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THE **CHEVRA** CHADASHOT

CHEVRA MISHNAYES SYNAGOGUE NEWSLETTER



GAB N' GRILL

SUMMER BBQ AT CHEVRA MISHNAYES



SUNDAY

July 23, 2023



GRILL OPENS AT

1 pm



Please bring:

Lawn chair
Non-perishable food items
for JCFS
Your appetite!



Veggie options
available

RSVP AND PREPAY AT: chevra@shaw.ca

ONLY
\$18

A BOOKMARK OF SUCCESS

MONTHLY CLUB ENCOURAGES READERS OF ALL INTERESTS AND AGES

Update by Justin Lewis

The Chevra Mishnayas book club welcomes new and old readers for snacks and discussion, about once a month. So far we have enjoyed reading and talking about *The Railroad Stories*, by Sholem Aleichem; *The Jew in the Lotus*, by Rodger Kamenetz; *The Full Catastrophe*, by Winnipeg's own Meira Cook; *A Journey to the End of the Millennium*, by A.B. Yehoshua; *People of the Book*, by Geraldine Brooks; and *The Red Tent*, by Anita Diamant.

For summer reading, we have chosen two books: *My Quarrel with Hersh Rasseyner*, by Chaim Grade, translated by Ruth Wisse; and *Writing The Sacred: A Psalm-Inspired Path to appreciating and writing Sacred Poetry*, by Ray McGinnis (not to be confused with the many other books with similar titles).

My Quarrel with Hersh Rasseyner, now available in the original Yiddish side by side with Ruth Wisse's translation, is a brief and fierce debate between a secular Yiddish writer and an Orthodox friend from his youth, in the aftermath of the Holocaust. This book can be ordered through McNally or Chapters or from online booksellers.

Writing the Sacred by Ray McGinnis is a book to write with, looking at how the Psalms in the Bible work as poetry and how we can write our own poetry in similar ways. There is a copy of this book in the Winnipeg Public Library and it is available from online booksellers such as Abebooks Canada.

The next book club meeting is on Wednesday September 6, at 7 pm in the Chevra Mishnayas social hall (downstairs). We'll argue over Grade's argument with his friend Hersh, and share our thoughts about the Psalms and any psalms we have written over the summer. Everyone is welcome (even if you haven't done the reading...) We will also decide what to read next as we return to a monthly meeting schedule.

For more information contact Ruth Stargardter @ ruthstar5456@gmail.com



DID JEW KNOW?

It is a mitzvah to be healthy! Living a healthy spiritual life requires living a healthy physical life as well. Maimonides, the great philosopher and physician, wrote in the Mishne Torah, "Since maintaining a healthy and sound body is among the ways of God, it is a person's duty to avoid whatever is injurious to the body and to cultivate habits that promote health and vigor." So put down the leftover cholent and go for a run!

WHAT'S NU?

Want updates?
You're in the right place!

FORGET CHARLES, WE'VE GOT HARRY!

HARRY KAPLAN CROWNED 'KING OF WINNIPEG'S NORTH END'

In case you missed the June 10th edition of The Senior Scope (not to be confused with your annual colonoscopy), our very own Harry Kaplan was highlighted by family friend, Myles Shane. Mazel tov, King Harry!

[Click here](#) to read the article on page 13.



BIG FANS OF COOL SHUL

NEW HVAC SYSTEM INSTALLED TO DELIGHT OF SHUL SCHVITZERS

Thank you once again to the Jewish Foundation of Manitoba for awarding us the grants necessary to go forward with our basement renovations. We are thrilled to announce that our new furnace and air conditioning units have been installed! Our next phase, including upgrades to our basement ceiling and lighting will begin in the weeks ahead. Stay tuned!



What a beauty!



Vintage crates found in
furnace room

Woohoo!



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