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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mornings:			
Sunday 8:30 a.m.			
Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m.			
Shabbat9:00 a.m.			
Evenings			
Sunday – Friday 6:00 p.m.			
Saturday (Minchah-Maariv)			
September 5, 12 7:45 p.m.			
September 19 7:30 p.m.			
September 26 7:15 p.m.			
See High Holiday			

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SHABBAT TORAH PORTIONS

SEPTEMBER 5

Ki Tavo

SEPTEMBER 19

SEPTEMBER 12

Vayeilech

Nitzavim

SHABBAT SHUVAH



SEPTEMBER 26 Ha'azinu

- ONLINE CALENDAR -

Online by September 1 - your 2015-2016 Adat Shalom Calendar, listing holidays, service times, programs and much more. Go to www.adatshalom.org. Calendars will be updated each month.



HIGH HOLIDAYS 5776

PLEASE TURN TO PAGES 6-9 FOR INFORMATION ON THE HIGH HOLIDAYS

ROSH HASHANAH September 14 & 15 **KOL NIDRE** September 22 YOM KIPPUR September 23

2015-2016 5776

Offering you nourishment for your mind, body & spirit

his year our clergy and guest scholars will offer you a vast array of opportunities in which they will guide you through experiences that will connect to your mind, your body, and your spirit.



MIND: LEARN & GROW

Engage in opportunities to broaden your knowledge of the world and your place within it.

BODY: ENRICH YOUR LIFE

Stretch your body and mind as you strengthen your connection to Judaism.

SPIRIT: DEEPEN YOUR SOUL

Discover which of our traditions are most meaningful to you and enhance your understanding of Judaism through thought-provoking experiences.

In addition to this wide variety of learning opportunities in which you can continue to learn and grow, enrich your life, and deepen your soul, dedicated volunteers will be creating and arranging programs to meet the special interests of the congregation. Sisterhood, Men's Club, Young Adult Group, Empty Nesters, Social Action Committee, and Tikkun Adat also provide our members a link to the synagogue community through social, cultural, educational, spiritual and volunteer opportunities.

Watch for information on all of our upcoming programs. You'll read all about them in The Voice, Happenings (our weekly congregational email), brochures, flyers and invitations, and on our website: www.adatshalom.org.

The clergy, staff and synagogue leadership wish you a healthy, happy and fulfilling New Year. L'Shanah Tovah!

A Hearty Welcome To Our New Members



FROM
OUR EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR
ALAN
YOST

WE ARE VERY PLEASED to welcome so many new members into the Adat Shalom family this fall. Over the past months I have had the pleasure of meeting quite a few of you in my office, at services and at spring and summer programs.

Some of our new members are singles, some are young couples just starting out, some have youngsters in our religious school, some have children who attend Hillel Day School and the Jewish Academy, some have moved here from cities across the country and Canada, some have been in our community for many years and now are looking to become part of the Adat Shalom Family. We know that you will all become special to us.

I hope that everyone who is new to our congregation will get to know our talented and supportive clergy and professional staff, as well as our warm and efficient support staff. We pride ourselves on our "heimisch" atmosphere.

If I have not had the chance to talk with you personally, please stop by at your convenience to chat. You may want to give me a call first at 248-851-5100 or email ayost@adatshalom.org to be sure that I will be in the office when you arrive. My door will always be open to you.

Each new family who has joined since last fall will be receiving a gift of flowers and a new member packet delivered to your home just before Rosh Hashanah.

I wish you and yours a very happy and healthy New Year and a long and gratifying relationship with the Adat Shalom Family.

- Alan

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Soulful Yoga with Rabbi Shere

skilled yoga instructor Mindy Eisenberg

September 26 10 - 11:15 a.m.

Connect body and soul as we apply the wisdom of Torah to the gentle practice of yoga. Please join us in the Youth Lounge. No yoga experience necessary. Dress comfortably. Please bring a mat if you have one.

Mazal Tov to our September B'nai Mitzvah



Emily Sara Feldman

September 5

Emily Feldman is the daughter of Julie Feldman and Bradley Feldman, the grand-daughter of Ellen & Paul Chute, Cheryl & Dennis Yashinsky, and Millie & Morton Feldman, and the great-granddaughter of Lillian Yashinsky.

September 19

Benjamin Shaevsky is the son of Marlo & Thomas Shaevsky and the grandson of Myrna & Sid Konikow and Lois & Mark Shaevsky.



Benjamin Reagan Shaevsky



Jessica Brooke Gordon

September 26

Jessica Gordon is the daughter of Loree & David Gordon and the granddaughter of Doreen & Gerry Matafsky and Maryum & Seymour Gordon.



Amanda Blair Kolin

Amanda Kolin is the daughter of Deborah & Paul Kolin and the granddaughter of Alex Sterman & the late Gail Sterman, Roberta Kolin, and Roberta & Stanley Kolin.

SEPTEMBER SHABBAT TORAH STUDY

Learn about the weekly parasha and enhance your Shabbat experience

September 5
with Rabbi Shere

September 12 with Rabbi Krakoff

September 19 with Dr. Melissa Ser

September 26 with Rabbi Yoskowitz



9:45 a.m.
Finishing in time
for the
Rabbi's sermon.

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Messages

FROM THE PRESIDENT IN GRATITUDE



LORI ISSNER

שהחינו (Shehechiyanu) is one of my favorite prayers. I love the שהחינו because it is a blessing of awareness, thankfulness and appreciation of the sweetness and beauty of life. As my family can attest, this prayer has a significant emotional impact on me not only during the high holidays, but all year long. This blessing,

which comes from the Talmud, has been recited by Jews for nearly 2000 years. As I reflect upon navigating the joys and challenges of the year 5775, there have been many meaningful שהחינו moments as President of Adat Shalom. I have spent time contemplating how I will continue on my path of Jewish learning and where my efforts need to be placed to provide opportunities for our congregation to learn and grow.

Our "list" of what has collectively been accomplished this past year at Adat Shalom is impressive and the result of tremendous dedication from our clergy, staff, and congregants. The "list" is a work in progress that continues to stretch, twist and grow. This fall, Adat Shalom will be presenting an Adult Learning Engagement series of educational opportunities that are tied together by a Jewish "Mind, Body, and Spirit" theme. As we approach the High

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FROM HAZZAN GROSS THE JEWISH NEW YEAR(S)

APPY NEW YEAR! BUT WAIT...which New Year is it?
Any conversation about the Jewish New Year needs to begin with an explanation of the Hebrew calendar year. Traditionally, the Hebrew calendar begins with the month of (surprise!!) Nisan. However, confusingly, the year number doesn't advance until the beginning of Tishrei at the High Holiday of Rosh Hashanah, techni-



HAZZAN GROSS

cally the 7th month of the calendar year. Why would this be? Rosh Hashanah literally translates to "Head of the Year." But as explained in the Mishna, there are actually four "Rosh Hashanahs" that take place during the year.

