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High Holy Days 5778 Shanah Tovah!



Erev Rosh Hashanah - September 20

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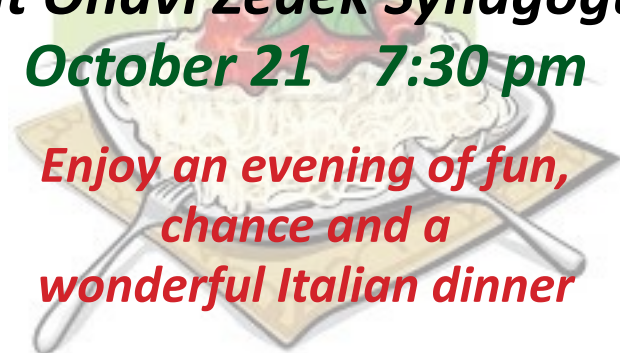
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FROM THE RABBI



Responding to the Hate

Nazis massing on main streets in America? In 2017 -- Really?

What happened?

Where did our country turn off the road of respect and compassion and onto the road of hatred, division

and exclusion? Weren't we traveling toward acceptance and respect for diversity? Haven't we learned that racism, xenophobia, Anti-Semitism, Islamophobia, homophobia, etc., were dangerous tropes of the past?

When did hatred toward non-Whites, non-Christians and immigrants once again become acceptable discourse for American politicians? Haven't we treasured the Statue of Liberty as a beacon of freedom and democracy, inviting the "tired, poor, huddled masses yearning to breathe free"?

How is it that in today's America police fire rubber bullets and mace at peaceful protesters protecting Native American lands at Standing Rock, while Neo-Nazis and White Nationalists are permitted to openly carry and threaten innocent people with AK-47s? Those machine guns were aimed ominously at a Charlottesville synagogue on Shabbat with impunity while the community inside fearfully prayed.

Many of us are stunned and worried by recent events. Listening to folks around our community, I hear worry, fear, anxiety, confusion and a fair amount of anger.

The campaign season of 2016 opened the door that enabled the conversations of racist groups to re-enter in the public square. By now we know that America has entered a new era and we are wondering where we are going and how we will endure in the meantime.

How shall we respond to these troubling times?

We need faith community most at times like this. Most of our lives rest on a foundation of safe dependability. Most of us have relative economic security—and we find ways to help each other when that is challenged. Yet, we often take for granted the security of the rhythms of our lives. Our sages taught us to renew ourselves daily with awareness of and gratitude for the gifts of life. At the same time, the rabbis gave voice to our fragile vulnerability, as expressed in the nightly recitation of the Hashkivenu prayer:

Lay us down to sleep, Eternal God, in peace Raise us up again to life. Spread over us the shelter of your peace and set us right with Your kind guidance. Deliver us for the sake of Your Name. Shield us, and keep us from enemy, plague, war, hunger, and grief. Remove evil from before us and from behind us, and in the shadow of Your wings, shelter us. God who protects and rescues us, You rule us with grace and compassion. Guard our going and our coming for life and peace, now until eternity, and spread over us the shelter of Your peace. Praised are You, God, who spreads Your shelter of peace over us and over all our people, Israel...

One of my favorite Psalms is 121: "Your protector never slumbers." It proclaims, *Help of our ancestors you have always been, shield and savior to their children after them, in each and every generation.*

Judaism teaches us that the pain and brokenness in the world does not prevent us from embracing optimism about life. The words "God is my Rock and My Redeemer/Adonai tzuri v'go'ali" prayerfully acknowledge our fears while inviting God's protective presence.

Prayer within sacred community is one antidote to anger, fear, worry and confusion. With the wisdom of our sages as our tools and our community as our strength, we can celebrate love while ultimately finding the way to defeat hate.

It would be all too easy to give in to the darker side of fear, as have the White Supremacists, engaging in acts of violence. But we know by experience and by the teachings of our tradition that we need hopefulness and godliness to unite and heal our society. We will act in godly ways to stand for goodness and justice.

There is a story about a Chasidic master, Rabbi Menachem Mendel of Kotzk (the Kotzker rebbe):

A group of learned men came to visit the Kotzker rebbe. He surprised them with what they took to be a basic question: "Where is the dwelling of God?" They laughed and responded by quoting from the Amidah: "*Melo kol ha'aretz kevodo.*" Is not the whole world full of God's glory?" Menachem Mendel replied: "God dwells wherever humanity lets God in."

~ Rabbi Amy Small

See the statement Rabbi Amy wrote for VIA, Vermont Interfaith Action, on *Alt-Right, White Supremacy and Neo-Nazis in America today*, page 15.

FROM THE PRESIDENT



As I write this report I'm reminded that fall is arriving and that means the High Holy Days will soon be here. This is a wonderful time of year, a chance to celebrate and a chance to pause and reflect. We often move at such a fast pace that we need a change in seasons or a meaningful holiday to give us that respite. As I

pause and look back over the past few months, it's worth reflecting on the board's achievements and overall focus.

The board has recognized the importance of looking at human resources issues regarding employment and benefits. A new employment agreement has been created for staff, and job descriptions have been prepared by Grace Oedel. Healthcare policies were addressed in order to bring consistency to our employees and to plan ahead for future employees. The HR committee that was formed this year has been very busy. Many thanks to Rick Hecht, Chair; Keith Kasper, Vivien Rabin Brown, Diane Rippa, Sarah Kleinman and Grace. As we talk about vision, growth, and looking at our future, we recognize the importance of having a solid foundation pertaining to our policies. The HR work has been a critical piece of that initiative.

At the June Congregational Meeting the board presented a list of accomplishments and goals that were the focus of our work since December 2016. While we have had many successes, we find ourselves still operating in a deficit, which is not ideal. As we continue to make decisions to help reduce the deficit, we are balancing the challenge of meeting our current financial obligations with planning ahead and planting seeds for future growth. In moving forward, we want to ensure that we can continue to offer the same level of programming to which each of us is accustomed.

We value inclusivity, diversity and social responsibility in our decisions and planning. Please ask how you can do your part. Involvement of a cross section of our membership is so important. Remember, we now offer pre-school and Tot Shabbat, Hebrew School, and teen and adult programming. We want you, our members, to shape our future and help plan for our growth. We need your support! It takes each of us to be a part of this process.

Shana tova!

~ John Blatt

G'MACH COMMITTEE

The G'mach (short for *G'milut Chasadim* or acts of loving kindness) Committee of Ohavi Zedek Synagogue supports its members to the extent that resources allow, who may need assistance with:

- Meals – provided for short-term needs and made available in the G'mach freezer*
- Visits – for seniors in residential housing or home, chronically ill, or hospitalized **
- Rides – to doctor's appointments or for other health-related needs

* The G'mach freezer at OZ provides vegetarian dairy (parve) meals for those in need. This may include meals for those who are recovering from an illness, just had a baby, or for those with chronic illness. Members are welcome to take food; please check in with the OZ office if it is for a non-member. The G'mach Committee can help set up a Meal Train for short-term needs.

** Please let the office know if you or someone you know is in the hospital and would like a visit. Visits will be made by Rabbi Amy, Cantor Intern Kochava Krieger or Roz Grossman.

These acts of lovingkindness are a mitzvah, a commandment, especially visiting the sick, *Bikkur Cholim*. OZ wants to hear from you if you have a need or know someone who has a need. Please let us know if you need help and/or can help by contacting Rabbi Amy, Kochava or me. During High Holy Days, a G'mach card with this information may be found in the lobby.

You can read more about the G'mach Committee on OZ's website at: <http://ohavizedek.org/community/gmach-caring-committee/>.

~ Roz Grossman

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FROM THE TREASURER



Shalom chaverim (members/friends),

It has been refreshingly calm these last few months of June, July, and August. The board approved the Finance Committee's document laying out the financial responsibilities of the OZ board and staff. (The final version is available to

all congregants). The congregation approved the budget in June, and staff and clergy are now implementing it. Pre-school will start this fall on a revenue-neutral basis, Kochava Krieger started work in July as our Cantor Intern for a year and we have borrowed only \$60,000 from the \$150,000 Line of Credit that a generous congregant has offered (and needed only \$40,000 of that).

This is because we finished last year at break-even (actually a tiny \$1,700 surplus). Now – one would think that if we broke even, why would we need any funds from the Line of Credit at all? Good question – we needed the funds because \$24,000 of the revenue we recorded as 2016-17 revenue was actually received in the prior year as early pledges; we also paid back another \$20,000 to the Endowment Fund that we had borrowed in the spring of 2016.

