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Middletown, Connecticut
January 2015/Tevet-Shevat 5775



RESOLVE TO BE JEWISH

by Rabbi Haaz

As we usher in the secular new year, there is much talk about setting New Year's resolutions – resolutions to exercise, eat healthier, spend more time with family, or take a professional step forward. What about making a resolution to *Celebrate Jewish Life* more fully? Avraham Infeld, a well-traveled speaker through his efforts to inspire Jews to cultivate a love for Jewish learning and for Israel, teaches that Judaism is a five-legged table. These five legs are memory, family, covenant, Israel, and Hebrew. I remember when I first heard Infeld explain how the five-legged table of Jewish life works. He said that not every Jewish person is inclined to connect to all five legs of the table. The most that we can demand is that each Jew incorporates three of the legs into his or her life. A table cannot stand on two legs; only three legs will lend stability to Jewish life. Also, if each Jew incorporates at least three of the five legs (memory, family, covenant, Hebrew, and Israel), then all Jews will share at least one of the legs in common.

I, and many of my colleagues, often teach that all mitzvot are equal and we fulfill mitzvot all of the time in our lives by being loving family members, loyal friends, and good neighbors. We honor

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SEMI ANNUAL MEETING

by Michael Sigal

I hope that everyone had a Happy Chanukah and a Happy New Year! I want to congratulate Eliot Meadow for his election to the USCJ Board of Directors.

Be on the lookout for information about an adult education program to be held this month. It will be in the weekly eNews and will be displayed on our electronic bill board in the lobby.

The dates have not been finalized yet, but later this month or early February, Rabbi Haaz and another member of the synagogue will make the annual trip down to Florida to see our Floridian members.

We posted information about Membership and our Religious School on our web site. Information about Life Cycle events is next to be posted.

We are starting another program as part of our community building efforts. The program is called "My House is Your House". Our plan is to have an informal gathering of members and potential members at a member's house on a bi monthly basis. Board members and invitees will gather for conversation, snacks, and a learning session with the Rabbi. The first meeting will be held this month. We are including families who have kids in high school and/

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our parents, visit the sick, and care for the needy. We also conduct our businesses with honesty and integrity and consider the well-being of animals. Each of these acts has special components that make them Jewish, but all human beings should be doing these things. These acts alone do not identify us as Jewish. There are five acts, five legs, that are uniquely Jewish. For the continuity and stability of the Jewish people, it is important for each of us to adopt at least three of the following legs: Shabbat, kashrut, Torah study, Jewish prayer, and Hebrew/Israel.

The New Year's resolution to adopt a practice of Jewish life does not mean that it must be mastered. It does not mean that you must become fluent in Hebrew or a scholar of Jewish texts. It does not mean that you must attend morning minyan (although that would be great!) or never eat out in a non-kosher restaurant again. The all-or-nothing resolutions like "I will exercise for two hours every day" and "I will never eat chocolate again" are doomed to fail. And, Adath Israel is too important to fail. The resolution to *Celebrate Jewish life* is a path upon which you set your feet with no expectations of an end goal.

Shabbat – Shabbat is perhaps the greatest contribution that Jewish tradition has brought into the world because it teaches us that our lifetime is incredibly precious. Consider picking up a new Shabbat practice – light candles at home or call your children every Friday evening and give them a blessing.

Kashrut – As Jews, we craft the experience of eating to elevate it from an act of satiation to an act of holiness. Consider saying the appropriate blessing before drinking a glass of water or biting into a piece of fruit.

Torah study – When we sit together to study Torah, we strive to discern God's hidden voice and instruction. We reach back to meet our ancestors as we investigate the questions that intrigued and inspired them. Consider meeting once a month with a friend or a small group of friends to study Jewish texts around a topic that is relevant to you in your life.

