



Middletown, Connecticut Sept/Oct 2017/Elul-Tishrei-Cheshvan 5777-8



<u>A UNIQUE</u> EXPRESSION OF JUDAISM

by Rabbi Haaz

Three thousand years ago, our ancestors gathered at the base of Mount Sinai. They received

a single expression of Judaism because they were a single, united community. They all came out of slavery in Egypt, they all lacked land, wealth, and possessions, and they all had the same fears, hopes, and dreams about what their life might be as they journeyed to the Promised Land. One expression of Judaism was all that they needed because they were one community, in one place, with one mission – get to Israel and establish a *kehillah kedoshah*, a sacred community that expresses the values which God imparted to them at Sinai.

Three thousand years later, the Jewish people find themselves all over the world. During my sabbatical, I spent time with synagogue communities in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Stockholm, and Dublin. While our common experience at Sinai has guided these Jewish communities to share many ritual practices and behaviors, life was very different for each of these Jewish communities. I found that the most dynamic and engaging synagogues were the ones whose Judaism most directly and accurately reflected the particular realities of life in each

WHAT WE HAVE

by Eileen Daling

As we are about to enter the High Holy Day season, a time of reflection and review of our lives, I would like to share with all of you a story I read some time ago. I think



this story is a great example and an opportunity for all of us to look inward at ourselves and what we accomplish in our lives. If you have read this before, I just hope you agree that this reflection has definite meaning as we ask God to look favorably on us all as he decides whose name will be inscribed in the Book of Life.

> One day, a father of a very wealthy family took his son on a trip to the country with the firm purpose of showing his son how poor people can be.

> They spent a couple of days and nights on the farm of what would be considered a very poor family. On their return from the trip, the father asked his son, "How was the trip?" "It was great, Dad." "Did you see how poor people live?" the father asked. "Oh yeah," said the son.

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respective place. As I experienced this, I realized that there is no perfect Jewish community; each regardless geographic community, of and demographic location, boasts certain resources and lacks others. This led me to consider our resources as Adath Israel in Middletown: What unique resources do we lack as a Jewish community, and what unique resources do we possess? And, in what way do these resources shape our values and how our members live and function as members of the larger Middlesex County community?

These questions have been on my mind for months. However, I should not explore and cannot answer these questions alone. I look forward to exploring these questions with you and partnering with you to craft an expression of Judaism that is consistent with our Sinai roots and authentic to our experience of life in and around Middletown, Connecticut. Three thousand years ago at Sinai, thriving Judaism had a single expression. Today, thriving Judaism must have thousands of expressions because thousands of Jewish communities exist in diverse geographic and demographic conditions. This is not a tragedy but a beauty. In our time, our goal is not to return to Sinai. Our goal is to build a Jewish community that reflects the particular realities of our lives in and around Middletown. If we can achieve this together, we will offer a unique expression of Judaism that inspires our members and friends, our non-Jewish neighbors, and other Jewish communities across the globe. Kein yehi ratzon - may this be God's will.

I missed the members of our Adath Israel family while I was abroad, and I look forward to being together again for the upcoming High Holy Days. *Shanah Tovah Umtukah*! A happy and sweet new year to you and your families.

& A CALL TO OLD FRIENDS

A TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE

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Stanon and Terry (Adler) Levinson stopped by as part of their 52nd wedding anniversary celebration. Terry grew up in our community, and on June 27, 1965 she and Stanton were married in our sanctuary. While they live in the Washington D.C. area now, Terry would love to reconnect with friends from her time here. Terry can be reached at terrylevinson@earthlink.com. If you'd like Terry's phone number, please contact Joanna in the office.

Etrog & Lulav Sets

It's almost time to Shake! Shake! Shake! Shake! Shake! Shake! Shake your lulav! Shake your lulav! \$36 per set. Order your set today. Deadline September 8 (President Continued from page 1)

"So what did you learn from the trip?" asked the father. The son answered, "I saw that we have one dog and they have four. We have a pool that reaches to the middle of our garden and they have a creek that has no end. We have imported lanterns in our garden and they have the stars at night. Our patio reaches to the front yard and they have the whole horizon. We have a small piece of land to live on and they have fields that go beyond our sight. We have servants who serve us, but they serve others. We buy our food, but they grow theirs. We have walls around our property to protect us and they have friends to protect them." With this, the boy's father was speechless. Then his son added, "Thanks, Dad, for showing me how poor we are."

Too many times we forget what we have and concentrate on what we don't have. What is one person's worthless object is another's prize possession. It is all based on one's perspective.

Makes you wonder what would happen if we were thankful for all the bounty we have been provided instead of worrying about wanting more.

As we come together this Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, my hope is that this entire congregation takes some time to remember those things we should all be grateful for, both in our private lives and in the life here in our Adath Israel community.

From all of us on the Board of Directors, may you all be inscribed in the Book of Life for a sweet 5778.

L'Shanah Tovah



EASIER THAN YOU THINK

For several years now, we have been part of a program called Scrips. Some of you may be tired of hearing about it but I feel it is important for you to understand what it is and can do for your community. During this last fiscal year alone, this program has raised over \$4,000 to benefit Adath Israel's budget. This was done by a consistent number of only 9 of our members using this program without asking any of them to make a donation out of pocket.