So we finished last year \$130,000 better than budget, which projected a \$128,000 deficit. How did that happen? Most of the difference was additional pledge and general donation revenue (\$73,000 better than budgeted). In addition, administrative payroll was under budget (offset by computer expense), and decreased expenses for the Hebrew School enabled us to save nearly \$20,000 net. Holiday revenue and expenses were also better than budget, as were teen programming and cemetery results.

So we have a strong financial base for moving forward together as a congregation. We have reorganized the budget in our accounting software, so that it will require much less time to report actual expenses compared to budget. We still need to add our major assets (Endowment Fund, land and buildings) to the balance sheet; that should be done before the next Congregational Meeting in December.

We are very grateful for everyone's support in member pledges, in Hebrew School support, and in all the other ways that you support the great outreach and social justice activities of the synagogue. And again, I am happy to talk

with anyone if you have questions. I welcome any and all suggestions regarding how we can cut expenses or increase income, and we hope that you will contribute what you can to help OZ meet the needs of our most valuable asset, our members.

Thank you!

~ Bill Miller

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NEW CEMETERY POLICY ON CREMATION

At the August meeting of the Board of Directors, a motion was passed noting that cremated remains of congregants "may be buried in a section of Ohavi Zedek's North Avenue Cemetery that has already been set aside so that mixed religious families can be buried together and all procedures would be in conjunction with the Rabbinical Assembly guidelines. The fees would be the same as is currently written."

This change was recommended to the board by the Religious Committee.

***Reminder - Cemetery Fees increase on 11/1/2017!**

SALLY HAND MEMORIAL LIBRARY FUND



In honor of our beloved congregant, Sally Hand, z"l, and her many years of enthusiastic dedication, Ohavi Zedek is renaming the Library Fund the *Sally Hand Memorial Library Fund*, reminding us all of Sally's passion for learning and books, her deep commitment to growing the Ohavi Zedek library as a resource for all, and her commitment to

the children's collection. It is our hope that this fund will honor Sally's love for our community through ongoing purchases of books and other educational resources.

If you wish to make a donation in Sally's honor, please send it to the front office with "Sally Hand Memorial Library Fund" in the memo.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



We have been engaging in a variety of big-picture visioning exercises lately, from a Hebrew School Task Force thinking about how to innovate in the Hebrew School to starting the new preschool (first day, August 28!); from thinking critically about how to evaluate our membership processes to updating our High Holy Days seat structure. We've also recently been recognized nationally with a Solomon Schechter Award for our programs "Welcoming the Stranger": daily English classes here at OZ, our 'barn dollars' program at the Shalom Shuk, the Interfaith Seder, and the Children of Abraham program. All these projects are helping us to understand who we are as a community and to articulate where we want to go.

This September we will add to our visioning process with a collaboration with University of Vermont through a Community Design Class, taught by Professor David Hohenschau. Each semester the class focuses on a location, neighborhood, or institution in Burlington and creates master plans, designs, and vision suggestions after extensive site visits and conversations with the organization. This year, they are focusing on the Ohavi Zedek site.

Wayne Senville made the initial connection with David a couple years ago, and we have been waiting for the right moment to dive into the exciting work of exploring what we might envision for this place. I'm excited at this new beginning and the rich conversation it will spark for our community. It feels like a natural building on conversations that are already happening here in many ways around use of the land, space, and vision.

Professor Hohenschau stressed to us that many of the students are beginners and we shouldn't expect to have professional plans coming out at the end of the semester; what this process will do is provide a catalyst and scaffolding (and a giant infusion of UVM energy!) for our current broad-reaching vision conversation. In Wayne's and my initial meeting with David, we walked the land, visited the Shuk, the garden, Fern Hill, our building, parking areas—even saw a deer and a woodchuck in our wildlife corridor—it was an exciting morning.

Here are the logistical pieces for the community to be aware of:

1) The class will spend two hours for an initial site visit to explore the land and hear what some of the community's questions, visions, challenges, possible dreams out there are for us. We would love for as many interested and available parties to attend as possible. We have scheduled September 28 at 4:00 pm—please join us if you can!

2) Mid-semester, once they are really into thinking about the site, they will come and present their thinking and ask more questions to get deeper into considering all elements that affect the community before finalizing their designs. We are planning to have them attend a board meeting to generate good visioning and discussion with the board. Slated for discussion early in the agenda on October 19—again, please join if you can!

3) Finally, the class would like to show their designs and make some presentations of options to our community on December 7, 4:30 - 7:00 pm. We plan to host that evening as the first of two or three gatherings to vision about the site together as a community.

I wanted to get these thoughts out to the congregation so that we could hold the time and conversation in mind. If you have any feedback, questions, concerns, comments, or wish to be more involved, please let me know.

I can't wait to see where we will go, together.

~ Grace Oedel

YOGA SERVICE

FIRST SHABBAT OF EVERY MONTH

in parallel with the Torah Service!

10:30-11:30 am

Adam Bluestein will teach yoga,

accompanied by Esther Rosen on guitar.

Starts Saturday October 7, Classroom 1 or 2.

Please bring your yoga mat.



You should have received your High Holy Days mailing, which includes all the service times and additional information about Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur

Come and join us also for Selichot, Sukkot, Hoshanah Rabbah, Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah

All services and times are in the mailing, but here's some information about some of the events here at OZ:

Selichot, Saturday, September 16

7:00 pm: Selichot Program begins. We will begin the evening with a discussion with Rabbi Amy on racism and a Jewish response in our day.

8:00 pm: Ma'ariv, Havdalah and Healing Service

Erev Sukkot, Wednesday, October 4

5:00 pm: Come to our Sukkah for an *Ushpizin* - a very special occasion to welcome the festival of Sukkot. With drama and rituals from our mystical tradition, we will invite guests from our history such as Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, Aaron, Joseph, David, Sarah, Rebecca, Leah, Rachel, Miriam, Deborah and Ruth. While we invoke their spirits we may get to meet some of them! If you're interested in being one of these people that afternoon, please contact Vivien Rabin Brown at 802-309-9046 or vivienrabin@gmail.com. We'll have fun and learn a lot!

6:00 pm: Sukkot services and potluck dinner in the Sukkah

Sukkot morning services at 9:00 am on October 5 and 6

Hoshanah Rabbah, Wednesday, October 11

8:45 am: Service with Lulav processions. It's a lot of fun to wave the palms from the Lulav!

Shemini Atzeret, Thursday, October 12

9:00 am: When we recite the prayer for rain, we will learn about Jewish values about protecting the environment

Simchat Torah, Thursday, October 12 & Friday, October 13

10/12, 6:15 pm: Intergenerational celebration with instrumental music: sing, dance your feet off, have fun, play 'Stump the Rabbi'!

10/13, 9:00 am: Service, dancing and singing

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**MUSICAL GUESTS AT OZ**

**Bashert**, a musical group from Congregation Temple Beth Israel, a Conservative Congregation in Massachusetts, will lead us in the Kabbalat Shabbat Service.

**Friday, November 3 5:30 pm**

***Ohavi Zedek Synagogue....Pot luck dinner to follow***

Please also join us on Saturday night, November 4, when they will perform here at 7:00 pm focusing on music of American Jewish composers or performers, Israeli tunes, klezmer, and Yiddish tunes

Donations to OZ accepted at the door.

Bashert's melodies originate from various sources, such as other synagogue music, spiritual music composers, Jewish musical groups from this country and Israel, and even Bashert itself. Each selection in the Kabbalat Shabbat service is arranged and orchestrated by Bashert members, with sound that can be soulful, joyous or simply pleasing to the ear. The band has also performed non-liturgical music at several coffee house events, focusing primarily on music of American Jewish composers or performers, Israeli tunes, klezmer, and Yiddish tunes.



## PROFILE: JOE & TOVA BLUM



People come to Vermont at different stages of their lives and for different reasons: for education, for jobs, to change their lifestyle, to retire. For older folks, it's nearly always to be closer to their adult children. Meet Josef and Tova Blum, ages 94 and 90 respectively. They've been in Burlington for three years and, yes, they moved north from their Long Island home to be near their daughter and son-in-law, Iris and Mark Banks, who have lived here since 1985.

Starting over is nothing new for the Blums. Tova, born in a small town in Poland in 1927, was in Palestine by the time she was four. Her uncle was the owner of a large bake shop in Poland (more than a bakery, Tova says, more like a supermarket). He sensed that things would not go well in Europe as Hitler was rising to power, and he was financially able to relocate his entire extended family to Palestine. Tova's parents had divorced by this time, and her father later went to Egypt to serve as cantor in a synagogue in Cairo.

