

**אדאט ישראל**  
קולות ק.ק. עדת ישראל

 **Adath Israel**  
Celebrate Jewish Life

**Middletown, Connecticut**  
**June 2017/Sivan-Tammuz 5777**



### **MY TIME AT ADATH ISRAEL**

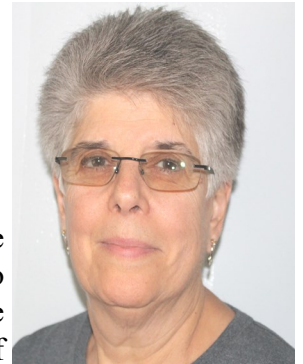
*by Cantor Yager*

I am so thankful to have been given the opportunity to spiritually lead the Adath Israel community for the past seven months. I feel that I have grown in immeasurable ways during my tenure at Adath Israel, and I am grateful to the community for allowing me to hone my skills and further develop my identity as a religious leader as I enter the next phase of my professional journey. The experience of serving as the sole-clergy person was also an important milestone. In many ways, fulfilling both rabbinic and cantorial responsibilities was a challenging experience. Nevertheless, without a doubt, I know that I am a better cantor now after having had the experience of writing weekly *d'verei Torah* (sermons), teaching a fundamentals of Judaism course, and ministering the pastoral needs of my community. Of course, the intent of the *shaliach tzibur* (Hebrew term for cantor, meaning “representative of the people”) is to communicate the prayers of his/her congregation through artful interpretation and skilled musicianship. Honing this skill is no easy feat, and it is one that I continue to develop. However, I have found that my ability as a cantor has also been strengthened in new and

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### **JUST WHEN YOU THINK IT IS OVER**

*by Eileen Daling*



Since all of you have already received the Call to the Annual Meeting, you are well aware that the name of the President that you will vote for on June 4<sup>th</sup> is again Eileen K. Daling. This is not exactly where I thought I would be in the coming year. I was looking forward to passing the baton and begin my position as Immediate Past President to assist the newly elected President and the Executive Committee in the coming year as best I could. I think most of you would agree it was Jonathan Shapiro's time to take the helm. Unfortunately, no one stepped forward to take on the position of Vice President for the next two years and with many other commitments on his plate, Jonathan did not feel he could do the job as President to his standards without a VP. He, the Executive Board and I discussed the options, weighed the alternatives and this was the only solution we could come up with. My commitment to Adath Israel and this community would not allow me to turn my back on the congregation or Jonathan at this time.

I would like to take this opportunity to especially thank Sandra Beckman who, if elected,

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# Early Risers Minyan

Wednesday June 7th  
7:00am

Kiddush breakfast  
following service

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exciting ways as a result of the rabbinic responsibilities I undertook this year. As a result of my *d'verei Torah*, I was able to represent my *kahal* with a better understanding of Jewish text and a greater appreciation for the meaning of the words I chanted from the *Torah*. Teaching my Judaism 101 class also offered me new perspectives on Jewish thought and practice, especially from those encountering Jewish ideas for the first time. And being a pastoral presence, both during joyous and challenging times, fortified the bond I feel with the Adath Israel community and my ability to represent the congregation in prayer. All in all, my time at Adath Israel forever changed me and laid the groundwork for what I hope will be a meaningful and successful career representing the Jewish people. I want to sincerely thank both the professional and lay leadership at the synagogue for their support and guidance. From meal preparation to rides to and from the train station, it took a village to get things done, and Meredeth and I are so grateful to everyone. Starting in July, I will begin my new position as the full time cantor at Brotherhood Synagogue in Manhattan. The Adath Israel community will always have a home there and I look forward to reconnecting in the near future.

### **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.



The Annual Meeting of the  
Congregation will be held on  
**Sunday, June 4 at 9:30 a.m.**  
in the Social Hall.

The agenda for the meeting will include:

- Approval of the minutes from the June 2016 annual meeting
- Election of Officers
- Election of Members to the Board of Directors
- Adoption of Budget for the 2017-18 fiscal year
- Approval of Changes to the By-Laws of the Congregation

Light refreshments will be available.

Winning Raffle tickets will be drawn. Winner need not be present.

**Please make every effort to attend this important congregational meeting.**





# Pray, Eat, Sing

FRIDAY,  
JUNE 9TH  
5:30PM

NEW MEMBER  
WELCOME  
AND RABBI  
HAAZ'S  
RETURN FROM  
SABBATICAL







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## Raffle Time!

Net Proceeds to benefit  
Adath Israel Religious School  
Ticket holder need not be present to win.