Jewish prayer – It is through the words, desires, and fears of our ancestors that we are able to come up with our own words to speak to God and express what is in our hearts. If you are not able to attend morning minyan or Shabbat minyan, consider saying the Shema when you wake up in the morning to the potential of a new day or when you go to sleep at night and reflect on the day now coming to a close.

Hebrew/Israel – Although God certainly understands every language, God chose to reveal Godself through Hebrew. Hebrew is a sacred language, and when we honor the significant moments in our lives, we do so in Hebrew. Consider learning the sound of one Hebrew letter each week or renting an Israeli film or television series (with English captions, of course) to hear the sound of modern Hebrew spoken by Israelis. Hebrew is an important component of a love for the State of Israel, our Jewish homeland, another unique element of Jewish life. Consider setting aside ten minutes each week to reading an article from an Israeli newspaper or attending educational lectures or events in support of Israel.

As you choose your New Year's resolution for 2015, choose to *Celebrate Jewish Life* more fully. Work to stabilize your own Jewish life by incorporating at least three of the five acts that are unique to Judaism: Shabbat, kashrut, Torah study, Jewish prayer, and Hebrew/Israel. If you celebrate three legs, you will ensure that you always share at least one leg in common with every other Jew you meet. And, as the members of Adath Israel incorporate these Jewish practices, we will begin to build bridges to each other and deepen the ties that make us a community. I look forward to sharing 2015 with you and your family and to being a resource as you build your table of Jewish life.



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or in college. We think this is a good way to reconnect families to one another and to give the kids a chance to interact with one another as those high school students are in the process of making their collegiate decision. Many thanks to the Goldstein family for hosting this event.

In the spirit of community building, here's the latest chapter in the Sigal story. Last month I told you about the adventures of a cracked master bathroom toilet. All repairs have been completed and our life is back to normal. Amy is still working at J Crew in New York City. Stacey completed the fall semester of her senior year at Dickinson and is home on semester break.

I misspoke in last month's Kolot about our semiannual meeting because the article was written before November 17th. WE DID NOT HAVE A SEMI ANNUAL MEETING. We require a quorum of at least 20 members for semiannual meetings to take place. Only 14 members, most of whom were board members, showed up. I am deeply saddened by this. As you've either heard say, building the Adath Israel community is what I have dedicated my Presidency to. If we do not engage our current members, how can we possibly attract prospective members?

So, I am going to get on my soap box to talk about the June 14th semiannual meeting. I want to encourage all of you to come. The agenda will include: 1) reviewing and accepting the 2013/2014 audit report; 2) discussion and approval of the 2015/2016 budget; and 3) election of officers. We are also going to try a couple of other things to get people to come to the meeting including possibly bringing in a speaker to talk about a topic that we think would be of interest to our members and moving the time of the meeting up from 10:30 AM to 9:30 AM.

The June semiannual meeting is incredibly important. Those agenda items are critical to the operation of the synagogue. I've heard that there are people who have heard me talk about closing the doors and think that we'll never do it. Here's the deal. If we do not have a quorum, we cannot elect officers. Without officers, we cannot conduct business. The Shul doors cannot be opened on Monday June 15th, unless the meeting is held and all of the business on the agenda is conducted. I'm not kidding! So PLEASE, mark this date on your calendars and come!!

Why am I saying this? I want this place to be

here tomorrow and for many tomorrows to come. The Adath Israel community has brought the Sigals friends, helped us celebrate life joys with us and helped us through the tough times. Doesn't everyone want this?

In closing, please come to services, come to an event, volunteer for an event and/or volunteer for a leadership position. We need you!



PLEASE JOIN US AGAIN FOR ADATH ISRAEL'S – "SATURDAY NIGHT LIGHTS"

Saturday Night Lights (SNL) brings our community together to make in *Havdallah*, the time between Shabbat and the week to come. When we make *Havdallah*, we taste the sweetness of wine, smell the fragrance of spices, and see the flickering brightness of candlelight. Most importantly, we smile and sing together – the perfect way to start off the week. Please join us and make this year's even better!

