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 **Adath Israel**  
Celebrate Jewish Life

**Middletown, Connecticut**  
**September 2014 Elul 5774/Tishrei 5775**



## **SPEAK UP FOR ISRAEL**

*by Rabbi Haaz*

As you approach the High Holy Days this year and examine the different aspects of your yourself, you should recognize that Israel is a part of your identity. And, as you have certainly seen this summer, Israel is under attack. Israel is besieged by rockets, by media coverage, and by Jewish apathy. Israel has responded to the rockets with military prowess and concern for human life. After a recent visit to Israel, General James T. Conway, who was the 34<sup>th</sup> commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps, commented, “[Hamas’s] cynical inducement of civilian suffering for propaganda is in marked contrast to the IDF’s treatment of noncombatants.” After General Conway argues that Israel unquestionably holds the moral high ground, he concludes his article, “...it is essential for the IDF to be as vigilant in shaping the information environment as it is in intercepting rockets from Gaza.” General Conway’s defense of Israel is refreshing in light of the anti-Israel attacks that flow out of the pens of journalists and the mouths of reporters and foreign leaders. However, General Conway, as an American military leader, places the burden of defense entirely on Israel. He does not feel a personal connection with the land or

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## **REFLECTIONS ON PAST YEAR**

*By Michael Sigal*



I hope that all of you had a good summer!! I am writing this in mid-summer because of the deadlines we have for the Kolot. So there will be some activities happening in August that will not be written about in this article. First, I’d like to reflect back on 2013/2014. A number of important events occurred:

- Renewing Rabbi Haaz’ contract
- The continued success of the Pray, Eat and Sing Shabbat
- Award winning Religious School
- The Early Risers Minyan
- The continued success of our largest fund raising event, the Interfaith Golf Open
- Many successful adult education and fund raising events
- The Driving Miss Daisy community event

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with the people of Israel. We, Adath Israel (the community of Israel), should feel differently.

Just before the conclusion of the Book of Numbers, God prepares the people to enter into the Land of Israel. While the land is being divided, the tribes of Reuven and Gad and half of the tribe of Manasseh request to remain beyond the border of the Jordan – outside of the Land of Israel. Moses is initially appalled at this request but eventually concedes. The tribes may live and raise their livestock beyond the Jordan, but, before they do, they must fight alongside the other tribes to help secure the Land of Israel. This is a poignant message in light of the attacks against Israel. You may live outside of Israel, but you may not sit idly by while your fellow Jews are at war.

You may not fight alongside the IDF as it intercepts rockets from Gaza and attempts to dismantle the destructive capabilities of Hamas, but you are not free to watch as an observer from your sofa. General Conway mentioned that there is a simultaneous war over the “information environment,” and you can help advance Israel on this front. Talk about Israel with with family, friends, and strangers. Tell them that you are a Jew and you value human life above all else. Tell them how proud you are of Israel for considering not only the welfare of its own citizens but the welfare of the citizens of Gaza. Tell them how Israel delivers food, electricity, natural gas, and fuel to the people of Gaza even as Hamas fires rockets into Israel, and tell them how the IDF sends text messages and drops leaflets and other objects to warn of impending attacks and to offer safe corridors to travel. Unlike General Conway, you have skin in the game when it comes to Israel. Do not leave your brothers and sisters to fight alone for your homeland. Now is the time to add your voice to the conversation. Speak up for your home, speak up for your family, and speak up for yourself. May the new year of 5775 bring a step toward peace in Israel and in countries throughout the world, and may it be a year in which your voice helps to shape peoples’ attitudes toward Jews and toward our homeland. Shana tova umtuka – a good and sweet new year to you and your family.

