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 **Adath Israel**
Celebrate Jewish Life

Middletown, Connecticut
May 2021 Iyar-Sivan 5781



OMER **WHIPLASH**

Dear friends,

Do you feel it? It's the whiplash of Omer.

Let me explain – the Omer, as I explained in the last article, is the period between Pesach and Shavuot, 49 days that we count.

The period is also sprinkled with what are called “contemporary celebrations”. We begin with Yom HaShoah, the day to remember the Holocaust, on day 11 of the Omer. And follow up with Yom HaZikaron, the Day of Remembering the fallen soldiers in Israel. Talk about a sad period: and it makes sense, since the Omer also reminds us of a “plague” that struck Rabbi Akiva’s students [1].

And when things get really down – then we have an incredible celebration, which is Yom HaAtzma’ut, the Israeli Independence Day. And wherever you stand on Israeli politics – you have to look and admire the miracle that the existence of Israel is. In Brazil, one of the names almost venerated by the Jewish community is Oswaldo Aranha, who rose in Brazilian politics quickly during the 1930’s and eventually became president of the United Nations General Assembly in 1947. Oswaldo Aranha is seen as responsible for getting Brazil aligning with the Allies and away from the Axis, which only happened in 1942.

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THE MONTHS **AHEAD**

by Jonathan Shapiro

Our doors have started to re-open—albeit slowly as we continue to proceed with caution. Our religious school students have been attending on Wednesdays, morning minyan is live and our social groups are beginning to get together again. My hope and expectation is that we will be back to a “new” normal relatively soon. However, as we open up our doors the way they should be, there are some things that are here to stay.

As they say, necessity is the mother of invention. The pandemic has brought about new realities. It opened the door to new possibilities. Evolution of religious practices is somewhat of a contradiction as the practice of our religion is deeply rooted in our long held traditions. The pandemic forced us to change our delivery of our services. And there were many positives to this change as our members and friends who have long cherished Congregation Adath Israel were able to participate in our services on a regular basis. Former members that moved out of state returned to Adath Israel.

When we return to in-person services for all of our happenings, our goal is to maintain the availability of our services online so that Adath



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Adath Israel

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Join us for services via Zoom by using the information below or go to adathisraelct.org & click on “How to Join Services via Zoom”



Daily Minyan:

Monday-Friday 8 a.m.

Sunday 9 a.m.

New Zoom Link for ALL Daily Minyan Services

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86356469422?pwd=VVR0TWlxZDZsbUNsRTlvYm9qSEROdz09>

Dial by your location

+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 863 5646 9422

Passcode: 679552

Shabbat Services

Friday 7 p.m.

Shabbat Morning Services, Saturday 9:30 a.m.

New Zoom Link for both Friday & Saturday Shabbat Services

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81567273870?pwd=SkIDUEF0R2FRQ1BrUXNm3ZocFpndz09>

Dial by your location

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Meeting ID: 815 6727 3870

Passcode: 474612

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Even if his name is obscure to you, he was one of the decisive factors for the assembly's approval of the partition of Palestine. He was able to postpone the voting by two days, when he saw that the partition would not obtain 2/3 of the votes on time: he got Israel's allies to stretch their speeches to the max to prevent the vote from being taken that day. This gave enough time, together with the third day being a holiday in the United States to get the additional votes.

The motivations of Oswaldo Aranha are unclear to this day. Maria Lucia Tucci Carneiro[2], a historian, wrote that he was an antisemite who wanted to get Jews out of the country – her proof being that there were memos asking that Jews be denied entry visas to Brazil, that Aranha knew about those and did nothing to change. But another historian, Jeffrey Lesser[3], disputes this and shows that the attitudes in Brazil towards Jews were, unsurprisingly, contradictory. Be what it may, the fact is that when Albert Einstein's friend Helene Fabian-Katz, like him another Jew of German origin had her visa denied by the US, he asked Oswaldo Aranha for help. And Helene Fabian-Katz was granted a visa to Brazil and joined her brother, who was already living in São Paulo.

Luckily for her, Oswaldo Aranha was there. And luckily for us, when the state of Israel might not happen, it did – due to a very savvy politician.

We tend to shy away from miracles. The Talmud already warns that expecting for a miracle to happen is foolish, and against Jewish Law[4]. But once a miracle happened, you make a blessing on that miracle. Even if, 76 years later, you see problems in certain aspects of the miracle. But you still bless. Because the miracle is there, looking us in the face, in the form of a small country that dreams big, looms large in Western consciousness and is represented by our very symbol, our star, that symbolizes the presence of the Holy One – pointing equally to all sides.

So Omer gives me a whiplash every year – from destruction to miracle, all in the space of two weeks.

Warmly,
Rabbi Nelly Altenburger

[1] And stopped on the 33rd day of the Omer, known as Lag-BaOmer, when in Israel people picnic and light

Jewish Trivia for May

May 27, 1939
The ship, *St. Louis*, with 1000 German Jews aboard, is refused entry to Cuba and U.S.A.

