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קולות ח.ק. עדת ישראל



Middletown, Connecticut
Oct/Nov 2016/Elul-Tishrei-Cheshvan 5776-5777



USHPIZIN **INVITATION**

by Rabbi Haaz

From the Hebrew month of Elul through the last day of Sukkot, we experience different settings for our spiritual home. Psalm 27, the Psalm for the month of Elul, expresses our plea to live in God's house all the days of our lives, and then goes on to mention that this house could be the Temple, a sukkah, or a tent. Each of these forms of *bayit* (home) are places where we can experience God's presence, but to experience God's fullest presence and blessing, each of these forms of bayit must be shared with others from the community.

The synagogue is one form of spiritual home that we share together on the holidays, but it should not be the only one. The holiday of Sukkot encourages us to build a sukkah, a temporary home, and invite guests to dwell in it. A sukkah without guests is bereft of spiritual meaning. Guests are so central to the experience of building and dwelling in a sukkah that the *Zohar*, a foundational book of Jewish mysticism, suggests that even God is able to dwell in a sukkah because it generates such an intense concentration of spiritual energy. Because God's presence is likely to dwell in a sukkah, the *Zohar* imagines that the great leaders of Israel return to earth to

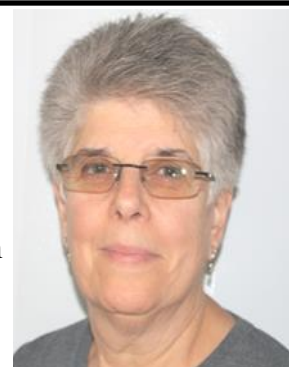
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YEAR IN REVIEW

by Eileen Daling

My High Holy Day speeches in the past have been about recapping our previous year's successes, our failures and talking about our hopes for the coming year. You will see that I took a different road this time for my speech. Therefore, my article here "formally known as the Rosh Hashanah speech" will be about those activities and our hopes.

In the year 5776, we had many wonderful events. They included the Second Annual Nathan Olshin Scholar-In-Residence featuring Dr. Av Patt, many interesting and informative Adult Education Programs, the transformation of the Fundraising Committee into the Social Activities/Programs Committee featuring 2 successful and fun Paint Nights, an Interfaith Basketball Clinic with Wesleyan, the revitalization of our Purim Shpiel, a wonderful Volunteer Brunch that honored 5 of our fellow members and also due to many generous donation awarded 2 camperships to our children, our Annual Chanukah Candle Lighting event, monthly Pray-Eat-Sing dinners, and our 20th Annual Interfaith Golf Tournament. Along with these we gained some new members again this year, our Ritual Committee was strengthened, the Religious School under the guidance of its new director had a very successful and



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bask in the divine light of a sukkah. Each night, there are special blessings that are offered to welcome these guests, called *ushpizin*.

On Thursday, October 20, my family invites you to be our ushpizin – to bring your presence and light into our sukkah and to share the many blessings that we have to look forward to as a community. There will be a sign-up sheet in the main office. You can stop in to the synagogue or give Joanna a call to reserve a time to visit with us. When you sign up with Joanna, she will provide you with directions and additional information. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to host you in our sukkah and fulfill the mitzvah of *hakhnassat orkhim*, welcoming guests.



CALLING ALL TORAH CHANTERS

As most of you know, Rabbi Haaz will be on Sabbatical from mid-October until approximately the end of May 2017.

We have contracted with a Cantorial student to fill in for the Rabbi 3 weekends per month – Friday evening through Sunday after Religious School. The one weekend per month he will not be with us will almost always coincide with Shabbat Lechol Adat.

We usually get a pretty good crowd on that weekend and it would be a shame to not be able to chant from the Torah scroll on those Shabbats.

Jodi Gendrich (and family) and myself are the only regulars who are Torah chanters, but it is difficult for only us to split 7 Aliyot between only us.

I am asking all those who can chant, or wish to learn, to make a commitment to attend and chant 1 or 2 Aliyot on the 1 weekend per month when we don't have an "interim Rabbi".

I would be happy to co-ordinate this and will supply those interested in this very important function with the weekly Parsha as much in advance as necessary.

When we have the schedule set up, I will be posting it.

Please contact me as much in advance as possible and I will co-ordinate the Aliyot for the various Torah chanters that have volunteered.

We will also have slots open to anyone who wishes to chant Haftorah and lead Services on Friday night and Saturday morning.

Thank you in advance to all who will be assisting in this endeavor.

Bern Padawer
Chair, Ritual Committee
860 985 0155
bernpadawer@yahoo.com

KOLOT DUE DATES **2016—2017**

Do you have an article or event you'd like to submit to Kolot? We'd love to share it, so please keep in mind the following deadlines.

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Submission Deadline</u>
December	November 9
January	December 7
February	January 11
March	February 8
April	March 7
May	April 11
June	May 16

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productive year, the House Chair worked on improvements and repairs of some building issues, along with Social Tuna we improved the look of our website, our Facebook page and updated many of our flyers, the Mah Jongg League grew to 20 plus members meeting on Tuesdays and a new Book Club was formed which meets about every 6 weeks with approximately 20 members. Some of our biggest successes include the amazingly generous donations from some of our members and friends who reached deep to bring new energy efficient lighting throughout the synagogue, new curtains for the main sanctuary bemah, new microphones and an Assistive Hearing System to enhance participation in all services and events, donations to the Book Fund to enable us to purchase our new High Holy Day mahzor, *Lev Shalem*, and finally, for our long awaited and wonderful permanent Holocaust Memorial.