If you would like to read General Conway’s article in *The Wall Street Journal* from July 24, 2014, please refer to the following link: <http://online.wsj.com/articles/james-t-conway-the-moral-chasm-between-israel-and-hamas-1406243128>

## **IT'S NEWS**



### **TODAH RABAH**

“People of the Book”

Thank you to the following people for donating books to the Samuel Auerbach Memorial Library

**Atty Robert Poliner**

**Mark and Deborah Kantrowitz**

**Judith Kaufman**

**Maurice Newberg**

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

Thank you to following people for sponsoring meals

**Fran & Lew Goldberg** for sponsoring an Oneg and Kiddush in honor of their daughter, Lilly’s, wedding to Asher Berman

**The Schwarz Family (Ruth, Nedra, Jeffrey, Michael, and Charlie)** for sponsoring a Kiddush in memory of Maurice Schwarz, beloved husband and father

**Corrine Brody** for sponsoring an Oneg and Kiddush in memory of her parents

**Scott Levy** for sponsoring June and August’s Early Risers Minyan Kiddush

**Dave Shulman** for sponsoring July’s Early Risers Minyan Kiddush

“Love Your Neighbor as Yourself”

A giant Todah Rabbah to **all who worked and/or played at the Interfaith Open** in August. This event takes months of preparation from scores of volunteers.

### **MAZAL TOV**

Mazal Tov to **Rabbi Haaz, Bonnie Rose, Sophie, and Sadie** on moving into their new home.

### **SPEEDY RECOVERY**

We’d like to wish a “*Refuah Shlemah*” to the following: Herb Gewirtz, Seth Axelrod, Hal Kaplan

### **MAY GOD GIVE COMFORT TO**

Deepest sympathies to Ruth Beit on the recent loss of her sister, Esther Freedman.

### **IN MEMORIAM**

Our sincerest condolences are extended to the family of Jerome Kabel who came to his eternal rest on June 8 (10 Sivan), and to the family of Robert Rubin who came to his eternal rest on July 4 (6 Tammuz).

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- The interfaith Thanksgiving concert community event
- A wedding in our sanctuary
- Celebrating three B'nai Mitzvahs
- Renovation of the large social hall, small sanctuary and a new air conditioning system
- Rabbi Haaz and Eliot Meadow visiting our Florida congregants
- Exploring new options for seating in the main sanctuary to make our Shabbat services more intimate
- Implementing a volunteer recognition program
- Successful implementation of the new synagogue software
- The loss of some Adath Israel members
- Some Adath Israel members have also lost loved ones

By the time you read this, the Interfaith Golf Open for 2014 will have taken place. The work of the Golf Committee, comprised of members of St. Mary Church of Portland and members of our congregation raised a record number of funds for the fourth year in a row. The Interfaith Open raises funds not just for the 2 sponsoring organizations, but gives back to the community. Funds are donated to the food banks in Middletown and Portland, to the First Tee of Connecticut so that the youth of Middletown and Portland can attend golf camps, and to the Middletown Community Foundation and Portland Youth to support anti bullying campaigns, primarily in the middle schools. Very few of our members know the amount of time and energy that goes into putting on a Golf Tournament and the members of the committee deserve special recognition for doing a spectacular job. They are Co-Chairs David Director and Marc Levin, Arthur Director, Jack Adler, Mike and Eileen Daling, Irwin Zagoren, Jack and Wendy Wilkins, Stan Sadowsky, Buzzy Levin and myself. Many other congregants

volunteer on the day of the tournament. I want to thank them and recognize Andy Bauer and Ruth Sigal for the special roles they play that day.

As I typically do in these articles I share some of the additions to the Sigal story. Ruth and I continue to be proud parents. Amy has found full time employment with J Crew working in New York City and is on a management career track there. Stacey had an internship at the CT Department of Probation this past summer and is a senior at Dickinson College. She is preparing for the LSATs as she follows her dream to become an attorney. It has been a year where Ruth's and my life has changed. Ruth's Mom moved to CT this past January. She went from being able to live independently to having to live in an assisted living facility. Ruth, and a little bit me, are responsible for her daily well being. Any of you who have done this know what kind of changes this brings to your lives. Mom is doing okay and Ruth is fabulous as her caregiver. My new job at The Hartford is challenging, but going very well. So Ruth and I are parents, caregivers, Adath Israel volunteers and oh yeah, we have jobs. This has not been an easy year, but the rewards of it can't be beat.