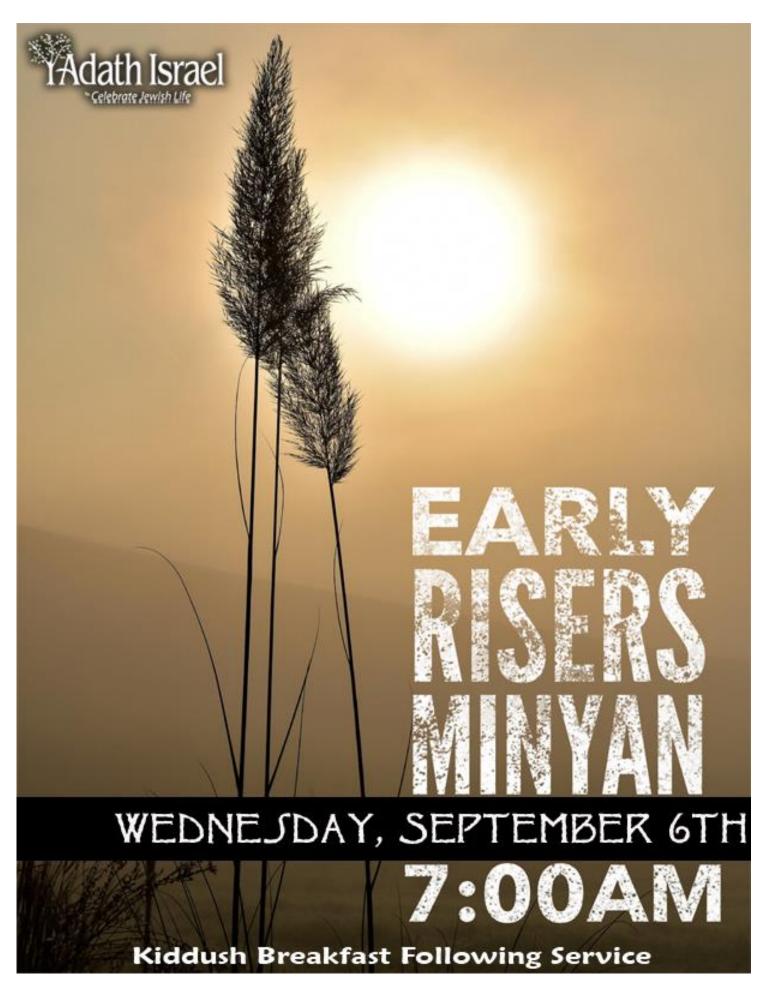
One more time, this is how it works. The company "Shop with Scrips" has five pages of gift cards that can be purchased (list can be found on line or a copy can be found in the office). Each gift card purchased has a corresponding percentage amount that comes back to Adath Israel when someone purchases a card. All you pay for is the amount of the gift card you purchased and later use or gift it to someone.

The most consistent cards purchased by these 9 members over the past several years have been Stop & Shop, Walgreens, CVS, Home Depot, and a variety of local restaurants. You get to spend every dollar of the card that you purchased. The synagogue gets the percentage offered by that card and everybody wins. Gift cards are as good as cash.

All you need to do to purchase a gift card(s) is contact Eileen DaIing 860-346-0667 or <u>edaling21@att.net</u> or Stephanie Meadow at <u>stmead-ow@i.netcom.com</u> or call the synagogue office to place an order. Then drop off or mail a check to the office. Your order will be placed and then when the cards come in (in about a week) you will be contacted as to how you would like to get your card(s). Usually an order goes to Scrips the first of every month. Once you become a regular, you will be reminded as to when to place your next order.

If more of our membership used this program, think of how much more money could be raised for Adath Israel which helps our budget the easy way.





ADATH ISRAEL DEDICATED FUNDS

"He who gives lends to the Lord."

ARTHUR & EDYTHE DIRECTOR FAMILY FUND

IN MEMORY OF Sandra Haftel by Judy Guzman Penny Apter by Naomi & Richard Kamins Florence Littman Shenkman by Carol & David Director Douglas Pincus by Susan & Doug Miller

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IN MEMORY OF Edythe & Arthur Director by Carol & David Director and Family

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IN MEMORY OF Dr. Joseph & Estelle Epstein by Suzanne Epstein Goldberg Hortie & Jerry Kabel by Eric Kabel, Ken Kabel, and Jill K. Levin Diane Eisenstein Guthart by Paulette Gewirtz

ENDOWMENT FUND

IN MEMORY OF Jerome "Buzzy" Levin by Sandra & Paul Beckman Diane Eisenstein Guthart by Sandra & Paul Beckman

ETERNAL LIGHT FUND

IN MEMORY OF Buzzy Levin by Donna & Mark Finkelstein Diane Eisenstein Guthart by Donna & Mark Finkelstein

<u>HOWARD FELDMAN BEAUTIFICATION</u> <u>FUND</u>

IN HONOR OF A SPECIAL BIRTHDAY Marge Sadinsky by Ruth Maron

GRADUATING FROM COLLEGE Aidan Bauer by Marge & Stan Sadinsky Samantha Goldstein by Marge & Stan Sadinsky

