

# Ark WEEKLY

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## PHOTO OF THE WEEK







Purim 2024 did not disappoint. We hope you enjoyed the Purim Kiddush as much as we did. Lots of hamentashen were made AND eaten!

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ARK

### ARK Times 2024

We are in the process of creating our annual magazine - ARK Times.

The magazine will be distributed before Rosh Hashanah.

This is our major fundraising vehicle for the year, and we would appreciate it if you or any businesses / organisations you know would like to advertise in it.

The magazine is distributed to over 2000 households and businesses across Melbourne.

**Advertisement prices:**

- \* 1/4 page : \$440 inc. gst
- \* 1/2 page : \$880 inc. gst
- \* Full page : \$1,650 inc. gst

Please contact the office for more information and booking form.

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ARK Times 2023

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BACKGAMMON



# BACKGAMMON TOURNAMENT @ ARK CENTRE

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## TUESDAY 2ND APRIL

### Time : 7.00PM

**ARK members \$20**

**non-members \$25**



All queries: [manager@arkcentre.com.au](mailto:manager@arkcentre.com.au)

**BOOK NOW**

## SALE OF CHAMETZ FORM



To sell your Chametz, please fill in the form below and return it to [office@arkcentre.com.au](mailto:office@arkcentre.com.au) by 9am Monday 22nd April.

[Link to Form](#)

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## SEDER BOXES

Seder boxes are back this year! Prepared by Chef Francis, our very own Master chef. These have been very popular in the past, so please get your orders in early.

Please note only 1 Seder plate will be provided per family.

1 box provides food for 1 person

Orders close midday 15th April

# SEDER DINNER TAKE HOME PACK



## ITEMS FOR SEDER PLATE

Everything you need for the Seder Plate. Plate not included.

## ENTREE

Egg Salad  
Chopped Liver  
Matzah

## CHICKEN SOUP WITH KNEIDLACH

Clear Chicken Soup with  
Kneidelach

## MAIN

2 meat dishes  
2 salads  
2 hot dishes

## DESSERT

1 dessert



**\$80 PER PERSON**

**ORDER BY 12PM  
15TH APRIL**

**PICK UP 9-2PM  
APRIL 22ND**

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SECOND SEDER



# Passover


## SEDER

Join us for a meaningful and traditional  
Second Night Seder at ARK.

**TUESDAY 23 APRIL**

**Shul Service: 6.30pm**

**Dinner Time: 7.00pm**



Cost : Adults \$80 non members \$90  
Children (5-11 years) \$50 non members \$55  
Under 5s free



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office@arkcentre.com.au for more information

**Book Now**

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A MESSAGE FROM RABBI GABI





As we begin reading Vayikra, the third book of the Torah, known as 'Sefer Hakorbanot' or the Book of Sacrifices, there are descriptions of the different types of sacrifices, the prayers and detailed explanations of how and when.

While the term 'sacrifice' may evoke negative connotations, its Hebrew counterpart 'korbanot' originates from 'kiruv,' meaning 'closeness,' highlighting its purpose of fostering a connection between the person and Hashem.

In biblical times, the size of one's herd and the amount of livestock they owned determined their wealth and social status. Hence, whether atoning for sins or expressing gratitude, individuals sought to bring offerings of value, often in the form of animals. Even those unable to afford whole animals could contribute with sacrifices of flour or oil.

This historical context sheds light on why korbanot remain significant today, despite the cessation of ritual performance for over 2,000 years. The central theme of a korban was for the person to donate and contribute something of value to Hashem, taking time to connect and reflect—a notion that transcends time and remains relevant.

It's easy to feel that sharing what we have is akin to making a korban, a "sacrifice," but we learn from this week's parasha that it actually creates closeness like "kiruv." When we share, whether it's material possessions, time, or compassion, we bridge the gap between ourselves as an individual and the community, fostering bonds of unity and understanding.

Modern findings echo these principles, underscoring the psychological and physiological benefits of altruism. While we don't engage in Korbanot, we can still embody their essence by praying (aka "davening") to Hashem and embracing opportunities to help others daily.

So the next time you get a request for help, especially if it is something that will require patience, effort, and even toil, don't irritably reject it out of hand. Rather, close your eyes, take a deep breath, and ask

yourself, 'is it possible that Hashem has brought this person to me for help, so that I will have the blessing of giving'?

Shabbat shalom and enjoy the long weekend.