May 14, 1948
State of Israel created by United Nations

May 15, 1948
Arab armies from Egypt, Syria, Jordan, Iraq, Lebanon, Yemen and Saudi Arabia invade Israel

May 11, 1949
Israel admitted to U.N as its 59th member nation

May 14, 1985
Rabbi Amy Elberg is the 1st woman ordained by the Jewish Theological Seminary, N.Y.C.

May 24, 1991
Israeli military rescues 14,000 Ethiopian Hebrews called Operation Airlift

Thanks to Norm Hanenbaum

Synagogue Resources Available for Members

For the latest editions of the following publications please contact the synagogue office via email at office@adathisraelct.org or by calling 860-346-4709.

Membership Directory

Life of the Community & Synagogue Leadership

By-Laws of Congregation Adath Israel

Chevra Kadisha Rules & Regulations

bonfires.

[2] Anti-Semitismo na Era Vargas

[3] Welcoming the Undesirables: Brazil and the Jewish Question



Book Club

Join us via ZOOM- May 4th,* 7PM

Jaffa Beach by Fedora Horowitz

Zoom

Meeting ID: 825 3529 6020

Passcode: 501905

JAFFA BEACH



A Novel
by

FEDORA HOROWITZ



Adath Israel Book Club
is free and open to
anyone who desires
great discussions about
fascinating books
on Jewish topics

For more information, please contact
Roberta Glass: rjlevine610@gmail.com
860-632-1320

or Holly Simon: hfpsimon@icloud.com
860-395-8989.

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Israel is just a “click” away. Of course, online services will never be a replacement for in-person services nor should they be. But in a constantly moving and evolving world, it is, in my view, a necessity to provide our members and friends access to Adath Israel wherever they are located.

Please save June 27, 2021 on your calendars. June 27 will serve as the date for our annual meeting. Not only will June 27 serve as our annual meeting, but it will also serve to give Rabbi Nelly Altenburger a long overdue and proper welcome to Congregation Adath Israel. It is hard to believe that Rabbi Nelly has been with us for almost a year, and I can already see the wonderful impact she is having in our community. Her energy and ideas are exciting. I know she has made extensive efforts to reach out to our entire congregation since she joined us last summer. However, due to the pandemic, I am sure many of you have not been able to meet her in person. Please save June 27 on your calendars to join us for our annual meeting and to celebrate Rabbi Nelly as our Rabbi.



**IF YOU OR A LOVED ONE ARE IN THE HOSPITAL
OR OTHER HEALTH CARE FACILITY**

Patient privacy laws prohibit the hospitals from notifying Adath Israel if you are admitted to the hospital unless you specifically request it. This is true even if you list Judaism as your religion and Adath Israel as your place of worship. Please tell the person caring for you that you wish to see the hospital chaplain. The hospital chaplain will make a referral to the Department of Spiritual Care which will contact the synagogue. If you do not wish to go through the hospital, please contact the synagogue directly if you or a loved one would like a pastoral visit.

TIKKUN LEIL SHAVUOT

Shavuot Study Session

Sunday, May 16th

6:30pm – 10:30pm

Adath Israel is partnering up with other communities to offer a one-of-a-kind Shavuot Study Session!

It is a unique opportunity of studying through Zoom during the Festival of Shavuot.

Several rabbis and lay leaders will be offering different and varied 40-minute learning sessions.

Please go to:

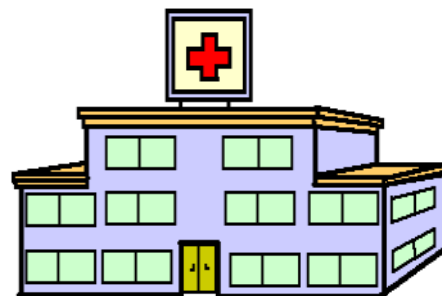
<https://www.bethisraelsc.org/tikkun-leil-shavuot>

and register for what promises to be a great night of learning.

You need to register to receive the links and passwords.

You will have many choices of topics and discussions!