What: **Saturday Night Lights (SNL)**

When: Saturday, January 17 at 4:30 PM

Where: Main Sanctuary

What to bring: smile, singing voice



Daf Beit Haseifer shel Teiveit/Sh'vat The School Page for Tevet/Shevat



On Sunday, December 7th, we took part in a special project with local artist Karen Rossi. The school was given the opportunity to help her with designs and ideas for her new line of Aleph-Bet placemats that she is creating to be sold in Judaica shops and with Sisterhoods in synagogues across the country.



On Tuesday, December 9th, Adath Israel partnered with the Russell Library to put on "Hands on Hanukkah." We hosted this during their regular Tuesday evening story-time. A small crowd attended even though the program took place during a terrible rain nor'easter storm event.



January 2, 2015 Pray—Eat— Sing

Services start at 5:30 PM with dinner following. The family-friendly atmosphere and earlier time makes it easy for even our youngest members to have a great Shabbat experience. Best of all dinner is FREE for members and first-time guests! We do ask that you RSVP to the synagogue office (860) 346-4709 by Monday, Dec. 29.

January 7, 2015 - Classes resume

First day back from the winter break.

January 11, 2015 - Spiritual Tefillah

Grades 4th - Confirmation will attend this monthly service where we will learn about the Saturday morning prayers. Parents are encouraged to attend. Tefillah will be held in the main sanctuary at 11:30 AM.

January 17, 2014 - Saturday Night Lights Havdallah

Instead of Shabbat L'hol Adat this month we will be doing a Havdallah for everyone program. The program will begin at 4:30 PM with the mincha service in the main sanctuary. We will enjoy a light *seudah shlishit* (third meal) and then conclude with ma'ariv and Havdallah together.

January 21, 2015 - Education Committee Meeting

All are invited to come and join us for the religious school Education Committee meeting. The meeting will begin at 6:00 PM, after religious school ends. A light dinner will be provided and we will try and find somebody who can watch the children downstairs while the meeting takes place. If you have any questions pertaining to the Education Committee or the meeting, please contact either Wendy Wilkins at wsljlw@yahoo.com or Grae Sibelman at adathisraelrs@yahoo.com. Please RSVP if you plan to attend so that we can plan accordingly for food and childcare.

January 25, 2015 - Ruach Tefillah

All K - Confirmation students will take part in our Ruach Tefillah program at 11:30 AM in the main sanctuary. This tefillah program focuses on teaching the Friday night songs. Parents are encouraged to attend.

**Save
the
Dates!**

February 1

10 AM Brunch & Learn

Dr. Michael Good:

***The Search
for Major Plage***

February 24

1:30-6:30 PM

Red Cross

Blood Drive

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

By Myra Finkelstein

What seven things come to mind when you think of paper? Here is my list: 1) Putting pen to paper to create something of interest. 2) Catching up on the news through the newspaper. 3) The amount of paperwork that I dealt with as teacher. 4) The game rock, paper, scissors. 5) Camp crafts such as origami, paper planes, boats, hats, or sit-upons. 6) The endless amount of legal documents we sign as mature adults. 7) And lastly I think of Dave Shulman. Over the past several years, the synagogue has published a great deal of programs and other printed materials for publicity. Our January volunteer recognition individual has donated not only the resources to produce these articles but also served on the publicity committee of numerous functions. When someone hears the name Dave Shulman, they think of a man with credibility and integrity. Dave has a strong sense of family, whether it is his immediate family, his work family, his hometown family or the Jewish family at large. Dave was an Israeli Bond honoree. He also supports the Israeli economy by purchasing copier paper from a paper factory in a small town near Haifa. Dave, an avid golfer, participates in the Interfaith Golf Tournament. He is also one of the high sellers of raffle tickets for our yearly raffle. He has become a regular minyanaires and can be found leading the morning service. Dave serves the greater Middletown community through his involvement with various boards in East Hampton: Rotary Club, Park and Recreation, Ambulance Association, Red Cross just to name a few. In Middletown he is involved with the YMCA, the Council of Business Partners, which provides funds for such programs as "No Bully Zone", and the Rushford Center. I know that there are so many more clubs, organizations, and programs that have benefited from both the time and effort that Dave Shulman has provided. Next time you see a piece of paper whether it be a scrap or a large sheet reflect on all of Dave's contributions.



