hopes to produce and share cutting edge scholarship, capitalize on the enormous resources here and across the religious spectrum of Jewish life and to make Israel a greater part of American Jewish life.

Prof. Eisen received a PhD in the History of Jewish Thought from Hebrew University, a degree in the Sociology of Religion from Oxford University and a BA in Religious Thought from the University of Pennsylvania. He also served as Senior Lecturer in the Department of Jewish Philosophy at Tel Aviv University, and Assistant Professor in the Department of Religion at Columbia University.

Monday, November 6, 2006, 8:30 P.M.

Title: ***"STARS OF DAVID" PROMINENT JEWS TALK ABOUT BEING JEWISH***

Guest Lecturer: **Abigail Pogrebin**

Abigail Pogrebin has been a producer for Charlie Rose, Bill Moyers and 60 Minutes—for Mike Wallace and Ed Bradley. She is now a freelance journalist whose work has appeared in many publications including *The New York Times*, *New York Magazine*, *Harper's Bazaar* and *Salon*.

A personal search to understanding her own Jewish identity led Ms. Pogrebin to share intimate conversations with sixty-two well known Jews about the role of Judaism and Jewish identity (or lack thereof) plays in their personal lives. **STARS OF DAVID** offers a who's who of accomplished Jews who have distinguished themselves in entertainment, politics, fashion, media, sports, and business, and who have fascinated the American public for years.

STARS OF DAVID not only provides insights into the private thoughts and religious practices of these public people, but also serves as a springboard for readers to reconsider and rekindle their relationship to their own heritage.

Monday, November 13, 2006, 8:30 P.M.

Title: ***THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF RABBI MILTON STEINBERG***

Guest Lecturer: **Dr. David Steinberg**

Dr. David Steinberg, the ninth President of Long Island University, has been the guiding force of the University for twenty-one years. During his tenure, the University has experienced a renaissance becoming one of the largest and most comprehensive private universities in the United States.

Dr. Steinberg is the son of one of the most outstanding teachers of Judaism in the first half of the 20th century, the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg of Manhattan's Park Avenue Synagogue.

Dr. Steinberg was educated at Phillips Academy at Andover, Malvern College in England and at Harvard. After a Fulbright year at the University of the Philippines and a year at Columbia, he returned to Harvard where he received both a Masters in East Asian Studies and a PhD in History.

A prolific author, Dr. Steinberg has also written numerous Op-Ed pieces and was a member of the international observer team that monitored the Philippine presidential elections when Corazon Aquino defeated Ferdinand Marcos. He has been a consultant to UN agencies, the United States government, the Ford Foundation and others.

Monday, November 20, 2006, 8:30 P.M.

Title: ***FROM ROSLYN TO JERUSALEM: A SPIRITUAL AND INTELLECTUAL JOURNEY***

Guest Lecturer: **Professor William Kolbrener**

"From Roslyn to Jerusalem" details a story which began in Roslyn High School, continued in the halls of the Ivy League and at Oxford University and eventually led to houses of study in Jerusalem. More than an auto-biographical account, "From Roslyn to Jerusalem" provides a description of a personal and unconventional synthesis of secular studies and Jewish learning.

Prof. Kolbrener was born and raised in Roslyn, New York. He earned a BA from Columbia College, and MA from Oxford University and a PhD from Columbia University. He currently teaches in the English Department of Bar Ilan University in Israel. He has written widely on the literature, politics and philosophy of the Renaissance in England. An internationally acclaimed authority on early modern English literature, his "Milton's Warring Angels" was published by Cambridge University Press in 1997.

Kolbrener has also written many articles on Jewish philosophy which argue for the continuing relevance of Jewish tradition in facing the problems of the contemporary world.

Monday, November 27, 2006, 8:30 P.M.

Title: ***THAT KISLEV AFFAIR: WHAT REALLY HAPPENED AT HANUKKAH?***

Guest Lecturer: **Professor Robert A. Harris**

Rabbi Robert A. Harris, Associate Professor of Bible at the Jewish Theological Seminary, teaches courses in biblical literature and commentary, particularly medieval Jewish Biblical exegesis. He is considered an expert in the history of medieval Biblical exegesis having done his dissertation as well as having published several articles and reviews in this field.

Dr. Harris is a man of varied talents. He is a former actor, as well as a gifted director of musical theatre productions. He has performed in musical and dramatic productions in the New York area and with his garage band, "Shake, Rabbis and Roll." He was once voted "New York's Funniest Rabbi" for doing stand up comedy.

Professor Harris will treat us to an insightful and enlightening discussion of What Really Happened at Hanukkah,—including the intrigue and infighting of the different sects of Jews.

Monday, December 4, 2006, 7:45 P.M.

"DER YIDDISHER MIKADO" Performed by the Gilbert & Sullivan Yiddish Light Opera Company of Long Island

For a fun-filled, joyous evening, join us for "Der Yiddisher Mikado," a Yiddish/English comic operetta based on "The Mikado" by Gilbert & Sullivan and performed by The Gilbert & Sullivan Light Opera Company of Long Island, a well established U.S. repertory company staffed by people who love both Yiddish and the works of Gilbert & Sullivan. The company has toured London, Toronto and North America.

The Victorian wit and satire of Gilbert & Sullivan have been magically blended into this unique Yiddish/English production. Hearing Britishisms come out as Yiddishisms will make you roar with laughter. The elaborate silk-sequined costumes and colorful scenery are Japanese; the music is vintage Gilbert & Sullivan (although the lyrics are Yiddish translations of the original British versions); the dialogue is in English, with a taste of Yiddish. There is high melodrama, low humor, asides to the audience, twists, coincidences, plus a solid core of genuine sentiment and nostalgia. **SOMEONE WITH LITTLE OR NO KNOWLEDGE OF YIDDISH CAN EASILY FOLLOW THE PLOT.**