The first of these Rosh Hashanahs is the *New Year of Kings*, which falls on the 1st of Nisan, in the spring. In ancient Israel, this was used as the new year for counting the years of the reigns of the Jewish kings. Also, the month of Nisan is tied to the Passover story, and is seen as the anniversary of the founding of the Jewish people when they escaped from Egypt. Hence, Nisan begins the order of the cal-

FROM RABBI BERGMAN

A New Year's Perspective



RABBI BERGMAN

that we often become frustrated and believe that nothing will ever be better. There is no doubt that there really is a lot to worry about, both in America and around the world.

I am concerned that we often allow our fears to affect our daily lives by becoming hardened and cynical. We stop caring about the pain and suffering of others. We become indifferent to injustice as long as we are not directly affected. If we don't feel anything, then we can-

not be hurt. Unfortunately, this leads to a sense of distance and detachment which affects all of our relationships and the decisions we make about every aspect of our lives.

I believe that the purpose of Judaism and the Jewish people is to fight against cynicism, to appreciate that CONTINUED ON PAGE 20

RABBI SHERE

FROM RABBI SHERE "AND WHAT DO YOU SEE?"

RECENTLY ATTENDED A LECTURE at which the speaker began her presentation by holding up a large white sheet of paper with a small black dot in the middle. She asked the audience, "What do you see?" Everyone commented about the black dot. Then she asked us what else we saw, but as much as we looked, there appeared to be nothing else to see. After a

minute, she said, "What about the large sheet of white paper?"

In our lives, we often overlook or take for granted the many positive things and focus our attention and energy on the small "dot-like" frustrations and disappointments. Similarly, when we look at others, we frequently see the "black dots" in their personalities and not the greater picture of who they are as people.

Judaism, with its ever-present focus on mindfulness and gratitude, gently guides our attention away from the dots and toward the paper. Try this experiment. The next time something is going wrong, find five things that are going right. For instance, the next time you are stuck in traffic, notice five positive things: You have a car, your eyes can see the

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FROM RABBI YOSKOWITZ A CAB DRIVER IN TEL AVIV

IT WAS ON JULY 14, 2015. I was in a cab in Tel Aviv and a question from the cab driver reached my soul. "Why does the world always abandon us?" he asked. Before I could reflect on his question and discuss it with him, the destination was reached. But I have been asking his question in a typical Jewish manner, a mode of response taught to me in years of Talmud study. Before you attempt to answer a question, sharpen the question by trying to understand what is being asked.



YOSKOWITZ

So every day since July 14, I've asked myself "What did the cab driver mean when he used the word "us" in his question? Perhaps he was referring to 1948-1949, when Israel alone had to battle armies from six Arab States. Or was it 1967, when Israel alone had to battle against Arab armies from three countries on its borders? Was he feeling as alone now

Adult Learning at Adat Shalom

from Jodi Gross, Director of Adult Learning

A NIGHT WITH YAEL ARONOFF



Director of Jewish Studies Michigan State University

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 7 P.M.

"Shifting Sands in the Middle East: Opportunities and Challenges for Israel"

Professor Aronoff will explore how Israel is faced with multiple challenges and opportunities because of the dramatic changes in the Middle East over the past four years.

For information about this season's guest speaker series, contact Jodi Gross, jgross@adatshalom.org



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- Want to learn the meaning behind the rituals in a dynamic community of learners?
- Ready to take some time for YOU?

Melton is the answer to all of these questions!

Adat Shalom Synagogue is proud to partner with the award-winning Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning. Classes led by Educator Ruth Bergman will be held in our building on Wednesday evenings beginning in October.

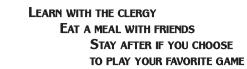
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on Wednesday, September 9, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. to learn more about this incredible opportunity for growth, learning, and finding answers to your Jewish questions. For more information and to register, call 248-205-2557 or go online to melton@jfmd.org or jewishdetroit.org/melton

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– Halley Uzansky





Mondays, October 12 & 26 at 11:45 am Mondays, October 19 and November 2

Watch for registration details!

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holidays, many of us are mindful of taking time for self-reflection. As you consider your needs and desires for the coming year, I hope you will choose to become involved with one or more of over 100 classes or activities sponsored by the Adat Shalom. You will receive a brochure outlining programs, allowing you to pick and choose that which challenges your mind, strengthens your body and/or appeals to your spirit. My hope is that you will find something that resonates with you, inspiring you to become involved. As a result, you may find yourself saying the blessing of שהחינו , as it is often recited when doing or experiencing something from which you derive pleasure or benefit as well as for new and unusual experiences.

My gratitude for your support this past year has helped me put the past in perspective, appreciate the moment, and formulate a plan for שהחינו moments of the future. As we begin a new year together, I wish your families much happiness and good health. May your year be one of gratitude for all the good that is yours, as well as your ability to provide goodness to others. On behalf of the entire Issner family, L'Shanah Tovah!





Adat Shalom to Host Meditation Classes

Dr. Ruth Lerman and Rabbi Aaron Bergman will team up once again this fall, as Adat Shalom hosts the Shalem – a Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction program.

Participants will learn meditation and mindful practices of yoga, eating and communication to reduce stress.

This non-denominational program will meet from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, September 30 through December 2. In addition, an all-day retreat is included on Sunday, November 15.

Cost for the program is \$350, which includes 29 hours of instruction, four meditation/yoga recordings and handouts.

Complimentary required introductory classes are offered at 6:30 p.m. on September 2 or 9. One may register for the series at that time.

Look for additional information online at www.shalemstressreduction.com and at www.adatshalom.org/flyers.

We Are a Caring Community

SOCIAL ACTION IN ACTION



KOL NIDRE FOOD DRIVE

We will again collect food and monetary donations for Yad Ezra on Kol Nidre, Tuesday, September 22.

YAD EZRA DELIVERIES...

WE DELIVERED GROCERIES on July 12 to Yad Ezra participants who cannot get to the Yad Ezra office to pick up their food. Thanks go to

Amy Strauss, Ioana Ben-Ezra, Wendy Winkler and Dawn Eisenscher. FUTURE YAD EZRA DELIVERY DATES ARE SUNDAYS, NOVEMBER 8, FEBRUARY 28 AND JULY 17. This is a perfect activity for the entire family. A special thank you goes to Martha Zinderman for coordinating this important project.

AND SOMETHING NEW...

THE JEWISH COMMUNITY RELATIONS COUNCIL

recently contacted me about a new project that they are starting after the Holidays. It is a tutoring program at Bennett School for pre-K – 5th grades. Bennett is a Detroit Public School located in Southwest Detroit. Over 80% of the students are of Hispanic or Latino ethnicity. The staff is "dedicated to reaching every student academically and building life-long learners. We believe that teaching goes beyond the classroom and into the real world."

Would you like to be part of their mission? Activities may include reading to groups, tutoring one -on-one, assisting in music, science, art and gardening. Perhaps you have some ideas. Details will follow, but if you think you may be interested, please let me know. This is a wonderful opportunity to make a difference!

HOUSING THE HOMELESS,

AUGUST 2-9, WAS A GRAND SUCCESS.

WATCH FOR A FULL REPORT IN NEXT MONTH'S VOICE.

As you look into your heart as the New Year begins may you discover a new sense of possibility, a new belief in the gifts you have to share, a new connection to the people around you, and a renewed commitment to your faith and your dreams. L'shanah tovah tikateivu v'teichateimu. May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year.