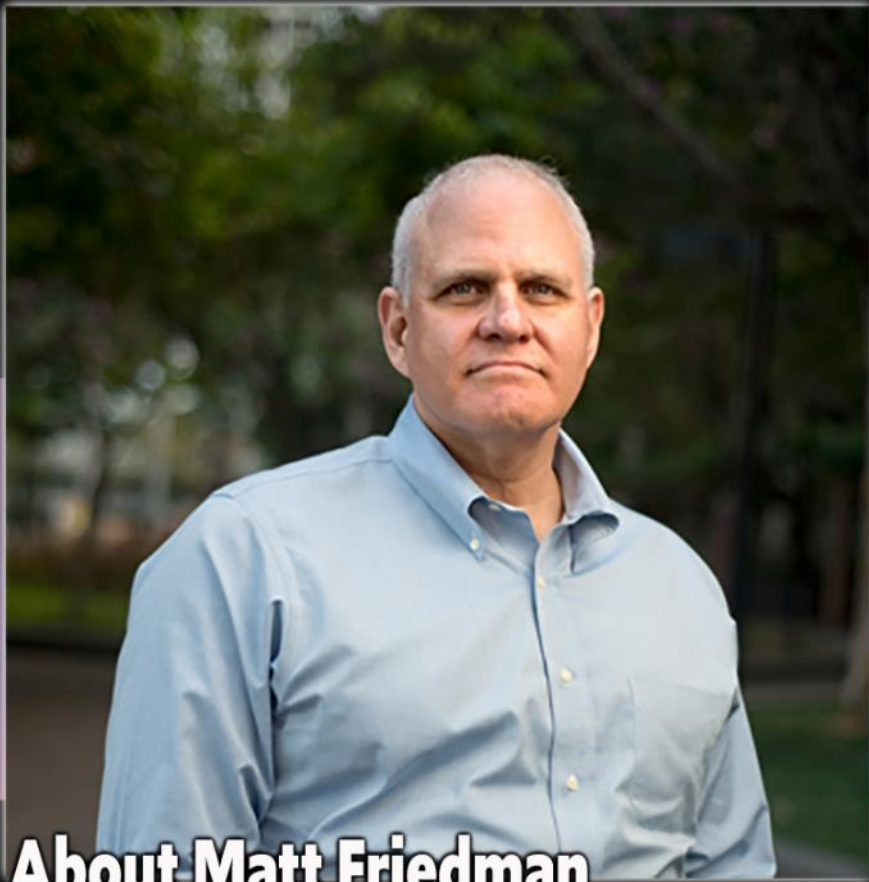
Not to be missed.





Matt Friedman, Human Trafficking: An Update

45 minutes presentation followed by 30 mins Q & A



Every four seconds, another person enters a human trafficking situation somewhere in the world. It is estimated that there are over 40 million people in modern-day slavery today, more than any other time in history. To make sense of this important issue and its relevance to today's world, Matt Friedman will offer a comprehensive update on this topic.

**May 10th
7pm**

Join Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID:
874 9915 5316
Passcode:
636512

About Matt Friedman

Matt Friedman is an international human trafficking expert with more than 30 years' experience. He is CEO of The Mekong Club, an organization of Hong Kong's leading businesses which have joined forces to help end all forms of modern slavery. Mr. Friedman previously worked for USAID and the United Nations in over 30 countries. Mr. Friedman offers technical advice to numerous governments, banks and corporations working to eliminate all forms of modern slavery and is the author of twelve books. In 2017, Mr. Friedman won Asia's prestigious "Communicator of the Year" Gold Award.

Free. Public Invited.
Please join us for this important topic.

ADATH ISRAEL DEDICATED FUNDS

ADATH ISRAEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

(SOPHIE & JULIUS BARKER, EVELYN & ABRAHAM GROSSMAN, SARAH ZIETZ PIERSON, RABBI ALBERT & ROSALYN TROY, SYLVIA GROSS WASSERMAN, MAX CHEIKIN, BERNIE SEIDON, AND JEAN STERN ARON SCHOLARSHIPS)

Provides scholarships to children of Adath Israel members attending an accredited college, university or school of higher learning

REFUA SH'LEIMA (Speedy Recovery)
Sam Bauer by Risa & Fred Zierler

IN MEMORY OF

Nettie Goldstein by Risa & Fred Zierler
Edith & Joseph Barker by Shelley & Michael Barker

DR. ARTHUR & GLADYS WEISS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Provides scholarships to children of Adath Israel members attending Jewish camp, Jewish content special programs, and trips to Israel

BEIT-PALEY FUND

Supports Torah repair

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Supports maintenance and enhancement of the cemetery

ARTHUR & EDYTHE DIRECTOR FAMILY FUND

Supports music in the ritual, educational, and cultural gatherings at Adath Israel

ETERNAL LIGHT FUND

Supports the general operation of Adath Israel

HOWARD FELDMAN BEAUTIFICATION FUND

Supports the beautification of our synagogue building and grounds and the Nester Center

REFUA SH'LEIMA (Speedy Recovery)
Hazel Kurlansky by Louise Feldman

IN MEMORY OF

Nettie Goldstein by Marge & Stan Sadinsky
Howard Feldman by Louise Feldman

LYNN BENNETT RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Supports the upgrade of our religious school

IN MEMORY OF

Nettie Goldstein by Debbie & David Kaye
The Lipman/Glass Family Fund

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Provides scholarships to children of Adath Israel members attending Jewish camp or travelling to Israel

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Supports purchases and maintenance of Adath Israel's museum

IN MEMORY OF

Kathi Schulman by Nedra Mirkin

NATHAN OLSHIN SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE-FUND

Supports annual scholar-in-residence program

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Allows the rabbi to support individuals and causes in our community anonymously

IN MEMORY OF

Benjamin Goldstein by Phyllis Waldman
Rose Lillian Nemeth & John B. Nemeth by Jean & Marc Nemeth

