



Middletown, Connecticut May 2022 Iyar-Sivan 5782



OMER

Dear friends,

After leaving Egypt, the next big stop in our people's story arc was receiving the Torah. The Torah

inserts in that trajectory the mitzvah of Counting the Omer – we have to count the days between those two events, 49 days[1]. This Counting of the Omer, begins on the second day of Passover, and is immediately followed by Shavuot, connecting the two holidays. Shavuot is the anniversary of receiving the Torah at the bottom of Har Sinai.

The word Omer adds an interesting dimension to this counting: when the temple was around, we would gather a quantity of barley – the omer was that measure – and give it to the Temple.

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!

If you or anyone you know is ill or in need of support, please let our Bikur <u>Ch</u>olim (Compassionate Care) Committee know!

Contact Michelle Grossman at <u>rickandmichelle360@gmail.com</u> or Rabbi Nelly (203) 543-7454 or Joanna at the office.

ON A HAPPY NOTE

I laughed a few times before typing out this article, thinking back to a recent Shabbat at the synagogue, where I was seated with fellow congregants, friends, and my boyfriend, and we



briefly discussed and laughed lovingly at the Kolot articles I'd written over the last few months. The conclusion to the conversation was that the vibe I've been giving off in my writing has felt "sad". Maybe somewhat heavy in content. So in this article, I just want to lighten the mood and focus on everything that we all look forward to in spring.

We know that some of the staples of spring include planting in the garden, eating meals out on our patios, and attending outdoor concerts. I finally had the chance to be outside in the greater world with my niece and nephews yesterday at Elizabeth Park, running around under arbors and trees, watching them climb, discover creatures under rocks, and even watch a hawk eating in a tree nearby. It's wild how a year goes by, and you forget these simple joys of being outside.

And just like how the world is coming "back to life" around us, so is life at the synagogue. I'm incredibly grateful and proud to watch my community celebrate a successful Purim, and have many different volunteers for cookie baking, meal prepping, megillah reading, and carnival ruach!

SACRED SOUND HEALING PROGRAM

Led by Cantor Re'ut Ben-Zeev & Rabbi Nelly Zoom & In Person

SUNDAY, MAY 1st AT 7:00 PM

FREE FOR MEMBERS, OTHERS \$18 SUGGESTED DONATION
ZOOM INFO:
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Now recently I have learned that barley is a very sensitive grain, one that needs to be harvested at a precise moment; if that moment passes, the barley dies and the crop is lost. So, the counting of each day was done with great care and attention. But nowadays we have no temple, most of us are not farmers, so why count?

One of the answers is that our lives are like barley, sensitive and in need of great attention. Just like the grain, that has a shell encasing the nutritious core, we too have our souls encased by the external shell of the human body. Just like the grain needs love and care to be cultivated, so too our souls require love and devotion, a constant dedication of commitment to maintain a healthy life.

We tend to focus on the body, exercising and eating right, getting enough sleep, taking vitamins and seeing the doctor. Yet, how many of us pay the same amount of attention, give the same amount of time and energy to our souls? Taking up the mitzvah of counting the Omer offers us the chance to dedicate ourselves to spending 49 days checking in with our souls on a daily basis.

On each day that we count, we focus on a different aspect of our inner being:

First week: Chesed (goodness, expansion and lovingkindness),

Second week: Gevurah (harshness, judgment),

Third week: Tiferet (balance and beauty),

Fourth week: Netzach (endurance and victory),

Fifth week: Hod (discipline and splendor),

Sixth week: Yesod (being active in the world),

Seventh week: Malchut (being receptive in the

world).

Of course there are many apps to help you in the journey. For those who like, like me, paper and pencil, you can check the Homer calendar here: https://homercalendar.net

May we find ourselves always growing from one step to another,

Rabbi Nelly Altenburger

[1] Leviticus/Vayikra 23:15-16

Bat Mitzvah Invitation

It is with great pride & joy that we invite you to share with us a special moment as our daughter,

Maya Shapiro-Rosado

is called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah

Saturday, May 28, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

Kiddush immediately following services

Beth Shapiro & Jenny Rosado

Please RSVP to beth.shapiro0709@gmail.com by May 13,2022.