While we should and are proud of these successes, there is still more that needs to be done. The biggest failure is the fact that many of you don't participate. Why aren't you attending services, events, activities and important meetings? The most important meeting of the year is our Congregational Annual Meeting. We changed the By-laws and made it only once a year and still attendance was a disgrace. At this meeting many important items are voted on for the upcoming year. It is a time for you to ask questions of your Board and give your input into the synagogue life and activities you would like to see. This helps us to better serve you.

Our hope for the coming year would be to see many of our successes continue and new ones and have more of you participate. As we plan new activities we need you to tell us what kind of activities would make you want to attend. We also need you to think about volunteering to help. Many of us have done this for numerous years and new volunteers are an important way to stay current. Not every task is a long term commitment. Think about contacting a board member to discuss what you might like to do, where your interest lies and how much time you might be able to commit to your community.

We all have busy, hectic lives but Adath Israel is here for you. We have a minyan every day so you can pray, we share the celebration of your mitzvah's, and we grieve with you during your time of loss, we provide a Jewish education for your children and we represent you in the greater Middletown community.

Where are you? Three days a year does not a community make!!!!

Again, wishing that the year 5777 holds for you much of what you desire. May it bring Adath Israel all it needs to grow into a stronger, more vibrant and growing community!

SAVE THE DATE:

Pray-Eat-Sing on Friday, November 11th

Please plan on coming to enjoy an evening of services, dinner and singing. While there, meet our cantorial student, Isaac Yager, who will be covering 2-3 weekends a month while Rabbi Haaz is on sabbatical.

Let's give Isaac a warm welcome to our community.



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 Service:

Friday, 7:00 PM

Pray-Eat-Sing Service: 5:30 PM, one Friday night a month; see calendar for details

Shabbat Morning Service: 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.



WE INVITE YOU TO SHARE OUR JOY AND
CELEBRATION AS OUR SON

ARI
IS CALLED TO THE
TORAH 

AS A BAR MITZVAH

**OCTOBER
8**

AT FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING
CONGREGATION ADATH ISRAEL
8 BROAD STREET
MIDDLETOWN, CT

COLLEEN & JIM POLINER

**DINNER RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING SERVICE**

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO USE THE SYNAGOGUE

We are an active community at Adath Israel, and we want to meet as many groups' needs as we can. If you would like to hold a meeting, program, or celebration in the synagogue or Nester Center, it is important to contact Joanna, the Office Administrator, at (860) 346-4709 or

office@adathisraelct.org at least **one (1) month in advance.**

Please give at least 6 months' notice for major events such as a Bar/Bat Mitzvah or wedding.

IF YOU HAVE NEWS TO SHARE

Please remember to share any family simchas, other important information, and the passing of any relatives with the synagogue office (860) 346-4709 or office@adathisraelct.org for publication in *Voices*.

ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN

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

Our **Twelfth Annual Giving Campaign** has just begun. The Board of Directors would sincerely like to thank the following who has sent in a donation: **Ruth Beit.**

With these tough economic times, we appreciate all the support that our members and friends have given and continue to give the synagogue.

Catch Up with Old Friends & Make New Ones at



Pray-Eat-Sing! Friday - October 21

Services at 5:30 p.m. - Shabbat Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Please join us as 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).

Please contact the Synagogue office at office@adathisraelctorg or 860-346-4709 so we can be sure we have enough food for all who join us.

**Please bring a non-perishable food item for the
Amazing Grace Food Pantry.**

Cost: Members—free!. Not yet a member? Please be our guest for your 1st dinner. For returning guests there is a couvert of \$10 per person or \$18 per family.

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

Can you lend a hand? 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.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

by Anna Elfenbaum

Religious School Principal

At our opening Faculty meeting this year, I told the following story (one of my personal favorites!) to our teachers. I encouraged them to think of this story as they work with our children and to find what is most special inside each student. As the Jewish New Year approaches and we begin to look at ourselves, I invite you to read this story and look inside yourself and your loved ones to see what is truly special. Wishing you a *Shana Tov u'Metuka*, a sweet, happy and healthy new year.

The Apple Tree's Discovery

In a great oak forest where the trees grew tall and majestic, there was a little apple tree. It was the only apple tree in that forest and so it stood alone...Winter came. As the snow fell to the forest floor, it covered the branches of the little apple tree. The forest was quiet and peaceful. One night the little apple tree looked up at the sky and saw a wonderful sight. Between the branches of all the trees, the little apple tree saw the stars in the sky, which appeared to be hanging on the branches of the oak trees.

"Oh God, Oh God," whispered the little apple tree, "how lucky those oak trees are to have such beautiful stars hanging on their branches. I want more than anything in the world to have stars on my branches, just like the oak trees have! Then I would feel truly special." God looked down at the little apple tree and said gently, "Have patience! Have patience, little apple tree!"

Time passed. The snows melted and spring came to the land. Tiny white and pink apple blossoms appeared on the branches of the little apple tree. Birds came to rest on its branches. People walked by the little apple tree and admired its beautiful blossoms. All summer long, the apple tree continued to grow. The branches of the tree formed a canopy overhead as they filled with leaves and blossoms.