It continues to be wonderful to work with our volunteers. I have come to appreciate even more, which is hard to believe, their contributions to the vitality of our community. I hope that those of you who have not volunteered yet find some time to volunteer for something. Your efforts will strengthen the Adath Israel community and will help you feel good about yourself.

This past year as President of Adath Israel has been very rewarding. I have either met members I have not met before and I have also deepened my relationships with others. It has been both a challenging and successful year. I am looking forward to working with the Board of Directors and all of you in the coming year.

The Board of Directors is working to develop an action plan for things that we would like to accomplish in the coming year. Most of the activities will be centered around the concepts of Relational Judaism. We are focusing on how to continue to grow and reinforce the Adath Israel community. You can expect to hear about these plans from Vice President Eileen Daling when she offers the D'var at Rosh Hashanah services and me when I offer the D'var at Yom Kippur services.

I wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. L'Shanah Tovah!



## The School Page for *Elul & Tishrei* 5774-75 September 2014



As I write this column in the middle of July with the backdrop of a war between Israel and Gaza and from the perspective of being in Italy, the nexus between the past and the present come to light. I have been spending time taking my children to learn about some of the oldest Jewish communities of the diaspora (including Rome, which is the oldest). During this time the importance of understanding the Jewish people, our history and the significance of Israel becomes crystal clear. It falls upon the shoulders of our religious school to teach our students about where they come from, how we got here, and how they need to be involved in the future.

The Jewish people have a history of connection that is based on community, culture, education, and prayer traditions. We as a people are amongst the oldest religious traditions of the world, once a great power, and considered a formidable foe, we fought wars side by side, took on some of the strongest empires, and managed to survive thousands of years in the diaspora. Countless other civilizations disappeared from the map completely, the Etruscans, the Phoenicians, and the Carthaginians to name a few. Why not the Jews?

Even after the fall of the 2<sup>nd</sup> temple, and being pushed out of our traditional homeland, the Jewish people remained faithful and strong in their practices and values. Much of the religion as we know it today was developed in the diaspora, including the Jewish calendar and much of the writings found in the Mishna and Talmud. How is it that Judaism fared so well? The simple answer is Jewish identity. The traditions and values of the Jews set them apart from others, and the Jews even created their own Jewish Quarter in Rome long before the introduction of the mandated ghetto. The community was strong and active, and even in the diaspora was able to flourish.

Although this remained true for some time, the tides turned, and eventually the Jews began to have problems in their diaspora societies. These issues resulted in the mass exodus of Jews from Spain and Portugal due to the inquisition (around 1450 CE), and the beginnings of the Ghettos in other Western European countries (around 1500 CE) and the Pogroms in Central and Eastern Europe (around 1800 CE). These troubles helped to bring about the birth of modern Zionism. Although a divisive issue, for many Jews, the need for the creation of a Jewish State became obvious over time.

Today, we are very fortunate, Jews live freely and feel safe in most parts of the world. Since the creation of the state of Israel, Jews have a safe haven and a confidence that they always have a place to call home. As our home, Israel is a place that we need to understand, connect to, support, and feel proud of. Our students need to understand the trail of Jewish history and the traditions that bond us together, and how the creation of the state of Israel changed our past, present and future for the better.



HIGH HOLY DAYS SCHEDULE  
2014 / 5775

**Saturday, September 20 - S'lichot**

Havdallah/S'lichot Service (Snacks at *approx.* 8:45 PM) 8:00 PM

**Sunday, September 21 - Kever Avot**

**Cemetery Memorial Service 1:00 PM**

**Wednesday, September 24 - First night Rosh Hashanah**

Afternoon/Evening Service & Celebration 6:00 PM

Candlelighting 6:25 PM

**Thursday, September 25 - First day of Rosh Hashanah**

Services begin at 9:00 AM

President's message precedes Torah procession

Rabbi Haaz's sermon follows Torah procession

Lunch followed by *Tashlich* at the CT River at *approx.* 1:30 PM

**Thursday, September 25 - Second night of Rosh Hashanah**

Afternoon & Evening Services 6:00 PM

**Friday, September 26 - Second day of Rosh Hashanah**

Services begin at 9:00 AM

Vice President's message precedes Torah procession

Rabbi Haaz's sermon follows Torah procession

Lunch following services at *approx.* 1:30 PM

**Friday, October 3 - Kol Nidre Service**

Candlelighting and Kol Nidre Service 6:00 PM

**Saturday, October 4 - Yom Kippur**

Services begin at 9:30 AM

Yizkor comes at the end of the Torah Service (*approx.* 1:00)