LIFE CYCLES



Daniel & Judi Merida
Robert & Beverly Pugliese



Matthew Feldman
Richard Kamins
Steven Weiss
Jeffrey Beit
Judi Merida
Allen Schatz
Beverly Pugliese
Harold Kaplan
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Mark Finkelstein
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IN HONOR OF

Norman Hanenbaum earning the William Pomfret Veterans Community Service Award by Edie Betts

SPEEDY RECOVERY

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IN HONOR OF

The 1st Nathan Olshin Scholar-in-Residence Series lecture by Linda & Jack Adler

WITH GRATITUDE to Harriet Thiela for her help by Jeffrey & Bobette Reed Kahn

SYNAGOGUE FUND

IN HONOR OF

The Birth of Ian Paxton, Sharon Slossberg's newest grandchild

Hazel Kurlansky's Birthday by
Anita Henessey

Joanna Schnurman

A Belated Happy Birthday to Ruth Beit by Sara Paley

SPEEDY RECOVERY

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STRENGTHENING OUR KEHILLAH THROUGH THE ANNUAL APPEAL

“a *kehilla* is a sacred community, a group formed by Jews who have joined with each other to seek God, to explore and live out their understanding of Jewishness, to offer and to get support, to share joy and sorrow, to learn and grow together, to explore the meaning of their lives and the wisdom of their ancestors.” - USCJ

Our Adath Israel *kehillah* can't fulfill its mission without gifts of time and money from congregants. A successful Annual Appeal is crucial to maintaining Adath Israel, which is more than a religious school, more than a *bimah*, more than a place for social gatherings. It is our community's Jewish home.

Todah rabbah, Thank you, to the following individuals for contributing to our 5775 Annual Appeal, helping to ensure that Adath Israel remains a place where we can gather, grow and share the events in our lives, to be the place where we Celebrate Jewish Life: Mark & Luanne Paley, Richmond & Laurie Dickerson, Bobette Reed & Jeffrey Kahn, Arlene Pressman, Richard & Randy Parks, and Dr. Howard Rosenbaum.



Mark your calendar for "Pray - Eat - Sing"

Friday night - January 2

Services at 5:30 pm followed by a
Shabbat Dinner at 6:30 pm

Our whole community comes together to celebrate the joy of Shabbat. Early services let us pray together and share a meal and conversation. After dinner Rabbi Haaz will teach Shabbat songs (and take requests).

MUST RSVP: Synagogue office at 860-346-4709 by December 29 in order to be sure we have enough food for all who join us.

Please, remember to bring a non-perishable food item for the Amazing Grace Food Pantry.

Cost: Free to all members (reservations are a must.) Non-members must also RSVP and are free the first time. After that, there is a charge of \$10 per person or \$18 per family each time you attend thereafter.

Monetary donations toward the cost of food are requested
and gratefully appreciated.

Your help needed: Contact Harriet Thiela or the office if you would like to help prepare the meal. If you can't assist with preparations, help is always needed and very much appreciated with clean up after dinner.

Congratulations, Richard!