Evva Hepner, Social Action Chairperson 248-798-7673 or evva.hepner@gmail.com







Tikkun Adat

Sharing more than bricks & mortar

Cranky computer? Passwords a pain? Scared of Skyping? Adat Shalom's digital whizkids are ready to help you at

Tikkun Adat's

TECH CONNECT WORKSHOP

Sunday, October 25, 2015 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Once again, our bright teen volunteers are donating their time to solve your computer woes at a workshop and lunch for adult learners and their tutors.



Questions? Contact Charlotte: 248-538-1388 or cmd1938@gmail.com

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ATTENTION, LADIES... CAN YOU USE A LITTLE HELP?

Just in time for the new year, a number of community agencies have sent Adat Shalom updated information for the Tikkun Adat brochure display in our ladies lounge. Among the questions they answer:

- Caring for an elderly parent?
- A child with adjustment issues?
- Searching for a job? Need a loan?
- Vision problem? Domestic abuse?
- Looking for cancer survivors' support?

You'll see. It's the closest thing to having a personal advisor.

Strangers when we meet...

OK, but not strangers for long.

That person sitting next to you on Rosh Hashanah?

Could be a new member.

Could be someone's guest. Or could be alone.

Whatever. It's time you met.

Some say Adat Shalom is the friendliest shul in town.

So what if we're the ones saying it?

It's a new year. Make a new friend.







HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES FOR YOU AND FAMILY MEMBERS OF ALL AGES

are very pleased to again offer you, your children, your teenagers and college students the opportunity to worship together for the High Holy Days. We are looking forward to an exciting holiday season at Adat Shalom this September. In this issue and separate mailings you will find a complete listing of all of our High Holy Day services for adults and children of all ages. We hope that this season's High Holy Day worship leads to a deeper spiritual experience for you and offers an enhanced family celebration for all.

As always, we will begin services together on Rosh Hashanah at 8 a.m., dividing into two services in the Main Sanctuary and the Rabbi Jacob E. Segal Social Hall at 9:15 a.m. Rabbi Bergman and Rabbi Shere will alternate between the services on the two days of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur Eve and Day, Hazzan Daniel Gross will conduct services accompanied by the Adat Shalom Mixed Choir. Mark Vieder will be accompanied by the Men's Choir under the direction of Marty Liebman.

- ROSH HASHANAH SERVICES -Sunday Evening, September 13 Minchah-Maariv Service......6:00 p.m. Torah Service, Shofar Service, Sermon and Musaf in the Main Sanctuary and Social Hall......9:15 a.m. Sermon preceding the beginning of Musaf Family Service geared toward 3 yrs - K'garten led by Debi Banooni & Lisa Soble Siegmann .. 10-10:45 a.m. Family Service geared toward 1st - 6th graders led by Lisa Soble Siegmann......11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Junior Congregation (5th-7th graders) led by Dr. Melissa Ser11:00 a.m. - noon Traditional Tashlikh Service at the Pond5:30 p.m. Minchah-Maariv......6:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 15, Services begin at......8:00 a.m. Torah Service, Shofar Service, Sermon and Musaf in the Main Sanctuary and Social Hall......9:15 a.m. Sermon preceding the beginning of Musaf "Blessing of the Babies"approximately 9:30 a.m. (YOUTH SERVICES/ACTIVITIES SAME AS FIRST DAY ROSH HASHANAH) Torah Study with Ruth Bergman11:15 a.m. Minchah-Maariv.....8:00 p.m. - YOM KIPPUR -**Tuesday Evening, September 22** Minchah Service......6:30 p.m. Kol Nidre......6:45 p.m. Wednesday, September 23 in the Main Sanctuary and Social Hall......9:00 a.m. Family Service geared toward 3 yrs - K'garten led by Debi Banooni & Lisa Soble Siegmann .. 10-10:45 a.m. Family Service geared toward 1st - 6th graders led by Lisa Soble Siegmann......11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Junior Congregation (5th-7th graders) led by Dr. Melissa Ser11:00 a.m. - noon "Ask the Rabbi" with Rabbi Bergman3:00 p.m. Healing Service with Rabbi Shere and Hazzan Gross4:00 p.m. Minchah/Ne'ilah/Maariv Service5:15 p.m. "It's A Blast" (for families of all ages).......7:30 p.m.

Sounding of the Shofar8:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ● IMPORTANT INFORMATION ● IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- TICKETS -

The Synagogue is now processing High Holy Day tickets. Extra tickets for the Main Service for adult children over age 30 or parents of members may be purchased for \$275 per ticket. Please fill out request forms for extra seats with names of unmarried children and/or dependent parents. Checks must accompany your extra seat requests.

Tickets will be mailed to all members in good standing (current year's dues, building fund installment, and miscellaneous charges paid). Please take care of unpaid obligations now so that your tickets can be processed and mailed. If you have questions in regard to your current balance, please consult our controller, Carma Gargaro, 248-851-5100.

- RECIPROCITY -

Adat Shalom participates in a reciprocity program whereby members in good standing of other Conservative congregations outside Michigan may attend High Holy Day services at our synagogue. Please understand that reciprocity can be extended for a maximum of three consecutive years. For details, contact Alan Yost.

- SEATING -

In order to be assured of your choice of seats, we urge all congregants to arrive as early as possible for both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. You may save seats only up until 10:15 a.m. Please follow this rule so that all congregants may be seated in an orderly manner. We have many wonderful volunteer ushers who are eager to help you in any way possible. If you have any questions while you are in the building during the holidays, please stop at the membership information table located in the main foyer.

- PARKING -

Attendants will be on duty to direct you to a parking space. We realize that parking will be tight. WHEN LEAVING THE LOT, PLEASE WAIT UNTIL THE CAR AHEAD OF YOU PULLS OUT. WE MUST HAVE YOUR COOPERATION.

Please note that worshipers **will not be permitted** to park in the Beztak Companies parking lot directly adjacent to the Synagogue at 31371 Northwestern Highway because the High Holidays fall during the week this year. Summit Apartments on Northwestern Highway has requested that worshipers do not use their parking lots.

MEMORIAL PRAYERS AT THE CEMETERY

As the High Holy Days approach, it is traditional to offer prayers at the graves of our departed loved ones. Hazzan Gross is happy to assist you in either preparing appropriate prayers to recite or by accompanying you at the cemetery. Please call Caren Harwood, 248-851-5100, ext. 231, to make arrangements.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO FIND NEW PERSONAL MEANING DURING THE HIGH HOLIDAYS?

Join Educator Ruth Bergman

for her thought provoking and engaging Torah Study at 11:15 a.m. on Second Day Rosh Hashanah, Tuesday, September 15, and at 11:15 a.m. on Yom Kippur, Wednesday, September 23.

Take a moment to pause with Dr. Ruth Lerman and Rabbi Bergman during "Mind, Body and Stress Reduction" at 11 a.m. on Yom Kippur Day, September 23. Ruth also co-facilitates the Shalem meditation series at Adat Shalom with Rabbi Bergman. (See page 4.)