If attending virtually, please use the regular Shabbat Zoom link.



SHARE THE **GOOD NEWS!**

Do you have a family member graduating this spring? Let your Adath Israel family know. Please send the office the graduate's name, school, and degree by May 9 so we can recognize them in June's Kolot.





YAdath Israel

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4TH 7:00 AM

KIDDUSH BREAKFAST FOLLOWING SERVICES

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Everyone made it incredibly fun. Thank you to the Purim Fundraiser Committee, that included Sandra Beckman, raising an incredible amount of money in the fundraiser's first year for our mishloach manot goodie bags. Hearing so much positive feedback from groups and individuals, I know this will become an event we now look forward to for years to come, and will become a great source in raising money for various funds and the rabbi's discretionary. I now look forward to spending time at seders both in and out of the synagogue, and look forward to building new traditions. More b'nai mitzvot, baby namings, and Hebrew school celebrations are on the way for our youngest congregants. It truly feels like life can be back to a new normal, and that it is better than ever.

I hope you take the time to enjoy these spring celebrations with your families, or incorporate a new spring tradition to your Shabbat experiences, so that you feel a newfound happiness. Spring flies by too quickly, so relish all the small and big moments, all the simchas within our walls and outside. I know that life tends to become "sleepy" around the synagogue during the summer, as people are traveling and away, however, please stay tuned to find your fellow congregants at the PRIDE parade, Middletown Cruise Night, and at local farmers markets. By having a presence at these events, we hope to recruit new families and individuals to come be a part of our synagogue life, and show our Jewish pride out in greater Middlesex County. If you are interested in getting involved in these volunteer events at our booths, please feel free to contact me - I'd love to tell you more!

But in the meantime, enjoy your spring switch to iced coffee or iced tea, getting outside into nature to say the shehecheyanu, and welcoming new traditions into your life.