Grand Prize: \$3000  
Second Place: \$2000  
Third Place: \$1000

**\$20/Ticket**

Drawing to Be held  
June 4, 2017  
during Adath Israel's  
Annual meeting  
which begins @ 9:30 a.m.  
8 Broad St. Middletown

**(860) 346-4709**

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

## **ADATH ISRAEL DEDICATED FUNDS**

**“He who gives lends to the Lord.”**

### **ARTHUR & EDYTHE DIRECTOR FAMILY FUND**

IN MEMORY OF  
Sandy Haftel by Carol & David Director & Family  
Myrna Gieges by Carol & David Director & Family

### **BOOK FUND**

Hinda Niemeyer

### **CHEVRA KADISHA**

IN MEMORY OF  
Sandra Haftel by the Laurel Ridge Community

### **ETERNAL LIGHT FUND**

IN MEMORY OF  
Myrna Geiges by Donna & Mark Finkelstein

### **HOWARD FELDMAN BEAUTIFICATION FUND**

REFUA SH'LEIMA (SPEEDY RECOVERY)  
Edie Betts by Marge Rosenblatt

IN MEMORY OF  
Myrna Geiges by  
    Louise Feldman  
    Marge Rosenblatt  
    Marge & Stan Sadinsky

### **MAXINE THUMIM CAMBERSHIP FUND**

IN HONOR OF  
Isaac Yager becoming the cantor of Brotherhood  
Synagogue by Eileen & Michael Daling  
Samantha Goldstein graduating from college  
by Eileen & Michael Daling  
Aidan Bauer graduating from college by Eileen &  
Michael Daling

IN MEMORY OF  
Arthur Fishman by Eileen & Michael Daling

### **SANFORD BEIT MINYAN FUND**

IN MEMORY OF  
Arthur Fishman by  
    Roger Beit & Family  
    Mark Paley & Family

## **SYNAGOGUE FUND**

REFUA SH'LEIMA (SPEEDY RECOVERY)  
Hal Kaplan by Hazel Kurlansky  
Edie Betts by Marcia & Richard Wrubel  
Harriet Fein-Deeton by Marcia & Richard Wrubel

IN MEMORY OF  
Sherman Gross – Anonymous  
Myrna Geiges by  
    William K. Wasch  
    Phyllis & Arthur Waldman  
    Carol de Berry  
    The Bongiorno Family – Sal, Paul, Bill,  
    MaryAnn, and Susan  
    Gertrude & Alan Steele  
Ellen Deeton by Joan Gordon

## **YAHREZEIT FUND**

Lawrence Kurlansky by Hazel Kurlansky  
Edwin Geiges by Myrna Geiges  
Irving Israel Lerner by Natalie Kirschbaum  
Carmen Richard Delldonna by Susi Delldonna  
Selma Goldberg by Susan Goldberg  
Alan Pressman by Arlene Pressman  
Thelma Levson by Anita Hennessey  
Rose Bluman by Susan Mikulski  
Robert Lapidus by David Lapidus  
Jerry Kabel by Eric Kabel  
Ann Edelberg by Paul Edelberg  
Max S. Millen by Shirley Millen  
Irving Kahn by  
    Margaret Kahn  
    David Kahn  
Rebecca Shulman by David Shulman



## **IF YOU NEED A RIDE OR CAN OFFER ONE**

There are members and friends of Adath Israel who would love to be more involved in the life of Adath Israel but need a ride. If you are able to assist (even occasionally) with transportation or are in need of transportation, please call the synagogue office (860) 346-4709 or [office@adathisraelct.org](mailto:office@adathisraelct.org) and we will try to match drivers and riders.



JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE U.S.A.

Major General Maurice Rose Post 51

CONTACT TO ATTEND: jwvpost51@gmail.com

## JEWISH WAR VETERANS JUNE 4 SPECIAL MEETING 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIX-DAY WAR IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A., Major General Maurice Rose Post 51, will meet on Sunday, June 4, **11:30 am**, at Congregation Adath Israel in the Nester Center in Middletown. All veterans, whether they served in war or peace time, are invited. Brunch will be served.

The program will be a film, **Six Days in June**, on the war that redefined the Middle East.

Although the fighting lasted for only six days in June of 1967, the effects are still apparent today. For Israel, the 1967 war was a military success. It also redrew the map of the Middle East and mired the region in a cycle of occupation, terrorism and reprisal. The Six Day War changed the politics of the Middle East. It gave rise to a Palestinian nationalist movement and helped unleash the fury of fundamentalism. Shot on location in Israel, Palestine, Egypt, Syria, Jordan, Moscow and Washington, this powerful film moves through the weeks that preceded the war, the six days of fighting, and the aftermath that still lingers today.

### ***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 & cans.

In May your efforts generated \$51.00 for the Middletown's Relay for Life.