Ask the Rabbi

ASKING QUESTIONS IS PART OF OUR TRADITION. GET READY WITH YOUR QUESTIONS AND EXPECT SOME LIVELY AND INFORMATIVE ANSWERS FROM RABBI BERGMAN DURING AN "ASK THE RABBI" SESSION AT 3 PM IN THE SHIFFMAN CHAPEL DURING THE "BREAK" ON YOM KIPPUR AFTERNOON.

Healing Service

RABBI SHERE AND HAZZAN GROSS WILL LEAD A HEALING SERVICE AT 4 PM IN THE SHIFFMAN CHAPEL DURING THE "BREAK" ON YOM KIPPUR AFTERNOON. EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

COLLEGE & GRADUATE STUDENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS

All adult individuals under age 30 who are children of members are entitled to a complimentary Adat Shalom membership.

(Tickets for children over 30 years of age and for dependent parents of members are \$275 each.)



For our congregants' convenience, we have arranged for satellite parking at Hillel Day School, 32200 Middlebelt Road (between Northwestern and 14 Mile Road). Shuttles will be running between 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on both days of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur Day.

TASHLIKH SERVICES AT THE POND Rosh Hashanah - Monday, September 14th

11:45 a.m. - Teen Tashlikh

12:30 p.m. - Family Tashlikh





Attend our Conservative Community-Wide

Selichot Observance

Saturday evening, September 5 at Congregation Beth Shalom

9:30 p.m. Maariv/Havdalah

10 p.m. Program featuring the Michigan premiere of the

film short "The Walk" by Aaron Wolf, based on a story by David Wolpe. This movie has garnered much acclaim at film festivals around the country.

11 p.m. Selichot Service

Please note: There WILL BE a Minchah/Maariv service at Adat Shalom that evening at 7:45 p.m.



Tikkun Adat is here for you!

Need Wheels?

If getting to High Holiday services at Adat Shalom will be a problem for you, Bob Rubin and his fellow volunteer drivers are once again ready to help you. Don't delay. Call him at 248-613-6731 and he'll make you a match.

got Wheels?

Have you read the above offer? Then, how about doing a mitzvah and joining Bob's team? Operators (Bob) are standing by at 248-613-6731.

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endar months.

The second Rosh Hashanah is the *New Year of Animal Tithes*, which falls on the 1st of Elul, the sixth month. This date was used to determine the start date of animal tithes to the priests, like tax day for ancient Israel!

The New Year of Trees is the only Rosh Hashanah which takes place in the middle of a Hebrew month, occurring on the 15th of Shvat (the eleventh month) and more commonly known as Tu B'Shvat. This middle-of-the-month date was selected because it was the end of the rainy season and was used to determine when trees could be harvested and the first fruits tithed for the Temple service. Although a minor holiday, Tu B'Shvat has modern-day relevance due to its focus on environmental awareness as well as being associated with the planting of trees in Israel.

So what sets Tishrei's High Holiday of Rosh Hashanah apart from the other Rosh Hashanahs? Why is it generally regarded as THE Jewish New Year, even though it doesn't occur until the 7th month? It's actually quite simple. This Rosh Hashanah is the anniversary of the creation of the world, the actual Birthday of the World. With every birthday comes another year, and this year we celebrate the new Jewish year of 5776. As we enter the very special High Holiday season, I pray that 5776 brings great health, happiness and success to you and your entire family.

Happy New Year! Shanah Tovah!



MAKING YOUR PERSONAL CONNECTION TO ISRAEL

Adat Shalom Israel Bonds Drive

First Day of Rosh Hashanah Monday, September 14

Adat Shalom members have always felt a strong commitment to partner with Israel in the development of the land that represents both our heritage and our future. Once again, we strongly urge you to support the State of Israel by investing in Israel through Israel Bonds. Your investment will help ensure that Israel's economy continues to grow despite the multitude of threats facing her in the region and internationally.

Please make your selection on the tab card enclosed in your Israel Bonds mailing and bring it with you when you attend Rosh Hashanah Day 1 or return it in the enclosed envelope. Duplicate cards will be available in the synagogue lobby preceding services.

2015 Yom Kippur Appeal CONTINUING OUR INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE OF ADAT SHALOM SYNAGOGUE

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the amount indicated by the lab folded above.

Adat Shalom's accomplishments reflect in large part your investment in the welfare and growth of our synagogue. This year, we once again ask you to do a special mitzvah on behalf of Adat Shalom.

In order to insure our future, it is important for us to continue to reinvest in our building for ourselves, our children and our grandchildren. We strongly encourage you to be part of that future by making a monetary contribution toward this year's Yom Kippur Appeal.

As a result of your generosity in recent years, we have been able to:

- Resurface and replace driveways, parking lots and concrete walkways.
- ■Install environmentally sound LED lighting to provide high energy efficiency throughout the building.
- Make improvements to the decorative, accoustical wall paneling in the Main Sanctuary.

All members will receive a Yom Kippur Appeal tab card in the mail. Please remember to bring it with you when you come to services on Yom Kippur Day, Wednesday, September 23.

FAMILY HIGH HOLIDAY EXPERIENCES 2015/5776

On Rosh Hashanah (September 14 & 15) and Yom Kippur (September 23):

Drop off your 12 month old to 7th grader in a supervised youth activity room, attend a family service or both.

NEWBORN TO 36 MONTHS

10 - 10:45 AM (NEWBORN TO 13 MONTHS)

■ An interactive parent/baby class, led by The Bubble Club

9:45 - 11 am (14 to 36 months) PARENT-TODDLER PROGRAM -LED BY DEBORAH CYMERINT

- Play-based learning centers, holiday-friendly art projects, circle time and snack
- Limited Space

10 AM TO 1 PM (12 TO 36 MONTHS) BABYSITTING

- Childcare while you attend:
 - A Family Service
 - A Main Service
- Snack provided

BLESSING OF THE BABIES ON 2ND DAY ROSH HASHANAH

We are honored and delighted to bless infants born to Adat Shalom members or members of their family during the past year. Pre-registration appreciated! Contact Sheila Lederman, (248) 851-5100 or slederman@adatshalom.org

3 YEARS TO KINDERGARTEN

10 AM TO 1 PM
Drop-off Youth Activies

- Supervised activities, stories, games, shofar blowing and service, led by adult and teen leaders
- Snack provided

FAMILY EXPERIENCE 10-10:45 AM

Singing, prayers and storytelling led by Jewish Family Educator Debi Banooni & Lisa Soble Siegmann



K TO 7TH GRADES

10 AM TO 1 PM
DROP-OFF YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- Supervised activities, stories, games, shofar blowing and service, led by adult and teen leaders
- Snack provided
- K to 4th graders attend a service in their activity room
- 5th to 8th graders attend a service led by Dr. Melissa Ser at 11 am

FAMILY SERVICE 11 AM - 12:15 PM

An interactive service with a Torah reading geared to 1st to 6th grade families, led by Lisa Soble Siegmann

Free tickets to the main service for 7th grade & older, Call (248) 851-5100.

8TH GRADE & OLDER

10 AM TO 1 PM - TEEN LOUNGE

In a supervised room, students will have a chance to connect with friends, play games, do Tashlich and much more

FAMILY TASHLIKH 12:30 PM FIRST DAY ROSH HASHANAH

Meet at the pond for an interactive and hands-on chance to start the year fresh.