Be well, Carly



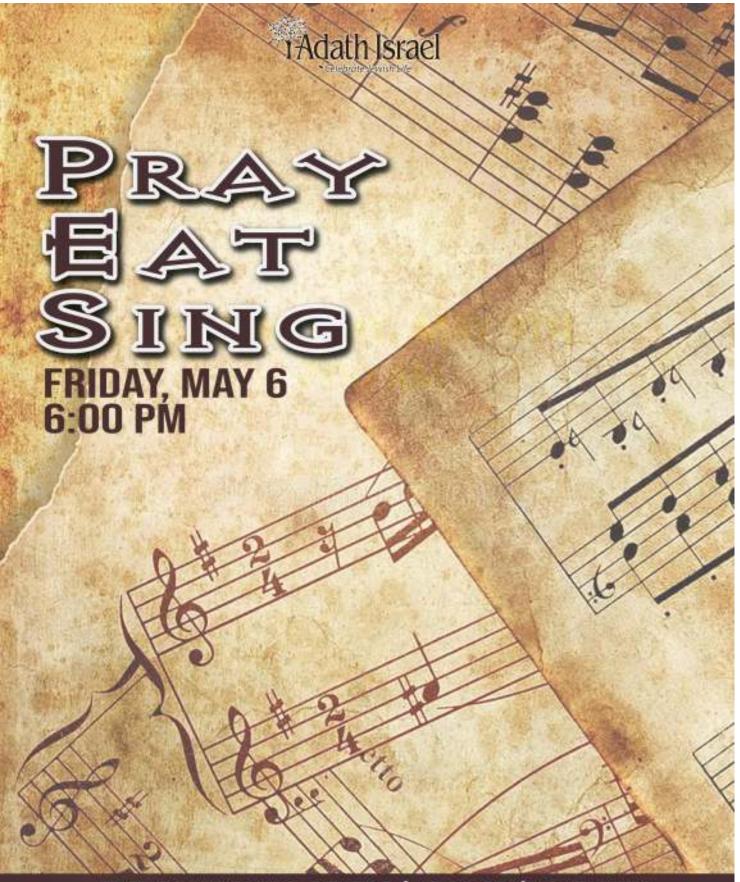
OPPORTUNITY

Have I got a deal for you. It's not a bridge in the sense of something untoward that I am selling. It is the opportunity, provided by Adath Israel, to find the bridge to your heart and soul. How is that you ask? If you attend Shabbos services you have the opportunity to take a break from all that consumes you. You can take a moment to breathe, to pray and sing and learn and share and do mitzvot. How's that for abundance of opportunity to do so much; all by coming to services? You can take a moment to sit and breathe and let your thoughts settle on the words on the page. You need not agree with all that you read. You may not even understand it. That's ok. It is a way to consider other thoughts and perspectives. The discussion on the Torah portion puts the story into the here and now. There is the discussion that can support new ideas and ways to manage thoughts and the world around you. You can be a part of services with an Aliyah or just sit back and enjoy the experience of welcoming the holiday of rest and finding a new path for the week ahead. On Friday nights, Rabbi Nelly, through the prayers, guides us to let go of the week. It can be a very freeing experience. It's not unlike the movie line in Frozen "Let it go". Let go of the stress and strain. Welcome the Shabbos. I am not communicating that services will heal all that ails you; though it will open opportunity to find some release and renewal of self and spirit and soul. Then, there is food! Yeah. Luncheons on Shabbos morning are times of socialization and caloric consumption. Lunch is made for you. Who doesn't want a bagel and a shmear; Or protein salad- egg or tuna? So good. The time to meet and greet your fellow congregants is a joy. That is coming from me. It's another opportunity. An opportunity to chat with good people. We may not all be friends. It is ok. It's good to talk to others. It can be a chance to learn and laugh and enjoy your day and weekend. You can then start your day refreshed- full stomach, full heart and fuller soul.

I hope you consider this opportunity. I can call it wonderful. Try it and you tell me what you call it.

> Best regards, Sharon Neuwirth





FREE TO MEMBERS, OTHERS \$10 PP OR \$18/FAMILY RSVP BY 4/29

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IN MEMORY OF

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

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Supports Torah repair

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Supports maintenance and enhancement of the cemetery

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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

IN MEMORY OF

Emma & Bernard Eisenstein by Myra & David Finkelstein

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Supports the upgrade of our religious school Barbara Sequenzia Hacnosas Orchim Society of Meriden

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

Barbara Axmacher in celebration of her new job & home by Eileen & Michael Daling Melissa & Tod Olczak in celebration of their son, Ethan, becoming a Bar Mitzvah by Eileen & Michael Daling

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Supports early childhood education at Adath Israel IN MEMORY OF