Resolution No.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Richard Kamins being a lifelong resident of Middletown, graduating from Middletown High School Class of 1966; and from Middlesex Community College, the University of Connecticut at Storrs; and a degree from Wesleyan through the Graduate Liberal Studies Program; and

WHEREAS, Richard married Naomi Gordon in 1970 and raised two daughters Sarah and Rachel. Worked with his Father at the Local Bottle Shop from 1971 – 1976 at which time he purchased the store becoming a Middletown merchant and small business owner until 2006; He joined the Faculty of Seminar Programs at Quinnipiac University, Fall, 2010; and

WHEREAS, in 1996, he began his own local radio show which has aired for nineteen years; And from 1976-2006 wrote a column for the Middletown/Shoreline editions of the Hartford Courant with both of these forums dedicated to promoting, introducing and bringing intimate insight of our rich, cultural and diverse arts scene to the public; and for many years has been a jazz critic/reviewer with a focus on the positives; and

WHEREAS, Richard has shown a lifelong commitment to his town and to its residents as an advocate and a leader, sharing his time, guidance and talent through years of dedicated service on the Boards of the Congregation Adath Israel, the Middletown Historical Society and the Board of the Russell Library. He is a performing member of the Vintage Players and has stepped in and up repeatedly helping other area arts and performing arts groups; and

WHEREAS, Richard served as a Commissioner for the Middletown Commission on the Arts from 2000 to 2014 holding the position of Vice Chair from 2001-2003 and Chair from 2003-2005 and assisted the City in continuing to maintain Middletown's reputation as a valuable arts destination; and

WHEREAS, Richard's was a steady voice in many deliberations and his counsel was well regarded by the Commissioners; His dry sense of humor and sharp observational skills enlivened many meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN: That we thank Richard Kamins for his dedicated work on the Commission on the Arts for the last fourteen years. Richard has been a highly visible and active proponent of the arts in Middletown; through his efforts of seeking artistic creativity and innovation for our community he has helped Middletown develop and grow into a destination for many people.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That we wish Richard health and happiness and hope that he continues to be an active presence in Middletown and in its arts scene. His dedication as a volunteer on the Arts Commission will be greatly missed.

Submitted by: Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano and
Councilman Robert P. Santangelo on
Behalf of the Mayor and Common Council

Status:
by Common Council, City of Middletown
at its meeting held on:

IT'S NEWS

**“Where There Is No Bread,
There Is No Torah”** Thank you
to following people for sponsoring
and assisting with meals:



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Myra & David Finkelstein
Stephanie & Eliot Meadow
Harriet, Marcey, Aaron Thiela
Lisa Caron
Mike & Ruth Sigal
The Bauer/Schnurman Family
Marion & Ray Irizarry
Anita Hennesey
Lynn Bennett

Oneg & Kiddush

Hyime Paley in memory Reva Paley, Mickey Paley, and Nathan Olshin
Myron Poliner in memory of Michael Pashalinsky, Jacob Poliner, and Morris Poliner
Milton Shapiro in memory of Philip Shapiro

TODAH RABAH

Other Gifts and Acts of Generosity:

Dave Shulman for printing programs for the Nathan Olshin Scholar-in-Residence lecture

Lynn Bennett, Sharon Slossberg, Anita Hennessey for helping at the Nathan Olshin Scholar-in-Residence lecture

Marge Sadinsky and Bobette Reed Kahn for all the organizational work that went into the Nathan Olshin Scholar-in-Residence lecture and the **Director Family & Connecticut Lighting Centers** for sponsoring it.

Attorney Robert Poliner for his generous donation to the Religious School

Marie Dominique Boyce for her donation of a menagerie of amazing stuffed animals for the Mazal Tots program.

Nihla Lapidus and the Lapidus Family through The Nihla and Bob Lapidus Foundation, Inc. for their generous donation and long-time support.

Everyone who contributed gravy to our collection for The Middletown Community Thanksgiving program. We exceeded our goal of 150 jars.

Michael Daling for bringing the gravy donated to the program site.

MAZAL TOV to

Sharon Slossberg on the birth of her latest grandchild, Ian Paxton Hamm, born on November 5

Mark & Cynthia Kaplan on the birth of their granddaughter, Naomi.