SANFORD BEIT MINYAN FUND

Supports the creation and building of community over Kiddush

SYNAGOGUE FUND

Supports the general operation of Adath Israel

Daniel Slatkin
Debbie & David Kaye
Phil Saxe
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IN APPRECIATION

Rabbi Nelly & in memory of her son by Barbara Cotton
Of all that Adath Israel has done by Gertrude Steele

IN MEMORY OF

Nettie Goldstein by
Sandra & Paul Beckman
Kristin & Tom Kelleher & Family
Carolyn Magram by Nedra Mirkin

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Tikkun Leil Shavuot

Sunday, May 16 ~ 6:30 p.m.
via Zoom

FREE!

**30+
SESSIONS**

 **Adath Israel**
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To register go to

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 Charles Limon by Abby Cerrotti
 Sarah Gelmadin by Yakov Filler
 Betya Filler by Yakov Filler
 Steven Simon by Edie Simon
 Helen Palmer by Sue & Steve Palmer
 Ida Kosofsky by David Kosofsky
 Selma Goldberg by Susan Goldberg
 Goldie F. Poliner by Robert S. Poliner
 Arthur Lewis Fishman by Randy & Rick Parks
 Eleanor Denenberg by Michele Parisi
 Irwin Denenberg by Michele Parisi
 Alan Pressman by Arlene Pressman
 Edythe Rosenfield by Patty Netherland
 Dr. Herbert Gewirtz by Susan Gewirtz
 Joan Kabatznick by Brian & Ronna Kabatznick
 Jack Stekloff by Sherry, Neil, and Alan Stekloff
 Sophie Poliner Soltz by Robert S. Poliner
 Rose Lillian Nemeth by Jean & Marc Nemeth
 John B. Nemeth by Jean & Marc Nemeth

Adath Israel Museum Seeks Volunteer

**Do you have an interest in
Judaica or History?**

**The Adath Israel Museum
would love your help.**

**For more information please
contact Stephen Shapiro at
stephenshapiro1942@gmail.com.**

CELEBRATE JEWISH LIFE THROUGH PRAYER

Morning Minyan via Zoom & In-person
 Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM
 Sunday, 9:00 AM

Shabbat Evening Service via Zoom
 Friday, 7:00 PM

Shabbat Morning Service via Zoom
 Saturday, 9:30 AM

Due to changing public health regulations,
 please check our website,
www.adathisraelct.org, for the latest updates.

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.

Office Hours

Monday: 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
 Tuesday: 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
 Wednesday: 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
 Thursday: 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
 Friday: 7:30 a.m.-Noon

The office is closed weekends, legal
 holidays, and Jewish holy days.

In the event of an emergency closing
 due to weather or public health the
 office will work remotely.

Sound Healing Service Sunday, May 23 ~ 6PM



Zoom Info

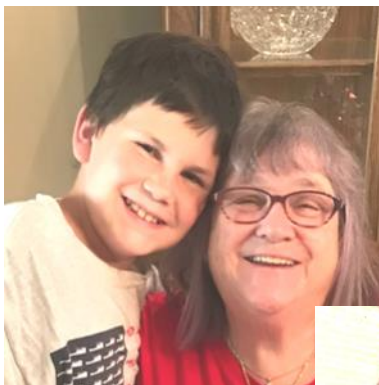
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Free for Adath Israel members.

Others, \$18 donation suggested.



TIKKUN OLAM AT ADATH ISRAEL



AYDEN BENNETT

by Sam Bauer



Ayden Bennett is twelve years old and has been a member of our synagogue his whole life. A student in our religious school, Ayden is currently preparing for his bar mitzvah on May 8th, which will be the subject of this Tikkun Olam article.

Ayden's Torah portion will be Bamidbar which is the first section from the book of Numbers. For those unaware, it takes place after the worship of the golden calf, the punishment of those worshipers by the Levites, and the building of the Tabernacle. Bamidbar details the great census of the Jewish people and how the three Levite clans will act as the new guardians and caretakers of the Tabernacle; the former caretakers being the previously disgraced worshipers or firstborn.

When asked how he felt about his upcoming ceremony, Ayden honestly answered "stressed". He's feeling the brunt of having to study for his religious school classes, secular school classes, and bar mitzvah. May 8th is also Ayden's birthday, so he certainly has a lot on his plate at the moment. But despite his workload, Ayden feels confident in his progress. He talked about how the ability to read his portion from the Torah without vowels, as compared to just a few months earlier when he first started, fills him with pride. It is the knowledge he has gained that Ayden considers his gift from the bar mitzvah journey, and he has more than earned it.

What Judaism means to any one Jew is a serious and complicated topic. The same is true for Ayden who didn't sum up his feelings in a one-word answer but instead used an anecdote from school. He described a situation at school where a student made an anti-Semitic joke and justified it to their classmates by assuming that there was no one Jewish in the room. Ayden did not want to let that slide and told the class that he was Jewish and watched as the laughter died out as his classmates looked ashamed. When I asked Ayden if he felt pride in that moment, he said yes. He felt proud to be Jewish and refused to be silent when someone else decided to mock that part of him.