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MUSEUM FUND

Supports purchases and maintenance of Adath Israel's museum

NATHAN OLSHIN SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE-FUND

Supports annual scholar-in-residence program IN MEMORY OF

Denise Levy by Linda & Jack Adler

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

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

IN APPRECIATION OF

Shalach Manot

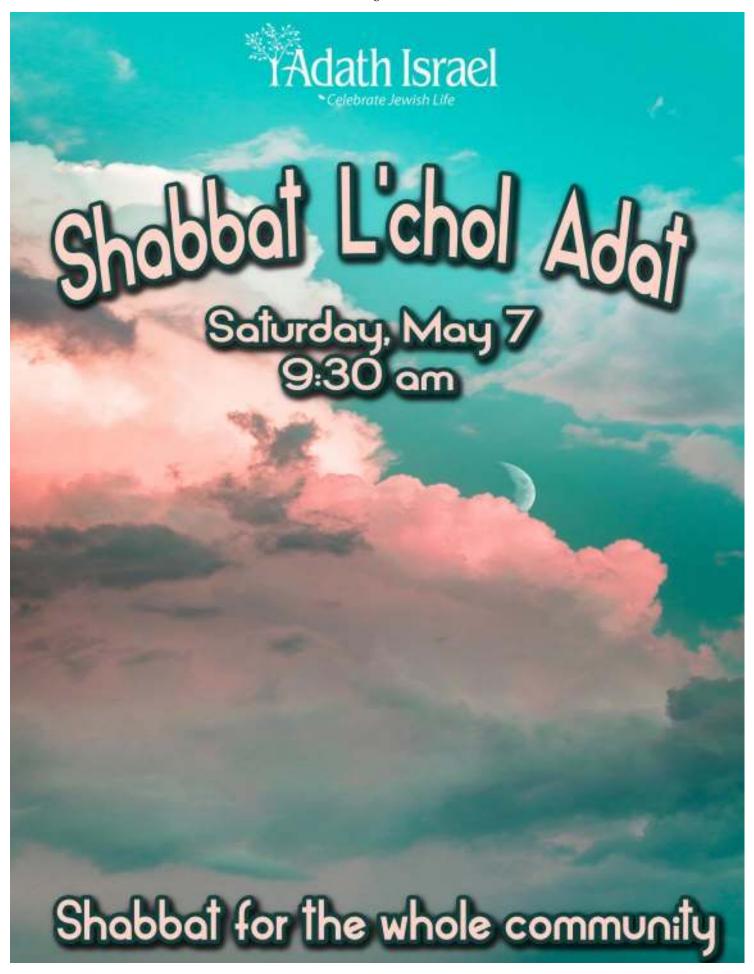
Happy Purim!

Marjorie Perry

Steven Perry

Rabbi Nelly's assistance helping son, David Vanderhoef, obtain Israeli citizenship by Edward & Helene Schnitman Vanderhoef

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IN HONOR OF

Ethan Olczak on becoming a Bar Mitzvah by Barbara Bennett Scott & Jim Scott

IN MEMORY OF

Arthur L. Waldman by Phyllis Waldman

SANFORD BEIT MINYAN FUND

Supports the creation and building of community over Kiddush

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Supports the general operation of Adath Israel Marcia Wrubel

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Betya Filler by Yakov Filler

Sonya Gelmadin by Yakov Filler

Ze'ev Ben-Dov by Ruth Borsuk

Sol Paley by Hyime Paley

Reva Paley by Hyime Paley

Diane & Alan Ravitch by Lee Ravitch Broder

Esther & Abner White by Nancy Valla

Ralph Adler by Linda & Jack Adler

Beatrice Cohn by Linda & Jack Adler

The Congregation is invited to attend the unveiling of the tombstone of

Ann C. Lerner, z"l

on Sunday, May 22, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. at the Adath Israel Cemetery, 714 Pine Street, Middletown, CT.

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.

LAST KOLOT DUE DATE UNTIL SEPTEMBER

<u>Issue</u>	Article Due Date		
June	May 9		



Book Club

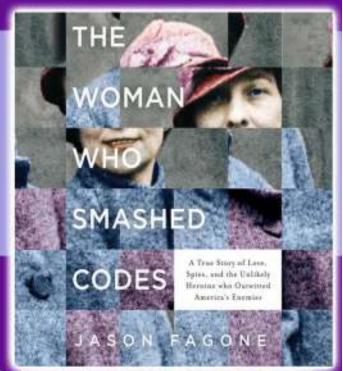
Via ZOOM & In Person at the Nester Center

May 24th * 7:00pm

The Woman Who Smashed Codes by Jason Fagone

Meeting ID: 866 4652 0065 Passcode 196174





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 Class: rilevine610@gmail.com 302-593-7581

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



Shabbat Shalom Everybody!!

I would like to start off by thanking everyone for making it here today and for taking time out of your day to come celebrate me becoming a Bar Mitzvah. I especially want to thank some of you who came a long way to be here as well as the ones who live just down the street.

Now that that is out of the way, I want to talk to everyone about my Torah Portion.