Tova and her sister, two years older, began their life in a new country with a single parent. Though far from the horror of the Holocaust, life for Jews in Palestine under the British mandate was not easy. In Haifa, where the family settled, her uncle opened another bakery, and her mother drove a delivery truck for the family business. Later, she worked in a prestigious women's clothing store that she ended up managing for many years.

When the girls were in their early teens their mother boarded a train for Egypt in an attempt to reconcile with her former husband. On that journey she met another man, however; an Israeli Arab of the Ba'hai faith, and after her ill-fated meeting with her estranged husband in Egypt she returned to Palestine to pursue a relationship with Bahash. As Arab and Jew they were forbidden to marry, but they lived as a family with the girls. "It was a wonderful relationship," Tova recalls. "He raised us and sent us to private school." Still, growing up was difficult for Jewish kids with a non-Jewish parent. Their birth father later remarried and started a new family in Egypt. Tova and her half-sister, who was born in Egypt but now lives in Jerusalem, are very close.

When Israel became a state, Bahash was forced to leave the country, and once again Tova's mother was on

her own. As a beautiful and fashionable woman, she had established a solid reputation and a loyal clientele in the dress shop. Tova seems to have followed in her mother's footsteps: even as she enters her ninth decade, she takes pains with her appearance and exercises diligently every day.

Josef was born in Berlin into a German Jewish family in 1923. His father owned one of the largest shoe factories in the country ("he knew Dr. Scholl personally," Joe says). They lived openly and prosperously as Jews into the early 1930s when the tide began to turn. In 1933, when the family left for vacation in Belgium, ten-year-old Joe and his eight-year-old brother were unaware that they would never again return to their home. "We left everything behind," Joe says. "We went to Marseille and took a boat to Palestine." They also settled in Haifa.

As a boy, Joe was far more interested in electrical things than in pursuing his education, so when he left school at 14 his father took him to a car mechanic and Joe was hired to work on electrical systems in cars. This became his specialty. As a hobby, he joined a glider club. His fellow hobbyists included Dani Shapira, later to become a legendary Israeli test pilot, and Ezer Weizman, a nephew of Chaim Weizmann, the first president of Israel, who would himself serve as the nation's president, from 1993 to 2000. These glider enthusiasts were the founders of the Israeli Air Force.

As young Zionists, both Joe and Tova embodied their new nation's pioneer spirit: they were strong, brave, passionate, adventurous, proudly nationalistic and athletic. They met in gymnastics training for Maccabiah (often referred to as the Jewish Olympics), when Joe gave Tova a lift as she struggled to reach the high bar. She was a 17-year-old office worker and a volunteer for the Magen David Adom (Israeli Red Cross). Thus began their lifelong love story. They married a year after they met, in 1947.

When the establishment of the State of Israel was announced in 1948, Tova remembers David Ben Gurion's pronouncement and the joyous singing and dancing that erupted in the streets. Both Tova and Joe entered the military that year. By then Tova was pregnant, so she left the army after a few months to return to her job in an insurance office. She also helped survivors of the Holocaust resettle in Israel and gave birth to their son, Michael. (Mike would later serve as a combat medic in the Yom Kippur War. Though the family was living in the States at that time, he had returned to Israel to attend



medical school).

Joe wanted to be a pilot in the nascent Israeli Air Force, but he served initially in the infantry. After sustaining a shrapnel wound in his eye during the War for Independence he realized he could not pursue his dream. Instead, he became a mechanic in the Air Force, and when the war ended he went back to working on cars. Because of his skill, he was often called up from the reserves and pressured to sign on for active duty.

In 1956 Joe decided to leave Israel and bring his family to America. Embracing yet another new start, they settled in Lynbrook on Long Island, and Joe and a partner opened a business selling and servicing commercial air compressors. Subsequently Joe went out on his own. Iris was born in 1957, when her brother Mike was nine.

As a recent émigré from Israel, Tova was hired to teach in her synagogue's Sunday school. The principal there, Shimon Frost, had just come from Ohavi Zedek in Burlington with his wife Peggy and their children, Judy and Josh. (Sherry Star remembers Shimon Frost as a brilliant teacher who had to cope with a smart – but very unruly – bunch of Hebrew School students!). When he assumed leadership of the Brandeis School, a Solomon Schechter Day School in Lawrence, Long Island, Shimon hired Tova as a teacher. The Blum and Frost families grew close, and Iris and Judy grew up as best friends. Sadly, Judy passed away a few years ago.

As an added bonus to working in Jewish education, Tova got to go back to Israel every year. "For seven weeks every summer for a number of years, I took 120-130 kids to Israel on a ZOA-Masada tour," she says. Clearly, this was a highlight of her career, and she took advantage of the opportunity to visit her mother and other family members. Iris often spent the summer months with relatives, in camp in Haifa and on a kibbutz. When Tova retired in her 70s after more than 30 years as a teacher, her colleagues honored her with a fundraiser dinner, "a spectacular event," Mark says. Even after her 'retirement,' he adds, Tova continued to work at the school off and on for several years.

And now, after 56 years in New York, another new start for Tova and Joe in South Burlington. Moving at their stage of life can be difficult. But they are living independently in a bright and cheerful apartment in the Allenwood Senior Community, with art on the walls and many photos and mementos of a life well lived. Tova says if she's ever feeling down she has just to look at her four walls to realize how lucky they are. Other residents are

friendly, and Mark and Iris visit, go to dinner at many local restaurants together, and talk with them nearly every day.

The Blums have joined Ohavi Zedek, where the Banks family has made its mark over the decades. Like her mother, Iris was a teacher in the Hebrew School, and both she and Mark served on several committees. Their sons, Ben and Brian, are OZHS graduates. At 32, Ben is a successful graphic designer living in Philadelphia, and Brian, 29, lives with his wife Alexis in Washington, DC, where he works for a non-profit that helps provide clean water and sanitation in Africa. Alexis works in the international development field with her newly minted MBA.

When Joe turned 90, he and Tova traveled to Israel with Iris and Mark and Mike and his wife Cindy. With Brian's help, Iris figured out how to connect with Dani Shapira, the celebrated Israeli hero and Joe's old friend from their glider club days, and a surprise meeting was arranged in Haifa. "We had a wonderful morning with Dani and his wife," Mark says. "Joe and Dani reminisced for hours."

Tova's 90th birthday was in June. The family spread the celebration over several months, with various members arriving in Burlington at different times. Ben, Brian, Alexis and her parents have been here; Mike and Cindy came from New York; and their daughter Briana and son Jordan, wife Rachael and their 3 1/2 year old son Sawyer made the trip from Los Angeles. Other relatives from Israel will be coming in October as the celebration continues.

We join their family and friends in wishing Joe and Tova good health and happiness on this, the latest stop on their remarkable journey through life.

~ Judy Hershberg



In August, Tova and Joe Blum joined other OZ members from the Allenwood and Pillsbury Senior Communities for dinner and camaraderie at the home of Rabbi Amy and Bob Small.

Rabbi Amy said, "It was a wonderful evening of food, friendship and storytelling," and Annette Zeff, a resident of Allenwood, added, "We had a delightful dinner. The food was delicious and the conversation most interesting."

## HEBREW SCHOOL NEWS



Woo hoo! The school year is about to start again! I can't wait! So much planning for so many weeks and months and I finally get to see it all in action. Kids running around, meeting with teachers, talking with parents, learning together, that's what it's all about. (Nope, it's really *not* about the Hokey Pokey.)

This is my seventh year at OZHS. Hard to believe. Traditionally a sabbatical year but not for me! I've been working on new programming all summer.

Coming this year:

- **Friday Night Class Shabbatot** – each month, starting in November with Kitah Vav, classes will take turns helping to lead the Friday night service by singing a song, sharing a poem or an interpretation of a prayer or the like. This will be followed by a potluck dinner. These Shabbatot will occur on the same day as our Tot Shabbat service, so attendees of all ages can come together to share in the celebration of Shabbat. The once-a-month services will start at 5:30 pm.
- **Sunday Morning Music** – with the addition of our Cantor Intern to the staff, each class will get a chance to meet and sing songs with Kochava Krieger.
- **Class Mini-Retreats** – with the success of our Kitah Zayin retreat, we're expanding the idea to all classes for September 17. Each class of students and their parents will meet off the synagogue grounds to learn, connect and have some fun.
- **Focus on Interfaith Connections** – this is the synagogue's theme for the year and will be a nice follow-up from last year's Mitzvah Day celebration. Representatives from other faiths will visit and share what we have in common to bridge gaps and increase understanding.
- **New SUPER Electives** – in keeping with the theme above, one of our SUPER Electives will be "You Do That Too? – an Exploration of Other Faiths." In addition, we will offer "Jewish Storytelling," "Chorus," (to perform at the Chanukah party) and "Jewish Crafting."

