

**אדאט ישראל**  
קולות ק.ק. עדת ישראל



**Middletown, Connecticut**  
**March 2015 Adar-Nissan 5775**



## **THE PURSUIT OF PEACE**

by Rabbi Haaz

Before you continue reading, grab your pen, pencil, or handheld device and set aside June 7, 2015 on your calendar. On that Sunday,

Adath Israel will host Dr. Tal Becker, Principal Deputy Legal Adviser at the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs and senior iEngage Project research fellow at Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem. Dr. Becker is a senior member of Israel's peace negotiation team and works on the front lines of many of the country's most pressing diplomatic, legal, and policy challenges. In addition to his unique experience at the center of Israel's peace negotiations, his decisions are deeply rooted in Jewish texts, and he thinks and speaks with deep passion and reverence for Jewish values. Dr. Becker will help us consider how we can fulfill the mitzvah of pursuing peace each day of our lives. His unique combination of experience, knowledge, and yiddishkeit make him an incredibly compelling teacher and speaker. I am certain that you will leave the synagogue on June 7 with a deeper understanding of the Israeli-Palestinian peace process as well as a heightened responsibility for your role as one who takes seriously the responsibility to pursue peace in the world.

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

By Mike Sigal

Terrific news!!! I am happy to announce that Rabbi Haaz has signed his renewal contract. I am very excited about this personally and on behalf of the congregation. I and we look forward to working with and learning from the Rabbi in the coming years.

There was an exciting adult education program on Sunday, February 1st. Dr. Michael Good, the author of *The Search for Major Plagge: The Nazi Who Saved Jews* spoke with us. It was a riveting narration of a personal quest and detective story. We had 50+ people attend including some of our confirmation students.

Rabbi Haaz and Richard Kamins went to Florida to see our Floridian members in mid February. I am writing this on February 11th, just before their visit. I expect that the feedback I will receive from our members will be positive and appreciative.

Last month you heard me speak of our new program "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. With the bad weather we experienced this winter,

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(Rabbi Continued from page 1)

Please see the special insert in this issue of Kolot for Dr. Becker's complete bio as listed on the Shalom Hartman Institute's website. To learn more about him, you can read his blog entries on the Shalom Hartman Institute website, watch a series of his videos on YouTube, or read his book *Terrorism and the State: Rethinking the Rules of State Responsibility*, which won the Guggenheim Prize for best international law book. Because June 7 is still several months away, there are a number of opportunities for you to get involved and help this event achieve its maximum impact on our extended family here at Adath Israel and the larger central Connecticut community. Please contact the synagogue office to lend your time and talents to this special event at Adath Israel.

Keep your eyes and ears open for more details about Dr. Becker's visit, and feel free to share this event with family and friends. While there will be a component of the day that is exclusively reserved for Adath Israel members, there will be a public lecture that will be open to the larger community. Please mark Dr. Tal Becker's visit to our synagogue on your calendar, and I look forward to celebrating Jewish life with you on this extraordinary day at Adath Israel.

### **PASSOVER – A CHARITABLE TIME** **ADATH ISRAEL MATZAH/MA'OT HITTIN**

Your donation to The "Matzah Fund" will assist those in our community without resources necessary to make Passover a reality. Distribution priority will be to Adath Israel congregants with secondary distribution to other Jewish persons. Any funds in excess of need will be donated to Jewish charities for Passover allocation.

This Fund is self liquidating, that is, all contributions will be allocated at Passover time with no continuing balance. Please be assured that all funds are allocated in the strictest of confidence. Contribution checks should be made payable to CAI Matzah Fund and sent to the office by March 27, 2015, so that distribution can take place prior to Passover.

Leave your contribution with Joanna at the synagogue office or mail to:

CAI Matzah Fund  
P.O. Box 337  
Middletown, CT 06457

Finally, if you know of any families or persons that require some assistance, please call Joanna at (860) 346-4709 or Rabbi Seth Haaz at (860)346-4077. Please be assured all communications will be handled in the strictest of confidence.