Discussion on *Book of Jonah* in Nester Center 4:30 PM

Afternoon Service begins at 5:00 PM

Ne'ilah Service begins at *approx.* 6:30 PM and concludes with the blowing of the Shofar at *approx.* 7:30 PM. (Youngsters are encouraged to bring shofars and join in the ceremony.)

**Wednesday, October 8 - Sukkot Begins**

Candlelighting at home 6:01 PM

**Thursday, October 9 - First Day – Sukkot**

Sukkot Morning Service & Kiddush Brunch 9:00 AM

**Friday, October 10 - Second Day – Sukkot**

Sukkot Morning Service & Kiddush Brunch 9:00 AM

**Wednesday, October 15 - Hoshanah Rabbah**

Morning Service 9:00 AM

Shemini Atzeret Candlelighting 5:50 PM

**Thursday, October 16 - Shemini Atzeret**

Festival Morning Service 9:00 AM

Yizkor recited following services at *approx.* 10:30 AM

**Consecration/Simchat Torah Evening Services 6:30 PM**

**Friday, October 17 - Simchat Torah**

Festival Morning Service 9:00 AM



## **INFORMATION AND REMINDERS:**

**1. Please Note:** During High Holy Day Services Rabbi Seth Haaz's sermons will be at the beginning of the Torah Service.

**2. Shabbat Services** – Friday night and Saturday morning services will be held at their usual times: 7:00 PM and 9:30 AM, respectively.

**3. S'lichot Service** – Please join us for *S'lichot*, a time of spiritual preparations for the High Holy Days. We will reacquaint ourselves with melodies and prayers of the holy days to come and begin to focus on *t'shuvah*, *t'fillah* and *tz'dakah* (repentance, prayer and charity). Please call the synagogue office in advance to request child care.

**4. Youth & Family Services** – Services for Grades 4 through 7 will be held in the Small Sanctuary on **both days** of Rosh Hashanah at 10:00 AM and on Yom Kippur at 10:30 AM. Family services for students in Kindergarten-Grade 3 will be held in the Yellow Room of the Religious School at 10:30 AM on Rosh Hashanah and 11:00 AM on Yom Kippur. Mazal Tot family services (infants – PreK with an adult) will meet in the Orange Room of the Religious School at 10:30 AM on Rosh Hashanah and 11:00 AM on Yom Kippur.

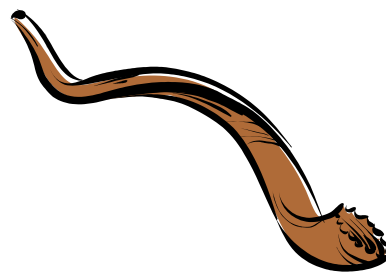
**5. Educational Child Care** – Child care will be provided for infants, toddlers and children second grade and under in the Religious School's Purple Room both days of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur for those who have pre-registered. Snacks will be provided all three days and on Yom Kippur there will also be a light lunch for the children. To register please complete and submit the on-line registration form available on our website [www.adathisraelct.org](http://www.adathisraelct.org) or contact the synagogue office (860) 346-4709 for a paper version of the form.

**6. Tashlich** - After services and a snack on the **first day** of Rosh Hashanah, worshippers will walk a few blocks to the Connecticut River to sing, dance, and observe *Tashlich*, *Tashlich*, or casting away, is a ceremony in which one decides which aspects of his or her past year to cast away and which to nourish.

**7. Simchat Torah** – Come one, come all!!! Bring your flags and get ready to sing and dance to favorite Jewish melodies in honor of completing the cycle of

Torah Reading. Consecration of our new students will also take place during this service.