Please drop off your CLEANED cans and bottles in the designated bin 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



## **IT'S NEWS**

### **MAZAL TOV!**

Graduating from College:  
Samantha Goldstein  
Aidan Bauer



Graduating from High School  
Lizzy Beit  
Jenna Dickes  
Alyssa Goldstein  
Max Weiss  
Skylar Wilkins

### **TODAH RABAH**

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

#### **Early Risers Minyan**

Dave Shulman



#### **Kiddush**

Myrna Geiges in honor of the yahrtzeit of Edwin Geiges  
Marge & Herb Kartiganer in honor of the yahrtzeit of Scott Kartiganer  
Marie-Dominique Boyce in honor of Cantor Yager  
Susan Gold in honor of the yahrtzeit of Selma Goldberg  
David Lapidus in honor of the yahrtzeit of Robert Lapidus

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

Aaron, Marcey, and Harriet Thiela  
Eliot & Stephanie Meadow  
Myra & David Finkelstein  
Eileen & Michael Daling  
Lynn Bennett  
Star Bennett  
Marion & Ray Irizarry  
Anita Hennessey

### **OTHER GIFTS & ACTS OF GENEROSITY TODAH RABBAH!**

#### **Providing Transportation and/or Meals for Cantor Yager & his wife, Meredith**

Scott Levy  
Marie-Dominique Boyce  
Roberta & Marc Glass  
Eileen & Michael Daling



#### **Helping with Shopping, Food Preparation, Room Set-Up and Generally Saving the Day**

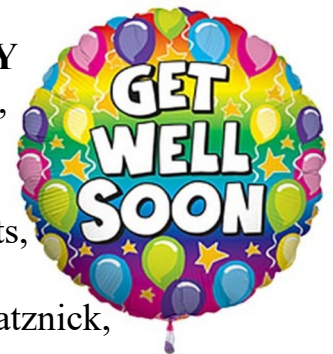
Harriet Thiela  
Marcey Thiela  
Lynn Bennett  
Eileen & Michael Daling  
Stephanie Meadow

#### **Preparing Kolot**

Eva Bardwell  
Merle Loza  
Lynn Bennett

### **SPEEDY RECOVERY**

Hal Kaplan, Mark Itkin,  
Bob Soll, Rich Bruno,  
Harold “Duke” Leitzes,  
Seth Axelrod, Edie Betts,  
Harriet Fein-Deeton,  
Sheila Saxe, Edith Kabatznick,  
Hinda Niemeyer



## **IF YOU HAVE NEWS TO SHARE**

Do you have some wonderful, exciting news about you or someone in your family that you would like to share with the congregation? We now have a new L'Chaim Board just outside the office! So stop by and pin up a picture, a newspaper article, a note about your news, etc. We would love to celebrate with you!

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

## June

Stacey Sigal  
Wendy Peterson  
Julia Poliner  
Carol Director  
Paula Goldstein  
Roberta Glass  
Mark Jacobson  
Sondra Beit  
Mark Lerner  
Josephine Poliner  
Elise Gendrich  
Donna Finkelstein  
Ruth Nisse  
Howard Rosenbaum  
Rich Bruno  
Levi Jacobson  
Rebecca Axelrod  
Marge Sadinsky  
Anita Hennessey  
Holly Bauer

## July

Terra Kodish  
Ruth Sigal  
Irena May  
Morton Pear  
Gertrude Steele  
Lisa Caron  
Julie Weiss  
Sophie Haaz  
Arielle Caron  
Nedra Schwarz Mirkin  
Daniel Merida  
Michael Daling  
Marc Levin  
Melissa Olczak  
Jeremy Weiss  
Lily Shapiro  
Irv Pincus  
Elyse Caron  
Jan Wahnnon  
Jeffrey Walter

## August

Stephanie Meadow  
Steven Small  
Michael Price  
Eileen Daling  
Susan Miller  
Francine Goldberg  
Tovah Caron  
Anne Machuga  
Maya Finkelstein  
Samuel Lerner  
Brian Goldstein  
Ari Poliner  
Ari Shapiro  
Steven Machuga  
Grace Poliner  
Harris Friedlander  
Ray Irizarry  
Alice Gordon



## June

David & Nona Horn  
Mark & Cynthia Kaplan  
Marc & Judith Levin  
Douglas & Susan Miller

## July

Daniel & Reesa Belin  
Marie-Dominique & John Boyce  
Timothy & Susan Dickes  
Steven Machuga & Sari Rosenblatt  
Myron & Josephine Poliner  
Jim & Colleen Poliner  
Stanley & Marge Sadinsky  
Philip & Sheila Saxe  
Eric & Julie Weiss  
Jeremy & Julie Weiss  
Alvin Wolfgram & Linda Savitsky

## August

Mark & Donna Finkelstein  
Rabbi Seth Haaz & Bonnie Rose Schulman  
Mark & Heather Jacobson  
Richard & Naomi Kamins  
Andy Bauer & Joanna Schnurman  
Steven & Linda Small  
Irwin & Lee Zagoren