TEEN TASHLIKH 11:45 AM FIRST DAY ROSH HASHANAH

First day of Rosh Hashanah, led by Jodi Gross. Meet in the lower lobby near the youth lounge. END YOM KIPPUR AT NETLAH

"IT'S A BLAST"

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 7:30 PM

Glow stick parade, Havdalah and the final sounding of the Shofar at 8 pm

EREV SIMCHAT TORAH



MONDAY, OCTOBER 5
6:30 PM

A festive parade and Torah reading for all ages. Stay after the Torah parade (Hakafot) for a camp-style Oneg and learn about family camp.

SUKKOT PJS & STORIES IN THE SUKKAH

WITH RABBI BERGMAN

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
10 AM

A story, a holiday-friendly craft project and a snack

REGISTRATION is greatly appreciated; Return the registration postcard, submit it online at www.adatshalom.org/flyers, or contact Jodi Gross, jgross@adatshalom.org or (248) 626-2153.

People & Irograms



Mazal Tov!



Marriage of Samantha Supowit, daughter of Debbie & Jeffrey Supowit, and Michael Shapiro, son of Margie & Steven Shapiro

Birth of Reid Ellis Frankel and Charlotte Ava Frankel, children of Heather & Mark Frankel, grandchildren of Ann Frankel & Doreen & Jerry Silecchia

Birth of Ruby Maya Kessler, daughter of Jessica & Elliot Kessler, granddaughter of Karen & Ron Presner and Phyllis & Allen Kessler, great-granddaughter of Jean Presner, Florence Milgrom and Magda & Bernard Kessler

Birth of Finn Levi Wagman, son of Ronit & Eric Wagman, grandson of Marcy & Michael Feldman and Elaine & Michael Wagman

Bar & Bat Mitzvahs of Eyal Avital and Ariel Avital, children of Leah & Guy Avital, grandchildren of Devora & Avram Levi, Rivka Avital, and the late Eli Avital, great-grandchildren of Shoshana Wolok & the late Emil Wolok, the late Rose & Moe Levi, grand nephew and niece of Fran & Phil Wolok

We look forward to sharing your family's goood news with our congregation. Email jmarx@adatshalom.org.



GOOD SHABBOS DETROIT

Date changed from Friday, September 4th to Friday, January 29th

We'll be bringing the young adult community together for a uniquely personal NEXTGen Shabbat experience at Adat Shalom.

Beginning with an uplifting Shabbat-Appella service at 5 p.m., followed by dinner and schmoozing.

Young adults: mark your calendars now for Good Shabbos Detroit and watch for other Adat Shalom young adult happenings this fall.

FROM RABBI SHERE continued from page 3

road, you are healthy enough to drive, you have a place to go, and you are not involved in an accident.

At the High Holidays, we often have a tendency to focus on how difficult a year it has been, who isn't around the table, or how far we have fallen short of our goals. This year, instead of narrowing in on your black dots, try turning your attention to the larger landscape in which the dots are located. Thankfully, for most of us, most of the time there is more going right than wrong; it's just a matter of how we look at it. 10

MEN'S CLUB HAPPENINGS

BY GEORGE!

By George Dickstein

- We're Pacing Ourselves -

nce again, in the blink of an eye, summer is just about over and the Men's Club programming year begins. Summer for Men's Club has been consumed with Sunday morning softball with our two teams trying to make up rained out games from June and planning the upcoming year's programming.

In early August, we sponsored one night of Adat Shalom's Housing the Homeless Week. We had a wonderful barbeque with hamburgers and hot dogs on the grill. I want to thank the many Men's Club volunteers who welcomed our guests and helped to make a wonderful evening for them.

Unlike prior years, the year gets off to a relatively slow start for Men's Club, mainly due to the High Holiday calendar. We will start the year off with two traditional Men's Club volunteer events. On September 20th, the first day of religious school,

see us. We'll have our membership table out, and you

Men's Club will once again be cooking hot dogs for the annual Adat Shalom-Beth Achim Religious School Family BBQ. If you have children in religious school, stop by and



can pick up a membership form and take a look at our calendar of events for the upcoming year. On Yom Kippur, following Ne'ilah, Men's Club will be passing out cookies in the lobby for you to

Once we turn the page from September to October, your Men's Club really gets into high programming gear, including our always popular **Sports** Night, Chillin' With The Clergy, and an educational breakfast program in the Sukkah. Check your emails, synagogue mail and weekly *Happenings* for details.

By the time you read this, you should have already received our membership invitation, registration form and calendar of events. Even if you don't think you will be an active member of the Men's Club, please consider joining anyway. Our dues have not increased in more than a decade. The dues we bring in help to underwrite our vast array of programming. While most of our programs are open to the entire synagogue, Men's Club members get preferential pricing and certain events are members only.

On behalf of Amy, Brian, Margo and the Men's Club, I'd like to wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

Our Active Affiliates

BOOK CLUB SETS OPENING MEETING



Sisterhood will hold its opening Book Club meeting on Thursday, October 1. That evening Sharon Schwartz will review *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah. The meeting will be held at the home of Gail Fisher in West Bloomfield.

Future discussions will be held on December 3, March 3 and May 12. Watch for a flyer with all the upcoming titles!

There is a \$45 yearly Book Club fee. To participate, one must be a Sisterhood member. For more information or to register, please contact chairperson Elaine Robins at 248-681-1885 or erobs2000@aol.com.

- SAVE THE DATE -

SISTERHOOD PAID-UP MEMBERSHIP EVENT

Tuesday, October 27 an evening with the talented, charismatic

RACHEL SCHOSTAK of STYLESHACK



Watch for your invitation!





Sisterhood Knitting Circle Sundays and Thursdays

9:30 - 11 a.m. September 20, October 4 7-8:30 p.m. September 10, October 22

Spend time with other members of the synagogue, and make something to give back to the community. No experience necessary. For more information, contact Debby Portney at debbyportney@gmail.com or 248-788-9488.

GIFT SHOP ANNUAL SALE

Out with the old and in with the new!

Sunday, September 20

9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

20-75% off - one day only!

Some exclusions apply In-stock merchandise only Previously purchased merchandise excluded

Making room for our new and exciting merchandise

5776 Jorah Fund 2015-16

Every woman has the opportunity to participate in preserving, promoting and perpetuating Conservative/Masorti Judaism through active giving to the Torah Fund Campaign of Women's League in support of The Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies in Los Angeles, and the Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies in Jerusalem.

For the past several years, funds raised by Torah Fund have gone toward scholarships to all the schools. Thousands of dedicated volunteers have contributed to the spiritual, aesthetic and material wel-being of these educational communities by supporting Torah Fund projects.

- The 5776 Jorah Fund Pin -

Nat'ah karem is a phrase from the beloved prayer Eishet Chayil, taken from the biblical book of Proverbs. We re-envision this prayer today with appreciation

for the hard-working, generous, family-oriented woman, who "plants a vineyard by her own labors" (Proverbs 31:16). We honor her productivity, independence, creativity, and her orientation to a hopeful future with this year's Torah Fund pin/pendant.