But night after night the little apple tree looked up at the sky with the millions, and millions, and millions -and millions of stars and cried out, "Oh God, I want more than anything in the world to have stars in my tree and on my branches and in my leaves -just like those oak trees." And God looked down at the little apple tree and said, "You already have gifts. Isn't it enough to have shade to offer people, and fragrant blossoms, and branches for birds to rest on so they can sing you their songs?" The apple tree sighed and answered simply, "Dear God, I don't mean to sound ungrateful, but that is not special enough! I do appreciate how much pleasure I give to others, but what I really want more than anything in the world is to have stars, not blossoms, on my branches. Then I would feel truly special!" God smiled and answered, "Be patient, little apple tree."

The seasons changed again. Soon the apple tree was filled with many beautiful apples. People walked in the forest. Whoever saw the apple tree would reach up, pick an apple and eat it. And still, when night came to the forest, the apple tree looked at the stars in the oak trees and called out, "Oh God, I want more than anything in the world to have stars on my branches! Then I would feel truly special." And God asked, "But apple tree, isn't it enough that you now have such wonderful apples to offer people? Doesn't that satisfy you? Doesn't that give you enough pleasure and make you feel special?"

Without saying a word, the apple tree answered by shaking its branches from side to side. At that moment, God caused a wind to blow. The great oak trees began to sway and the apple tree began to shake. From the top of the apple tree an apple fell. When it hit the ground, it split open.

"Look", commanded God, "look inside yourself. What do you see?" The little apple tree looked down and saw that right in the middle of the apple, was a star. And the apple tree answered, "A star! I have a star!" And God laughed a gentle laugh and added, "So you do have stars on your branches. They've been there all along, you just didn't know it."

-Peninnah Schram and Rachayl Eckstein Davis

ACT
NOW!



The Germany Close Up Fellowship

An Open Program for Students and Young Professionals in affiliation with Congregation Adath Israel

November 6 - 14, 2017

Background

Established in October 2007, *Germany Close Up – American Jews Meet Modern Germany* is an initiative created to enrich transatlantic dialogue and provide Jewish-North American students and young professionals in their twenties and thirties with an opportunity to experience modern Germany up close and personally. A generous government scholarship (a part of the ERP Special Assets of the German Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy) covers more than two thirds of participation costs, which leaves a participation fee of **US\$890** per person. At the same time, Germany Close Up is an independent body regarding the organization and content of its programs. The purpose of the program is to allow participants to gain *their own perspective* on Germany through individual experience.

Focus

The trips are designed to expose participants to a range of aspects that make up modern Germany, with both the past and present in focus. Every Germany Close Up trip includes a number of activities, tours, and meetings. All trips cover issues related to Germany's reflection on its past and its efforts to deal with the memory of the Holocaust and the Nazi horror up to this very day. They also consider Germany's transformation over the last decades into a modern, reunified, and democratic country in the heart of the European Union, home to the third-fastest growing Jewish community worldwide. **Observing Shabbat and keeping a kosher diet are both possible on all Germany Close Up trips. Please note, however, that the program cannot cater to very extreme forms of some allergies.**

The nine day program between November 6 and 14 (start in the US will be November 5) will expose participants to Berlin's multicultural life, allow them to visit sites such as a former concentration camp, the Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe and the Jewish Museum in Berlin, and to experience other key historical sites and cultural venues. They will meet with German opinion-makers from the academic and political spheres, representatives of grass roots movements and the Jewish community, as well as German contemporaries. The role of Jewish voices in transatlantic relations will be explored as participants actively contribute to German-American dialogue.

The program will focus on the following topics:

- Berlin and united Germany
- The Holocaust and the Nazi Era (incl. a visit to a former Concentration Camp)
- Transatlantic/German-American relations (incl. a meeting with officials of the German Federal Foreign Office)
- Current German Politics
- Jewish Life in Berlin, past and present
- German-Israeli relations
- A visit to a city outside Berlin

www.germanycloseup.de



Participation Fee

The participation fee for this program is US\$890. This fee is paid indirectly to Germany Close Up via a flight contribution. After being accepted to the program, participants are expected to book their roundtrip airline ticket to Berlin with economy class and to provide proof of purchase to Germany Close Up. In most cases this expense will cover the US\$890 fee. If your air fare is lower than US\$890, the remainder is due to Germany Close Up following the program's conclusion. If your air fare is more than US\$890, you may be eligible for a flight reimbursement from Germany Close Up for some of your costs above this amount. Please note that this amount is capped and depends on your point of departure in the United States or Canada. For participants departing from the East Coast of the United States or Canada there is no reimbursement. For participants departing from elsewhere in the United States the maximum reimbursement is US\$210. **Only flight costs above the US\$890 participation fee are considered for reimbursement.**

For example:

For flight costs of US\$800, you will be required to pay Germany Close Up US\$90 following the program.

For flight costs from East Coast of US\$1000, there will be no reimbursement.

For flight costs from elsewhere in the U.S. of US\$1000, you will be reimbursed US\$110.

Reimbursement will be take place in EURO while you are in Germany.

Once you have been accepted for the trip, we encourage you to begin researching flights ASAP due to the maximum reimbursement levels and the rising cost of airfares as the trip dates near.

Other expenses

Germany Close Up covers the following expenses in Germany: hotel accommodation in double rooms, most meals, transportation within Germany, admission fees and event tickets. The scholarship does not include tipping. Please keep in mind that you will need to pay around 50€ (roughly US\$55) for tips.

For any further questions please do not hesitate to contact us at the Germany Close Up office (office@germanycloseup.de).

Application

Application closes on Monday, November 28, 2016.

Please apply via email and be prepared to attach the documents listed below as a **single pdf file (please no ZIP files)** to office@germanycloseup.de.

