

**HAR-EL**  
An Institute for Study and Worship in the Reform Tradition

Member Union for Reform Judaism

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# CONGREGATION HAR-EL CALENDAR

**WINTER  
2022**

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ALL EVENTS ARE ZOOM UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED. VACCINATION, MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING RULES ARE SUGGESTED.



## About Our Shabbat Services...

Each Friday evening at 5:00 PM Shabbat Eve services are held on Zoom. Rabbi Zions shares a D'var Torah on a timely topic based on our timeless tradition. Cantor Gole chants the service and provides an informative insight on the life and contributions of an American-Jewish composer. Rabbi holds Torah Study on Zoom each Saturday at 11:00 AM.



## Mondays on Zoom with Rabbi Zions (Membership Required)

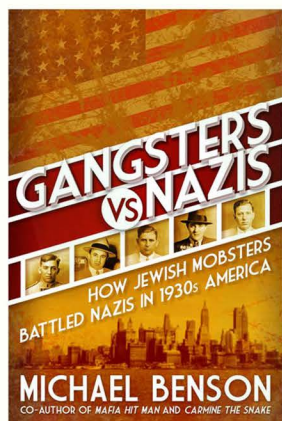
Har-El Classes Offered on Zoom to residents and non-residents. Rabbi Richard Zions, Ph.D., offers three classes on Monday:

10:30 AM—Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class

1:00 PM—Conversion to Judaism

4:00 PM—Youth Bar/Bat Mitzvah Preparation

Individual Zoom Sessions will be offered for beginning students who require extra preparation for group study. For registration and additional information, email: [harelurjpd@gmail.com](mailto:harelurjpd@gmail.com) or call Rabbi Zions at (760) 668-9943.



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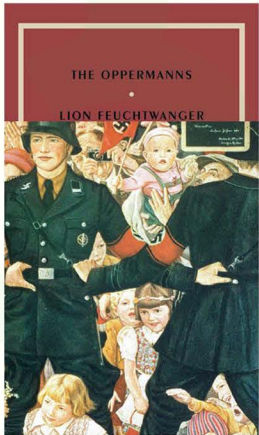
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Topic: "Why Here? Why Now? The Rise of the New Anti-Semitism"

Seating Limited--Location: Jewish Federation Community Room. PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED--Email harelurjpd@gmail.com—No fee--Please consider making a contribution to the Ukraine Fund when you attend. Pre-Hanukkah Refreshments 3:00 PM / Presentation 3:30 PM / Conclusion by 5 P.M.

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## LOOKING AHEAD

February is the month during which we celebrate Tu B'Shvat—the New Year of the Trees.

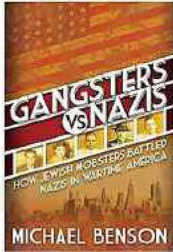
This celebration reinforces our commitment to the environment. We will again hold an interfaith, abbreviated Tu B'Shvat Seder conducted by Rabbi Zions. Date, place and time to be announced.

Thank you to Molly Thorpe for being the sponsor of the event.

# EXCITING PROGRAMS OFFERED OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS!

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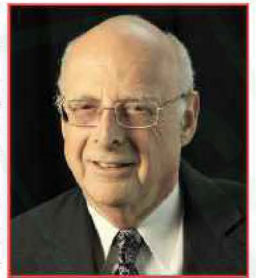
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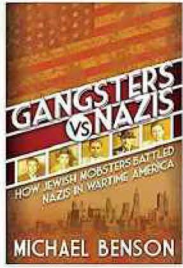


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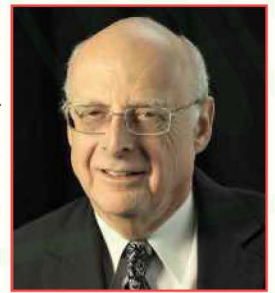
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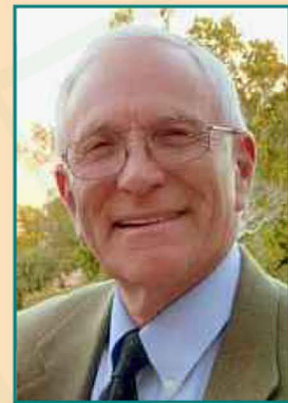
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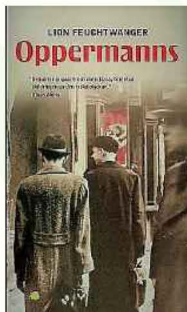
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