### **PARKING BEHIND THE SYNAGOGUE**

Lately the parking situation at the synagogue has become an issue with our new neighbors in the old Methodist Church. In the past we have had an agreement that allowed our members to park behind the synagogue when there was nothing going on at the church and vice a versa. That agreement ended when the church property was sold.

Our new neighbors have made it very clear that they do not want anyone but their members parking in their lot at any time. The parking lot directly behind our building is the property of the church and as such we must respect their right to dictate who can and can't park in their lot. This is private property. Past agreements are no longer valid and nobody from our congregation should be parking in their lot at any time for any reason.

We have clearly marked parking spots behind the Nester Center and along the back wall of the church property. These spots are outlined in yellow and are clearly marked AI. We also have parking in the synagogues lot on William Street. Additional parking can be had in the meters on Old Church Street on Saturday mornings. The city has informed us that no one will be ticketed on Saturday mornings if they are parked in the meters and display a CAI placard available in the synagogue office. Please share this with any guests that might be coming to join you for an event at the synagogue.

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I'm not sure if the next program will be in March or April.

Here's the latest chapter in the Sigal story. Ruth's health continues to improve daily. She went back to work on February 25<sup>th</sup>. We took a short vacation to warmer weather just before she went back to work in order to chill out. We had a great time!! Everything is status quo with Amy and Stacey so there's no news to tell.

We have identified candidates for all but one position for next year's Board of Directors. We still have not identified someone to serve as Eileen Daling's Vice President so that they can prepare to be the next President after Eileen. Please, please, please think about serving in this critically important position. There are a number of dedicated board and former board members that will provide help and support to you.

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 call the office as soon as you can, but no later than Friday, March 20th (first Seder is on April 3rd) to let us know of your interest in participating in this simcha. We will do our best to make this new program work. Thank you and Hag Sameach!



## **PASSOVER INVITE**

Dear Members,

The Seder is a stirring, enjoyable and traditional activity which has a special place in our yearly cycle. However, some Congregation Adath Israel members do not have Seders to attend. We do not want anyone in our community to be in this position. All are invited to attend our Second Night Community Seder (see flyer elsewhere in this newsletter for details) and we are also going to try to match seder-makers with seder-goers in the hope of ensuring that everyone has a wonderful holiday. Here's how to participate:

If you do not have plans to attend a Seder or our Community Seder and would like to do so, please call Joanna in our office (860-346-4709) and let her know. Also, let her know if you need transportation and we will also try to arrange for that.

If you are making a Seder - first night - and would like to extend your hospitality, please let Joanna know how many people you can accommodate.

This is a wonderful way to celebrate and inject variety into the holiday, and to learn how others have celebrated the Seder differently from what you may be used to.

## **TUTORING**

As some of you may be aware, I was brought up in Brooklyn, NY, and attended full-time Yeshivah for 13 years.

I was lucky to have received such a rich Jewish education and I feel obligated to use it in a positive manner.

To that end, I would like to offer tutoring services to the children of our members – whether enrolled in the Religious school or not.

At first I would like to concentrate on Hebrew reading skills and Torah study.

Depending on circumstances, I may expand this to include Bar/Bat Mitzvah practice.

Additionally, if there are any adults who may need help with Hebrew reading, I am open to that as well.

If any one is interested, we can schedule at our mutual convenience, perhaps after school on Sundays or at any other such time as we can arrange.

Although I am offering this at no cost, please consider making a donation to Adath Israel.

I can be reached at 860-985-0155 or [berny-padawer@yahoo.com](mailto:berny-padawer@yahoo.com).

Bern Padawer





## ***Daf Beit Haseifer shel Adar/Nisan***



### **Photos from February's Tu B'shvat celebrations.**

March will be a very busy month at Adath Israel Religious School. starting on Sunday, March 1st with our Purim Carnival. Classes will begin as usual at 9:00 AM and then the Carnival will run from 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM. The Megillah reading will take place on Erev Purim, Wednesday, March 4th starting promptly at 5:00 PM. There will be a light dinner (with gluten free option) served at 5:00 PM in the Social Hall. Religious School classes will start as planned at 4:00 PM that day as well; school students will be brought upstairs to join the community for dinner and Megillah at 5:00 PM.