The documents we require to complete your application are:

An online application form	A cover letter	A resume
A 500 word essay about your interest in the program		One letter of recommendation

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16th Annual High Holy Day Food Drive

This will be our 16th 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.

ADATH ISRAEL DEDICATED FUNDS

HOWARD FELDMAN BEAUTIFICATION FUND

IN MEMORY OF

Judy Astrachan by

Linda & Jack Adler

Louise Feldman

Hazel Kurlansky

Nihla Lapidus

Ruth Maron

Joan Kleeman by Marge & Stanley Sadinsky

MAXINE THUMIM CAMBERSHIP FUND

REFUA SH'LEIMA (SPEEDY RECOVERY)

Sandra Haftel by Eileen & Michael Daling

Teresa Shulman by Eileen & Michael Daling

IN MEMORY OF

Hortie Kabel by Eileen & Michael Daling

Dorothy Kaplan's sister by Eileen & Michael Daling

NATHAN OLSHIN SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE-FUND

IN HONOR OF

Katie Gendrich becoming a Bat Mitzvah by

Linda & Jack Adler

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

IN MEMORY OF

Michael Schulman by

Ruth & Mike Sigal

Marcia & Richard Wrubel

Hortense Kabel by Lynn A. Rappaport

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

IN MEMORY OF

Michael Schulman by Phyllis & Arthur Waldman

SANFORD BEIT MINYAN FUND

IN MEMORY OF

Yetta Curkin by Herb Curkin

"THOSE WHO GIVE LEND TO THE LORD"

SYNAGOGUE FUND

Helen Hartel

IN HONOR OF

Anita Hennessey on the occasion of her son

Michael's wedding by Paulette Gewirtz

Kathryn Gendrich on being called to the Torah as a

Bat Mitzvah by Anita Hennessey

Sharon Slossberg on her Special Birthday by Anita Hennessey

REFUA SH'LEIMA (SPEEDY RECOVERY)

Hortie Kabel by Paulette Gewirtz

IN MEMORY OF

Michael Schulman by

Irena May

Bobette & Jeffrey Kahn

Hortie Kabel by

Anita Hennessey

Sara Paley

Judy Astrachan by

Anita Hennessey

Edith Kabatznick

Edie Betts

Sara Paley

YAHREZEIT FUND

Charles Russman by Naomi & Marvin Hoberman

Jane Schwartz Gould by Nancy L. Schwartz

Katie Adler by

Jack Adler

Edie Betts

Marvin Betts by Edie Betts

Joseph Pincus by Claire & Irv Pincus

Lillian Pinkus by Maricia Wrubel

Ethel Eisner by Phyllis & Arthur Waldman

Bernie Fields by Harriet Deeton

Fannie Lerner by Natalie Kirschbaum & Family

Sam Abrahamson by Joan Abrahamson

Leo Nevas by Jo-Ann Price

Max Goldberg by Susan Goldberg

Rose Freedman by Ruth Beit

Celia Hoffman by Mort & Mary Ann Hoffman &

Ruth Schwarz

Albert Hoffman by Mort & Mary Ann Hoffman &

Ruth Schwarz

Donald Berger by Mike, Ruth, Amy, and Stacey Sigal

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 Wednesday, October 12th

If you or your family would like to join us,
Please RSVP to the synagogue office at
 (860) 346-4709 or office@adathisraelct.org
No Later Than **Wednesday, October 5th.**

Donation: \$ 15.00 per person

Sponsor: \$36.00 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
TOVAH**



5777!

IT'S NEWS

TODAH RABAH

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

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

Early Risers Minyan

Myra & David Finkelstein



Oneg & Kiddush

Jodi & Chuck Gendrich in honor of Katie's bat mitzvah

Sherry & Franklin Young in honor of Joshua's bar mitzvah

Sharon Slossberg, Lynn Bennett, and Merle Loza in memory of their parents

Pray-Eat-Sing

Anita Hennessey

Aaron, Marcey, and Harriet Thiela

Sharon Slossberg

Eliot & Stephanie Meadow

Myra & David Finkelstein

Lynn Bennett

Ruth & Mike Sigal

Arlene Pressman

Naomi & Richard Kamins

Melissa & Ian Gibson of Wellstone Farm

OTHER GIFTS & ACTS OF GENEROSITY TODAH RABBAH!

Tal Rozenthal for fixing the lock on the back door of the Nester Center

Harriet Thiela, Roberta Levine Glass, Marc Glass for their help with the *Max's Diamond's* book reading and signing

MAZAL TOV!!!

Sharon Slossberg on her Special Birthday

Katie Gendrich on being called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah.

Joshua Young on being called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah

Marc Lapidus on the birth of his granddaughter

Nihla Lapidus on the birth of her great-granddaughter

SPEEDY RECOVERY

Hal Kaplan, Art Director, Mark Itkin, Bob Soll, Randy Parks, Rich Bruno, Harold “Duke” Leitzes,

Arthur Lerner, Sy Feldman, Seth Axelrod, Sandy Haftel

MAY GOD GIVE COMFORT TO

Dotty Kaplan on the loss of her sister, Judy Astrachan

IN MEMORIAM

Our sincerest condolences are extended to the family of Hortense “Hortie” Kabel who came to her eternal rest on August 20 (16 Av)

BOOK CLUB

It has been one year since we re-started Adath Israel's Book Club. We are proud to say that we have read nine books this year. Special thanks to all who have participated this year. We look forward to adding members in the coming year.