Jeffrey & Bobette Reed Kahn on the wedding of their niece.

Michael & Joanne Price on the wedding of their daughter.

Mark and Donna Finkelstein on the birth of their grandson, Billy.

Liz Whitakker on the birth of her granddaughter.

Myron Poliner on the publication of his daughter's, Elizabeth's, novel.

SPEEDY RECOVERY

Wishing *Refuah Sh'leima*, complete healing, to **Seth Axelrod, Hal Kaplan, Art Director, Nihla Lapidus, Harriet Levin, Judith & Ron Rubel, Michael Schulman, Teresa Shulman, Naomi Kamins, Sarah Kamins, and Joe Zaiantz**



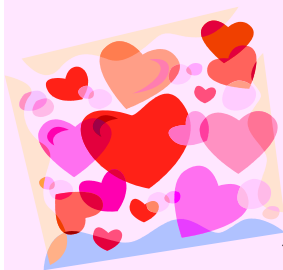
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To place your ad, please send payment to Adath Israel for \$35 X the number of months you would like the ad to run.

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TAKE YOUR SWEETHEART OUT ON VALENTINES DAY!

Educational Day Care available at Adath Israel
from 5:30 PM to 9:30 PM
on Saturday, February 14, 2015

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The Nester Center
staffed by a Certified Teacher with the help of
The Fundraising Committee.

Cost: \$10 per hour for the first child;
\$5 per hour for each additional child

Age-appropriate activities and snacks will be provided.

Please call the synagogue office at 860-346-4709
to make your reservation(s) by **Friday, February 6**
and to make arrangements to receive a
permission slip via email.

Please Note: NO child(ren) will be accepted without **prior reservations**
and the **signed permission must** be handed in at drop-off.

**This program is opened to all
Adath Israel Religious School
and member families.**



We need at least 5 reservations to run this program.

NEW MENU, COSTS ,AND PROCEDURES FOR SPONSORED KIDDUSH

Take advantage of an opportunity to share a family simcha, honor a friend or relative, or remember a loved one by sponsoring a Friday night Oneg Shabbat or a Morning Kiddush. This is a delightful way to let others in our community celebrate a special occasion or share a memory with you. Our hope is that you would be present which will only add to the occasion.

The new Kiddush menus will be prepared and arranged by The Crown Supermarket in West Hartford. **Please call the synagogue office at 860-346-4709 at least 1 week in advance to make ordering and pick-up arrangements with the office administrator.**

The following is a breakdown of the new menus and costs for a Morning Kiddush:

Simple Kiddush

For 20 – 30 people: \$225

For 15 people: \$120 (2 dz. cookies instead of pastry tray)

Bagels; tuna salad in bowl; egg salad in bowl; cuke, tomato, and onion platter; lox spread, plain and chive cream cheese platter; fruit platter; pastry on tray; hot and cold drinks

Fancy Kiddush

For 20 – 30 people: \$400

For 15 people: \$180 (2 dz. cookies instead of pastry tray)

Bagels; tuna salad in bowl; egg salad in bowl; cuke, tomato, and onion platter; lox platter; plain and chive cream cheese platter; sesame noodles; fruit platter; pastry platter; hot and cold drinks

Friday Night Oneg Shabbat

For 15-20 people: \$54

Pretzels, raisins/nuts, M&M's, pastry, cold and hot drinks

Prices for both a Kiddush and/or an Oneg will be adjusted if there is a larger group in attendance for special life cycle events (Bar/Bat Mitzvah, baby naming, or wedding, etc.)

Of course, you can always purchase the food, bring it to the synagogue and do the set up yourself while also following the synagogue's Kashrut guidelines. Some assistance will be available on the day of your Kiddush.