**8. Parking** – Please remember that the synagogue does not own the parking spaces that touch our building. Please be a good neighbor and park only in our own spaces, which are immediately behind the Nester Center, and in our lots on William St. (directly across from the Senior Center) and Church St. (in the Traverse Square lot against the fence closest to Broad St.)



## **ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN**

We are so very blessed to have members/friends who give to the synagogue continually either financially or physically for the betterment of Adath Israel throughout the year. Their continued support helps to insure the successful existence of our synagogue, our Jewish community and the education of our children. With their generosity and the addition of all who give to our Annual Giving Campaign, our Adath Israel continues to be a bee hive of activity, both old and new.

Our **Twelfth Annual Giving Campaign** has just concluded. The Board of Directors would sincerely like to thank the following who have sent in their donation: **Mr. & Mrs. Richard Wrubel, Mrs. Joan Abrahamson, and Mrs. Irena May.**

With these tough economic times, we appreciate all the support that our members and friends have given and continue to give the synagogue. Your continued support is always welcome and appreciated.

# BREAK THE FAST SUPPER

**A** Break-the-Fast Dairy Dinner will be held again this year at our Synagogue immediately following the close of Yom Kippur services on Saturday, October 4th

If you or your family would like to join us,  
**Please RSVP to the synagogue office at**  
 (860) 346-4709 or [office@adathisraelct.org](mailto:office@adathisraelct.org)  
No Later Than **Friday, September 26th.**

Donation: \$ 10.00 per person

Sponsor: \$18.00 and up

Children 12 & under: Free

In keeping with our tradition, some of the dinner will be prepared by members at the Synagogue, giving our meal that homemade touch. Anyone wishing to assist before, during or after dinner, please contact the office.

We'll come together as a community to smooze and share some good food.

**L'SHANAH  
TOVA**



**5775!**

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

### **MAXINE THUMIM SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

#### IN HONOR OF

All the Volunteers honored at this year's Recognition Brunch: Bobette Reed Kahn, Terri Klein, Arlene Pressman, Marge Sadinsky, and Harriet Thiela by

Anita Hennessey

Lee & Irwin Zagoren

Marie Dominique Boyce

Marge & Stan Sadinsky

Terri & Michael Klein

Marc Sadinsky

Lee & Irwin Zagoren

Barbara Weiss

Barbara Edelstein

Arlene Pressman

Eileen & Michael Daling

Lee & Irwin Zagoren

Bobette Reed Kahn by Mary T. Reed

Terri Klein & Marge Sadinsky by Sandy & Carl Haftel

The birth of Alexander Daling, grandson of Eileen & Michael Daling

Linda & Jack Adler

Amy, Stacey, Ruth & Mike Sigal

Lee & Irwin Zagoren

The birth of Sadie Haaz, daughter of Rabbi Haaz & Bonnie Rose Schulman by Linda & Jack Adler  
Conner Dicks's graduation by Eileen & Michael Daling

Eliot Meadow's graduation by Eileen & Michael Daling

#### IN MEMORY OF

Jerry Kabel by Eileen & Michael Daling

Maria Didato & Paul Didato by Eileen & Michael Daling

### **MICHAEL FASSLER FUND**

#### IN MEMORY OF:

Jerry Kabel by Phyllis & Arthur Waldman

### **EDYTHER & ARTHUR DIRECTOR FAMILY MUSIC FUND**

#### IN HONOR OF

#### IN MEMORY OF

Jerry Kabel by

Arthur Director

Carol & David Director and Family

Jack Director by Arthur Director

Julius Gross by Arthur Director

Edythe Director by Arthur Director

### **ETERNAL LIGHT FUND**

#### IN HONOR OF:

Jeffrey Walter's Retirement by Donna & Mark Finkelstein

The birth of Alexander Daling, grandson of Eileen & Michael Daling by Donna & Mark Finkelstein

The birth of Sadie Haaz, daughter of Rabbi Haaz & Bonnie Rose Schulman by Donna & Mark Finkelstein