The book selected for after the High Holidays is *Rashi's Daughters, Book 1: Joheved: A Novel of Love and the Talmud in Medieval France* by *Maggie Anton*. This is the first book in a dramatic, historical trilogy about one of Rashi's three daughters. It takes place in eleventh century France when - for a Jewish woman - knowledge was dangerous.

The discussion about the book will be held on **November 1 at 7 pm at The Nester Center."**

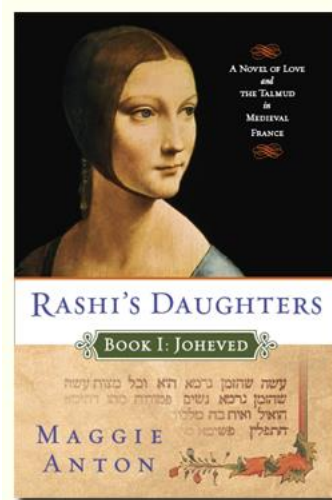
New members are welcomed. One does not have to read the book to attend the discussion.

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rjlevine610@gmail.com

Holly Simon 860-395-8989

hfpsimon@gmail.com



Early Risers Minyan

Wednesday, October 5
Wednesday, November 2*

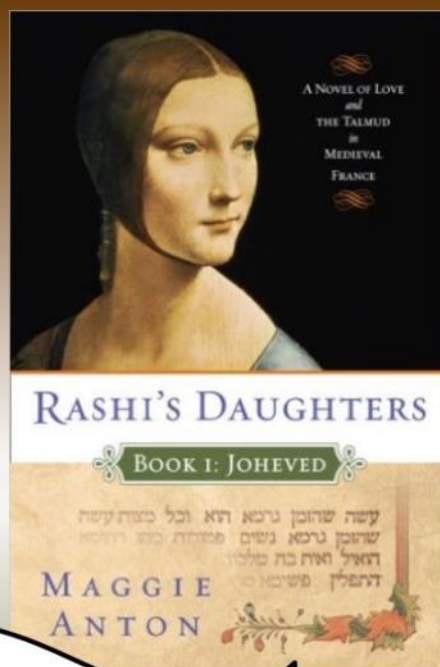
* Kiddush follows service

Adath Israel Book Club

Tuesday, November 1
7 p.m. in the Nester Center

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**New Members
 Welcome!**



OCTOBER

Roger Beit
Linda Small
Ethan Olczak
Stephen Shapiro
Rabbi Haaz
Daniel Belin
Jodi Gendrich
Stuart Osber
Ruth Beit
Herbert Cohen
Teresa Shulman
Sheila Saxe
Stanley Sadinsky
Sheryl Oken
Eric Meadow
Linda Adler
Richard Steele
James Poliner
Lynn Bennett
David Shulman
Lee Zagoren
Jo-Ann Price
Paul Beckman

NOVEMBER

Aidan Bauer
Cooper Bruno
Adam Finkelstein
Leslie Friedlander
Chuck Gendrich
Samantha Goldstein
Robert Goldstein
Betty Laufer
Douglas Miller
Randy Parks
Judith Rubel

Shirley Schloss
Joanna Schnurman
BarbaraSequenzia
Amy Sigal
Chuck Tischofer
Arthur Waldmann
Irwin Zagoren



OCTOBER

Lisa & Denis Caron
Michael & Eileen Daling
Harriet & Dewey Deeton
Marilyn & Adam Finkelstein
Leslie & Harris Friedlander
Randy & Rick Parks
Laurie & David Schwarz
Lizabeth & Jon Whitaker

NOVEMBER

Roger & Sondra Beit
Jaime & Rich Bruno
Lewis & Fran Goldberg

14 Annual Contemporary Israeli Voices, 2016

Thursday, October 27, 2016

8:00 PM

THE SOUND OF OUR STEPS

WITH RONIT MATALON, bestselling writer and novelist

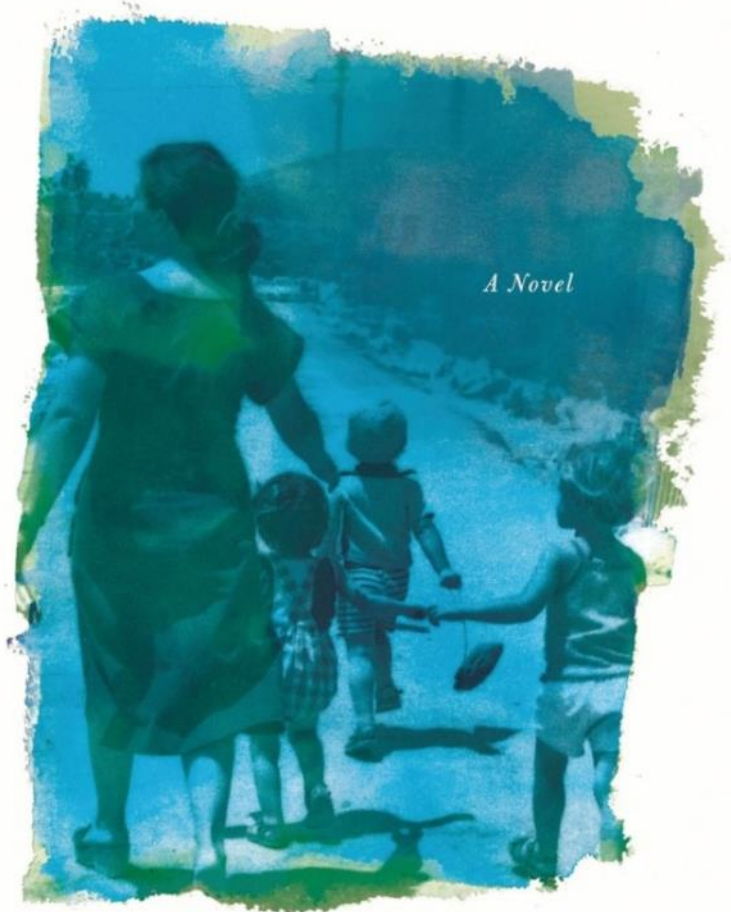
Ronit Matalon will discuss her latest novel, *The Sounds of our Steps*. Matalon is a bestselling writer and novelist and has worked as a journalist for Israel TV and for the daily *Haaretz*. She has also worked as a critic and book reviewer for *Haaretz*. At present, she is senior lecturer in Hebrew and comparative literature at Haifa University. She teaches creative writing there as well as at the Sam Spiegel Film School in Jerusalem and is a member of the Forum for Mediterranean Culture at the Van Leer Institute.