REFUA SH'LEIMA (SPEEDY RECOVERY) Hinda Niemeyer by Marge & Stan Sadinsky Anita Hennessey by Marge & Stan Sadinsky Edie Betts Joanna Schnurman & Andy Bauer Hazel Kurlansky Linda Adler by Marge & Stan Sadinsky Hazel Kurlansky

IN MEMORY OF Myrna Geiges by

Edie Betts Hannah Shafferman, Debbie Feldman Shafferman & Joel Shafferman Ellen Deeton by Edie Betts Peter Lamalfa by Louise Feldman Diane Guthart by Joanna Schnurman & Andy Bauer Edie Betts Louise Feldman Laurie & Rabbi Marshal Press Linda & Jack Adler Marge & Stan Sadinsky Myra & David Finkelstein Rosemary Kimball by Harriet & Dewey Deeton Robert "Bob" Soll by Edie Betts Louise Feldman Marge & Stan Sadinsky Cypra Alaimo by Harriet & Dewey Deeton Jerome "Buzzy" Levin Marge & Stan Sadinsky Louise Feldman Hazel Kurlansky Dotty & Harold Kaplan Edie Betts Hannah Shafferman. Debbie Feldman Shafferman & Joel Shafferman Sondra & Roger Beit

MAXINE THUMIM CAMPERSHIP FUND Karen Weber

IN HONOR OF Sandra Beckman for her grandson Jacob's bar mitzvah by Eileen & Michael Daling Robin Suskind for her son Jacob's bar mitzvah by Eileen & Michael Daling Alyssa Goldstein by Eileen & Michael Daling Max Weiss by Eileen & Michael Daling Skyler Wilkins by Eileen & Michael Daling

IN HONOR OF GRADUATING FROM CANTORI-AL SCHOOL Isaac Yager by Eileen & Michael Daling

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PRAY * EAT * SING FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH 530PM

FREE FOR MEMBERS AND 1ST TIME GUESTS \$10 PER PERSON OR \$18 PER FAMILY RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 1ST

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NATHAN OLSHIN SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE FUND

IN MEMORY OF Irving Kahn by Jeffrey, Bobette, Rebekah & Jennifer Kahn Jerome "Buzzy" Levin by Naomi & Richard Kamins Rebekah Jennifer Rebette, and Jeffrey Kahn

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RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Karen Weber

IN MEMORY OF Penny Apter by Anita Gewurz Robert Soll by Bob Soll's Family

SYNAGOGUE FUND

IN MEMORY OF Hortie & Jerry Kabel by Eric Kabel, Ken Kabel, and Jill K. Levin Myrna Geiges by Donna Goldenstein Fein Ruth Maron Ellen Deeton by Joan & Michael Needle Sara Paley Sheila Gold by Joan & Michael Needle Michael Tunney by Joan & Michael Needle Sandy Haftel by Stacey, Amy, Ruth, and Mike Sigal Susan & Doug Miller Stuart Osber by Stacey, Amy, Ruth, and Mike Sigal Sarah Langer by Stacey, Amy, Ruth, and Mike Sigal

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Penny Apter by Sheila & Theodore Earl Jr Bob Apter & Family Andrea Apter & Family Joanne Martin by Sara Paley Diane Guthart by Joan & Michael Needle Sara Paley Jerome "Buzzy" Levin by Anita Hennessey Stacey, Amy, Ruth, and Mike Sigal Susan & Doug Miller Xavier High School Sarah Hallac Monica & Michael Pitruzello Linda & Jack Adler Ruth Maron Lainey Silver Peggy & William Chadwick Eleanor (Neiditz) Caplan George R. Brown Marian Katz Gertrude & Alan Steele Scotland Hardwoods, LLC Sharon & Alan Lipman Laura Lenz Susan & Tim Dickes Gregg Lerner & Joan Fishman Nancy & Thomas Hennick Robert "Bob" J. Soll by Sara Paley Susan & Tim Dickes **YAHRZEIT FUND** Rebecca Shulman by David Shulman Irving Kahn by Margaret Kahn David Kahn Max S. Millen by Shirley Millen Ann W. Edelberg by Paul Edelberg Jerry Kabel by Eric Kabel Kitty Curkin by Paulette Curkin Ruth Schaechter by Susi Delldonna

Milton LaMelle by Veta & Bernie Fabian David Marcus by Leona & Harris Marcus

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Jane Saritsky by Rhea Hurwitz

Judith Mellman by Steven Weiss

Jerry Kabel by Jill Levin & Family

William Resnikoff by Judith & Daniel Merida

Sadie & Ben Mittelman by Marilyn Check Alan Pressman by Arlene Pressman

IT'S TIME TO GET THE MOST FROM YOUR ADVERTISING DOLLAR!

Advertise Your Business at Adath Israel

As a **business** you can place a business card size advertisement into our monthly *Kolot* newsletter Members pay \$25 per issue or \$160 for a full subscription of 8 issues. The Non-Member rate is \$40 for one issue or \$240 for a full subscription of 8 issues. By choosing a full subscription you save 25% over the single issue and your ad will also be placed in our weekly enews at no additional charge!