Lastly, a new teen internship program:

### NADAV ('Give' in Hebrew)

I'm especially excited by this, as it brings together and answers so many needs for our Jewish community:

OZHS grads will have an opportunity to be paired with a mentor from the synagogue community to learn and work in different areas to support our congregation. This relationship will surely foster a greater connection amongst the many generations here at OZ. Internship positions include working in the Full Circle Preschool, helping in the Shalom Shuk, cooking for the G'mach Committee, doing social media, planting and tending synagogue plantings, sprucing up the Jewish cemeteries, supporting minyan, photography, and helping to plan events. So many choices! In addition to their weekly volunteering, teens will meet once a month for learning/social gathering with their peers and come together for an opening, mid-year and closing outdoor adventure. With successful completion of the program, interns will receive a stipend or put their work time towards any community service hours their public school may require. It's a win/win for all!

If you have a teen who is interested in participating, or if you are a synagogue member who would like to be a mentor to a teen, please email me.

In addition to all our new programming we will continue to focus on Torah, prayer and holidays on Sundays. Wednesdays will be dedicated to Hebrew by level/ability, SUPER Electives and music/Israeli dancing for the entire school.

It's gonna be a great year and I can't wait to experience it with you! See you September 10!

~ Naomi Barell

[naomi@ohavizedek.org](mailto:naomi@ohavizedek.org)

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# INTERFAITH/SOCIAL ACTION



This past July Ohavi Zedek mourned the loss of long time member Sally Hand. Our friend Sally made major contributions to many social action projects starting long before we lived in Vermont.

Sally is greatly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing and working with her.

The OZ Social Action Committee together with Christ Church Presbyterian has started a Restaurant Roundup program that allows customers to round up their bill to the next even dollar in order to feed the hungry. The Leunig's sign promotes the first step our VIA gleaners team has taken to bring the Rally for Change concept to restaurants. If you plan to dine out soon, please consider choosing Leunig's and thank Bob Conlon for Leunig's Roundup participation.



The Small Potatoes team in July consisted of Sherry Star, Pat Doherty, Karen Corbman, Myra Barovick, and Diana Linda, a resident of Fern Hill. The next OZ commitment to prepare sandwiches for the Small Potatoes Feed the Hungry program is on Friday, September 29 at 10:00 am. Please note that Kol Nidre begins that evening. If you are able to volunteer at this busy time, please email [ecorbman@gmail.com](mailto:ecorbman@gmail.com).

On July 9, OZ hosted a moderated discussion on the topics of legal immigration status, detentions in for-profit prisons, deportations, and sanctuary cites. The program and the film were suggested by Shalom Shuk manager Karen Robair. The discussion was skillfully moderated by OZ Executive Director Grace Oedel, who was able to incorporate Jewish teaching on these issues using source materials from *Tru'ah*. This may lead to a working group that could investigate ways for OZ to create positive change.

Eric and Karen Corbman will be attending the Catalysts of the Climate Economy National Innovation Summit in Burlington from September 6 - 8 (<https://www.ccecon17.com/>). Our goal, other than improving our knowledge of innovations that may help counter climate change, is to find concrete actions that congregations or individuals

could take. We have started working with VIA in order to develop an interfaith action related to the Vermont effort on combatting climate change.

The next meeting of the Social Action Committee will be on Sunday September 10 at 10:00 am in the OZ library. One of the agenda items will be reporting back on what we learned at the climate conference and providing an update on the potential VIA action.

~ Eric & Karen Corbman  
[ecorbman@verizon.net](mailto:ecorbman@verizon.net)

## 2017 LGBTQ PRIDE PARADE AND FESTIVAL Sunday, September 10, noon to 5:00 pm

Once again, Ohavi Zedek will be marching in this parade as a team. Last year's parade was a great success with many new participants. This year, as the community has come together and been strengthened over tragedies, we celebrate with our theme: "Diverse Voices—One Pride."

As always, we are interested in wide-ranging and inclusive participation. We're looking to have a good time and encourage floats, banners, costumes, etc.

(Pride VT asks for a contribution of \$25 from participants to help offset expenses, but this is negotiable if it presents a barrier to participation.)

~ Eric & Karen Corbman



OZ team joins the 2016 Pride Parade

*You're  
Invited!*

**CALCUTTA**

***Ohavi Zedek Synagogue***

**October 21**

**7:30 pm**

Enjoy an evening of fun, chance and a wonderful Italian dinner. This will be a great opportunity to support OZ and also enjoy an evening with friends. The Calcutta is a game of chance with an opportunity to win the grand prize of \$1,000.

The grand prize is just one of many gifts. Your chance to win a prize will be 1:10 or greater, depending on number of tickets sold.

Tickets will be sold for \$100 and will include dinner for two. Half tickets are available and matched with others so that everyone is included.

Please save October 21 for this incredible event. Make plans today with friends to join us for the evening. Tickets will be available soon, but you can call the office today, 864-0218, to make your reservation.

Remember: **ONLY 100 tickets will be sold.**

**Good Luck!**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**New Members**

- David & Carol Buchdahl
- Adele Wolfson & Daniel Seeley
- Jory Hearst
- Jeffrey & Sheila Hollender
- Huck Gutman & Buff Lindau
- Samuel Stoyak & Brittany Pullen

**Condolences**

- To Linda Charkin on the death of her husband, Charles Charkin
- To the Hand family on the death of Sally Hand
- To Susan Rech on the death of her mother, Mary Jane Rech
- To the Halley family on the death of Steve Halley
- To Michelle Lefkowitz on the death of her brother Laurence (Larry) Leff

**Mazel Tov**

- To Ari Sturgis & Dan Paulsen on their marriage on July 2
- To Michael & Dana Engel on the birth of their granddaughter, Talia Raye Pearlman-Engel
- To grandparents Aaron & Binky Goldberg and to Joshua, Dinah (Goldberg) and Kira Berch on the birth of Cayden Judah Berch
- To Karen Hershberg and David & Judy Hershberg on the wedding of their daughter/granddaughter Eliza Blanchard to Jeremy Barnum

**Thank You**

- From Shirley Rutstein to all those who celebrated her 99th birthday with her on August 16. And Mazel Tov from all of us to Shirley!



**Leaf Purchase**

- By Frank & Ducky Donath in honor of Bea Samuelson's 100th Birthday
- By friends of Carol Rubman in honor of her special birthday

# EVENTS

**Lunch & Learn will return in October!**



Please join us for the 2017/18 L&L season, which will feature an eclectic mix of topics and speakers in addition to the always delicious luncheons. The complete schedule will be available in mid-September.

Dates of the 2017/18 programs:  
 Oct 19...Nov 16...Dec 21...Jan 18...Feb 15  
 Mar 15...Apr 19...May 17

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In late August the Events Committee decided to revive a long-dormant OZ event:

JEWISH FOOD FAIR & COMMUNITY DAY!!



Eastern European, Sephardic and Israeli dishes, crafts fair, activities for kids, a presentation about the Shul Mural and special pricing at the Shuk for seasonal items.

Many thanks to the congregants who planned this event, most notably Jeff Potash, Ducky Donath, Viviane Levy, Grace Oedel, Naomi Barell, Suzanne Brown, the wonderful helpers in the kitchen, members of the Events Committee and our many valued volunteers.

Watch for a report on the day's activities in the next issue of *The Voice*.

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**Exhibit at Fleming Museum of Art at UVM  
 Spirited Things: Sacred Arts of the Black Atlantic**

Opens on Tuesday, September 26 with an opening reception on Thursday, September 28, 5:30 to 7:00 pm. These dates fall between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Primarily about African and Caribbean religious objects, the exhibit also explores how some religions and sacred societies treat sacred and symbolic objects.

Rabbi Amy contributed a yad to the exhibit. She was photographed reading from the bima at OZ.