On Saturday, March 7th, Juliana Simon will have her Bat Mitzvah. It would be great to see a lot of Adath Israel Religious School families come out and support her on this very special morning.

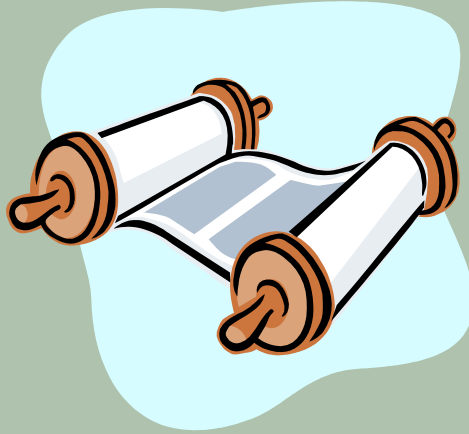
After Purim, all students in grades K - 7th will begin working on this year's project based learning project. This year the projects will be looking at the different Passover traditions from Jewish communities around the world. There are or were Jewish communities all over the world and they have all developed some interesting and unique Passover traditions. Some of the countries that will be covered in the presentations are India, Italy, and Morocco. The presentations will take place during religious school on Sunday morning, March 29th.

As discussed at the last Education Committee Meeting, another new program that we will be rolling out in March is weekly assemblies. The assemblies will take place at the end of each Sunday session. The assemblies will be held from 11:45 AM—12:00 PM and we hope that parents will attend with their children. On the second and fourth Sundays, when we have tefillah as well at the end of the day, tefillah will begin at 11:15 AM and roll right into the closing assembly at 11:45 AM. Parents are encouraged to attend both tefillah and the assembly.

# ***Shabbat L'h<sup>u</sup>ol Adat***

SHABBAT FOR EVERYONE

## **& Tot Shabbat**



**Saturday, March 14**

Everyone in our community is invited to celebrate!

**Services start at 9:30 am**

During the Torah Service,  
children in Kindergarten through Grade 6 enjoy  
Shabbat activities in their classrooms.

**At 10:30 am,** Tot Shabbat begins for children Preschool age and younger and  
their families in the Purple Room of the religious school.

Then we all come together for concluding prayers  
and a festive Kiddush lunch.

**No Religious School or Mazal Tots**  
**Sunday, March 15**

## **VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION**

*by Myra Finkelstein*

*with lots of help from Richard*

This month we are honoring an “oldie but goodie”. An “oldie” not because of her age but because she has been involved at Adath Israel since she was a mere youngster and “goodie” will be oh so obvious. Born and raised in Middletown, the second of 4 children born to Ethel and Yosef Gordon, Naomi Kamins became involved with youth activities at Adath Israel in her high school years (oddly, enough she never attended Hebrew School). She was a passionate member of Young Judea, so much so, that she spent the year between high school and UCONN in Israel (1965-66) studying in Jerusalem and living/working on a kibbutz. On her return, she spent several summers as a counselor at Camp Tel Yehudah, the national leadership camp of Young Judea.

When their two daughters were fairly young, Naomi began to get involved with Adath Israel, serving on the Board and the Ritual Committee. She stepped down for a while after Richard joined the Board but has since returned; first serving on different committees, including the Rabbi Search groups, and finally serving as a co-President with Stephanie Meadow. Her preference would be to work in the background, to help coordinate committee work, to write and/or edit committee roles and help codify the ritual life of Adath Israel. Over the past several years and after her retirement from Wesleyan University's Graduate Studies Program, she has worked as a Hebrew tutor/teacher for adults. She now works as the part-time Office Manager at Temple B'Nai Abraham in Meriden. Naomi remains a passionate Zionist and enjoys many of the Israeli-events at Wesleyan and at Adath Israel. Naomi was part of the first “Women's Banot Mitzvah Class”. She also participated in the chorus and involved with Terry Klein's Vintage Players.

Thus the recognition of “oldie but goodie” is very appropriate.

