

# Shalom East Family Matters

SPRING 2020



## Passover

Passover, a joyous and major Jewish Festival, commemorates the liberation of the Jewish People from slavery in Egypt over three thousand years ago. The Jewish People recall that their ancestors needed to hurriedly leave Egypt and thus, the bread did not have time to rise or leaven. Thus, Jews eat unleavened bread (bread that has not been allowed to rise) called *matzah* during Passover. Throughout the eight days of the Holiday, the Jewish People do not eat leavened bread (bread that has risen) and do not consume any leavened products or *chometz* as well as many different vegetables that “rise” such as rice, peas and beans. The Jewish home is thoroughly cleaned and made kosher for Passover and all leavened products are discarded or stored away until after the Holiday. Special foods are ordered that do not contain any leavened products.

On the first two evenings of Passover, Jews celebrate the holiday by attending special festive meals known as Seders. During the Seders, specific foods are eaten that symbolize slavery and freedom, prayers and blessings are recited and songs are sung in a particular order to re-enact and relive the miraculous passage from bondage to liberty. A special prayer book, known as a Haggadah, is used during the Seder. Passover Seders are among the most important Jewish observances.

In 2020, Passover begins on Wednesday evening, April 8th and concludes on the night of Thursday, April 16th. The Passover Seders occur in the late afternoon on

Wednesday, April 8th and on Thursday, April 9th. The Holy Days of Passover are Wednesday evening, April 8th through the night of Friday, April 10th and Tuesday evening, April 14th through the night of Thursday, April 16th. Aside from the special dietary restrictions throughout Passover, any activity is permitted from Sunday, April 12th through sunset on Tuesday, April 14th. Shalom kitchens may start to serve kosher for Passover foods a few days before the Festival begins.

### Restrictions

In 2020, the following restrictions apply from Wednesday evening, April 8th through the night of Thursday, April 9th and from Tuesday evening, April 14th through the night of Thursday April 16th.

- There will be no loudspeaker paging except for emergencies and doctor calls.
- No shopping or use of Shalom bus except for transporting residents and tenants to the synagogue/church/temple/mosque and for doctor visits.
- No outings
- No official meetings will be held.
- No educational sessions, in-services or orientations for staff.
- Business office is closed.
- No money will publicly change hands.
- Offices are open and operating but business, including phone calls, is to occur behind closed doors.
- Beauty, gift shops & delis will be closed.\*
- No bingo or games of chance that involve money or writing.
- No manicures.
- No arts and crafts activities or programs that involve writing.

# New Electronic Monitoring Law Now in Effect



Sholom complies with the Electronic Monitoring law pursuant to Minn. Stat. §144.6502. Residents or their Resident Representative pursuant to the statute and Sholom's Electronic Monitoring Policy and Procedure, have the

right to place an electronic monitoring device in the resident's room or private living unit after appropriate consent and notification requirements are met by the resident and any roommate. It is the policy of Sholom not to prohibit or retaliate against a resident for conducting electronic monitoring pursuant to the law. Please contact Andrea Krebs (Administrator), Lisa Charlton (Director of Social Service) or a Social Worker for a full copy of the Electronic Monitoring Policy and Procedure, or for any additional questions.

## What is Electronic Monitoring?

"Electronic Monitoring" means the placement and use of an electronic monitoring device by a resident in the resident's room or private living unit.

"Electronic Monitoring Device" means a camera or other device that captures, records, or broadcasts audio, video, or both, that is placed in a resident's room or private living unit and is used to monitor the resident or activities in the room or private living unit.

## Resident Obligations:

Prior to conducting electronic monitoring, a Resident or in some cases the Resident Representative, must provide written notification and consent to Sholom, or in certain circumstances outlines in the law and Policy to the Office of Ombudsman for Long-Term Care (Ombudsman), on the form developed by the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH). This form is available at Sholom by asking the Administrator or a Social Worker or through MDH.

The resident must also obtain written notification and consent on the MDH form by any roommate of the resident wishing to conduct electronic monitoring and provide it to Sholom or the Ombudsman per statute and the Policy.

The resident and resident's roommate have the right to place conditions on the electronic monitoring and have the right to withdraw consent at any time. Any conditions or withdrawal of consent must be stated on the notifications and consent form.

The resident must bear the cost of any electronic monitoring device, installation, maintenance and removal. (This also includes the cost of internet service.)

**Please note that Sholom has allowed electronic monitoring prior to the new law. Anyone currently using electronic monitoring is asked to talk to their Social Worker so that the new forms required can be completed.**

## Calendar

### MARCH (All in Auditorium)

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| 5  | 2 pm     | U of M Raptor Center                   |
| 8  | 10:30 am | St Patrick's Day Association concert   |
| 9  | 4 pm     | Purim Service/Megillah Reading         |
|    | 5 pm     | Purim Dinner & Klezmer Performance     |
| 12 | 2 pm     | Flamenco Dancer                        |
| 16 | 12 pm    | Shamrock Luncheon with bagpiper        |
| 19 | 2 pm     | Belly Dancer                           |
| 26 | 2 pm     | Unwrapping the Music - MacPhail series |

### APRIL

*Note: Programming may be limited due to Passover Seders—Dates not announced yet*

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| 2  | 2 pm | Summit Music Series classical concert  |
| 23 | 2 pm | Unwrapping the Music - MacPhail series |
| 30 | 2 pm | Jackie Robinson program                |