Rabbi Gabi

## A PRAYER FOR PEACE

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### Oseh Shalom a prayer for peace

עוֹשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמָיו הוּא  
יַעֲשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל  
יִשְׂרָאֵל וְאָמְרוּ: אָמֵן

*Oseh shalom bimromav, hu'yaseh shalom  
aleinu, va'akol yisrael. Vimru: amen.*

May the One who creates peace in  
the heavens bring peace to us and to  
all of Israel. And we say: Amen.

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## Yahrzeit



Wishing long life to Dov Potasnik and family on the passing of his sister **Dalia Nechuma bat Pinchus Hacoheh**

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Robert Cainer on the yahrzeit of **Dora Cainer**  
Arthur Baigel on the yahrzeit of his mother **Malschi Baigel**

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Wishing long life to all those affected by the tragedy in Israel.

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



**Happy Birthday** to these members of our community for the upcoming week;

Mia Kallenbach  
Devorah Scott  
Tony Beaconsfield  
Hayley Krongold  
Peter Eizenberg  
Jeremy Deane  
Inna Kulawiec  
Matthew Beaconsfield

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## CANDLE LIGHTING



### **Kabbalat Shabbat**

Service commences approx. 6.15pm concludes by 6.45pm.

**Kiddush commences at 5.45pm**

### **Shabbat Morning**

Service commences at **10.00 am** sharp.

### **Candle Lighting**

Friday 29th March (Adar II 19, 5784) at **7:00pm**

### **Shabbat Ends**

Saturday 30th March (Adar II 20, 5784) at **7.55pm**

### **Parasha : Tsav**

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## Jo's announcement



Jo Star, our GM has resigned to take on the role of CEO for Save a Childs' Heart. Jo will be finishing up at ARK at the end of April.

We would like to thank Jo for all her hard work over the past couple of years and wish her all the best in her new role. We are sure that Jo will not be a stranger to the ARK family once she leaves.

So, that means we're recruiting a new General Manager!! If this is a



role you (or someone you know) may be interested in, please click the link below and you can find all the details on Seek. Alternatively, you can email [board@arkcentre.com.au](mailto:board@arkcentre.com.au) and have a confidential discussion with our HR Committee about the role.

[More Information](#)

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## COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

COMEDY FESTIVAL  
Michael Shafar

# MICHAEL SHAFAR

lots to say

*"Shafar circumnavigates the line  
between edgy and offensive  
with beautiful finesse"*

★★★★☆ *The Age*

28 MARCH - 21 APRIL 9:30PM (8:30PM SUNDAY)  
QT MELBOURNE, 133 RUSSELL STREET  
TICKETS: [COMEDYFESTIVAL.COM.AU](http://COMEDYFESTIVAL.COM.AU)



ARK members enter code **ARK** for 20% off tickets to any of his shows.

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## NATIONAL JEWISH FERTILITY NETWORK'S Inaugural event

**THE AUSTRALIAN JEWISH FERTILITY NETWORK'S  
INAUGURAL MELBOURNE COMMUNITY  
Event**

One in six families in our community struggle with the heartache of infertility. AJFN's financial, emotional, and spiritual support is more than just support; it is a lifeline. Together, we can give these families hope and the chance to create not only a life but a lifetime of treasured memories.

Join us for an evening filled with miracles as we play our part in building the next generation. Featuring:



AN EXCLUSIVE VIEWING OF AJFN'S  
DOCUMENTARY 1 IN 6: JANINE & SHIMON'S  
RAW AND EMOTIVE IVF JOURNEY



DR. DANIEL LANTSBERG  
FERTILITY SPECIALIST  
MELBOURNE IVF

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 *It's more than a life, it's a lifetime.*

Please join the Australian Jewish Fertility Network as they present to the community how they support all Jewish Australians on their fertility journey with financial, emotional and spiritual support. Raising awareness and educating the community about infertility in the Jewish community. Ensuring that no Jewish Australian is ever alone on their fertility journey.

[Register Here](#)

## JEAP APP CSG & Hatzolah App



JEAP is the Jewish Emergency Application giving you instant access to the two Victorian Jewish Community First Response groups.

At the push of a button, access CSG for security-related incidents and Hatzolah for medical emergencies to obtain fastest response 'when every second counts'.

**We encourage all our members to download this App and hope that you never need to use it.**

**Download App**

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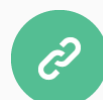
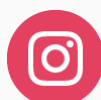
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