#### IN MEMORY OF

Ellen Gelin by Donna & Mark Finkelstein

Jerome Kabel by Donna & Mark Finkelstein

### **HOWARD FELDMAN BEAUTIFICATION FUND**

#### IN HONOR OF

The birth of Alexander Daling, grandson of Eileen & Michael Daling by Marge & Stan Sadinsky

The birth of a new grandchild to Natalie & Lenny Cheerman by Louise Feldman

The birth of Sadie Haaz, daughter of Rabbi Haaz & Bonnie Rose Schulman by

Louise Feldman

Ruth Maron

The anniversary of Matt & Theanne Feldman

The wedding of Lilly Goldberg, daughter of Fran and Lew by Marge & Stan Sadinsky

Gene Mittelman's Special Birthday by Marge & Stan Sadinsky

### **SPEEDY RECOVERY**

Mike Needle by Louise Feldman

#### IN MEMORY OF:

Sonny Rubinow by Louise Feldman

Jerry Kabel by

Edith Kabatznick

Dorothy & Harold Kaplan

Ruth Maron

Edie Betts & Family

Abraham Shlein by Lee & Irwin Zagoren

Milton Zagoren by Lee & Irwin Zagoren

### **SANFORD BEIT MINYAN FUND**

#### IN MEMORY OF

Arthur Curkin by Herb Curkin



**SYNAGOGUE FUND****IN HONOR OF**

The birth of Alexander Daling, grandson of Eileen & Michael Daling by Anita Hennessey

Hosting the M.I.L.E. program by Middlesex Community College

The birth of Sadie Haaz, daughter of Rabbi Haaz & Bonnie Rose Schulman by

Ed Friedman

Arlene Pressman

Sara Paley

Edie Betts

The wedding of Lilly Goldberg, daughter of Fran & Lew Goldberg by Paulette & Herb Gewirtz