## **ONE WHO GIVES LENDS TO THE LORD**

### **NATHAN OLSHIN SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE FUND**

Sarah & Joe Glaz

### **SYNAGOGUE FUND**

IN HONOR OF RECOGNITION BY COMMON COUNCIL OF MIDDLETOWN

Richard Kamins by Edie Betts

REFUAH SH'LEIMAH (SPEEDY RECOVERY)

Bracha bat Leah by Glenda Birns

Monica bat Florence by Glenda Birns

Morty Pear by Paulette & Herb Gewirtz

### **YAHARZEIT FUND**

Etta Soreff by Linda Soreff Siegel

Harry W. Edelberg by Paul B. Edelberg

Maurice Lerner by Diane & Bernie Blum

Bernard Miller by Bev & Bob Pugliese

Bernard Mordecai Schwartz by Nancy L. Schwartz

Gladys Bronstein Grower by Liz Grower Whittaker

Philip Weiss by Steven Weiss

Esther B. Kabatznick by Edith Kabatznick

Ernest Schwarz by Ruth Schwarz & Family

Morris & Ruth Berlind by Allan Berlind

Gerald Levy by Denise & Scott Levy

Albert Ross by Shirley B. Ross

Arthur Palmer by Michael Palmer

Bernice Schaechter Soll by Susi Delldonna

Ralph Gorker by Leona G. Marcus

Sarah Jabes bat Moshe by Corinne Brody

Flora K. Goldstein by Harvey Goldstein

Edward Becker by Andy Becker

Ruth Edelberg by June Saltzberg

Max Edelberg by June Saltzberg

Bertha Goldberg Fass by Myrna Geiges

David Schwartz by Gertrude & Alan Steele

Adolf Kahn by Margret Kahn

Dr. Julius Jonas by Margaret Kahn

Julie Oppenheimer Jonas by Margaret Kahn

Minnie & Julius Grower by Bernice Bonchi

Theresa Schwarz by Ruth Schwarz

Jacob Hoberman by Marvin & Naomi Hoberman

# **SAVE THE DATE!!!**

## **DR. TAL BECKER SPEAKS AT ADATH ISRAEL** **JUNE 7, 2015**

**Dr. Tal Becker** is Principal Deputy Legal Adviser at the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and a senior iEngage Project research fellow.

In his current position in government, he is a senior member of the Israeli peace negotiation team and works on the front lines of many of Israel's most pressing diplomatic, legal and policy challenges.



Among numerous positions, Dr. Becker has been a senior fellow at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, senior policy advisor to Israel's Minister of Foreign Affairs, a lead negotiator in the Annapolis peace talks, director of the international law department at the Israeli Foreign Ministry, counsel to Israel's UN Mission in New York, and an international law expert in the IDF.

He is the author of *Terrorism and the State: Rethinking the Rules of State Responsibility*, which won the Guggenheim Prize for best international law book, and was the Vice-Chairman of the United Nations General Assembly's Legal Committee, the first Israeli to hold a position of such stature in more than 40 years.

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Dr. Becker holds a doctorate from Columbia University, lectures widely throughout Israel and overseas, and is the recipient of numerous scholarly awards.



# Mark your calendar for

## "Pray - Eat - Sing"

### Friday night - **March 13**

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 **March 6** 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.



# COMMUNITY SEDER



*Please join us for a delicious meal, songs, and fellowship at  
our Annual Communal Seder  
on the second night of Passover,  
Saturday, April 4th at 5:30 PM*

***Choice of Entrée:***

*Chicken or Vegetarian   Adults   \$40.00*

*Child 5-13   \$15.00/Child under 5 Free*

*Maximum per family \$125.00 (parents with children 13 & under)*

*Donations are always welcome!*

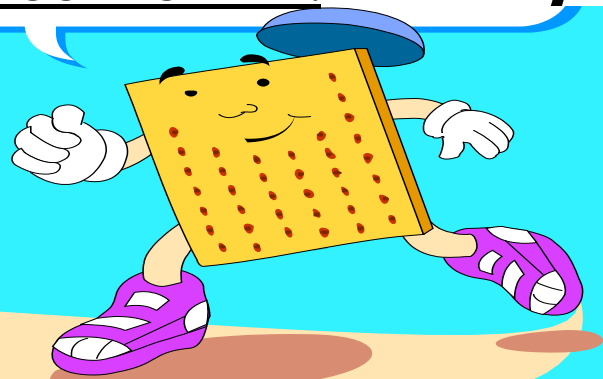
**DON'T MISS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO BE PART OF A TRULY  
MEMORABLE PASSOVER EXPERIENCE.**