All submissions must to be in JPEG form with at least 300 dpi and no bigger than business card size (2"x3.5"). We reserve the right to accept/refuse advertising.

To place your ad, please complete the form below and send with payment to Adath Israel and email your JPEG to office@adathisraelct.org

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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT CONTRIBUTION REVIEW

As we begin the New Year, I would like to share with our congregation the function of one of our lesser-known committees, Contributions Review. While the vast majority of our operating expenses come from membership dues, we recognize that life and circumstance sometimes making payment of assigned dues rates difficult for our members. The Contributions Review Committee's charge is to work with those members, and to develop an adjusted rate and payment plan that will meet their needs. We believe that finances should never be a barrier to community.

Contribution Review operates with a simple process based on Jewish justice, sensitivity, and respect of the individual, as we address requests for dues adjustments. The Committee, consisting of synagogue past-presidents and our Treasurer, works to confidentially address the needs of congregants or families who are facing unique, one-time, or ongoing financial hardship.

While some synagogues request documentation, such as tax forms, or other evidence of hardship, Adath Israel sees no benefit in doing so. We believe that asking for evidence introduces an air of distrust to the conversation. Instead, compassion should reign, as our members struggle with their individual, and sometimes painful, situations.

We encourage members to contact us as early in the year as possible to ensure that their dues are set appropriately. With the understanding that life doesn't always follow a schedule, we meet regularly throughout the year to address new and updated requests, and to respond to those requests in a timely manner.

The Contribution Review process is:

• Complete - Once a new rate is set, you are considered a member in good standing by paying dues according to the adjusted schedule, and have access to all the rights and privileges of membership.

• Confidential - No one outside the committee knows about the details of your request, and those records are not retained in any synagogue files. Only the Office and Treasurer have access to see adjusted rates.

 \cdot Respectful – You are welcome to meet with the committee in person should you prefer, but we do not require it. A simple conversation with any committee member is all that we require.

• Annual – Each year we will reset your dues rate to the full rate based on your membership category. Should you need to continue receiving an adjustment in subsequent years, we merely ask that you let us know your situation remains unchanged and we will adjust accordingly. In situations where it's clear the need is unchanging, we will consider a permanent reduction.

• Flexible - Once set, we ask that you let us know if your needs change. Should your financial situation worsen, we can work with you on a further reduction. Should you win the lottery, we'll always welcome additional donations.

If you would like to contact the Contributions Review Committee, please feel free to contact any member of the committee to schedule a confidential conversation:

> Eliot Meadow – Chair Irwin Zagoren, Stan Sadinsky, Naomi Kamins Michael Daling, Rob Goldstein

IT'S NEWS

BARUCH HABBAH! (WELCOME!) <u>New Board Members</u>

Carly Hoss Marc Glass Beth Shapiro



New Facilities Management Chair

Andy Bauer

MAZAL TOV!

Ben Ferrari on becoming a bar mitzvah

Sandra Beckman and Robert Poliner on the bar mitzvah of their grandson, Jacob Suskind

Sharon "Mema" Slossberg on the birth of her great grandson, Caleb, who arrived June 6 weighing 5lbs 3 oz.

Carol & David Director on the marriage of their daughter, Jenna to Jon Lapore.

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 Kiddush

Leah Adler in honor of the yahrtzeit of her father, Dennis Adler Denice & Scott Levy David Finkelstein in honor of the yahrtzeit of his mother, Sara Finkelstein

<u>Kiddush</u>

IN MEMORY OF Douglas Pincus by Susan & Doug Miller Edythe Director and Julius Gross by Judy Guzman and Carol & David Director

Pray-Eat-Sing

Aaron, Marcey, and Harriet Thiela Eliot & Stephanie Meadow Myra & David Finkelstein Eileen & Michael Daling Lynn Bennett Anita Hennessey Roberta & Marc Glass Marshall Levine Rabbi Marshal & Laurie Press Aidan Bauer



OTHER GIFTS & ACTS OF GENEROSITY TODAH RABBAH!

Serving on the Board of Directors

Jack Adler Stephanie Meadow Wendy Peterson Wendy Wilkins

<u>Helping with Shopping, Food Preparation, Room</u> Set-Up and Generally Saving the Day

Harriet Thiela Marcey Thiela Lynn Bennett Eileen & Michael Daling Stephanie Meadow Aidan & Holly Bauer



Preparing Kolot

Eva Bardwell Merle Loza Lynn Bennett

Donating a beautiful gift basket filled with pastries

The Soll Family

SPEEDY RECOVERY

Hal Kaplan, Mark Itkin, Rich Bruno, Seth Axelrod, Edie Betts, Harriet Fein-Deeton, Sheila Saxe, Edith Kabatznick, Michael Lafontaine, Anita Hennessey, and Richard Kamins

MAY GOD GIVE COMFORT TO

Dewey Deeton on the recent loss of his mother, Ellen Deeton Randy Parks on the recent loss of her father, Arthur Fishman Myra Finkelstein on the recent loss of her sister Diane Eisenstein Guthart Michael Lafontaine on the recent loss of his mother, Joanne Lafontaine

IN MEMORIAM

Our sincerest condolences are extended to the families of Penny Apter who came to her eternal rest on May 27 (2 Sivan), Stuart Osber who came to his eternal rest on May 29 (4 Sivan), Jerome "Buzzy" Levin who came to his eternal rest on June 2 (8 Sivan), and Robert "Bob" Soll who came to his eternal rest on June 16 (23 Sivan).