Location: PAC 004 (Public Affairs Center), Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT.

Free Admission.

Open to the Public.

THE SOUND OF OUR STEPS



RONIT MATALON

Tikkun Olam/Fundraiser



IT'S A WIN-WIN-WIN!

Save time, aggravation, and the planet while providing funds for important causes by donating your cleaned \$.05 returnable bottles and cans.

From April-July the money will be donated to
Middletown's Relay for Life.

From August-November the money collected will benefit the Religious
School.

From December-March the money collected will benefit the Rabbi's
Discretionary Fund.

In August your efforts generated \$42.75 for the Religious School.

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

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

Stephanie Meadow



HIGH HOLY DAYS SCHEDULE
2016 / 5777

Saturday, September 24 - S'lichot

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

Sunday, September 25 - Kever Avot

Cemetery Memorial Service 12:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 2 - First Night Rosh Hashanah

Afternoon/Evening Service & Celebration 6:00 p.m.

Candle lighting 6:16 p.m.

Monday, October 3 - First Day of Rosh Hashanah

Services begin at 9:00 a.m.

Torah service (+ remarks by President Eileen Daling & Rabbi Haaz) 10:00 a.m.

Youth services & services for young children begin at 10:30 a.m.

Lunch & *Tashlich* at the CT River (rain date 10/04) *approx.* 1:30 p.m.

Monday, October 3- Second Night of Rosh Hashanah

Afternoon/Evening Service & Celebration 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 4 - Second Day of Rosh Hashanah

Services begin at 9:00 a.m.

Youth services & services for young children begin at 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, October 11 - Kol Nidre Service

Candle lighting and Kol Nidre Service 6:00 p.m.

(Please note: Services will start **PROMPTLY** to ensure candles are lit by 6:02 p.m.)

Wednesday, October 12 - Yom Kippur

Services begin at 9:30 a.m.

Torah service (+ remarks by Vice President Jonathan Shapiro & Rabbi Haaz) 10:30 a.m.

Youth services & services for young children begin at 10:30 a.m.

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

Discussion on *Book of Jonah* in Nester Center 3:15 p.m.

Afternoon Service begins at 4:15 p.m.

Ne'ilah Service *approx.* 5:45 p.m.

Final blowing of the shofar at *approx.* 7:15 p.m.

Break the Fast follows Ne'illah for those who have registered (*approx.*) 7:45 p.m.

Sunday, October 16 - Sukkot Begins

Candle lighting at home 5:54 p.m.

Monday, October 17 - First Day – Sukkot

Sukkot Morning Service & Kiddush Brunch 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 18 - Second Day – Sukkot

Sukkot Morning Service 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, October 23 - Hoshanah Rabbah

Morning Service 9:00 a.m.

Shemini Atzeret candle lighting at home 6:09 p.m.

Monday, October 24 -Shemini Atzeret

Festival Morning Service 9:00 a.m.

Yizkor recited following services at *approx.* 10:30 a.m.

Monday, October 24 -Simchat Torah Evening Services

6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 25 - Simchat Torah

Festival Morning Service & Kiddush Brunch 9:00 a.m.



High Holy Day Services Educational Childcare **Grade 2 & Under Registration Form**

My child, _____, age, _____ will be attending
(please print)

Adath Israel's educational childcare for the following service(s):

_____ Rosh Hashanah Day 1 (Mon., 10/3) 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

_____ Rosh Hashanah Day 2 (Tue., 10/4) 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

_____ Yom Kippur (Wed., 10/12) 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Please list any allergies or medical conditions your child has as well as any medicine(s) s/he taking:

Parent/Guardian Name: _____
(please print)

Parent/Guardian: Signature: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please send me information on: _____ Programs for Infants & Toddlers
 _____ Programs for Preschoolers _____ Religious School _____ Religious Services
 _____ Becoming Jewish _____ Learning Hebrew _____ Cultural/Community Events
 _____ Joining the Adath Israel Community
 _____ Other (Please list): _____

Please complete a separate form for each child attending and return completed form to address listed below.

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Save the Date!

Pray-Eat-Sing!

Friday - November 11

Services-5:30 p.m. Dinner-6:30 p.m.

Special Guest, Isaac Yager

Meet Isaac Yager, the cantorial student who will join our community during Rabbi Haaz's sabbatical, leading services and teaching in our Religious School.