*There are wonderful opportunities to learn at OZ this year, including:*

### FOUNDATIONAL AND OTHER JEWISH LEARNING

- **High Holiday Preparation with Rabbi Amy:** Deepen your experience of the Days of Awe with learning and reflection. **Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:00 pm. September 6, September 13.**
- **Weekly Torah Study with Rabbi Amy:** Come explore with depth and creativity what the sages have taught us about the weekly Torah portion and how those insights can offer guideposts and lessons for life. No experience is necessary. Join us for reading and reflection. **Wednesdays 7:30 - 8:30 pm. Weekly starting October 18.**
- **Hebrew Prayers—Learning Recitation, Exploring Meaning, and Deepening Spiritual Understanding, with Cantor Intern Kochava Krieger:** Would you like to learn the Hebrew words and melodies of well-known Jewish prayers, explore their meaning, and come away with a deeper spiritual understanding of how these prayers apply to our lives? The goal of the class is for people to feel comfortable reciting the prayers and also to learn their meaning. Some prayers we will study: *Shema/V'ahavta*, the *Amidah*, the *Kaddish*, excerpts from the Torah Service, and Kabbalat Shabbat prayers. **Starting after High Holy Days—check weekly e-mail and flyers for scheduling details.**
- **Bima Choreography with Kochava Krieger:** Do you feel shy or awkward about approaching the bima? This is a chance to learn proper bima choreography and explore why these customs exist. Some examples include: How to do an *Aliyah*, how to lift and dress the Torah, when to bow, and when to open and close the Ark. The goal of the class is for people to feel comfortable when they attend services and be more motivated to participate. **Watch weekly e-mail and flyers for a date in October.**
- **Explore and Create an Ethical Will or Legacy Letter with Rabbi Amy, Kochava Krieger and Roz Grossman:** An ethical will or legacy letter is a way to share your beliefs, values, and life lessons with your family, friends, and community. It is not a legal document. Participants will explore and write their own Ethical Will/Legacy Letter that can be shared with loved ones now or in the future. **A 2-part workshop, Sundays 12:00 - 2:00 pm. November 12, November 19.**
- **Parenting, with Rabbi Amy:** Based on *The Blessing of a Skinned Knee: Using Jewish Traditions to Raise Self-Reliant Children*. **A 2-part series. Watch weekly e-mails and flyers for two evening weeknights.**



### LEARNING WITHIN OUR CONGREGATIONAL THEME OF INTERFAITH AND INTERCULTURAL COLLABORATION AND UNDERSTANDING

- **Engaging Israel, Israel's Milestones and their Meanings: The Legacy of the Past and the Challenge of the Future, with Rabbi Amy:** Memory is a central element in defining modern Jewish identity. As we look to Israel's future, we need to engage anew with our past and explore its meaning and consequences. Through consideration of major historic moments, this series grapples with the different ideas and values that shape the meaning of modern Israel, Zionism and Jewish identity today. Each session will include a topic introduction by Rabbi Amy, *chavruta*-style partnered discussion and a 20-25-minute video lecture by a scholar. There will be an option to stay for an additional 20-minute video of a round-table discussion on the video lecture. There is a sourcebook to download or OZ can order a book for \$20. **An 8-part series. Check weekly e-mail and flyers for scheduling details.**

- **Healing Practices through Art, a Multi-Cultural Perspective, with Linda Finkelstein:** Making art has the potential to incorporate spiritual energy. Different cultures have approached creating to bring about healing, good fortune and sustenance. We will discover Native American traditions as well as Buddhist, Hindu, Hebraic, and Muslim . Mandala, Sand Painting and Hamsa forms. **A 3-part series. Sundays 2:00 - 3:30 pm, October 22, November 11, November 19.**
- **Lodestone: Empire, Jihad and Crusade in the Making of the Middle East, with Bob Mayer:** The social, political, and cultural environment of the modern Middle East rests on a long history of encounters among diverse groups, forces, and ideas. Jihad and crusade are two of the most important yet least understood ideas that have engaged the imagination of people for centuries. This seven-week class looks at the overall history of outside intervention, resistance to invasion, and internal conflict in the regions of Palestine, the Levant and Arabia, with the intent of clarifying and reaching a better understanding of how centuries of internal and external struggle have shaped today's Middle East. **A 7-part series. Mondays 5:45 - 6:45 pm, October 2 - November 13.**

Check the weekly e-mails and upcoming flyers for additional scheduling and information. Join in!

~ Judy Chalmer

## **Statement on Alt-Right, White Supremacy and Neo-Nazis in America Today**

*In mid-August the Vermont Interfaith Action held our second annual convention a few days after the events in Charlottesville. That day I was moved to draft a statement for VIA to consider adopting as a united faith community. (At press time for The Voice, the VIA was still processing this statement. In any case, even if it is not adopted as Rabbi Amy wrote it, she would like to share it with you.)*

August 16, 2017

We {Vermont Interfaith Action} stand in solidarity with concerned people across America who are deeply troubled by the increasingly vocal hate groups spouting racism, xenophobia and insular nationalism. We are pained and outraged by the statements of the president of this great nation that evoke these hateful views and support dangerous, threatening, violent alt-right and Neo-Nazi groups. We are committed to work with our neighbors and friends across lines of race, religion, ethnicity and national origin to fight hate with love, and to strengthen networks of religious communities working for justice and equality.

In gratitude for the gift of democracy for which our forebearers devoted their lives, we will devote our efforts toward campaigns of relationship-building, listening and understanding with compassion. We seek to respond to

those who feel disenfranchised and angry with empathy and problem-solving. We are resolved to repair the tears in the fabric of our union to restore the delicately designed and beautiful quilt that is America.

America's Civil War and World War II were responses to terrible spasms of hate--after heartbreaking losses of millions of lives through these wars, goodness and righteousness ultimately prevailed. Each time, those victories inspired good and compassionate people to believe, if not to hope, that we had solved the problem of hate prevailing in the public square. Recent events in Charlottesville and across America have taught us that we are not yet there.

As people of faith, we will never lose hope. Still, we know that we have much work to do together. We are resolved to pour our energies into this effort, together, as a united interfaith community.



By Rabbi Amy Joy Small

## B'NAI MITZVAH

**Zizi Zolten-Chandler & Flint Chandler  
invite the Congregation  
to attend the Bar Mitzvah  
of their son  
Luke Chandler**



**Shabbat, September 9, 9:00 am  
Kiddush following services**

**Stacey Steinmetz & Glen Walter  
invite the Congregation  
to attend the Bat Mitzvah  
of their daughter  
Samantha Walter**



**Shabbat, October 7, 9:00 am  
Kiddush following services**

## Join Hadassah VT's Annual Gala Luncheon

Sunday, September 10, 2017.....12:30 pm  
Temple Sinai, 500 Swift Street, South Burlington  
With Speaker Barbara Vinick

**HADASSAH**



Barbara is Secretary of Kulanu ("All of Us") an international organizational based in New York City that helps isolated and emerging Jewish communities around the globe. Come hear the fascinating story and first-hand account of her visit to the Jewish community of Madagascar.

\$36 per guest. Please RSVP by September 7. New and renewing members of the Sarah Frank Chapter's Chai Society attend free. Reserve online at [http://www.hadassah.org/events/2017annual\\_luncheon](http://www.hadassah.org/events/2017annual_luncheon) or mail your check, payable to Hadassah to Lila Gottlieb, 21 Lida Drive, Essex Junction, VT 05462. Questions? Contact Lila at 802-876-7257 or [grannylilaj@gmail.com](mailto:grannylilaj@gmail.com)





Karen Robair, our Shalom Shuk Manager, has redesigned the layout of the premises to open the flow and allow free and comfortable movement for shoppers.

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## LIBRARY NEWS



We are on a mission to make the OZ library more welcoming and comfortable. Stop by to see the changes over the next few months.

We are in need of some help in the library. If you can lend a hand, please contact Grace at [grace@ohavizedek.org](mailto:grace@ohavizedek.org). Thanks!

As you know, the Library Fund has been renamed in memory of Sally Hand.

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June 1 - July 31, 2017

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### Adult Education Donations

*In Loving Memory of* Paul Paresky by Mandell and Joan Chernoff

### Blistein Endowment

*In Loving Memory of* Belle Blistein by Mary Berger

### Chevra Kadisha

*In Loving Memory of*

Roberta Levin Goldstein by Michael & Cheryl Goldstein

George Solomon by Karen Solomon

*In Memory of* George Solomon by Mandell and Joan Chernoff

### Mark Evnin Endowment

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Morris Markowicz and Joseph Shtull by Gary Margolis & Penny Shtull

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*In Honor of*

Tova Blum's 90th birthday by Drs. Gary & Miriam Sturgis

Beatrice Samuelson's 100th birthday by Harriet Samuelson, Rose Hirsch

Our wedding, by Steve Kieselstein & Susan Goldstein

*In Loving Memory of*

Max and Rae Shapiro by Eugene & Elaine Shapiro

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Anna Litsky by Ellen Litt

Ursula Growald by Paul & Eileen Growald

Alan Brill and Philip Smilovitz by Rosalie Brill

*In Memory of*

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Charles Charkin by Jay & Cynthia Pasackow