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HIGH HOLY DAYS SCHEDULE 2017 / 5778

Sunday, September 10 - Kever Avot Cemetery Memorial Service		2:00 p.m.
Saturday, September 16 - S'lichot Havdallah/S'lichot Service (Snacks at <i>approx</i> . 8:45 p.m.)		8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, September 20 - First Night Rosh Hashanah Afternoon/Evening Service & Celebration Candle lighting		6:15 p.m. 6:32 p.m.
Thursday, September 21 - First Day of Rosh HashanahMorning Festival ServicesTorah service with sermon & remarksYouth services & services for young childrenLunch & Tashlich at the CT River (rain date 09/22)Thursday, September 21 - Second Night of Rosh Hashanah	approx.	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m.
Afternoon/Evening Service & Celebration		6:15 p.m.
Friday, September 22 - Second Day of Rosh Hashanah Morning Festival Services Youth services & services for young children Friday, September 29 - Kol Nidre Service Service		9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 6:15 p.m.
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Morning Festival Services Torah service with sermon & remarks Youth services & services for young children begin at Yizkor recited following Torah service Discussion on <i>Book of Jonah</i> in Nester Center Afternoon Service Ne'ilah Service Final blowing of the shofar followed by Havdallah & Ma'ariv Break the Fast (registration required)	approx. approx.	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 3:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
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Morning Festival Services		8:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.
Morning Festival Services		8:00 a.m. 5:56 p.m.
Morning Festival Services Yizkor recited following Torah service Simchat Torah Evening Services with Religious School Consecration Friday, October 13 - Simchat Torah		8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.
Morning Festival Services & Kiddush Brunch		8:00 a.m.

INFORMATION AND REMINDERS:

<u>S'lichot Service</u> – 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).

<u>Youth & Family Services</u> – All morning service for Youth and Families begin at 10:30 a.m. Services for Grades 3 through 7 will be held in the Small Sanctuary. Family services for students in PreK-Grade 2 and younger siblings with an adult will be held in the Yellow Room of the Religious School.

<u>Educational Child Care</u> – 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. Please contact the synagogue office at office@adathisraelct.org or (860) 346-4709 for a registration form.

<u>*Tashlich*</u> - After services and a lunch on the **first day** of Rosh Hashanah, we 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 the past year to cast away and which to nourish. Rain date: following services on second day of Rosh Hashanah.

<u>Simchat Torah</u> – Come one, come all as we sing and dance to celebrate the completion the cycle of Torah Reading and begin anew.

<u>Parking</u> - Our parking spaces are located behind the Nester Center, 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.). Members, please make sure your Adath Israel parking cling is affixed to the rear windshield of your car. Guests, please make sure your Adath Israel Parking Card is placed on your dashboard. IMPORTANT: Do not park in the lot directly behind the synagogue building, between the synagogue and the church next door. Cars parked in these spaces are subject to being towed at the owner's expense.

<u>Shabbat Services</u> –Shabbat Evening Services: Sept. 22 & Oct. 13 and Shabbat Morning Services: Sept. 23 & Oct. 7 will be held at their usual times: 7:00 p.m. and 9:30 a.m., respectively. Don't miss our Pray-Eat-Sing Shabbat Evening Service & Dinner at 5:30 p.m. on October 6. RSVP for dinner required by Wednesday, September 27. 17th Annual High Holy Day Food Drive

This is our 17th 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 the NEED becomes it seems 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.

Break-the-Fast Dinner will be held immediately following the close of Yom Kippur services on Saturday, September 30th.

If you would like to join us, please RSVP to the synagogue office <u>no later than</u> <u>Wednesday, September 20th.</u>

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.

Let's come together as a community to schmooze and share some good food.

L'SHANAH TOVAH 5778!



SEPTEMBER Guv Levine Sari Rosenblatt Sharon Slossberg Sol Laufer Carolyn Magram Harriet Levin **Torah Ferrebee** Bernice Bonchi Christine Repassy Carl Haftel Judith Levin Harriet Thiela Matthew Finkelstien Ben Weiss Seth Olczak Inna Lerner Misha Lerner Matthew Finkelstein Carly Hoss

OCTOBER Roger Beit Linda Small Ethan Olczak Stephen Shapiro Rabbi Haaz **Daniel Belin** Jodi Gendrich **Ruth Beit** Herbert Cohen Teresa Shulman Sheila Saxe Stanley Sadinsky Shervl Oken Eric Meadow Linda Adler James Poliner Kenzi Jacobson

OCTOBER, cont. Lynn Bennett David Shulman Lee Zagoren Jo-Ann Price Dan Kodish Paul Beckman



SEPTEMBER Rebecca & Seth Axelrod Sandra & Paul Beckman Carol & David Director Sharon Mittelman & Frank Murphy Gert & Alan Steele Freda & Joe Zaientz

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

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 <u>office@adathisraelct.org</u> and we will try to match drivers and riders.