**IN MEMORY OF:**

Jerome Kabel by

Judith Sitkin

Hazel Kurlansky

Sara Paley

Marilyn & Nat Wolicki

Harriet & Dewey Deeton

Maria Didato & Paul Didato by Lee & Irwin Zagoren

Esther Freedman by

Sara Paley

Joan Gordon

Jamie Pear's Aunt by Ethel Peltz

**SPEEDY RECOVERY**

Mike Needle by Paulette & Herb Gewirtz

**YAHREZEIT FUND**

Thelma Levson by Anita Hennessey & Hazel Kurlansky

Abraham Sigal by Amy, Stacey, Ruth & Mike Sigal

Rebecca Shulman by Teresa & Dave Shulman

Harold Davis by Debra Silver

Kitty Curkin by Paulette Curkin

Arthur Michael by Lorraine Michael

Fannie Kaplan by Edith Kabatznick

Rose Blum by Susan Mikulski

May Millen by Shirley Millen

Ann Edelberg by Paul Edelberg

Rebecca Dampsky by Sara Paley

William Resnikoff by Judith & Daniel Merida

Jane Saritsky by Rhea Hurwitz

Dr. Stanley Apter by Penny Apter

Judith Mellman by Barbara Weiss

Hyman Sadinsky by Marilyn & Nat Wolicki

Irving Israel Lerner by Natalie N. Kirschbaum

Ethel M. Gorker by Leona Marcus

David Marcus by Harris Marcus

Kalman Palmer by Sue & Steven Palmer

Joseph Gilfix by Barbara & Steven Weiss

Sidney Finkelstein by Donna & Mark Finkelstein

Zelda Freifeld by Donna & Mark Finkelstein

Hyman Needle by Michael Needle

Samuel Abrahamson by Joan Abrahamson

Rose Waldman by Arthur Waldman

Joseph Gilfix by Steven Wiess

Scott Kartiganer by Herb and Marge Kartiganer

Brenda Dubin by Joseph Dubin and Family

Marvin Hoffman by Ruth Schwarz and Maryann & Mort Hoffman

**RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND****IN HONOR OF**

The birth of Sadie Adelle to Rabbi Haaz & Bonnie Rose by

Anita Hennessey

Amy, Stacey, Ruth & Mike Sigal

Lee & Irwin Zagoren

Sophie becoming a big sister by the Bauer/Schnurman Family

**CHEVRA KADISHA****IN MEMORY OF**

Jerome Kabel by

Amy, Stacey, Ruth & Mike Sigal

Marge & Stan Sadinsky

Anita Hennessey

Joan Gordan

**MAZAL TOTS**

Shawn MacDuff

**SERVICE SCHEDULE**

Morning Minyan

Monday-Friday 8:00 AM

Saturday 9:30 AM

Sunday 9:00 AM

**Shabbat Evening Services begin at 7 PM.**

**One Friday Evening a month – "Pray-Eat-Sing" 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.



## **14<sup>th</sup> Annual High Holy Day Food Drive**

**This will be our 14th Annual High Holy Days Food Drive to benefit the Amazing Grace Food Pantry. Grocery bags will be available to pick up on Rosh Hashanah. Please be as generous as you can, filling them with non-perishable food items and returning them to the synagogue on or just after Yom Kippur. Every year it seems the NEED becomes GREATER with more and more individuals relying on the Amazing Grace Food Pantry to feed their families. Here is what they need the most but anything is welcome: SOUP, CEREAL, TUNA, PEANUT BUTTER, CANNED FRUIT & VEGGIES**

**If you have room in your bag, please consider a donation of dog or cat food to help families struggling to feed their pets.**

**Thank you in advance.**



# Mark your calendar for "Pray - Eat - Sing"

Friday night - **September 5**

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 or [office@adathisraelct.org](mailto:office@adathisraelct.org) by **August 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.



### **SEPTEMBER**

Rebecca & Seth Axelrod  
 Sandra & Paul Beckman  
 Carol & David Director  
 Harriet & Jerome Levin  
 Sharon Mittelman & Frank Murphy  
 Charles & Wendy Peterson  
 Gertrude & Alan Steele  
 Martha & Charles Tischofer  
 Freda & Joe Zaiantz



### **SEPTEMBER**

Alexandra Guy  
 Bernice Bonchi  
 Brett Director  
 Torah Ferrebee  
 Hal Guy  
 Carl Haftel  
 Rachel Kantrowitz  
 Sol Laufer  
 Harriet Levin  
 Jerome Levin  
 Judith Levin  
 Guy Levine  
 Nora Machuga  
 Carolyn Magram  
 Sari Rosenblatt  
 Sharon Slossberg  
 Harriet Thiela

## **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 through Friday: 10 AM-Noon  
 Saturday: Closed

Our new proprietor, Shirley Schloss has done a remarkable job rearranging and updating our shop. She will be more than glad to help you with your purchases or an order.

Other days/times, please see Joanna in the office if there is something special you are in need of purchasing.

## **NOT GETTING ANY INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ADATH ISRAEL?**

Did your email address change? Did you move or are you going to a warmer climate in the winter? Please notify the office via email at [office@adathisraelct.org](mailto:office@adathisraelct.org) or by calling 860-346-4709 and we can make sure you don't miss out on anything.



## HOST AN ONEG OR A 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 Saturday morning Kiddush. This is a delightful way to let others in our community celebrate a special occasion or share a memory with you. You can host an Oneg or Kiddush even if you may not be able to attend, although your presence would certainly add to the occasion.

The following is a breakdown of the cost for a Saturday morning Kiddush and what foods are normally provided:

**Regular Kiddush - \$72** – Challah, gefilte fish, horseradish, herring(s), tuna fish, egg salad, assorted sweets, bagels, cream cheese, wine, juice, coffee/tea.

**Deluxe - \$136** – all of the regular Kiddush plus lox and white fish, flavored cream cheeses, tomatoes, onions and fruit.

Cost for a regular Friday night Oneg Shabbat is approximately \$ 54, with additional costs for life cycle occasions.

These prices are based on normal attendance at minyan (approximately 20 attendees).

Prices will be adjusted if more are expected to attend Kiddush or Oneg or for special occasions (Bar/Bat Mitzvah, baby naming, or other life cycle events).