It may seem like an obvious answer as to where the mitzvah is in this story, as this is a Tikkun Olam article, but to me there is more than one mitzvah here. There is the upcoming mitzvah of becoming a Jewish adult and leading the congregation during services, and there is the mitzvah of studying the Torah. But perhaps the simplest and most powerful mitzvah is from Leviticus "To love other Jews". Ayden is doing that by defending Judaism at school, by studying with Rabbi Nelly every week, by honoring the traditions of his family, especially his Bubby, by making my day better just by interviewing him, and finally by giving the community a chance to reunite at his upcoming bar mitzvah. I look forward to his big day and know I speak for his entire Adath Israel family when I wish him all the success in the world.

BAR MITZVAH OF AYDEN MYLES BENNETT

Please share with us a proud and joyous celebration as

**AYDEN MYLES BENNETT
Grandson of LYNN BENNETT z'l
is called to the Torah as Bar Mitzvah
Saturday, May 8 at 5:30 p.m.**

All are welcome via Zoom.

- 1. Go to www.adathisraelct.org**
- 2. Click on "How to Join Services Via Zoom" on the home page**
- 3. At Shabbat Services click on "click here!"**

~Star, Barbara, Sharon, and Merle~



Torah Study with Rabbi Nelly

via Zoom

Every Wednesday - 10:30 AM

Zoom ID 837 9879 1910, Passcode 963942

Every Thursday - 6:00 PM

Zoom ID 887 326 428, Password 827527

IT'S NEWS

TODAH RABAH - THANK YOU!

- Naomi Kamins for proof reading Kolot
- Eva Bardwell for laying out Kolot
- Stephanie Meadow for taking care of our eNews and blasts
- Roberta Levine for helping to bring author Ron Lieber to talk about his book The Opposite of Spoiled
- Richard Kamins for arranging the first Nathan Olshin Scholar-in-Residence program in several years, treating us to the teachings of Rabbi Dr. Aryeh Cohen
- Mark Stein for resetting the router and Bern Padawer (from all the way down in Florida)



for helping to reset the lights after a power surge hit the building over Passover

- All those who participated in this year's Yom HaShoah service: Howard Levine, Eva Bardwell, Corinne Brodie,

Beth Shapiro, Ruth Borsuk, Yaakov Filler, Paula Goldstein, Mark Frydenberg, David and Debbie Kaye, Michelle and Rick Grossman, Fred and Risa Zierler, Richard Kamins, Allen and Linda Caplan, Carly Hoss, Rob Goldstein, Andy Bauer

“Where there is no food there is no Torah” Sponsoring a Kiddush when we can all gather again

- Beth Katz & Heidi Geiges in memory of Myrna Ethelyn (Goldberg) Geiges
- Beth Katz & Heidi Geiges in memory of Edwin Jay Geiges
- Randy & Rick Parks in memory of Arthur Lewis Fishman
- Jean & Marc Nemeth in memory of Rose Lillian Nemeth & John B. Nemeth

SPEEDY RECOVERY

We'd like to wish a “Refua Shleima” to the following: Katrina Axelrod, Seth Axelrod, Sam Bauer, Bernie Fabian, Sy Feldman, Paula Goldstein, Elaine Gross, Mark Itkin, Hal Kaplan, Nihla Lapidus, Denise Levy, Hyime Paley, Claire Pincus, Rabbi Press, David Schwarz, Ruth Sigal, Michael Simon, Joe Zaiantz, and Risa Zierler.



The Matzah Fund Committee would like to express their grateful thanks again this year to all who generously contributed to our yearly Matzah Fund, helping to assist many Jewish families in the community at Passover.

SPRING CLEANING? BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR!

Give the gift of dignity while gaining closet space by helping the Middletown Community Clothing Program. For every pound of clothing donated to Goodwill using a Good Neighbor Donation Card, St Vincent de Paul will receive a voucher good toward the purchase of clothing at a Goodwill Store. Clients get to choose and purchase their clothing with the vouchers instead of getting a handout. If you would like to help, please email Wanda@SVDMMiddletown.org with your name, mailing address and phone number. You can receive as many specially designated donation cards as you would like. Only one card is needed per visit to Goodwill. Keep cards in your glovebox so you don't forget them on your next trip to Goodwill!