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## june 2017

### sivan/tammuz

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
28	29	30	31	1 Office closed 9 a.m. Shavuot Festival Service Yizkor recited  <b>Shavuot II</b> <b>7 sivan</b>	2 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  <b>8 sivan</b>	3 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Naso</i> <b>9 sivan</b>
4 9:30 a.m. Annual Meeting 10:15 a.m. Raffle Ticket Drawing 11:30 a.m. Jewish War Veterans Mtg 6 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan Auditions  <b>10 sivan</b>	5      <b>11 sivan</b>	6 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Book Club 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>12 sivan</b>	7 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan  <b>13 sivan</b>	8      <b>14 sivan</b>	9 5:30 p.m. Pray-Eat-Sing Shabbat Evening Service & Dinner New Member Welcome & Return of Rabbi Haaz  <b>15 sivan</b>	10 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Beha'alotecha</i> <b>16 sivan</b>
11      <b>17 sivan</b>	12      <b>18 sivan</b>	13 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>19 sivan</b>	14      <b>20 sivan</b>	15      <b>21 sivan</b>	16 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  <b>22 sivan</b>	17 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service. Simchat Bat of Heather & Mark Jacobson's daughter  <i>Shelach</i> <b>23 sivan</b>
18 6 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan   Father's Day <b>24 sivan</b>	19      <b>25 sivan</b>	20 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon 7 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan  <b>26 sivan</b>	21      <b>27 sivan</b>	22      <b>28 sivan</b>	23 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  <b>29 sivan</b>	24 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Korach</i> <b>Rosh Chodesh 30 sivan</b>
25 6 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan     <b>Rosh Chodesh 1 tammuz</b>	26      <b>2 tammuz</b>	27 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon 7 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan  <b>3 tammuz</b>	28 6 p.m. Executive Board Mtg 7 p.m. Evening Minyan 7:15 p.m. Board of Directors Mtg  <b>4 tammuz</b>	29      <b>5 tammuz</b>	30 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  <b>6 tammuz</b>	1      <b>1 tammuz</b>



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july 2017  
tammuz/av

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	1 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Chukat</i> 7 tammuz
2  8 tammuz	3  9 tammuz	4 Office closed  Independence Day 10 tammuz	5 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan  11 tammuz	6  12 tammuz	7 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  13 tammuz	8 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Balak</i> 14 tammuz
9 6 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan  15 tammuz	10  16 tammuz	11 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  17 tammuz	12  18 tammuz	13  19 tammuz	14 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  20 tammuz	15 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Pinchas</i> 21 tammuz
16 9:30 a.m. Jewish War Veterans Brunch 6 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan  22 tammuz	17  23 tammuz	18 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Book Club 7 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  24 tammuz	19  25 tammuz	20  26 tammuz	21 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  27 tammuz	22 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Matot-Masei</i> 28 tammuz
23 6 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan  29 tammuz	24  <i>Rosh Chodesh</i> 1 av	25 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  2 av	26  3 av	27  4 av	28 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  5 av	29 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Shabbat Chazon</i> <i>Devarim</i> 6 av
30 6 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan  7 av	31  <i>Erev Tisha B'av</i> 8 av	1	2	3	4	5





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august 2017  
av/elul

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
30	31	1 No Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>Tisha B'av</b> <b>9 av</b>	2 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan  <b>10 av</b>	3  <b>11 av</b>	4 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  <b>12 av</b>	5 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <b>Shabbat Nachamu</b> <i>Va'etchanan</i> <b>13 av</b>
6 6 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan  <b>14 av</b>	7  <b>15 av</b>	8 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>16 av</b>	9  <b>17 av</b>	10  <b>18 av</b>	11 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  <b>19 av</b>	12 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Ekev</i> <b>20 av</b>
13 6 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan  <b>21 av</b>	14  <b>22 av</b>	15 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 1:30 p.m. Blood Drive 7:30 p.m. Al Anon 8 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan  <b>23 av</b>	16  <b>24 av</b>	17  <b>25 av</b>	18 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  <b>26 av</b>	19 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Re'eh</i> <b>27 av</b>
20 9:30 a.m. Jewish War Veterans Brunch 6 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan  <b>28 av</b>	21  <b>29 av</b>	22 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>Rosh Chodesh</b> <b>30 av</b>	23  <b>Rosh Chodesh</b> <b>1 elul</b>	24  <b>2 elul</b>	25 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  <b>3 elul</b>	26 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Shoftim</i> <b>4 elul</b>
27 6 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan  <b>5 elul</b>	28  <b>6 elul</b>	29 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>7 elul</b>	30 6 p.m. Executive Board Mtg 7 p.m. Evening Minyan 7:15 p.m. Board of Directors Mtg  <b>8 elul</b>	31  <b>9 elul</b>	1	2



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