Marilyn Grossman by Marilyn & Mike Grossman Foundation

### Arthur & Esther Gladstone Endowment

*In Loving Memory of* Judy Gladstone Swade by Leonard Swade

### Bailey Goldberg Endowment

*In Loving Memory of* Hyman Goldberg and Mayer Goldberg by Edie Goldberg

### Hyman & Yetta Harris Endowment

*In Loving Memory of* Yetta Rosenbaum Harris by Rosalie Harris

### Nathan and Ethel Harris Endowment

*In Loving Memory of* Ethel Stroh Harris and Nathan Harris by Judith Auderith

### Harry & Irene Kahn Fund

*In Loving Memory of* Irene Kahn by Hazel Keimowitz

### Kiddush Fund

David & Judith Hershberg, Nevin & Barbara Zablotzky, Martin & Barbara LeWinter, Marv & Diane Greenberg, Murray & Bernice Edelstein, Scott & Deborah Lowe

*In Honor of*

The G'Mach Committee and Rabbi Amy by Benjamin Bornstein & Ellen Sidransky

Judy Danzig's 65th birthday by Dr. & Mrs. Stephen Feldman, Frank & Ducky Donath, Gary Visco & Judith Danzig, Jack & Viviane Levy

The marriage of Tari Cote and Mike Luce by Michael Schaal & Judy Breitmeyer

*In Loving Memory of*

Rose E. Cohen by Jacqueline Klein

Esther Semos Levy by Jack & Viviane Levy

*In Memory of*

Sabina Lerner & Ethel Libson by Marvin and Betty Libson

### Mary Ann Pels Memorial Kitchen Fund

*In Loving Memory of* Ruth Pearl Kropzky by Dr. Ben Kropzky & Yolanda E. Schaefer-Kropzky

*In Memory of*

Mary Kropzky by Mr. & Mrs. Gene Aronoff

Ivan Pels, Isidore and Ruth Kropzky and Dr Loren Rosenberg by David and Rose Pels

### Mural Restoration Fund

Adam Dener & Carla Schine

*In Loving Memory of* Ruth Cohen by Dr. David Cohen & Mr. Alan Tetreault

Sam & Harriet Hand by Sally Hand

*In Memory of* Sally Hand by Dr. Mark Stoler & Ms. Diane Gabriel and Keith Kasper & Fran Pomerantz

### Rev Nadelson Endowment

*In Loving Memory of* Rosie Kitayewitz by Annette Lazarus

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### **Simon & Esther Perlmutter Endowment**

John Serth

*In Loving Memory of* Esther Moskovitz Perlmutter by Dr. Gordon & Ms. Carol Perlmutter

### **Prayer Book Purchase**

*In Honor of* Barbara and Martin Lewinter's 50th wedding anniversary by Judith Auderieth

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### **Rabbi Wall Endowment**

*In Loving Memory of*

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*In Honor of* Bea Samuelson's 100th birthday and Murray & Bernice Edelstein's 65th wedding anniversary by Barbara Brody & Martha Abbott

### **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund**

William Mclaughlin & Paula Blum-Mclaughlin

*In Appreciation by* Gary Visco & Judy Danzig

*In Honor of*

Rabbi Amy for being such a mensch by Benjamin Bornstein & Ellen Sidransky

Bernice & Murray Edelstein's 65th Wedding Anniversary by Frank & Ducky Donath

*In Loving Memory of*

Karen Susan Brown by Abe & Jean Brown

Dora Frank by Joseph & Catherine Frank

Rose Engel by Michael & Dr. Dana Engel

Irene Gewirtz Cohen by Toby Sacks

Jack Goldman by Phillip Goldman

*In Memory of*

Anne Leah Stoler by Dr. Mark Stoler & Diane Gabriel

Harry Fierverker by Mallory & Marcia Parker

Irving & Patricia Glickstein by Marvin Glickstein, Ph.D & Barbara Rippa

### **Sally Hand Memorial Library Fund**

*In Memory of*

David Gutman, Sally Hand & Chuck Charkin by Phyllis Gold

### **Charles & Doris Samuelson Endowment**

*In Memory of* my loved ones by Rose Hirsch

### **Sydney Samuelson Endowment**

*In Loving Memory of* Sigmund Witt by Beatrice Samuelson

### **Miriam Wall Education Fund**

*In Loving Memory of* Adam Jeremy Kofman by Charles & Adrea Kofman

*In Memory of* Gladys Nan Parker and Charles Charkin by Mallory & Marcia Parker

### **Wool - Cohen Fund**

*In Loving Memory of* Carrie Levin Sussman by Sara Sussman  
*In Memory of*

Edythe Wool, Robert Wool, Yaesef Sussman, Helen Webb and Mindy Rosenthal, and *Thank You to* Raul by Michael & Martha Wool

Edyth & Robert Wool, Yaesef Sussman, Sylvia & Marvin Saltzman, Rusty Webb, Fred Allen and Mindy Rosenthal by Marcia & Louis Schlesinger

### **YJ Program Support**

*In Loving Memory of*

Howard Lawrence Cohen, M. Mark Klein and Leo Louis Cohen by Jacqueline Klein

Jack Pomerantz and Francis Kasper by Keith Kasper & Fran Pomerantz

# JAHRZEITS

Yahrzeits marked with an asterisk (\*) have a plaque in the Samuelson-Saiger Sanctuary.

## Friday 9/1/2017

Elsie Goldsmith Gould\*  
Sally Schleifer Riven  
Bessie Rome\*  
Dorothy Stewart Stein\*  
Blanche Greenfield Turner\*

## Saturday 9/2/2017

Julius Laeb Brown\*  
Marc Glickstein  
Vicki Leff  
Leon Mendelson\*  
Rose Sacks Pasackow\*  
Isaac Shapiro

## Sunday 9/3/2017

Godel Frait  
Paula V. Honet\*  
Jules Lindau III

## Monday 9/4/2017

P. Gregory Brown\*  
Robert Fabricant\*  
Irvin Horowitz  
Benjamin Ricardo  
Harry Rogrove\*  
Susan Weiss

## Tuesday 9/5/2017

Morris Samuel Goldman\*  
Fania Grishko  
Jennie Isenstein  
Mary Shelansky Kudan  
Sylvia Landsman  
David Paul Rosenberg  
Anne Greenberg Witkin  
Sharon Wright

## Wednesday 9/6/2017

Sarah Schneider Bagdan\*  
Moses Aaron Bailey  
Anne Feinman  
Donald Glickstein  
Hyman Harris\*  
Inez Levine  
Lillian Rosenbloom  
Max Jacob Shafran\*  
Isaac Wolk

## Thursday 9/7/2017

Labe Bayarsky\*  
Merrill Corbman  
Ida Maruis  
Sarah Solomon Medivetsky\*  
Sherman H. Saiger  
Gertrude Lapidow Sobel\*

## Friday 9/8/2017

Alice Berman  
Samuel Bloomberg  
Gerald Davies  
Sarah Udas Eisenstadt\*  
Bessie Brown Hershberg\*  
Allan Klein  
David Levine  
Nellie Shapiro\*  
Harry Siegel  
Gail Stoler\*

## Saturday 9/9/2017

Aaron L. Cohen\*  
Harry Goldberg\*  
Roy Korson\*  
Yelena Peisahovitch

Shifra Shapiro

Edythe Wool  
Leslie Zweiback

## Sunday 9/10/2017

Olivia Brown  
Saul Cannon\*  
Herman Fox  
Herman M. Lash\*  
Molly Sakowitz Likosky\*  
William Mintzer\*  
Tela Nathan  
Ana Packer  
Theodore Samets

## Monday 9/11/2017

Celia Levine Albrand  
Reuben Alfred  
Betty Bergman\*  
Carl E. Berlin  
Myles B. Friedman  
Nathan Grodzinsky\*  
Rae (Golden) Pasman  
Faye T. Saiger\*  
Rita Zacharias

## Tuesday 9/12/2017

Harry Albert Agel\*  
Etan Raphael Bard  
Seldon Robert Bard  
Joseph W. Becker  
Paul Bloomberg\*  
Eva Heimer  
Robert Jacob Lawson  
Charles Levin\*  
John Stephen Lew  
Dorothy Greenblott Niloff  
Philip Shelton

## Wednesday 9/13/2017

Michael Becker  
Rachel Saiger Black\*  
Benjamin Greenblott\*  
Isadore Kobel  
Helen McClure  
Alvin Rubin

## Thursday 9/14/2017

Sarah F. Agel\*  
Edward Blistein\*  
Celia Becker Brown\*  
Harry Greenfield\*  
Morris Kushner\*  
Frieda Lasker\*  
Fannie Levin\*  
Michael Shufro  
Michael Tayvah  
Bertha Witt\*