Women's League's support of the Torah Fund Campaign helps strengthen Conservative/Masorti Judaism throughout the world and enhances the Jewish community by recognizing and appreciating our diverse families.

- Sherri Morof & Joyce Weingarten

With a \$180 donation you will receive a Benefactor Torah Fund Pin and with a \$300 donation you will receive a Guardian Torah Fund Pin with a pearl.

- Sisterhood Gift Shop -



Thank you to the Adat Shalom family for your continuous support of the Gift Shop.

Happy New Year from Carol, Lillian and Stacy

SUNDAYS 10:30 A.M. TO NOON or call for a shopping appointment: Carol Vieder, 248-661-9008, Stacy Brickman, 248-310-4600, or Lillian Schostak, 248-310-2018

Education & Youth

- HEBREW HIGHLIGHTS -

Over the past three years, I've explored a significant amount of curriculum regarding Hebrew and prayer, and I've come to discover something important: When we teach Hebrew through Prayer, we teach neither Hebrew nor Prayer. In order to successfully teach Hebrew and Prayer, we must separate them – and that is what we will be doing this year in the Learning Community.

Students will be learning Modern Hebrew during Hebrew immersion (PK-2) or their reading lessons (3-7), exploring the

roots of Hebrew which will help them to speak to one another as well as grasp the core concepts of prayers. Students will move beyond decoding to actually reading, as the words they encounter become meaningful.



In the classroom, teachers will guide their students through meaningful explorations of prayer concepts, discussing the backgrounds of prayers, their relevance to us, and their meaning to us as individuals within a prayer community. Finally, students in each grade will be responsible for working through a select set of prayers, at their own pace, throughout the year. Mastery of each prayer comprises fluent reading, key vocabulary and roots, purpose, and contextual concepts.

- CONSECRATION OF NEW STUDENTS -

We welcome new kindergartners and older students into our Learning Community, and those kindergartners and above who are beginning their studies at Hillel Day School, to a special program on Erev Simchat Torah, October 5. We look forward as a community to marking the beginning of your Jewish learning as a sweet one.

- JOIN OUR PARENT COMMITTEE -

We are looking for a few good moms and dads to join our Parent Committee. We meet just a few times during the year to give feedback on various programs and plan for the future. A subcommittee will work on our annual fundraiser.

BACK TO SCHOOL

Classes in our Learning Community begin on Sunday, September 20. Not registered yet? There's still time to do so.

Shalom Play & Grow

Shalom Play and Grow is a new interactive music play class, where your little ones will play and learn through music, storytelling, crafts, sign language, Judaic discovery and more. Children from birth to 3 years old are welcome!

Sunday mornings 9:30-10:30 a.m.

12 sessions beginning September 20

\$220/non-member child (50% sibling discount) \$180/Adat Shalom member child

Drop in price: \$20/non-members; \$15/AS members

Register at www.thebubbleclubmi.com



a Bridge Between B'nai Mitzvah and College

ATID engages teens in a variety of ways that foster Jewish identity development, community building and a deep connection to Jewish life. ATID is a safe, welcoming and supportive Jewish community where teens are empowered as learners and leaders by

one another and by caring, dedicated clergy and faculty who serve as positive, accessible Jewish role models.

ATID honors post-b'nai mitzvah teens as adults in our community and meets the needs of their busy lives by providing many options for engagement. Ultimately, we hope each teen will find meaningful engagement in Jewish life through ATID's vibrant youth community and/or engagement in the broader Jewish community. Our ATID team is here to help each teen design the Jewish experience that will work best for him/her

A teen can sign up for one or all of these incredible opportunities:

- **★** JConnect Monday Night Program (weekly)
- **★** Eastern Michigan University Hebrew Course (weekly)
- **★** Tikkun Olam Track (monthly)
- **★** Madrichim Training Track (monthly)
- **★** Rosh Hodesh: It's A Girl Thing! (monthly)
- MCUSY: Motor City United Synagogue Youth (MCUSY) (on-going)
- **★** Teen Volunteer Corps (on-going)

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the ATID Co-Directors: Allison Gutman, agutman@shaareyzedek.org or 248-357-5544 or Melissa Ser, mser@adatshalom.org or 248-626-2153.

Thank you for your commitment to your child's ongoing Jewish education. Together may we go from strength to strength, and provide exciting and engaging learning, social, and prayer opportunities for our teenagers.

Fall Parent-Toddler

for children 14 months to 3 years accompanied by an adult

Join Julie Shiffman and Roz Bressler this fall to



explore, create and make new friends.

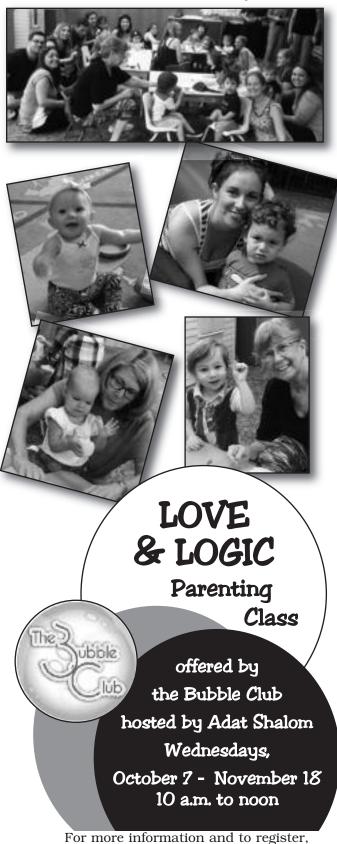
Fridays: September 11-December 18 Mondays: October 12 - December 14

Download a flyer at:

http://bit.ly/ASP-T or call 248-626-2153.

Education & Youth

A Peek at Parent-Toddler, Tuesday with Tots and Shake, Rattle & Twist - August, 2015



go to: thebubbleclubmi.com



Family Education programs are endowed in memory of Jeanette & Oscar Cook

I know that I say this every year, but I really cannot believe it is fall again. As we start a new year of school, we begin our Jewish year anew as well. We welcome 5776 with all that it has to offer. As we usher in 5776, you can join us for a variety of services and opportunities to learn and grow together (see pages 6-9 for a complete listing).

We will celebrate these new beginnings at our **Fall Family Fun Day** on September 20, starting at noon. We invite all of our Adat Shalom families to come together to celebrate the start of a brand new exciting year in the Adat Shalom-Beth Achim Learning Community and Hillel Day School. We look forward to **Tuesdays with Tots** and **PJ Library events** and so many more programs for all ages. Come and join us so that we can welcome you back for another great year.

Sukkot begins on Sunday evening, September 27. At 10 a.m. on Monday morning, September 28, Rabbi Bergman will be our guest reader for a very special **PJs & Stories - Sukkot**. We had so many friends join us last year that despite the brisk weather, the Sukkot celebration was very warm. I hope our young friends can join us for a story, project and snack.