**Call to make your reservations with Choice of Entrée**

**NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MARCH 20**

**TO INSURE THERE IS ENOUGH FOOD FOR ALL.**

**Checks are to be made out to and mailed to:  
Congregation Adath Israel  
P.O. Box 337  
Middletown, CT 06457  
or dropped at the synagogue office.**



## Bat Mitzvah Invitation

With love and pride  
we invite you to share  
a special day with us  
as our daughter



*Juliana Mikayla*

is called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah  
Saturday, the seventh of March  
Two thousand and fifteen  
Nine thirty in the morning  
Kiddush reception to follow services.  
Please RSVP to [julianasimonrsvp@gmail.com](mailto:julianasimonrsvp@gmail.com)



Holly and Michael Simon

## LIFE CYCLES



Teresa and David Shulman



## SPECIAL SERVICE TIME

### MARCH 6

Friday, March 6 Shabbat Evening Services begin at 6 PM. In the Main Sanctuary. Oneg following services will be sponsored by Holly & Michael Simon in honor of their daughter, Juliana's bat mitzvah.

## WEEKLY ENEWS

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Edith Kabatznick  
Ronald Rubel  
Mark Kaplan  
Ernest Ferreebe  
Laurie Schwarz  
Arthur Director  
Michael Leipziger  
Bonnie Rose Schulman  
Dorothy Kaplan  
Joan Needle  
Bernard Padawer  
Jacqueline Schatz  
Jonathan Shapiro  
Jenna Dickes  
Seth Axelrod  
Herbert Gewirtz  
Denis Caron

## **IT'S NEWS**

### **TODAH RABAH**

#### **“Where There Is No Bread, There Is No Torah”**

Thank you to following people for sponsoring and assisting with meals:

#### **Pray- Eat-Sing**

Ruth & Mike Sigal

Marion & Ray Irizarry

Stephanie & Eliot Meadow

Deb Hall

Marie Dominique Boyce

Myra & David Finkelstein

Lynn Bennett for her delicious dessert

Sharon Slossberg for shopping and preparing the fruit & salad

Harriet, Marcey, and Aaron Thiela for cooking and generally getting everything done

Star Bennett for always lending a BIG hand with clean up.



#### **Oneg & Kiddush**

Oneg in honor of the yahrtzeit of their father, Albert Waxman by Lynn Bennett, Merle Loza, and Sharon Slossberg

#### **Other Gifts and Acts of Generosity:**

Over \$20 dollars was donated via donations of refundable bottles to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund. Thanks to those who donated their clean, redeemable bottles & cans and to Stephanie Meadow who redeems them in the freezing cold.

#### **ADATH ISRAEL GARDENERS (Those who have donated trees to be planted and cared for in the Adath Israel Garden by Jewish National Fund) IN HONOR OF TU B'SHEVAT**

Michael Martin by Paulette & Herb Gewirtz

Jonathan Yacker by Paulette & Herb Gewirtz

Laura Schickler by Paulette & Herb Gewirtz

Sophie Haaz by Paulette & Herb Gewirtz

Sadie Haaz by Paulette & Herb Gewirtz

#### **IN HONOR OF THEIR ANNIVERSARY**

Marion & Ray Irizarry

#### **IN MEMORY OF**

Emma & Bernie Eisenstein by Myra & David Finkelstein

Samuel Reznikoff by Eileen & Michael

Daling

Sara & Jack Finkelstein by Myra & David

Finkelstein

Thank you to

Aaron Thiela for his generous donation of Tshirts for the religious school staff

### **SPEEDY RECOVERY**

Wishing *Refuah Sh'leima*, complete healing, to Seth Axelrod, Hal Kaplan, Art Director, Harriet Levin, Judith & Ron Rubel, Michael Schulman, Naomi Kamins, Morty Pear, Mark Itkin, Arlene Pressman, Hortie Kabel, Aestheta Wahnnon, Bob Howard, Meyer Hayim ben Gittel, Hannah Liba, Bracha bat Leah, and Monica bat Florence.