## Friday 9/15/2017

Maryann Bernstein  
Abraham Perelman\*  
Bertha Phillips  
Anne Rabin\*  
Abraham Rosenthal

## Saturday 9/16/2017

Sylvia Arkin\*  
Aaron Bloomfield\*  
Bernard Borach Feen  
Irving Lerner\*  
Elijah Charles Richmond  
Mindich\*

Al Mondroe  
Libby Perelman  
Anna Block Solomon  
Rebecca Spiller\*  
Dora Warshawsky

## Sunday 9/17/2017

Eva Yett Cohen\*  
Samuel Faigel\*  
Rose L. Grossman\*  
Meyer Hanson  
Helen Kessel\*  
Sidney J. Mazel\*  
Aaron Perelman\*  
Sossil Perlmutter\*  
Chiah Rothberg  
Helen Sirkin\*  
Joseph Walkind

## Monday 9/18/2017

Sylvia Fossaner Danzig\*  
William Gustave Frank\*  
Anna Lena Kaplan  
Joseph Pearlberg\*  
Rebecca Rosenberg Green\*  
Judith Ruth Rudolph  
Morris Weiner  
Mary Zais

## Tuesday 9/19/2017

Robert M. Rosenberg, Sr.  
Dr. Alexander Solomon  
Leighton Strauss  
Morris Wexelblatt

## Wednesday 9/20/2017

Sylvia Gladstone Siegel\*  
Julius Baggish\*  
Molly Perelman Bergman\*  
Oscar Dinkin  
Dr. Harold Meyer Levin\*  
Edward Terner\*  
Leah Berger Wohl\*  
Hal Zweiback

## Friday 9/22/2017

Dr. Jerome S. Abrams  
Gail Dewitt Ades\*  
Joan Sherman Alletti  
Arthur Bockmann\*  
Martha Bockmann\*  
Mordecai Goldstein  
Morton Gordesky\*  
Charlotte Levitan  
Beatrice Doris Quittner\*  
Haskell Rubman\*  
Samuel Jacob Stone\*  
Jack Wool

## Saturday 9/23/2017

Sybil Kate Baker  
Harry L. Baskin  
Joseph L. Edelstein  
Erving Furie\*  
Harry Furie  
Hasse Halley  
Aaron Neiberg\*  
Charnie Paikowsky  
Isadore Paikowsky\*  
Edith Alice Yett\*

## Sunday 9/24/2017

Dr. Kenneth A. Brown\*  
Sophie Epstien\*  
Jacob Frank\*  
Kuseal Gordon  
Sidney Gordon  
William Gordon  
Gussie Halem  
Morris Newton Hyman  
Kershner\*  
Rachel L. Sacks\*  
Molly Saiger\*  
Paul Wasserman

## Monday 9/25/2017

Isadore Alfred\*  
Sidney Brown  
David Sperber Faigel\*  
William Lefkowitz  
Martin Pearl  
Herbert Press\*  
Milton I. Robinson  
Ethel Gottlieb Rogatz  
Harriet Wertman

## Tuesday 9/26/2017

Reuben Alpert  
Richard Luppold  
Nathan Brown\*  
Helen Kessler Frait\*  
Willard Walter Goldman\*  
Harlene Horn  
Richard Kaufman  
Rose Maringer

## Thursday 9/28/2017

Harold Bernstein\*  
David Bornstein\*  
Gerald Cantor  
Mildred Cohen  
Julius L. Goldberg\*  
Abraham N. Krieger\*  
Sheldon Richard Rappaport  
Morris Ratner  
Miriam Glasston Resnik\*  
Marni Rachel Stambler\*  
Harriet Boff Wool\*

## Friday 9/29/2017

Fanny Goldstein  
Dorothy Helen Lurensky  
Janet Schwarzbart Pasackow\*  
Anita Abrams Stone\*  
Maury Wenberg

## Saturday 9/30/2017

Moses Arkin\*  
Fannie Ferguson  
Sam Grossman\*  
Leon Izenberg\*  
Jacob N. Nadelson  
Judah L. Nadelson  
Max B. Nadelson  
Ruth Alice Panoff\*  
Anne Bloomberg Piltzer  
Rose Rebecca Wolfe\*  
Sunday 10/1/2017

# JAHRZEITS

*Yahrzeits marked with an asterisk (\*) have a plaque in the Samuelson-Saiger Sanctuary.*

## **Sunday 10/1/2017**

David Carr\*  
Ray Soroka Carr\*  
Fanny L. Gladstone\*  
Bessie Kobel Kaplan  
Howard Ira Klinkosteim\*  
Mary Pizer  
Rena Packer Prepas  
Edith Rudolph\*  
Pauline Seltzer

## **Monday 10/2/2017**

Irwin A. Agel\*  
Mary Nathan Atkins  
Harry Katzin  
Jacob Levine  
Louis Oliver Nezvesky  
David Weinstein

## **Tuesday 10/3/2017**

Mildred Barr  
Stephen Berkowitz  
Isaac Litzky  
Celia Press\*  
Harvey S. Robinson

## **Wednesday 10/4/2017**

Deborah Barell  
Irving Boyer  
Shirley Dinkin  
Shany Herschorn  
Morris Holtz  
Harold Mintzer  
Nathan S. Roemischer  
Max Shindel

## **Thursday 10/5/2017**

Michael George Agel\*  
Dr. Walter Chizinsky  
Lee Hyman Cohen Kleinman  
Moshe Drori\*  
Joseph Hirsch\*  
Celia Solomon Krinovitz\*  
David Leekoff\*  
Sidney Medlinsky\*  
Ruth Cannon Reiter\*

## **Friday 10/6/2017**

Celia Alpert  
Melvin R. Gold\*  
Naomi Dressler Keller\*  
Sophia Shelansky\*  
Helen Wertheimer

## **Saturday 10/7/2017**

Sidney Brown  
Aaron Cohen  
David Echt  
Naomi Goldberg  
Mollie Ruth Leichtman  
Lilian Lisman  
Lenore Malter  
Arthur Nowak  
Harry C. Pivar

## **Sunday 10/8/2017**

Philip Agel\*  
Eleanor Berman  
William Boff\*  
A. Leonard Hershberg\*  
Ann Roemischer

## **Monday 10/9/2017**

Donnagale Bressack  
Harry Buman\*  
Sondra Lovitz Corman\*

Leah Farhi\*  
Milton Gretsky\*  
Bertha Holtz  
Sarah Sockol\*  
Rose Medivetsky  
Sussman  
Jack Lewis Towle  
Leonard Vincent Van Arsdale

## **Tuesday 10/10/2017**

Marilyn Cohen  
Israel Hartstein  
Sarah Hartstein  
Dr. Arthur E. Kahn  
Ruth Katzman  
Marian Kershner Kober\*  
Harry Luck  
Esther Rosenberg

## **Wednesday 10/11/2017**

Howard Samuelson\*  
Eric Michael Ade  
Jennie Epstein Bayarsky\*  
Sarah Ethel Trotsky\*

## **Thursday 10/12/2017**

Molly Brown  
Audrey Rosenberg Hilton  
Raphael Joseph Isaacson  
Michael Mariani  
Phyllis Perelman Rose  
Sam Solomon\*  
Harry Philip Yett\*  
Jacob Yett\*

## **Friday 10/13/2017**

Philip Alpert  
Golda Bernstein\*  
Abraham Jacob Black  
Irving Cohen  
Max Isaac Hanson  
Deborah Mary Lepler  
Anna Levin\*  
Issie Markowicz  
Max Rosenthal\*  
Simon H. Saiger\*  
Max Silverblatt\*  
Charles Joseph Spiller\*

## **Saturday 10/14/2017**

Samuel Gould\*  
Suzanne Sara Greif\*  
Edwin Merrill Hershberg\*  
Dr. Hyman (Bump) Levine\*  
Philip Minsky  
Ida Saiger Thomas\*

## **Sunday 10/15/2017**

Bennie Adler\*  
Hyman Bloomberg\*  
Anna Silverman Ebenhart\*  
Abraham Frank\*  
Herb Gabriel  
Irwin Green  
Esther Hyman\*  
George Krinsky  
Jerome Nahmias  
Irving Parker\*

## **Monday 10/16/2017**

Sadye Zeresky  
Eliezer Bayarsky\*  
George Cassler  
Nathan Charkin  
Lewis Cohen

Bailey Goldberg\*  
Bertha Melvine  
Esther Melnick\*  
Bessie Zaetz Miller\*  
Alfred Tolins

## **Tuesday 10/17/2017**

Sarah Lois Dubin  
Chernoff  
David Goldstein  
Murray Horn\*  
Samuel Edward Levenson\*  
Reela Abraham London  
Myer Miller\*  
Minnie Seder\*  
Albert Simon  
Paula Speier\*