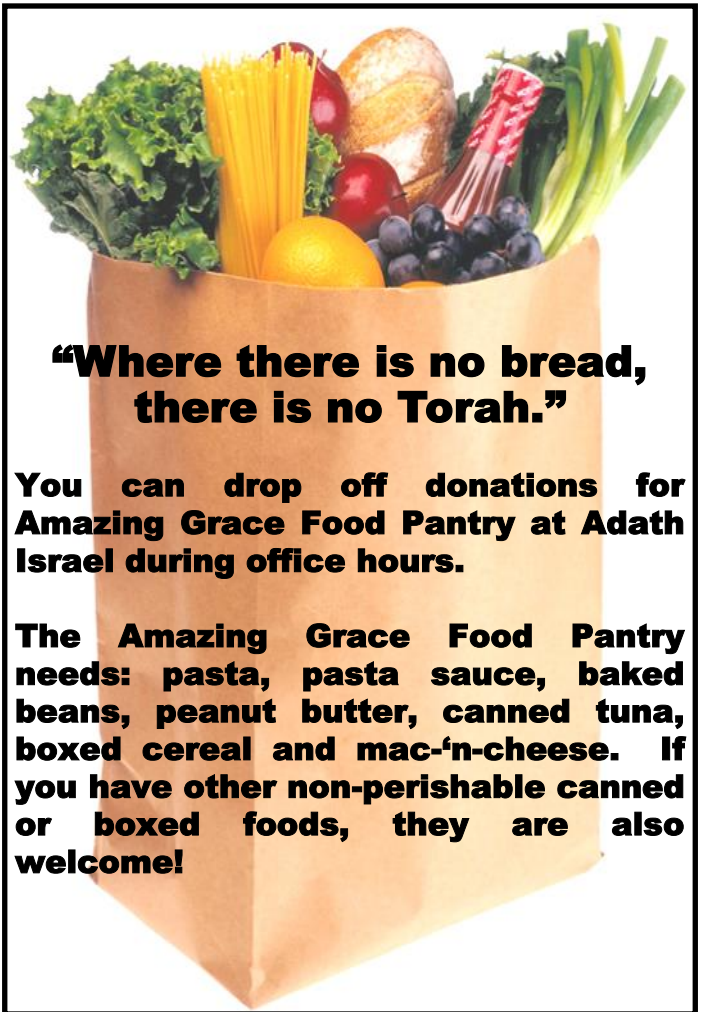
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Jodi & Chuck Gendrich
 Paula & Rob Goldstein
 Stephanie & Eliot Meadow
 Julie & Howard Levine
 Linda & Jack Adler
 Beth & Ben Eisner
 Shayna & Alyn Adams
 Joan & David Goodman



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 Adrienne Palley
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 Risa Zierler
 Roxanne Warner-Crane



**“Where there is no bread,
 there is no Torah.”**

**You can drop off donations for
 Amazing Grace Food Pantry at Adath
 Israel during office hours.**

**The Amazing Grace Food Pantry
 needs: pasta, pasta sauce, baked
 beans, peanut butter, canned tuna,
 boxed cereal and mac-‘n-cheese. If
 you have other non-perishable canned
 or boxed foods, they are also
 welcome!**

**HONOR THOSE SPECIAL PERSONS IN
 YOUR LIFE WITH A PLAQUE FOR
 THE “SIMCHA” MENORAH**

Whether it celebrates a Bar Mitzvah,
 Bat Mitzvah, Birth of a Child or Grandchild,
 Wedding, “Special” Birthday, special event/
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April 06, 2021

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Dear Friends and Community Partners,

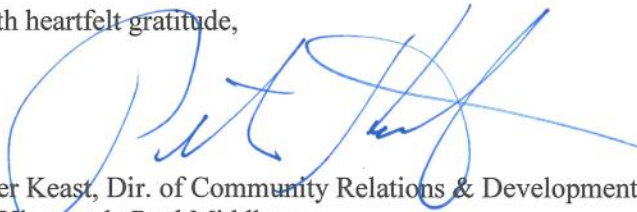
Hello! Does it ever feel to you as though the need for toiletries and food never goes away? Like no matter what we do, it seems useless in some way because tomorrow there be another person or family needing support? It might be easy to fall into that way of thinking, so here's a short story for you.

A couple of months back, a regular visitor to our soup kitchen came asking for some clothing. We sat down with him to see what was going on. He was homeless, on a waiting list for housing and the weather had taken a toll on the few clothes he owned. Then he said that his flip phone was broken. He was missing calls because it didn't ring all the time. A couple of hours later he had a new but basic phone and a voucher for clothing. While walking from our building on Main Street the two miles to Goodwill, his phone rang. It was Mercy Housing, and they had an apartment for him to look at. Today he has a safe and warm apartment, a closet for clothing and is working with a counselor who helps people find employment.

Whenever I think how enormous problems seem, I think of our front door. It is a crossroads of sorts where a person can stop for a few minutes and be nourished. Then sometimes, a request for a bottle of shampoo or a sandwich turns into the event that starts another human being on the road to a more healthy, happy and successful life.

We are grateful for the in-kind gift of fresh bread, juice, snacks and toiletries that you have so generously shared with us on 04/06/2021. Please accept as fact that your donations are not wasted. They make the work we do possible, helping us to be prepared to help care for our neighbors in need.