RSVP by Nov. 4 to the Synagogue office at 860-346-4709 or office@adathisraelctorg so we can be sure we have enough food for all who join us.

Cost: Members—free!. Not yet a member? Please be our guest for your 1st dinner. For returning guests there is a couvert of \$10 per person or \$18 per family.

Please bring a nonperishable food item for the Amazing Grace Food Pantry.

14 Annual Contemporary Israeli Voices, 2016

Monday, November 7

8:00 PM

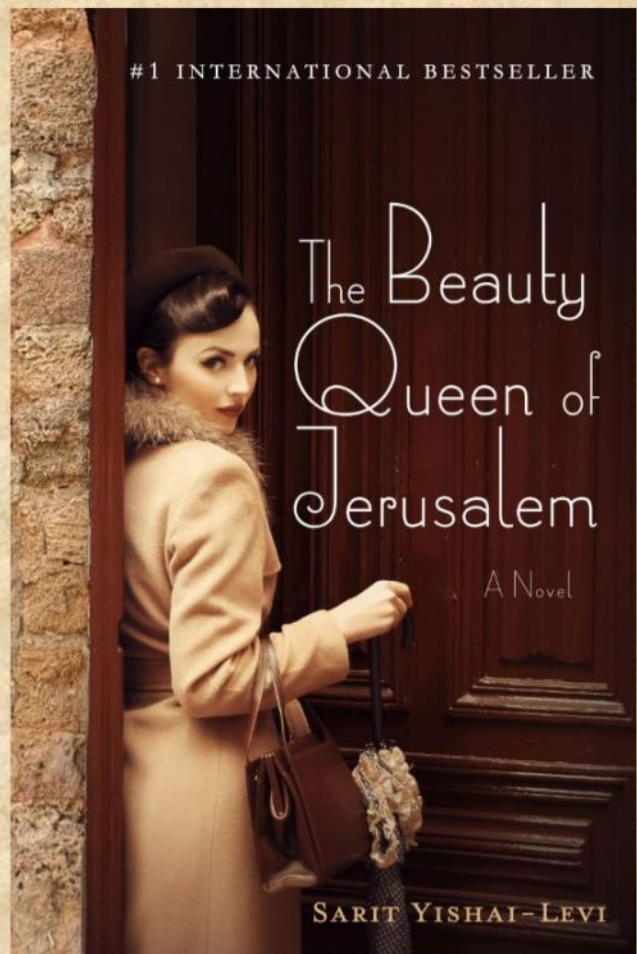
The Beauty Queen of Jerusalem

**INTER-GENERATIONAL TENSION, FORBIDDEN LOVE, AND QUESTIONS
OF IDENTITY IN 20TH-CENTURY ISRAEL**

With SARIT YISHAI-LEVI, acclaimed Israeli journalist & author

Sarit Yishai-Levi will discuss her debut novel, *The Beauty Queen of Israel*. Yishai-Levi is an acclaimed Israeli journalist and author and lives in Tel Aviv. *The Beauty Queen of Jerusalem* was a number one bestseller that won the Publishers Association's Gold and Platinum Prizes and the Steimatzky Prize for bestselling book of the year when it was published in Israel.

**Location: Russell House,
Wesleyan University,
Middletown, CT.
Free Admission.
Open to the Public.**





october 2016

elul/tishrei

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	1 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service <i>Parshat Nitzavim</i> 28 elul
2 6 p.m. Rosh Hashanah Evening Services Erev Rosh Hashanah 29 elul	3 Office closed 9 a.m. Festival Morning Service 10:30 a.m. Services for Youth & Families Taschlich 6 p.m. Evening Services Rosh Hashanah 1 tishrei	4 Office closed 9 a.m. Festival Morning Service 10:30 a.m. Services for Youth & Families Taschlich rain date Rosh Hashanah 2 tishrei	5 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan 8 a.m. Torah Study 4 p.m. Religious School Fast of Gedaliah 3 tishrei	6 4 tishrei	7 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service 5 tishrei	8 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Havdallah Bar Mitzvah of Ari Poliner <i>Parshat Vayelech</i> Shabbat Shuvah 6 tishrei
9 9 a.m. Religious School 10:30 a.m. Mazal Tots 10:30 a.m. Judaism 101 Noon Assemble Sukkah 7 tishrei	10 Columbus Day 8 tishrei	11 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 6 p.m. Kol Nidre Service Kol Nidre 9 tishrei	12 Office closed 9:30 a.m. Yom Kippur Morning Service 10:30 a.m. Services for Youth & Families 3:15 p.m. Jonah Discussion 4:15 p.m. Mincha 7 p.m. Ne'illa 7:45 p.m. Break the Fast Yom Kippur Yizkor 10 tishrei	13 11 tishrei	14 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service 12 tishrei	15 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service <i>Parshat Ha'azinu</i> 13 tishrei
16 9 a.m. Religious School 9:30 a.m. J.W.V Brunch 10:30 a.m. Mazal Tots 10:30 a.m. Judaism 101 Erev Sukkot 14 tishrei	17 Office closed 9 a.m. Festival Morning Service Sukkot 15 tishrei	18 Office closed 9 a.m. Festival Morning Service 7 p.m. Al Anon Sukkot 16 tishrei	19 9 a.m. Torah Study 4 p.m. Religious School Intermediate Day 17 tishrei	20 Intermediate Day 18 tishrei	21 5:30 p.m. Pray-Eat-Sing Shabbat Evening Service & Dinner Intermediate Day 19 tishrei	22 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service <i>Parshat Sukkot</i> Intermediate Day 20 tishrei
23 9 a.m. Hoshanah Rabbah Service 9 a.m. Religious School 10:30 a.m. Mazal Tots Hoshanah Rabbah 21 tishrei	24 Office closed 9 a.m. Festival Morning Service 6:30 p.m. Simchat Torah Evening Service Shemini Atzeret Yizkor 22 tishrei	25 Office closed 9 a.m. Festival Morning Service 7 p.m. Al Anon Vezot Habracha Simchat Torah 23 tishrei	26 9 a.m. Torah Study 4 p.m. Religious School 6 p.m. Executive Bd Mtg 7 p.m. Evening Minyan 7:15 p.m. Board of Directors Mtg 24 tishrei	27 25 tishrei	28 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service 26 tishrei	29 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service <i>Parshat Bereshit</i> 27 tishrei
30 28 tishrei	31 29 tishrei	1	2	3	4	5