We are also very excited about Simchat Torah evening, October 5. Come sing and dance with the Torah scrolls as we fill the Shiffman Chapel with our energy and joy. We also celebrate the start of the school year with a special Consecration of new students. Take part in an exciting raffle too! Everyone who attends will receive one raffle ticket and have the chance to earn more during the evening. Following our service we will celebrate with a camp-style Oneg and draw for our raffle prizes. You'll have to be present to win. Prizes include free registration (up to one room) at Family Camp, a pool party for 15 at the JCC, a family four-pack of tickets to see children's author/illustrator Todd Parr, an iTunes gift card, and so much more.

- L'shalom, Debi Banooni, Jewish Family Educator

UPCOMING FAMILY EVENTS

See pages 6-9 for High Holiday family programming.

PARENT TODDLER begins Friday, September 11 & Monday October 12. Space is still available. Register now, don't miss out.

FALL FAMILY FUN DAY - Sunday, September 20, noon. Free BBQ, games, activities, bouncers and more.

PJS & STORIES - SUKKOT - Monday, September 28, 10 a.m. Children 5 and under and their families are invited to a PJs program with friends & holiday activities. We will be joined by Rabbi Bergman as our guest storyteller.

SHAKE, RATTLE & TWIST – October 21, 5:30 p.m. and November 6, 11:15 a.m. Braid challah and sing songs with Rabbi Rachel and Hazz'n Dan on the first Friday of every month at 11:15 a.m. and on the third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. with Rabbi Bergman, Rabbi Shere and Hazzan Gross (no programs in September due to the High Holidays). Morning programs are free for members, \$3/non-member family; evening programs are free for members, \$3/non-member family and followed by a light dinner (\$3/person). Geared to children three and younger and a parent, grandparent, or caregiver. Older siblings are always welcome.

For more information or to reserve your place, call Debi Banooni, JFE, at (248) 626-2153.

Education & Youth

FROM JODI GROSS Director of Youth Engagement

Youth engagement at Adat Shalom is an on-going journey. Post-B'nai Mitzvah teens are extremely busy. In addition to having more freedom than ever before to decide their schedules, their parents and fortunately many of the students want to continue being a part of our community. From attending ATID: Alliance for Teens in Detroit, being a Madrich, participating in the Teen Volunteer Corps, and attending programs that I organize in conjunction with colleagues in our community, our teens have a variety of choices.

Teens who are passionate about volunteering are involved in the Teen Volunteer Corps. TVC combines learning with direct hands-on involvement focused on Jewish social and ethical issues, social action, making a difference, growing friendships, and having fun. TVC puts Jewish values into everyday life and empowers teens to be involved and make an impact in the Jewish community and Metro Detroit. A teen leadership board creates, recruits volunteers for, and leads projects. For more information, visit www.atidhs.org or contact me. I am happy to help connect your post-B'nai Mitzvah teen to meaningful volunteer experiences.



- Is your son or daughter starting college this fall?
- Is he/she moving to a new place in the fall?
- Did he/she graduate from college last May?
- Do you want your student to stay connected to Adat Shalom? If you answered YES to any of these questions, help us reach out to your student or young adult.

Throughout the school year, our rabbis visit Michigan universities in hopes of connecting with your son/daughter. With the help of parent volunteers, Adat Shalom sends your student Chanukah and Pesach "goody" packages and email messages from our rabbis.

In addition, Adat Shalom wants to connect with young adults (20-30s).

Even if you gave us your son/daughter's contact information last year, each fall we update our database and kindly request your help by completing the tear-off form below or emailing the information to Jodi Gross, jgross@adatshalom.org. If your student/young adult has not moved, please let us know that as well. Thanks.

COLLEGE, GRAD STUDENT & YOUNG ADULT OUTREACH

Please help us by returning the form below to the Adat Shalom Education & Youth Department, 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills, MI 48334 or email jgross@adatshalom.org.

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Student's Name		
Parent(s) Name		
School Address		
City	StateZip	
Cell Phone	Home Phone	
Email Address		
College		
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SEPTEMBER YOUTH CALENDAR:

September 14, 15 & 23 – Family & Youth Services and activities on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. *See pages 6-9*.

Sunday, September 20 – Free Fall Family Fun Day

Sunday, September 27 – Teen Volunteer Corps Sukkah building projects at Adat Shalom and at a JARC home

Wednesday, September 30 – Clergy visit elementary and middle school students at Hillel Day School during lunch

Fall Family Fun Day
Sunday, September 20, noon
Free BBQ lunch, games, activities,
bouncers and more

Co-sponsored by the Men's Club, Sisterhood, the Young Adult group and the Learning Community Questions? Contact Jodi Gross

Rabbi Bergman Visiting Our Campers at Tamarack







Above: Teen Volunteering at Housing the Homeless

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Celebrate!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1- Steven Zinderman
- 2- Sharon Moss Lebovic
- Diane Klein
- 4- Robin Wine
- 5- Beverly Phillips
- Susan Graham
- 6- David Sherbin Israel Tal
- Jenny Dorfman
- 12- Larry Hirsch Moreen Lett
- 13- Jim Berk David Flaisher Sheldon Gordon
- Nicole Goodman 14- Larry Lawson Louis Seligman Hadley Wine
- 15-Samuel Havis Trudy Weiss
- 16- William Bluford Ted Schwartzenfeld
- 17- Kathie Schwartz
- 19- Barry Feldman
- 20- Elaine Weingarten 26- Marc Loomer
- 21-Leo Eisenberg 28- Edwin Sitron
- 22- Rochelle Anstandig 29- Doris August Shana Weiss Linda
- 23- Esther Rosenblum Gershenson
- 25- Louis Chernoff Geoffrey Trivax 30- Sandra Hack Alan Kaplan

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 1- Myra & Joseph Burnstein Elaine & Bruce Weingarten
- Sue & Alan Kaufman
- Rochelle & Joel Lieberman
- 4- Barbara & Irwin Alpern
- Rochelle & Michael Anstandig Dorothy & Allen Menuck Debbie & Jeff Supowit
- 9- Carol & Brad Walters
- 10- Susan & William Graham
- 12- Thelma & Allan Goldstein
- 14- Eliana & Marc Loomer
- 15- Harriet & Robert Dunsky
- 20- Beverly & Ralph Woronoff
- 24- Barbara & Stephen Morse
- 28- Barbara & Norman Benjamin

Each month we list birthdays & anniversaries of those adult congregants who have requested that we print their "special occasions" in The VOICE. If you would like to be listed in this column, please send the information to Nancy Wilhelm at Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48334, or contact Nancy Wilhelm, 248-851-5100 or nwilhelm@adatshalom.org.

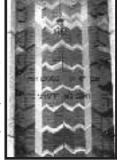
Tributes

About Our Tribute Contributions

ADAT SHALOM'S tribute funds provide support for our many important synagogue programs and services,

which help to define us as an outstanding congregation.

We have set a \$10 minimum price for tribute cards, on par with other congregaarea Prayer tions Book Fund contributions are \$36



for the daily Sim Shalom Prayer Book, \$50 for the Shabbat Sim Shalom Prayer Book, and \$50 for an Etz Hayim Chumash.

We are very grateful to members and friends who have consistently purchased tributes, marking lifecycle events and other significant occasions, and we encourage your continued support. Each greeting is individually prepared on a handsome card.