With heartfelt gratitude,



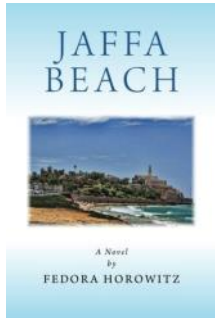
Peter Keast, Dir. of Community Relations & Development
St. Vincent de Paul Middletown

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ADATH ISRAEL BOOK CLUB

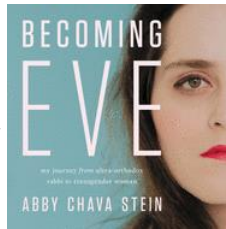
Now that Passover is over and Spring is here, it's time to read!



The book selected for our May 4th meeting is *Jaffa Beach* by Fedora Horowitz, a historical fiction novel about life in Palestine before Statehood. This is a story of clashing cultures and the Jewish/Arab conflict. It is also a love story. This novel spans many decades and three generations looking for the common humanity

of both Arabs and Jews.

If you want to get a head start on your reading for our June 15th meeting, read *Becoming Eve* by Abby Chava Stein. This is a memoir of the author's journey from being an ultra-orthodox rabbi to a transgender woman.



We are looking for volunteers to lead the discussion of these two books. Please raise your hand and let us know.

Come join us! New members are always welcomed. Even if you are unable to read the book, come for the discussion. It is always worthwhile and fun to be part of a community who loves to read!

ROBERTA and HOLLY

Roberta Levine Glass, rjlevine610@gmail.com, 302-593-7581

Holly Simon, hfpsimon@icloud.com, 860-395-8989

Celebrating 25th Anniversary



**of our
Interfaith Golf Open
August 3, 2021**

**Watch for more information
coming next month!**

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



LAST KOLOT ARTICLE DUE DATE FOR 2020-2021

The due date for the summer issue of Kolot covering June, July, and August is Wednesday, May 12.

Please make every effort to have your article in on time. Early is even better! We depend on volunteers to format, copy, and prepare the mailing, and they depend on us to have the material ready by the due date.

Articles received after the Due Date will be put in as time & space constraints allow. Articles received after the Copy Date will be put in the following month's Kolot.

Thank you.



may 2021

iyar/sivan

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
	Check our website adathisraelct.org for the latest information.	*Candle Lighting Times for Middletown, CT				1 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Emor 19 iyar
2 9 a.m. Minyan 9 a.m. Religious School 20 iyar	3 8 a.m. Minyan 21 iyar	4 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Book Club 22 iyar	5 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study 4:30 p.m. Religious School 7 p.m. Board Mtg 23 iyar	6 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study 24 iyar	7 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service *7:37 p.m. 25 iyar	8 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service 5:30 p.m. Ayden Bennett Bar Mitzvah Behar/Bechukotai 26 iyar
9 No Religious School 9 a.m. Minyan Mother's Day 27 iyar	10 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Matt Friedman, Human Trafficking: An Update Yom Yerushalayim 28 iyar	11 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 29 iyar	12 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study 4:30 p.m. Religious School Rosh Chodesh 1 sivan	13 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study 2 sivan	14 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service *7:44 p.m. 3 sivan	15 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Bamidbar 4 sivan
16 9 a.m. Minyan 9 a.m. Religious School 6:30 Tikkun Leil Shavuot *7:46 p.m. Erev Shavuot 5 sivan	17 Office closed 9 a.m. Festival Morning Service *8:54 p.m. Shavuot I 6 sivan	18 Office closed 9 a.m. Festival Morning Service Yizkor recited Yizkor Shavuot II 7 sivan	19 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study 8 sivan	20 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study 9 sivan	21 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service *7:51 p.m. 10 sivan	22 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Nasso 11 sivan
23 9 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Sound Healing Service 12 sivan	24 8 a.m. Minyan 13 sivan	25 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 14 sivan	26 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study 15 sivan	27 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study 16 sivan	28 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service *7:57 p.m. 17 sivan	29 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Beha'alotecha 18 sivan
30 9 a.m. Minyan 19 sivan	31 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan Memorial Day 20 sivan					



june 2021

sivan/tamuz

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		1 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 21 sivan	2 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study 22 sivan	3 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study 23 sivan	4 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service *8:02 p.m. 24 sivan	5 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service <i>Shelach</i> 25 sivan
6 9 a.m. Minyan 26 sivan	7 8 a.m. Minyan 27 sivan	8 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 28 sivan	9 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study 29 sivan	10 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study Rosh Chodesh 30 sivan	11 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service *8:06 p.m. Rosh Chodesh 1 tamuz	12 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service <i>Korach</i> 2 tamuz
13 9 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Sound Healing Service 3 tamuz	14 8 a.m. Minyan Flag Day 4 tamuz	15 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Book Club 5 tamuz	16 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study 6 tamuz	17 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study 7 tamuz	18 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service *8:09 p.m. 8 tamuz	19 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service <i>Chukat</i> 9 tamuz
20 9 a.m. Minyan Father's Day 10 tamuz	21 8 a.m. Minyan 11 tamuz	22 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 12 tamuz	23 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study 13 tamuz	24 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study 14 tamuz	25 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service *8:10 p.m. 15 tamuz	26 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service <i>Balak</i> 16 tamuz
27 9 a.m. Minyan Annual Meeting Rabbi Nelly's Installation & Luncheon 17 tamuz	28 8 a.m. Minyan Fast of Tamuz 18 tamuz	29 8 a.m. Morning Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 19 tamuz	30 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study 20 tamuz	*Candle Lighting Times for Middletown, CT	Check our website adathisraelct.org for the latest information.	