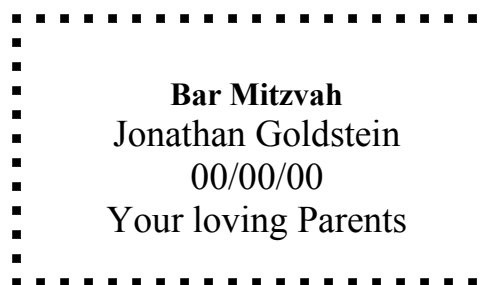
Call the synagogue office at 346-4709 at least a month in advance to make arrangements with the synagogue office administrator. You may either purchase the food and bring it to the synagogue according to her instructions or simply make a donation and have our staff prepare the refreshments on your behalf.



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

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

**From July-October we will be collecting Bottles and Cans and the money collected will benefit the Religious School.**

From November – February we will be collecting Bottles and Cans and the money collected will go to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund.

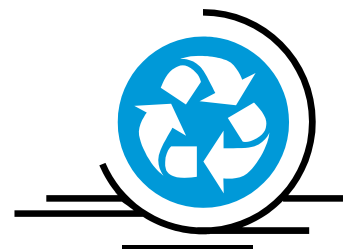
From March-June we will be collecting Bottles and Cans, and the money will go towards Middletown's Relay for Life Organization.

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







# September 2014

## elul/tishri

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
31 Office Closed Labor Day  6 elul	1 Office Closed Labor Day  6 elul	2 11 am & 12:30 pm Mah Jongg 6:30 pm Choir 7:30 pm Al anon & AA 7 elul	3 7 am Early Risers Minyan 7 pm Exec Bd 8 elul	4  9 elul	5 5:30 pm Pray-Eat-Sing Service & Dinner 6:59 pm Candles 10 elul	6 9:30 am Shabbat Services  Kii Tetze 11 elul
7 9 am-noon Board Retreat 9-noon Religious School Staff Mtg 12 elul	8  13 elul	9 11 am & 12:30 pm Mah Jongg 6:30 pm Choir 7:30 pm Al anon & AA 14 elul	10 10:30 am Stitchery 4 pm Religious School (Grades 3-7) 7 pm Evening Minyan 7:15 pm Board Mtg 15 elul	11  16 elul	12 7 pm Shabbat Evening Services 6:47 pm Candles 17 elul	13 9:30 am Shabbat Services  Ki Tavo 18 elul
14 9 am-noon Religious School (All Grades) 10:30 am Mazal Tots 19 elul	15  20 elul	16 11 am & 12:30 pm Mah Jongg 6:30 pm Choir 7:30 pm Al anon & AA 21 elul	17 4 pm Religious School (Grades 3-7) 22 elul	18  23 elul	19 7 pm Shabbat Evening Services 6:35 pm Candles 24 elul	20 9:30 am Shabbat L"chol Adat Services 10:30 Tot Shabbat 8 pm S'lichot Service Nitzavim/Vayelech 25 elul
21 9 am JWV Brunch No Religious School or Mazal Tots 1 pm Community Cemetery Service 26 elul	22  27 elul	23 11 am & 12:30 pm Mah Jongg 6:30 pm Choir 7:30 pm Al anon & AA 28 elul	24 Office closes at noon No Religious School 6 pm Rosh Hashanah Evening Services Erev Rosh Hashanah 25 elul	25 Office Closed 9 am Rosh Hashanah Morning Services 10 am Student Services 10:30 am Tot Services 1 pm Tascjich 6 pm Rosh Hashanah Evening Services 6:27 pm Candles Rosh Hashanah 1 tishri	26 Office Closed 9 am Rosh Hashanah Morning Services 10 am Student Services 10:30 am Tot Services 7 pm Shabbat Evening Services 6:24 pm Candles Rosh Hashanah 2 tishri	27 9:30 am Shabbat Services  Shabbat Shuvah Ha'azinu 3 tishri
28 9 am-noon Religious School (All Grades) 9 am-noon Past Presidents Mtg 10:30 am Mazal Tots 4 tishri	29  5 tishri	30 11 am & 12:30 pm Mah Jongg 6:30 pm Choir 7:30 pm Al anon & AA 6 tishri	1  1 tishri	2  2 tishri	3  3 tishri	4  4 tishri