To arrange for a tribute, please send the following information to the Synagogue office:

- 1. Name of Fund
- 2. Occasion: (In memory of ... In honor of ... Speedy recovery to ... (Please print names.)
- 3. Name(s) (first & last) and address of person(s) to be notified
 - 4. Your name(s) & address
 - 5. Check for \$10 per tribute

We will process your tribute and mail it promptly.

To make a tribute online, go to: www.adatshalom.org/donate.php

Tributes received by the 1st of the month will appear in the following month's VOICE.

If you would like information about how to establish a fund, please contact Executive Director Alan Yost.

We record with sincere appreciation the following generous contributions designed to maintain the programs of Adat Shalom:

CONGREGATIONAL FUND IN MEMORY OF:

Mary Fassler by Marilyn McCall Alterman; Lois & Hadar Granader; Karen & Scott Lewis

Arline Foster by Sharyl & Alan Ackerman; Sue & Alan Kaufman; George & Adam Nyman

Morton Genser by Sharon Blatt & family Robert Littky by Lynda & Ron Charfoos; Lillian & Mark Schostak; Bluma & Leonard Siegal

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Robert Ruskin by Eric Lutz

Ann Schonberg by Margery Jablin; Julie & Marty Wiener

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Sandy Eichenhorn by Hal Baker; Sue & Sandy Birnholtz; Tracye & Robert Blum; Barbara & Jerry Cook; Robert J. Diehl, Jr.; Amy & Ryan Freedland; Judy & David Goldis; Rose Rita & Sheldon Goldman; Gig Kraus; Esther Liwazer; Marla & Andy Moiseev; Lillian & Mark Schostak; Neal Shipley; Larry Shulman; Bluma & Leonard Siegal; Trudy & Arthur Weiss Yahrzeits of:

Erna Baris by Karen & Ken Goss Ida & Herbert Glogower by Charles Glogower Joel Goldhaber by Sandra Shapiro Yetta Gordon by Marilyn Schakne Leonard Goss by Karen & Ken Goss Sylvia & Julius Greenberg by Leonard Greenberg

Bernard Friedman: Miriam Hamburger: Margie Rose by Scott Hamburger

Tributes

Dennis Klar by Shirley Klar Elaine Lusky by Helen & Fred Brown Dorothy Lusky; Herman Lusky by Helen Brown Rose Sher by Marlene Bresler Charlotte Weinstein by Helen & Fred Brown Sidney Weiss by Eva Weiss

IN HONOR OF:

90th birthday of Sylvia Cohen by Bev & Barb Share 80th birthday of Bob Dunsky by Marilyn & Darryl Goldberg; Janice & Michael Schwartz; Sue & Burt Shifman

Hazzan Gross and his wonderful singing at Ilana & Jonathan's wedding by Judy & Arnie Goldman

Recent marriage of Leslie & Michael Dokor by Dolores Wulff

Recent marriage of Heidi & Michael Kurtz by Karen & Ken Goss

Birthday of Florence Miller by Joanne Miller 50th anniversary of Margaret & Joel Shere by Evelyn & Fred Freeman; Sandy & Harry Klapper; Lyle Klapper & Florita Solomon; Myra & Larry Lawson

Rabbi Rachel Shere

by Harriet & Robert Dunsky Marriage of Zachary & Lauren Yost by Sheila & Marty Lederman

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

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IN MEMORY OF:

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IN HONOR OF:

Marriage of Heidi & Michael Kurtz by Charlotte Dubin

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Dennis Phillips by Sara Braverman

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IN MEMORY OF:

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Sandy Eichenhorn by Tobi & Larry Fox IN HONOR OF:

Birth of Maya Rachel Ser by Sheila & Marty Lederman

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Mary Fassler by Merle & Ron Schwartz Yahrzeit of Lola Rubin by Marvin Rubin

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IN MEMORY OF:

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IN HONOR OF:

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IN MEMORY OF:

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Marriage of Hannah & Gilad Biran by Joan & Ken Stern Marriage of Ilana & Jonathan Margolis by Evva & Michael Hepner

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IN MEMORY OF:

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Yahrzeit of Rose Kampner by Eleanor & Bernard Maness

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IN MEMORY OF:

Arline Foster

by Rabbi Leonard & Elizabeth Cahan

IN HONOR OF:

Birth of Ezra Zerin by Sharon & Tom Lebovic

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IN MEMORY OF:

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Rabbi Yoskowitz & his friendship and help by Elizabeth & Leonard Cahan Birth of Jonah Alexander Yoskowitz by Sheila & Marty Lederman

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FROM RABBI YOSKOWITZ

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as Israel felt in 1948 or in 1967?

Perhaps "us" in his question refers not to Israel alone but to all Jews, even those of us reading this column? Before we answer "of course not, we live in the greatest democracy in the world and we Jewish Americans or American Jews are not alone," let us ponder the meaning of Jewish history.

My mentor, Rabbi Jacob B. Agus (1913-1986) wrote in The Meaning of Jewish History, pp. 484-485, that Jewish history "is a demonstration of the high potential of freedom in human affairs and a record of the melancholy consequences of the failure to utilize its opportunities . . . Insofar as Jews were frequent victims of external forces, their destiny reflected the recurrent breakdowns of free thought and genuine religion in the countries where they lived." When the countries in which Jews live abandon "free thought and genuine religion," Jews are in danger. Jews are alone even when we model how to use our freedom responsibly "in human affairs."

Did the cab driver include me and other Jewish Americans when he said the word "us"? Are we being perceived by some Israelis as being abandoned too?

On the High Holidays, we ask God not to abandon us. Often, Jews would cry when they said this prayer of *Al Tashlichenu – Do not abandon us - Lord* as an acknowledgement of feeling abandoned by man and of wanting to feel that God is with us.

Will you be saying the *Al Tashlechenu – Do not abandon us - Lord* – with special fervor this High Holiday period? When I say those prayers this coming year 5776, I will think of that cab driver in Tel Aviv and the question he asked, which continues to linger in my mind: *Why does the world always abandon us?*

Memoriams

We send heartfelt condolences to the families of:

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there is good in the world, even when it is hidden.

In *Pirkei Avot*, our great book of ethics, Rabbi Joshua said, "The evil eye, the evil inclination and hatred of others expel a person from the world."

The evil eye means seeing everything as bad, or boring, or not worth-while. Nothing is good enough, and will probably get worse.

The evil inclination means that if nothing is good, there is no point in being good. This leads to selfishness and self-satisfaction.

These two things lead to the hatred of all creation. Not just people, but everything. It makes us unwilling to help others and more willing to exploit and take advantage of situations.

The sins we list on Yom Kippur often arise from our numbness to the world, our inability to accept each other for who we are and to accept ourselves for who we are. When we do not believe that anything is worthwhile we allow great suffering. We may even be the cause of it.

This is not easy. Cynicism is a powerful force. Love, according to our tradition, is more powerful.

We need a good eye, an ability to see goodness when others can't. We need an inclination toward good, a belief that being good is worth it. This will lead to love of creation, an appreciation of the whole world. We will make decisions about how we confront our fears in a better way. We will see the world the way it is supposed to be, and we will all be much better for it.

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