november 2016

tishrei/cheshvan

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
30	31	1 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Book Club 7:30 p.m. Al Anon Rosh Chodesh 30 tishrei	2 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan 8 a.m. Torah Study 4 p.m. Religious School Rosh Chodesh 1 cheshvan	3 7 p.m. Dancing w/ the Rabbi 2 cheshvan	4 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service 3 cheshvan	5 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services Noach 4 Cheshvan
6 No Religious School or Mazel Tots 5 cheshvan	7 6 cheshvan	8 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon 7 cheshvan	9 9 a.m. Torah Study 4 p.m. Religious School 8 cheshvan	10 9 cheshvan	11 5:30 Pray-Eat-Sing, Meet Isaac Yager, cantorial student covering for Rabbi Haaz Veterans Day 10 cheshvan	12 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services Lech Lecha 11 cheshvan
13 9 a.m. Religious School 10:30 a.m. Mazel Tots 10:30 a.m. Adult Ed. 12 cheshvan	14 13 cheshvan	15 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon 14 cheshvan	16 9 a.m. Torah Study 4 p.m. Religious School 15 cheshvan	17 16 cheshvan	18 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service 17 cheshvan	19 9:30 a.m. Shabbat L'chol Adat Morning Services 10:30 Tot Shabbat Vayera 18 Cheshvan
20 No Religious School or Mazel Tots 9:30 a.m. JWW Brunch 19 cheshvan	21 20 cheshvan	22 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon 21 cheshvan	23 No Religious School 22 cheshvan	24 Office closed Thanksgiving 23 cheshvan	25 Office closed 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service 24 cheshvan	26 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services Chaye Sarah 25 Cheshvan
27 No Religious School or Mazel Tots 26 cheshvan	28 27 cheshvan	29 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon 28 cheshvan	30 9 a.m. Torah Study 4 p.m. Religious School 6 p.m. Executive Bd Mtg 7 p.m. Evening Minyan 7:15 p.m. Board of Directors Mtg 29 cheshvan	1 30 cheshvan	2 1 cheshvan	3 2 cheshvan



december 2016

cheshvan/kislev

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
27	28	29	30	1 <i>Rosh Chodesh 1 kislev</i>	2 5:30 Pray-Eat-Sing, Meet Isaac Yager, cantorial student covering for Rabbi Haaz <i>2 kislev</i>	3 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services <i>Toldot 3 kislev</i>
4 9 a.m. Religious School 10:30 a.m. Mazel Tots <i>4 kislev</i>	5 <i>5 kislev</i>	6 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon <i>6 kislev</i>	7 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan 4 p.m. Religious School <i>7 kislev</i>	8 <i>8 kislev</i>	9 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service <i>9 kislev</i>	10 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services <i>Vayetze 10 kislev</i>
11 9 a.m. Religious School 10:30 a.m. Mazel Tots <i>11 kislev</i>	12 <i>12 kislev</i>	13 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Book Club 7:30 p.m. Al Anon <i>13 kislev</i>	14 4 p.m. Religious School <i>14 kislev</i>	15 <i>15 kislev</i>	16 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service <i>16 kislev</i>	17 9:30 a.m. Shabbat L'chol Adat Morning Services 10:30 Tot Shabbat <i>Vayishlach 17 kislev</i>
18 No Religious School or Mazel Tots 9:30 a.m. JWW Brunch <i>18 kislev</i>	19 <i>19 kislev</i>	20 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon <i>20 kislev</i>	21 4 p.m. Religious School <i>21 kislev</i>	22 <i>22 kislev</i>	23 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service <i>23 kislev</i>	24 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services <i>Erev Hanukkah Light 1 candle Vayeshev 24 kislev</i>
25 No Religious School or Mazel Tots <i>2nd night of Hanukkah Light 2 candles 25 kislev</i>	26 Office Closed <i>3rd night of Hanukkah Light 3 candles 26 kislev</i>	27 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon <i>4th night of Hanukkah Light 4 candles 27 kislev</i>	28 No Religious School 6 p.m. Executive Bd Mtg 7 p.m. Evening Minyan 7:15 p.m. Board of Directors Mtg <i>5th night of Hanukkah Light 5 candles 28 kislev</i>	29 <i>6th night of Hanukkah Light 6 candles 29 kislev</i>	30 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service <i>7th night of Hanukkah Light 7 candles Rosh Chodesh 1 tevet</i>	31 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services <i>8th night of Hanukkah Light 8 candles Miketz Hanukkah 2 tevet</i>