### **MAY GOD GRANT COMFORT TO**

Ruth Nisse on the recent death of her father, Gedalia



## **NOW OFFERING ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEMBERS**

For \$35/month you can place a business card-size ad in our monthly Kolot newsletter. All submissions need to be in JPEG or PNG format and no larger than business card size.

To place your ad, please send payment to Adath Israel for \$35 per month for each month you would like the ad to run.

For more information, please contact Joanna Schnurman at [office@adathisraelct.org](mailto:office@adathisraelct.org) or (860) 346-4709.



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**Come One, Come All**

**Lisa Goodman**

**Purim**

**Carnival**

**Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>**

**10:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

**Friends, Fun, Food,  
Games & Prizes Galore!**

**Food/Game Tickets are 25 cents each**



## ADATH ISRAEL'S FIFTH ANNUAL RAFFLE!

~ **GRAND PRIZE: \$ 3,000** ~

**2nd Prize: \$ 2,000**

**3rd Prize: \$ 1,000**

Drawing to be held Saturday, March 21, 2015 at 9:30 p.m.

**Only 700 tickets will be sold**

**Price: \$ 20**

Winner need not be present. .

*Join us at 8:00 p.m. for a fun filled evening of enjoyment and refreshments.*

**Raffle ticket admits one person to the event**

Take part in our **Tea Cup Auction** by purchasing tickets  
and/or bid at the **Live Auction** to win a prize(s).

Place your purchase tickets in as many **Tea Cup Auction** item bowls  
as you hope to win.

Also, bid on **Live Auction** items.

**Tea Cup Auction tickets are 10 for \$10 or 25 for \$20.**

Must be present to win.

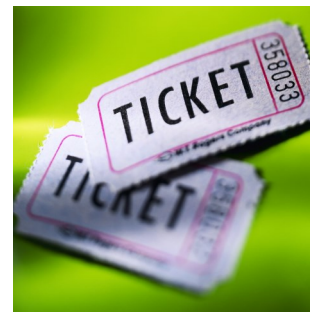
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**BUY NOW**

**Call the Synagogue Office**

**860-346-4709.**

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# Join Us for Dinner & the Whole Megillah\*!

**FREE!**  
**Everyone is**  
**invited!**  
**Don't forget**  
**your**  
**costume!**

**Wednesday\***  
**March 4**  
**5 PM sharp!**

**RSVPs appreciated.**

**(860) 346-4709**

**[www.adathisraelct.org](http://www.adathisraelct.org)**

**\*The fun continues @ 7 PM with a  
Purim Schpiel with our friends at  
Congregation Beth Shalom**

**Rodfe Zedek**

**55 East Kings Highway**

**Chester, CT 06412**

**[www.cbsrz.org](http://www.cbsrz.org)**

**860-526-8920**

## **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 346-4709 at least a 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 Shabbat Kiddush for 20 – 30 people: cost \$225**

**Simple Weekday Kiddush for 15 people: cost \$120**

**(2 dz. Cookies instead of pastry tray)**

Bagels  
Tuna in a bowl  
Egg salad in a bowl  
Cuke, tomato, onion on a tray  
Lox spread, plain and chive cream  
cheese a on tray  
Fruit on a tray/bowl  
Pastry on tray  
Cold and hot drinks

**Deluxe Shabbat Kiddush for 20 – 30 people: cost \$400**

**Deluxe Weekday Kiddush for 15 people: cost \$180**

**(2 dz. Cookies instead of pastry tray)**

Bagels  
Tuna in a bowl  
Egg salad in a bowl  
Lox on a try  
Whitefish in a bowl  
Cuke, tomato, onion on a tray  
Lox spread, plain and chive cream

cheese a on tray  
Sesame Noodles in a bowl  
Fruit on a tray/bowl  
Pastry on tray  
Cold and hot drinks

**Friday Night Oneg Shabbat for 15 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 may be available on the day of your Kiddush.