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RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING ALL POST SECONDARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CHILDREN OF CONGREGATION ADATH ISRAEL MEMBERS

1. The following considerations will guide the Committee in selection of recipients:
 - A. **Need**
 - B. **Scholastic achievement** - submit High School or College transcript and a **current** letter of recommendation from a school administrator, advisor, counselor, etc.
 - C. **Character** – present a **current** letter of reference from acquaintance or employer other than member of family or this committee (not education related).
 - D. **Extra-curricular activities** – list on application form your activities and specific involvement beyond just being a member both in the general and Jewish community at home and at school.
 - E. **Essay** - discuss your intended course of study (major) and how you plan to apply it to your future endeavors.
2. Applicant must be accepted and attend an accredited college, university, or school of higher learning.
3. Parent/Guardian must be a member in good standing of Congregation Adath Israel for a minimum of three consecutive years, including prior membership at Temple B'nai Abraham, prior to the date of application.
4. Scholarship applications **must** be accompanied by the first page of each parent's/guardian's Federal income tax form, if applicant is claimed as a dependent; or first page of applicant's Federal 1040 if not a dependent.
5. Completed applications should be postmarked or delivered to Congregation Adath Israel by May 15, 2021.

Attention: Scholarship Committee Chair
Congregation Adath Israel
PO Box 337
Middletown, CT 06457

6. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
7. If you have any questions, please contact Fred Zierler, Committee Chair, at fzierler@gmail.com or fzierler@cox.net.

Committee: Fred Zierler, Chair
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APPLICATION FORM

APPLICANT NAME _____ PHONE/PREFERRED # _____

ADDRESS _____ EMAIL _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE _____

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH _____

NAME PARENT/GUARDIAN 1 _____

NAME PARENT/GUARDIAN 2 _____

OTHER DEPENDENT CHILDREN IN FAMILY/ PROVIDE NAME(S) AND AGE(S)

CHILD 1 _____

CHILD 2 _____

CHILD 3 _____

COLLEGE /UNIVERSITY YOU ARE ATTENDING _____

ESTIMATED COST OF ONE YEAR AT YOUR SCHOOL (ROOM, BOARD, TUITION, MISC)

STATE SPECIFICALLY HOW YOU PLAN TO MEET THIS COST (STATE ALL SOURCES AND AMOUNTS. INCLUDE YOUR PERSONAL MONIES AND SOURCE).

SINCE FINANCIAL NEED IS ONE OF THE FACTORS CONSIDERED IN CHOOSING A RECIPIENT, THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE NEEDS TO HAVE CERTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT THE FINANCIAL STATUS OF EACH APPLICANT'S FAMILY.

ALL INCOME TAX INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.

GROSS INCOME PARENT/GUARDIAN 1 _____

GROSS INCOME PARENT/GUARDIAN 2 _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN 1—ESTIMATE POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL REVENUE FROM OTHER SOURCES (I.E. SAVINGS. DIVIDENDS, ETC.)_____

PARENT/GUARDIAN 2—ESTIMATE POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL REVENUE FROM OTHER SOURCES (I.E. SAVINGS. DIVIDENDS, ETC.)_____

LIST ANY UNUSUAL EXPENSES THAT YOUR FAMILY HAS THAT MIGHT DECREASE THE AMOUNT OF MONEY AVAILABLE FOR COLLEGE (OTHER CHILDREN IN COLLEGE, SUPPORT PAYMENTS, MEDICAL EXPENSES)

PROVIDE YOUR PERSONAL FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO COLLEGE FOR THE COMING YEAR _____

PROVIDE NAMES OF SCHOLARSHIP(S) YOU HAVE BEEN AWARDED, AND THE AMOUNT(S) FOR THE COMING ACADEMIC YEAR

TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY AVAILABLE FOR COLLEGE/ UNIVERSITY FOR THE COMING YEAR FROM ALL SOURCES ABOVE

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS (LIST EACH AND EXPLAIN YOUR INVOLVMENT BEYOND JUST BEING A MEMBER) ADDITIONAL PAGES MAY BE ATTACHED

SCHOOL COMMUNITY_____

JEWISH COMMUNITY _____

HOME COMMUNITY _____

COMPOSE AND SUBMIT ESSAY OF NOT MORE THAN 500 WORDS CONCERNING YOUR EDUCATIONAL GOALS.



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