My Torah Portion is Shemini, which is all about kosher and non-kosher animals and how to tell the difference. What is a kosher animal? A kosher animal is a type of animal that is looked upon by G-d as something that you may eat.

On the other hand non-kosher animals are animals that are not ok to eat.

The way to tell if it is a kosher animal or not is simple. If an animal has split hooves and chews its own cud, it is considered kosher.

Another way to tell if an animal is kosher or not is if the animal is a predator it is non-kosher. This includes lions, sharks, crocodiles, some birds, and a bunch of other animals.

As for animals that live in the water, like fish, they have to have fins and scales. This leaves out whales, dolphins and sharks.

I just wanted to take a few moments to make sure everybody knows what a kosher animal is.

Now I would like to talk about the lesson I learned from this portion and what I think it means. As you probably know I am a pretty big baseball fan. I was able to relate my love of baseball to my Torah portion.

The first thing I thought about was kosher and non-kosher, which can be understood as things you should and shouldn't do in Baseball. But I quickly moved away from that idea. I tried to find something deeper.

To tell if a land animal is kosher, you have to look beyond what you see on the outside. Sure the animal can have split hooves but that doesn't always mean that it's kosher. An example is the pig. You need to have an understanding of what's happening on the inside of the animal as well.

In baseball that happens too. You may think you know what's happening because you can see it. But that's only half of the story. Not only do baseball players need to be physically prepared, they also have to be mentally prepared.

Just because you think you know a player is going to make a play you need to look past what he is physically doing.

You need to know what's going on inside his head to really understand what's on the outside.

This doesn't just apply to baseball, but also life. Just because you see someone who is successful or who is doing well, doesn't mean that on the inside they are okay. Their actions on the outside are being controlled by what's going on inside.

Another lesson I took from this is that all people should try to have positive self esteem. Feeling good about themselves helps to be consistent externally and internally. Just like how an animal needs to be proper on the inside and out. All humans must try to do the same. Society would be better off if we did not judge others based simply on their actions. This is what I think the meaning of Shemini is.

Lastly I just want to thank some people who helped me get to this day. First and foremost I want to thank my amazing parents for making all of this possible.

My Mom for taking time out of her day to drive me to Hebrew school and occasionally services. As well as all the love she has shown me.

Now my dad, me and him are always messing around, but all jokes aside being the non-Jew in the family, he still learned and Supported me so much more than I could ask for.

Next, my little brother Seth. Although he might occasionally get on my nerves, he is a great brother and if he didn't push me, I wouldn't be as amazing of a brother as I am now.

I also want to thank my fantastic tutors Shayna and Harry. If they weren't there to help me through all my prayers, I wouldn't have been ready for this.

I absolutely want to thank my Rabbi. Rabbi Nelly has always made it easy for me to learn and supported me while learning Hebrew. What I thought looked hard became easy in no time thanks to her help. Above all, if she weren't here to help, I would not be ready for this day.

Next I want to thank the entire Congregation of Adath Israel. All of you guys from the ones I see every day, or the ones I don't, all of you are like a big family to me and I'm so grateful for all of you. I also want to thank my Cousin Scott for taking time to learn my Haftorah and for doing it here on my big day. Lastly I want to thank all my friends from Hebrew School, John Wallace and from Sports. If you guys weren't here I probably wouldn't have the guts to stand up here and say this long speech about why I'm glad all of you are here.

I just want to thank everyone once again for coming and Shabbat Shalom.



IT'S NEWS



WELCOME to our newest members

Susan Schmeiser & Edgar Aracena and their children, Raquel Aracena, and Simone Anderson Karen & Saul Siegel



Kol Hakavod to Ethan Olczak on becoming a Bar Mitzvah. Mazal Tov to the Olczak family



Mark Finkelstein was one of four people in the United States inducted into the inaugural class of the American College of Health Care Administrators Hall of Fame.