## **CAMPERSHIPS**

Beginning this summer, the newly established Maxine Thumim Campership Fund will grant camperships to Adath Israel families. This camp experience for children will provide a long term effect on their Jewish identity and other life choices. In previous years, Maxine Thumim, a longtime member of Adath Israel, provided these campership funds herself. Presently the funds come from donations. These donations are pledged either at the time of the Volunteer Recognition brunch or during the year when anyone wishes to honor or remember someone. They make a request that their monies go to the Maxine Thumim Campership fund.

Only members current in their obligations to the synagogue are eligible to apply for scholarships.

Please complete the application and return it to the Synagogue office by May 1, 2015. Awards are based on the number of applications and no financial statements are needed.

### **SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

CHILD'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF CAMP & LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

DATES OF ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_

COST OF CAMP: \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT OF CAMP NOT COVERED BY OTHER STIPENDS: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE ATTACH COPY OF BILLING STATEMENT. \_\_\_\_\_

REMINDER!! SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION TO THE OFFICE BY MAY 1, 2015.



# **ADATH ISRAEL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL**

## **School Closing Policy**

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

**Watch or listen to:**

**WFSB-TV Channel 3**

**WTNH-TV Channel 8**

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

**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 any  
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!***

Adath Israel's Adult Education Committee in collaboration with

Adath Israel's Religious School

Invite you to Join them for

**"The International Seder Experience"**

**March 29th-9:30am-12:00pm in the Large Social Hall**



**Make Passover Seder foods from around the world. Learn about how Passover is observed in Ethiopia, Morocco, India, Italy, Latin America, and Surinam.**

**The school classes will be researching and learning Seder practices from all of these foreign countries.**

**Once the food is prepared, the cooking groups and learning groups will combine for a Seder experience, where each group will give a presentation about what they have learned, through their research and present their foods that they made.**

**Please come and support the Religious School, and taste some different foods that you might enjoy and incorporate into your own Seder experiences!**



## Got Gifts?

Have you seen our Gift Shop lately? If not, we invite you to visit the newly organized, newly stocked and newly rejuvenated shop. You may be able to find something for the High Holy Days, or a B'nai Mitzvah gift, wedding gift, Passover gift or just something new for your Shabbat celebration. Please note that there is a catalogue from The Source Everything Jewish available near the gift shop, so if there is something special you're looking for but we don't have in stock, let us know what it is and we would be happy to order it for you. You pay less than the catalogue price.

Items can be purchased from the gift shop during the following hours:

Monday-Friday: 10 AM-Noon

Saturday: Closed



**Celebrate  
Jewish Life  
Through  
Prayer**

Morning Minyan:

Monday - Friday: 8:00 AM

Sunday: 9:00 AM

Early Risers Minyan: 7:00 AM, 1st Wednesday of the month

Shabbat Evening Services: Fridays, 7:00 PM

Pray-Eat-Sing Services: 5:30 PM, one Friday night a month

Shabbat Morning Services: 9:30 AM

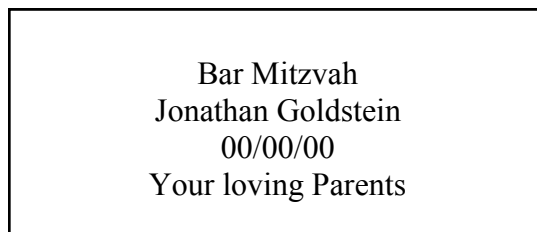
All prayer services at Adath Israel are public events, open to the community as a whole. Members, guests and other religious seekers who desire the warmth of Jewish prayer and the fellowship of being together are always welcome.

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## **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.

## ***Tikkun Olam/Fundraiser***



We continue to collect cleaned \$.05 returnable bottles and cans for Tikkun Olam/Fundraiser.

**From March-June we will be collecting Bottles and Cans, and the money will go towards Middletown's Relay for Life Organization.**

Each month a reminder notice will go out to let you know that we are collected from all your bottles and cans (5 cent ones only) and which area is benefitting.

Please drop your **CLEANED** cans and bottles off in the designated bucket in front of Joanna's office.

Thank you so much for helping to repair the world (Tikkun Olam) and raise a few dollars as well.

Stephanie Meadow