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HOW TO HOST A KIDDUSH

Share a family simcha, honor a friend or relative, or remember a loved one by sponsoring a Friday night Oneg Shabbat or a Morning Kiddush. This is a delightful way to let others in our community celebrate a special occasion or share a memory with you.

To host a kiddush or oneg, please call the synagogue office at 860-346-4709 <u>at least</u> a week in advance.

Our kiddush menus are prepared & tastefully arranged by the Crown Supermarket in West Hartford.

Regular Simple Kiddush (25-30 people): \$240 Small Simple Kiddush (15 people): \$130

Bagels Tuna salad

Egg salad

Egg salau

Cuke, tomato, onion platter

Lox spread, plain & chive cream cheese platter Fruit platter (fruit salad for Small Kiddush) Pastry (2 dz cookies for Small Kiddush) Cold and hot drinks

Regular Deluxe Kiddush (25-30 people): \$420 Small Deluxe Kiddush (15 people): \$190

Bagels Tuna salad Egg salad Lox platter Whitefish salad Cucumber, tomato, and onion platter Plain and chive cream cheese platter Sesame Noodles Fruit platter (fruit salad for Small Kiddush) Pastry (2 dz cookies for Small Kiddush) Cold and hot drinks

Friday Night Oneg Shabbat (15 people): \$54

Pretzels Raisins/nuts M&M's Pastry Cold and hot drinks

Prices for both a Kiddush and/or an Oneg Shabbat will be adjusted if there is a larger group in attendance for special life cycle events.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

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by Anna Elfenbaum, Religious School Principal

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I write this in the early days of August and am beginning to notice a chill in the air in the early mornings. Fall is coming and my thoughts are shifting to a new Jewish year, a new school year and possibilities for new learning and teaching opportunities for all of us. After a wonderful summer at Camp Ramah, where I saw several of our students and teachers, I am excited to return to the synagogue to welcome our students and their families back to Religious School. We have a wonderful returning faculty and great new teachers as well. We have a new theme for the year, Keva (routine) and Kavanah (intention), where students and parents will think about and express the balance between the fixity of prayer and the spontaneity of our heart. We have more music planned for the year as well as several opportunities to celebrate special Jewish days together.

The first day of school for all grades will be Sunday, September 17, and we will also hold a Welcome Back Open House on Sunday, September 10 from 12:00 - 1:30. So please stop in and say hi, we will have sweet treats and a chance to re-connect after a wonderful summer.

As we say goodbye to summer and begin to turn our thoughts back to school, the synagogue and a busier schedule, I know that the sweetness of learning will be present in the Religious School. I am looking forward to seeing all of you in the coming days.

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Religious School Begins!

Sunday, Sept. 17 9 a.m. Grades K-7 10:30 a.m. Mazel Tots

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: Saturday, 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.

CREDIT CARD

CAI is able to process Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover credit card payments. There are a number of benefits:

- •You save time and money, no checks, no stamps, no worries
- •You have the option of spreading out your payments
- •You will always be a CAI member in good standing
- •CAI will have a dependable revenue stream

When you pay by credit card, your contributions will be paid automatically. You will no longer have to worry about mailing your payments or about not being able to pay your contribution while you are out of town on business or vacation. Enrollment is easy. You have the option of charging any or all of your contributions and donations at once or on an installment schedule with the final installment being in July. Once your credit card information is up to date and on file in the office, you can always charge your credit card for any donations/contributions made over the phone throughout the year.

As always, if anyone has any questions regarding your contribution, please call Eliot Meadow at 203- 687-0108.

Please call Joanna in the office 860-346-4709 if you want to enroll in or have any questions about the credit card program.



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JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE U.S.A. Major General Maurice Rose Post 51 Commander Karen Uberti

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: July 2, 2017

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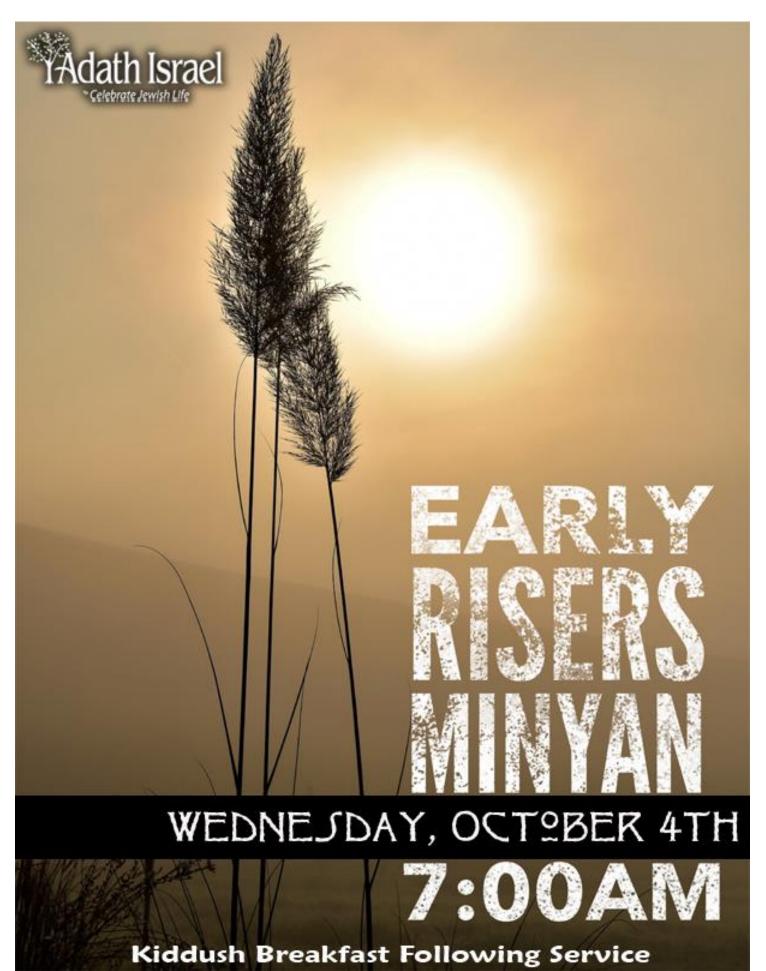
JEWISH WAR VETERANS SEPTEMBER 17 PROGRAM: A NAVAL CAREER

Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A., Major General Maurice Rose Post 51, will meet on Sunday, September 17, 2017, 9:30 am, at Congregation Adath Israel at Broad Street in Middletown. The breakfast meeting will be held in the Nestor Center, next to the congregation. Enter from the rear door. All Jewish veterans, whether they served in war or peace time, are invited. Please respond if you can attend this breakfast meeting -- jwvpost51@gmail.com

The speaker will be Robert M. Eldridge, retired Lt. Commander, U. S. Navy, talking about his career. Following his graduation with a B.S. from the U.S. Naval Academy, he received further education at George Washington University, U. S. Naval Supply Corps School in Athens, GA, and Northwestern University.

He served on the USS Iowa, USS Northampton, USS Sablefish, USS Guardian, and USS Norfolk. His overseas assignments were in Panama and Vietnam. His domestic assignments were as Commanding Officer, Navy Finance Office, Newport, R. I.; Deputy Chief of Logistics, Defense Atomic Support Agency, Washington, D.C.; Director, Supply Support Division and Integrated Logistics Support Division, Naval Electronics Systems Command, Washington, D.C.; and Staff Analyst, Military Traffic Management Command, Washington, D.C.

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KOLOT ARTICLE DUE DATES FOR 2017-2018								
 Kolot Issue 	Article Due Date	<u>Copy Date</u>	<u>Notes</u>					
November	October 16	October 19						
 December 	November 13	November 16	Chanukkah					
January	December 11	December 14	Tu Bishvat					
- February	January 15	January 18	Tu Bishvat, Purim					
March	February 12	February 15	Purim, Passover					
- April	March 12	March 15	Passover					
May	April 16	April 19	Confirmation, Shavuot					
June	May 14	May 17	Annual mtg, Summer					
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Save time		nd the plan nds for	et while providing					
important causes by donating your cleaned \$.05 returnable bottles & cans.								
In July your efforts generated \$10.00 for the Religious School.								
Please drop off your CLEANED cans and bottles in the des- ignated 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.								
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PRAY * EAT * SING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6TH

FREE FOR MEMBERS AND 1ST TIME GUESTS \$10 PER PERSON OR \$18 PER FAMILY RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 28TH

PLEASE BRING A NONPERISHABLE FOOD ITEM FOR AMAZING GRACE FOOD PANTRY

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september 2017 elul/tishrei

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service	2 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
					10 elul	<i>Ki Tetze</i> 11 elul
3	4 Office closed	5 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. G&S 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	6 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan 8:15 a.m. Torah Study	7	8 5:30 p.m. Pray-Eat- Sing Shabbat Evening Service	9 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
12 elul	Labor Day 13 elul	14 elul	15 elul	16 elul	17 elul	Ki Tavo 18 elul
10 Noon Religious School Open House 2 p.m. <i>Kever Avot</i> Cem- etery Service 6 p.m. G&S	11	12 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Contribution Review Com. 7 p.m. G&S 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	13 8:30 a.m. Torah Study	14	15 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service	16 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service 8 p.m. Selichot Service <i>Nitzavim-Vayelech</i>
19 elul	20 elul	21 elul	22 elul	23 elul	24 elul	Selichot 25 elul
17 9 a.m. Religious School 10:30 a.m. Mazal Tots 9:30 a.m. J.W.V Brunch 12:30 p.m. Ritual Com. 6 p.m. G&S 26 elul	18 27 elul	19 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon 28 elul	20 6:15 p.m. Rosh Hashanah Evening Services Break the Fast RSVP deadline Erev Rosh Hashanah 29 elul	21 Office closed 9 a.m. Festival Morning Services 10:30 a.m. Services for Youth & Families Taschlich 6:15 p.m. Evening Services Rosh Hashanah 1 tishrei	22 Office closed 9 a.m. Festival Morning Service 10:30 a.m. Services for Youth & Families Taschlich rain date 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service Rosh Hashanah 2 tishrei	23 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service <i>Ki Tavo</i> Shabbat Shuvah 3 tishrei
24 9 a.m. Religious School 10:30 a.m. Mazal Tots 6 p.m. G&S	25	26 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. G&S 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	27 8:30 a.m. Torah Study 4 p.m. Religious School 7 p.m. Evening Minyan 7:15 p.m. Board of Directors Mtg	28	29 6:15 p.m. Kol Nidre Service	30 Office closed 9:30 a.m. Yom Kippur Morning Service 10:30 a.m. Services for Youth & Families 3:30 p.m. Jonah Discussion 4:30 p.m. Mincha 6 p.m. Ne'illa 8 p.m. Break the Fast
Fast of Gedalia observed 4 tishrei	5 tishrei	6 tishrei	7 tishrei	8 tishrei	Kol Nidre 9 tishrei	Yom Kippur Yizkor 10 tishrei