TODAH RABAH



Eva Bardwell for laying out Kolot Sharon Slossberg for assembling & mailing Kolot Sharon Slossberg for also: returning bottles, folding programs, shredding documents

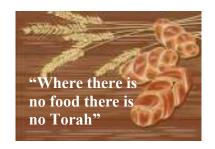
Stephanie Meadow for taking care of our eNews & blasts

Carolann Schwartz for proofreading Kolot Harriet, Marcey, Aaron Thiela for all their grocery shopping



A belated, but heartfelt, Thank You to Anita Hennessey for help assembling the shalach manot goodie

bags for our Purim Fundraiser.



Thank You to Those Sponsoring a Kiddush

Bern Padawer – as encouragement for in-person Shabbat attendance

IN MEMORY OF

Arthur Lewis Fishman by Randy & Rick Parks Sarah & Abram Jabes by Corinne Brodie Myrna Ethelyn (Goldberg) Geiges by Heidi Geiges & Beth Katz

SPEEDY RECOVERY

We'd like to wish a "Refua Shleima" to: Shana Adams, Katrina Axelrod, Bernie Fabian, Sy Feldman, Lew Goldberg, Paula Goldstein, Hal Kaplan, Jean Lawrence, Hyime Paley, Irv Pincus, David Schwarz, and Joe Zaientz.

IN MEMORIAM

Our sincerest condolences are extended to the families of

- **⇔** Bonnie Sperling z"l who came to her eternal rest on March 19 (16 adar II)
- on March 24 (21 adar II)
- **☆** Mark Itkin who came to his eternal rest on March 31 (28 adar II)
- ☆ Harriet Levin who came to her eternal rest on April 9 (8 nisan)

May the bereaved find comfort in our community's support.



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=VVR0TWIxZDZsbUNsRTIvYm9qSEROdz09

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=SkIDUEF0R2FRQ1BrUXNmd3ZocFpndz09

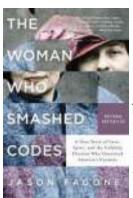
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ADATH ISRAEL BOOK CLUB

MAY We Recommend A Book

Many thanks to Risa Zierler for recommending and leading the discussion of *We Were The Lucky Ones* by Connecticut's own, Georgia Hunter. What a wonderful discussion of one family's struggles and hardships, and strong will to live and find each other! Each family member had a story to tell of how he/she survived, each one more amazing than the next. How lucky for us to read the book!



The book selected for the May 24th meeting is The Woman Who Smashed Codes: A True Story of Love, Spies, and the Unlikely Heroine Who Outwitted America's Enemies by Jason Fagone. This is an incredible true story of the greatest codebreaking duo that ever lived, an American woman and her husband who invented the modern science of

cryptology together and used it to confront the evils of their time, solving puzzles that unmasked Nazi spies and helped win the War. Elizabeth Smith Friedman played an integral role in our nation's history for forty years. Let's read more about her together.

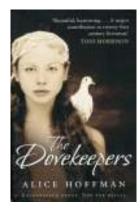
The May meeting will be held at The Nester Center at 7 p.m. Masks are optional. For those who wish to Zoom, our usual Zoom option will also be available.

Meeting ID: 886 4652 0065

Passcode: 196174

July 5th's selection is *The Dovekeepers* by Alice Hoffman.
Stay tuned for further details in next month's Kolot.

Happy Reading!



ROBERTA and HOLLY

Roberta Levine Glass, <u>rjlevine610@gmail.com</u>, 302-593-7581 (cell) Holly Simon, <u>hfpsimon@icloud.com</u>, 860-395-8989

May



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



Michael Sperling Ayden Bennett Carolann Schwartz Marc Nemeth Ines Gerstenblatt Star Bennett Jeremy Whittaker **Elaine Gross** Joshua Eisner Eric Weiss Marcey Thiela Shirley Brodach Susan Teller Max Finkelstein Jean Lawerence Ruth Borsuk Joan Goodman David Friedlander Rabbi Marshal Press Roberta Ash Michael Sigal Patrick Cline Risa Zierler Rick Grossman Roxanne Warner-Crane



HOSPITAL OR OTHER HEALTH CARE FACILITY

Patient privacy laws prohibit the hospitals & other healthcare facilities from notifying Adath Israel if you are admitted unless you specifically request it. Upon admission, please list Judaism as your religion and request spiritual care or a visit from the chaplain. The hospital chaplain 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.