## **Wednesday 10/18/2017**

Sara Asner\*  
Leonard Banks\*  
Anna Bramson  
Eleazer Cohen\*  
Rosa Davis Izenberg\*  
Betty Goldberg Kling\*  
Ralph Bryant Lash\*

## **Thursday 10/19/2017**

Harold Abrams\*  
Leonard Bennett  
Samuel Fabricant\*  
Gertrude Jacobson  
Mikki Karatkin  
Jack I. Levin\*  
Jacob J. London, U.S.N.  
Myron E. Luria\*  
Roslyn Shulman  
Joseph Troy  
Shane Ukrainsky  
Sally Waldman

## **Friday 10/20/2017**

Vera Bigio Ades\*  
Samuel Cannon\*  
Sandra Gameroff  
Roy Gelin  
Robert Harre\*  
Ida Levenstein  
Rachel Levenstein  
Fannie Schlarman

## **Saturday 10/21/2017**

Rita Abbott  
Solomon Cohen\*  
Lena Fishman  
Sally N. Gershen\*  
Moses Kitayewitz\*  
Dorothy Lincors  
Laura Mann\*  
Fannie Rothman\*

## **Sunday 10/22/2017**

Robert Goldman\*  
Wallace Joseph Lebeck  
Morris Mazel\*  
Rachel Miller  
Max Shubert\*  
Rabbi Sydney Zirkind  
**Monday 10/23/2017**  
Fanny Silverman Alpert  
Priscilla Ruth Baker  
Albert L. Gladstone\*  
Pauline Krieger\*

Frances Miller  
Max Myerson  
Leelah Raynes  
Lilian Cohen Samuelson\*

## **Tuesday 10/24/2017**

William Chasan, D.D.S.\*  
Dr. Robert W. Gladstone\*  
Samuel Grodzinsky\*  
Marshall Lehman  
Jennie Leventhal  
Louis Spitalnic

## **Wednesday 10/25/2017**

Joseph M. Aronstam  
Sarah Ida Bayarsky\*  
Celia Iskovitz Cohen  
Nathan Pasman\*  
Lena Silverman  
Emanuel Turk  
Mollie Seltzer Yett\*

## **Thursday 10/26/2017**

Lillian Goldberg Colodny\*  
James Dinner\*  
Dr. Hyman Maurice Glasston\*  
Rebecca Fabricant Koster\*

## **Friday 10/27/2017**

Helen Miller Dephoure\*  
Celia Glasston\*  
Jennie Goodman  
Oswald Isaac Kramer\*  
Saul Ralph Tucker\*  
**Saturday 10/28/2017**  
Samuel Cohen  
Isidor Diatlove\*  
Robert Farhi\*  
Gloria Gordon Hirtz  
Sarah Machanic  
Milton Joseph Nadworny\*  
Elizabeth Ravit Chase  
Flora Samuelson\*

## **Sunday 10/29/2017**

Celia Batavia\*  
Salo Engel  
Mary Gitlan  
Florence Greenberg  
Leah Kaplan  
Julius Kaye\*  
Gertrude Rosenberg Kershner  
Anna Kling\*  
Nathan Messie\*  
Steven Davis Pearl\*  
Natalie Blaustein Scharf\*  
Barney Solomon  
Bernard Wildstein

## **Monday 10/30/2017**

Constance Mae Black  
Louis Lisman  
William Rothman\*  
Bette Jane Soltano  
Ida Trotsky

## **Tuesday 10/31/2017**

Dr. Robert Seamon Goldberg\*  
June Gross  
David Nathan Kershner\*  
Blanche Levy  
Ida A. Neiburg\*  
Ruth Mary Rosenberg\*  
Berniece Straus

# CALENDAR

## September

- 1  
6:45 PM Vegetarian Potluck after services
- 4 - Labor Day  
Office Closed
- 6  
7:30 AM Wednesday Morning Group  
6:00 PM Spiritual Prep for High Holy Days
- 7  
3:00 PM Events Committee Meeting
- 9  
9:00 AM Luke Chandler Bar Mitzvah
- 10  
9:30 AM Hebrew School  
10:00 AM Social Action Committee Meeting  
11:30 AM Bagel Brunch  
12:00 PM LGBTQ PRIDE Parade & Festival  
7:00 PM Israeli Dancing
- 12  
6:00 PM Adult Ed Committee Meeting
- 13  
4:00 PM Hebrew School  
5:00 PM Shofar Workshop  
6:00 PM Spiritual Prep for High Holy Days
- 14  
5:45 PM G'mach Committee Meeting  
7:30 PM Fern Hill Committee Meeting
- 15  
7:00 PM Vegetarian Potluck after services at Rabbi Amy's home
- 16  
7:00 PM Havdalah/Selichot  
8:00 PM Healing Service
- 17  
9:30 AM Hebrew School  
12:00 PM Memorial Service Patchen Road Cemetery  
2:00 PM Women's Communal Mikvah - Home of Judy Danzig
- 19  
7:15 PM Religious Committee Meeting
- 20  
6:00 PM Erev Rosh Hashanah
- 21-Office Closed  
9:00 AM Rosh Hashanah – Day 1
- 22-Office Closed  
9:00 AM Rosh Hashanah – Day 2  
3:00 PM Rosh Hashanah by the Lake  
4:30 Tashlich
- 24  
9:30 AM Hebrew School  
7:00 PM Israeli Dancing
- 27  
4:00 PM Hebrew School
- 28  
5:30 Board Meeting
- 29  
5:40 PM Erev Yom Kippur (Kol Nidre)
- 30  
9:00 AM Yom Kippur Service  
2:00 PM Ask the Rabbi  
4:30 PM Mincha & Ne'ilah  
7:24 PM Havdalah & Break the Fast



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## October

1  
9:30 AM Hebrew School  
9:45 AM HS Committee Meeting  
4  
4:00 PM Hebrew School  
5:00 PM Ushpizin in Sukkah  
6:00 PM Erev Sukkot Services  
5- Office Closed  
9:00 AM Sukkot Day 1 Services  
6-Office Closed  
7:00 AM Sukkot Day 2 Services  
5:30 PM Tot Shabbat  
6:45 PM Vegetarian Potluck – after services  
7  
9:00 AM Samantha Walter Bar Mitzvah  
10:30 AM Yoga Shabbat Service  
8  
9:30 AM Hebrew School  
10:00 AM Social Action Committee Meeting  
10  
6:00 PM Adult Ed Committee Meeting  
11  
8:45 AM Hoshanah Rabbah Service  
4:00 PM Hebrew School  
6:00 PM Erev Shemini Atzeret  
12 - Office Closed  
9:00 AM Shemini Atzeret  
6:15 PM HS Simchat Torah Celebration/Service  
13-Office Closed  
9:00 AM Simchat Torah Service  
14  
9:00 AM Baby Naming/Sponsored Kiddush

15  
9:30 AM Hebrew School  
17  
7:15 PM Religious Committee Meeting  
18  
4:00 PM Hebrew School  
19  
12:00 PM Lunch & Learn  
5:30 PM Board Meeting  
20  
7:00 PM Vegetarian Potluck after services  
21  
7:30 PM Calcutta Fundraising Dinner  
22  
9:30 AM Hebrew School  
7:00 PM Israeli Dance  
25  
4:00 PM Hebrew School  
6:00 PM Torah Study  
29  
9:30 AM Hebrew School



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| Friday       | Candle Lighting | Ma'ariv | Saturday     | Shacharit | Shabbat Ends |
|--------------|-----------------|---------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| September 1  | 7:10 pm         | 6:00 pm | September 2  | 9:00 am   | 8:10 pm      |
| September 8  | 6:57 pm         | 6:00 pm | September 9  | 9:00 am   | 7:57 pm      |
| September 15 | 6:44 pm         | 6:00 pm | September 16 | 9:00 am   | 7:44 pm      |
| September 22 | 6:31 pm         | 6:00 pm | September 23 | 9:00 am   | 7:31 pm      |
| September 29 | 6:18 pm         | 6:00 pm | September 30 | 9:00 am   | 7:18 pm      |
| October 6    | 6:05 pm         | 6:00 pm | October 7    | 9:00 am   | 7:05 pm      |
| October 13   | 5:52 pm         | 6:00 pm | October 14   | 9:00 am   | 6:52 pm      |
| October 20   | 5:41 pm         | 6:00 pm | October 21   | 9:00 am   | 6:41 pm      |
| October 27   | 5:30 pm         | 6:00 pm | October 28   | 9:00 am   | 6:30 pm      |