october 2017

tishrei/cheshvan

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sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
1 9 a.m. Religious School Put up the sukkah 10:30 a.m. Mazal Tots 6 p.m. G&S	2	3 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. G&S 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	4 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan 8:15 a.m. Torah Study 4 p.m. Religious School	5 Office closed 8 a.m. Festival Morning Service	6 Office closed 8 a.m. Festival Morning Service 5:30 p.m. Pray-Eat- Sing Shabbat Evening Service & Dinner	7 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
11 tishrei	12 tishrei	13 tishrei	Erev Sukkot 14 tishrei	Sukkot 15 tishrei	Sukkot 16 tishrei	Sukkot 17 tishrei
8 9 a.m. Religious School 10:30 a.m. Mazal Tots	9 Office closed Columbus Day	10 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Book Club 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	11 8 a.m. Festival Morning Service 4 p.m. Religious School	12 Office closed 8 a.m. Festival Morning Service 5:30 p.m. Simchat Torah Evening Service & Consecration Shemini Atzeret	13 Office closed 8 a.m. Festival Morning Service 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service Service	14 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
Intermediate Day 18 tishrei	Intermediate Day 19 tishrei	Intermediate Day 20 tishrei	Hoshanah Rabbah 21 tishrei	Yizkor Erev Simchat Torah 22 tishrei	Simchat Torah 23 tishrei	Bereshit 24 tishrei
15 9 a.m. Religious School 9:30 a.m. JWV Brunch 10:30 a.m. Mazal Tots 12:30 p.m. Ritual Com.	16	17 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon 7 p.m. Contribution Review Com.	18 8:30 a.m. Torah Study 4 p.m. Religious School	19	20 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening	21 9:30 a.m. Shabbat L'chol Adat Morning Service 10:30 a.m. Tot Shabbat Noach
25 tishrei	26 tishrei	27 tishrei	28 tishrei	29 tishrei	30 tishrei	Rosh Chodesh 1 cheshvan
22 No Religious School or Mazal Tots	23	24 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	25 8:30 a.m. Torah Study 4 p.m. Religious School 7 p.m. Evening Minyan 7:15 p.m. Board of Directors Mtg	26	27 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service	28 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Lech Lecha
2 cheshvan	3 cheshvan	4 cheshvan	5 cheshvan	6 cheshvan	7 cheshvan	8 cheshvan
29 9 a.m. Religious School 10:30 a.m. Mazal Tots	30	31 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	1	2	3	4
9 cheshvan	10 cheshvan	Halloween 11 cheshvan				



november 2017

cheshvan/kislev

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
29	30	31	1 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan 8:15 a.m. Torah Study 4 p.m. Religious School	2	3 5:30 p.m. Pray-Eat- Sing Shabbat Evening Service & Dinner	4 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Vayera
			12 cheshvan	13 cheshvan	14 cheshvan	15 Cheshvan
5 Clocks turn back 1 hour 9 a.m. Religious School	6	7 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	8 8:30 a.m. Torah Study 4 p.m. Religious School	9	10 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service Service	11 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
10:30 a.m. Mazal Tots		40 - 1		00 sharks	04 - kk	Vetrerans Day Chaya Sarah
16 cheshvan	17 cheshvan	18 cheshvan	19 Cheshvan	20 cheshvan	21 cheshvan	22 Cheshvan
12 9 a.m. Religious School 10:30 a.m. Mazal Tots 12:30 p.m. Ritual Com.	13	14 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Book Club Contribution Review Com. 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	15 8:30 a.m. Torah Study4 p.m. Religious School	16	17 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service Service	18 9:30 a.m. Shabbat L'chol Adat Morning Service 10:30 a.m. Tot Shabbat
23 cheshvan	24 cheshvan	25 cheshvan	26 cheshvan	27 cheshvan	28 cheshvan	Toldot 29 Cheshvan
19 No Religious School or Mazal Tots 9:30 a.m. JWV Brunch	20	2111 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	22 No Religious School	23 Office Closed	24 Office closed 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service Service	25 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
Rosh Chodesh 1 kislev	2 kislev	3 kislev	4 kislev	Thanksgiving 5 kislev	6 kislev	Vayetze 7 kislev
26 No Religious School or Mazal Tots	27	28 11 a.m. Mah Jongg 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	29 No Religious School 8:30 a.m. Torah Study 7 p.m. Evening Minyan 7:15 p.m. Board of Directors Mtg	30	1	2
8 kislev	9 kislev	10 kislev	11 kislev	12 kislev		



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