UPDATED CHEVRA KADISHA RULES & REGULATIONS

Recently the rules and regulations of the Chevra Kadisha were updated and approved. The new rules go into effective May 1, 2022. The major change to the rules and regulations that effect the membership is the charge for perpetual care of a grave. The fee is increasing to \$900 per grave. This increase was necessitated due to the increased cost of maintaining our cemetery and ensuring that it will be available for the future needs of our membership. As a member in good standing there is no charge for a grave only the one-time payment of the perpetual care fee.

Copies of the updated rules and regulations are available by contacting the synagogue office.



The Matzah Fund Committee would like to express their grateful thanks to all who generously contributed to our annual Matzah Fund, helping Jewish families in our community keep and celebrate Passover.



looking for a partner or pick-up game.

Please contact the office if you are interested.

TIKUN OLAM AT ADATH ISRAEL

MAYA SHAPIRO

by Sam Bauer

The focus of this month's Tikun Olam article will be Maya Shapiro who will be having her bat mitzvah later in May. Maya is 12 years old, and she told me that her favorite subject is Language Arts. Of all the synagogue events, Maya enjoys Pray-Eat-Sing services the most. The service is shorter than most and the dinners included with the singing afterwards are always delightful.

Maya's bat mitzvah will take place on May 28th. She will be teaching us about Bechukotai from Leviticus. This Torah portion describes the conditions



of God's love for the Jewish people and consequences that come from following or disobeying those conditions. If the Jewish people obey God's

commandments, the land will be fruitful and war and dangerous beasts threaten will not them. Their enemies will run from them, and their numbers shall increase. But if the Jewish people do obey God's not

commandments, then God comes up with new, increasingly worse punishments. First the land will become barren, then dangerous beasts will be reintroduced along with war. The final punishment leaves the Jews as homeless, left to live in other nations that will swallow them whole. I will be intrigued to hear what Maya has to teach us about such an interesting passage.

With the bat mitzvah a little over a month away, Maya feels a huge jumble of both nerves and excitement. She says she is most nervous for haftarah because the trope is so new and most excited for becoming a Jewish adult while surrounded by her friends and family. The process of preparing for

Maya's bat mitzvah began about 5 or 6 months ago. She told me that learning so much technical knowledge about reading Torah has been a challenge, but not an unpleasant one. In fact, she feels more confident in services as a result of her preparation.

What does Judaism mean to Maya? An inescapable part of her identity. Coming back to the synagogue for each holiday and being welcomed back by the community each time is what makes Judaism so important for her. For Maya's bat mitzvah, she is welcoming the community instead. This will give both Maya and community a chance to perform mitzvot. Maya will be leading us through services (To learn Torah and teach it—Deuteronomy 6:7) and we will celebrate her accomplishments with her (To honor those who teach and know Torah—Leviticus 19:32). Early congratulations to you, Maya, and thank you for helping us repair the world.

CELEBRATE JEWISH LIFE THROUGH PRAYER

All services are in-person & via Zoom

Morning Minyan

Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM 1st Wednesday of the month, 7:00 AM Sunday, 9:00 AM Zoom Info

Meeting ID: 863 5646 9422 Passcode: 679552

Shabbat Services

Friday, 7:00 PM

Monthly Pray-Eat-Sing Services, 6:00 PM

Saturday, 9:30 AM

Zoom Info

Meeting ID: 815 6727 3870 Passcode: 474612

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.