HONOR THOSE SPECIAL PERSONS IN YOUR LIFE WITH A PLAQUE FOR THE "SIMCHA" MENORAH

Whether it celebrates a Bar Mitzvah, Bat Mitzvah, Birth of a Child or Grandchild, Wedding, "Special" Birthday, special event/honor, etc. share your joy with our synagogue community – **FOREVER.**

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Contact Joanna @ 860-346-4709
or office@adathisraelct.org.



Celebrate Jewish Life through Prayer

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Morning Minyan

Monday-Friday 8:00 AM

1st Wednesday of the month Early Risers Minyan meets at 7 AM. Breakfast follows service.

Saturday 9:30 AM

Sunday 9:00 AM

Friday Evening Services begin at 7 PM.

One Friday Evening a month – "Pray-Eat-Sing" service and dinner at 5:30 PM.

All worship services at Adath Israel are available for anyone who wishes to attend. Members and guests who desire a welcoming community and the warmth of Jewish prayer are always encouraged to join us. We look forward to enhancing our community with your presence and participation.

The need is constant.
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Give blood.



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Red Cross**



Adath Israel BLOOD DRIVE

Adath Israel – Social Hall – 8 Broad Street

Tuesday, February 24

1:30-6:30 PM

**“Whoever saves a life, it is considered as if
he saved an entire world.” *Talmud, Sanherdin37a***

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ADATH ISRAEL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

**Please check one of these sources for
storm-closing postings**

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WFSB-TV Channel 3

WTNH-TV Channel 8

WVIT-TV Channel 30, NBC

WTIC AM 1080 Radio – on air &/or

WRCH FM 100.5 Radio

WTIC FM 96.5 Radio

Or go to website:

www.wfsb.com

www.wtnh.com

www.nbcconnecticut.com

www.wtic.com

www.wrch.com

www.965tic.com

**If the weather is inclement,
we will make a decision about closing school
no later than 7 AM on a Sunday
and on later than 1 PM on a Wednesday.**

**The TV and radio info will appear
within a few minutes of those times.**

**If you call the Synagogue and follow the prompts
(press 4 for the Religious School), you will also hear our
announcement about closing.**

***If you cannot get information due to a power outage or if
Your cable and/or internet connection are down – chances
are school is closed! Stay home and stay safe!***



january 2015

tevet/shevat

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
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4 No Religious School 13 tevet	5 14 tevet	6 7:30 pm AA & AI Anon 15 tevet	7 7 am Early Risers Minyan 10:30 am Stitchery Group 4 pm Religious School 7 pm Executive Board 16 tevet	8 17 tevet	9 7 pm Shabbat evening service 18 tevet	10 9:30 am Shabbat Morning services 19 tevet
11 9 am Religious School 10:30 am Mazal Tots 20 tevet	12 21 tevet	13 7:30 pm AA & AI Anon 22 tevet	14 4 pm Religious School 7 pm Evening Minyan 7:15 pm Board Mtg 23 tevet	15 24 tevet	16 7 pm Shabbat evening service 25 tevet	17 9:30 am Shabbat Morning services 4:30 pm Saturday Night Lights Havdalah Service 26 tevet
18 No Religious School or Mazal Tots 9:30 am JWV Brunch 27 tevet	19 Martin Luther King Day 28 tevet	20 7:30 pm AA & AI Anon 29 tevet	21 4 pm Religious School 6 pm Education Comm mtg Rosh Chodesh 1 shevat	22 2 shevat	23 7 pm Shabbat evening service 3 shevat	24 9:30 am Shabbat Morning services 4 shevat
25 9 am Religious School 10:30 am Mazal Tots Noon Religious School staff mtg 3 PM "You Can't Be Serious" Audition 5 shevat	26 6 PM "You Can't Be Serious" Audition 6 shevat	27 6 PM "You Can't Be Serious" Audition 7:30 pm AA & AI Anon 7 shevat	28 4 pm Religious School 8 shevat	29 9 shevat	30 7 pm Shabbat evening service 10 shevat	31 9:30 am Shabbat Morning services Shabbat Shirah 11 shevat