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



may 2022 nisan/iyar

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
1 9 a.m. Minyan 9 a.m. Religious School—All Grades 9:15 a.m. Adult Hebrew 7 p.m. Sacred Sound Healing	2 8 a.m. Minyan	3 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Board Mtg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	4 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom 4 p.m. Religious School, Grades 3-7	5 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom	6 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Pray-Eat- Sing Shabbat Evening Service & Dinner	7 9:30 a.m. Shabbat L' <u>h</u> ol Adat Morning Service
Rosh Chodesh 30 nisan	Rosh Chodesh 1 iyar	2 iyar	Yom Hazikaron 3 iyar	Yom Ha'atzmaut 4 iyar	5 iyar	Kedoshim 6 iyar
8 9 a.m. Minyan No Religious School or Adult Hebrew Mothers Day	9 8 a.m. Minyan	10 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	11 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom 4 p.m. Religious School, Grades 3-7	12 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom	13 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service	14 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
7 iyar	8 iyar	9 iyar	10 iyar	11 iyar	12 iyar	13 iyar
15 9 a.m. Minyan 9 a.m. Religious School—All Grades 9:15 a.m. Adult Hebrew	16 8 a.m. Minyan	17 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	18 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom 4 p.m. Religious School, Grades 3-7	19 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom	20 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service	21 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Dave & Debbie Kaye farewell Kiddush
14 iyar	15 iyar	16 iyar	17 iyar	Lag Ba'omer 18 iyar	19 iyar	Behar 20 iyar
9 a.m. Minyan 9 a.m. Religious School—All Grades 9:15 a.m. Adult Hebrew 9:30 a.m. JWV - Nester Center	23 8 a.m. Minyan	24 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Book Club 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	25 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom 4 p.m. Religious School, Grades 3-7	26 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom	27 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service	28 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service. Maya Shapiro- Rosado called to the Torah Bechukotai
21 iyar	22 iyar	23 iyar	24 iyar	25 iyar	26 iyar	27 iyar
29 9 a.m. Minyan No Religious School or Adult Hebrew	30 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan	31 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	1	2	3	4
Yom Yerushalayim 28 iyar	Memorial Day 29 iyar	Rosh Chodesh 1 sivan				



june 2022 iyar/sivan

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
29	30	31	1 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Nelly, Zoom 4 p.m. Religious School	2 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Nelly, Zoom	3 RSVP Deadline for June 10 Pray-Eat- Sing 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service	4 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service 2 p.m. Pride Fest 7 p.m. Tikun L'eyl Study Bemidbar Erev Shavuot
			2 sivan	3 sivan	4 sivan	5 sivan
5 9 a.m. Festival Morning Service	6 Office closed 8 a.m. Festival Morning Service	7 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan Auditions 7 p.m. Board of Directors Mtg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	8 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Nelly, Zoom	9 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Nelly, Zoom	10 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Pray-Eat-Sing Shabbat Evening Service & New Member Welcome	11 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
Shavuot I	Shavuot II	O airram	O airran	40 airea	44 alivan	Naso
6 sivan	7 sivan	8 sivan	9 sivan	10 sivan	11 sivan	12 sivan
12 9 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Gilbert & Sullivan Auditions	13 8 a.m. Minyan	8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	15 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Nelly, Zoom	16 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Nelly, Zoom	17 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service	18 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
13 sivan	14 sivan	Flag Day 8 sivan	9 sivan	10 sivan	11 sivan	Beha'alotecha 19 sivan
19 9 a.m. Minyan 9:30 a.m. Jewish War Veterans Brunch	20 8 a.m. Minyan	21 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	22 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Nelly, Zoom	23 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Nelly, Zoom	24 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service	25 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service. Kiddush in memory of Sarah & Abram Jabes by Corinne Brody
Fathers Day 20 sivan	21 sivan	22 sivan	23 sivan	24 sivan	25 sivan	Sh'lach 26 sivan
26 9 a.m. Minyan	27 8 a.m. Minyan	28 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon	29 10:30 a.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Nelly, Zoom	30 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study with Rabbi Nelly, Zoom	1	2
27 sivan	28 sivan	29 sivan	Rosh Chodesh 30 sivan	Rosh Chodesh 1 tamuz		



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