

ADAT SHALOM SYNAGOGUE

# THE הקול Voice



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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### Mornings:

Sundays	8:30 A.M.
Monday - Friday	7:30 A.M.
Shabbat	9:00 A.M.

### Evenings (Minchah-Maariv):

Sunday - Friday	5:00 P.M.
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### Saturdays:

December 7	5:00 P.M.
December 14	5:00 P.M.
December 21	5:00 P.M.
December 28	5:00 P.M.

## SHABBAT TORAH PORTIONS

**December 7**

Vayetzi

**December 21**

Vayeishev

**December 14**

Vayishlach

**December 28**

Miketz

# MISSEBABA

## 2020 GALA

## FEBRUARY 29

## SAVE THE DATE

COCKTAILS

DINNER

DANCING

*Entertainment by Nuclassica*

## ADAT SHALOM'S



## FAMILY CHANUKAH BASH

PIZZA. MUSIC. FUN. CRAFTS. DONUT BAR. LATKES.



WEDNESDAY | 12/18 | 6:15 PM

\$6/PERSON - \$18/HOUSEHOLD

248.626.2153 ADATSHALOM.ORG/CHANUKAH

# PEOPLE & PROGRAMS

## We Are Going Paperless



Adat Shalom is going (somewhat) paperless. We hear you, it's time to stop sending envelopes with paper flyers on a regular basis and take advantage of the many other resources available to keep you updated on the multitude of exciting synagogue programs.

In each issue of *The Voice* we will continue to write about the events for the upcoming month and include the dates and times in the calendars at the back. Each Thursday, you will receive our weekly email that has that week's *Happenings*. In addition to current programming, we note upcoming events to save the dates, mazal tovs, memoriams and Shabbat information. Programs will also be shared on social media for those of you who like to get your information there. Watch for our new website that will have easier access to event information and registration. **Visit us at [www.adatshalom.org](http://www.adatshalom.org) or give us a call at 248.851.5100.** Printed materials will be used periodically for special events.

Thank you for speaking up. Our environment will benefit from the reduction of paper use.

## Mazal Tov to our December B'nai Mitzvah



### December 7

**Jonathan Logan Manela** is the son of Melissa & Harley Manela; grandson of Geraldine z"l & Jack z"l Miller, Eunice Manela Samovitz z"l, Nathan Manela z"l, Herb Samovitz z"l



### December 14

**Erin Rose Biederman** is the daughter of Maria Pacis-Biederman & Jason Biederman; granddaughter of Sheri & Michael Biederman and Virginia & Arnold Pacis



**Soulful Yoga with Rabbi Shere**  
and skilled yoga instructors  
**Mindy Eisenberg or Nichole Ferguson**

Saturdays, December 7  
and January 4 & 18 at 10:00 A.M.

Connect body and soul as we apply the wisdom of Torah to the gentle practice of yoga.

Join us in the Youth Lounge.

No experience necessary. Dress comfortably.  
Please bring a mat if you have one.

For additional information contact Jodi Gross at  
248.851.5100 or [jgross@adatshalom.org](mailto:jgross@adatshalom.org)

## Shabbat-Appella

Friday, December 13, 5:00 P.M.



If you are looking for an uplifting synagogue service experience, then look no further!

The beautiful melodies of Kabbalat Shabbat are presented in intricate a cappella harmony, allowing you to participate in the spirituality of this special service to welcome Shabbat.

Shabbat-Appella is unique to Adat Shalom. Add your voices to ours.

## Pre-Chanukah Healing in Harmony Service

**led by Rabbi Shere and Hazzan Gross**  
**9:45 A.M., Saturday, December 21**

There are powerful and beautiful prayers that we recite silently and many that we sing out together. This is an opportunity to share our own personal prayers with others in a safe and loving environment. There is no obligation to speak; simply being present can bring comfort and healing to others as well as yourself.



## DECEMBER SHABBAT TORAH STUDY

LEARN ABOUT THE WEEKLY PARASHA  
AND ENHANCE YOUR SHABBAT EXPERIENCE

December 7  
with Ruth Bergman

December 14  
with Rabbi Jason Miller

December 21 & 28  
No Shabbat Torah Study

9:45 A.M. FINISHING IN TIME FOR THE RABBI'S SERMON

## THE VOICE

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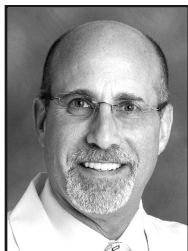
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## FROM THE PRESIDENT, SANFORD VIEDER

Winter is now upon us here in Michigan and it certainly arrived in grand fashion with the largest snowfall in history for the month of November. While I personally do not care for the cold and snow (particularly after January 1), it does bring me warmth as we look forward to holiday celebrations and the opportunity to spend quality time with our families and friends. Chanukah brings us light, just as our days become their shortest. I have so many great memories of family being together during this time of year, celebrating Thanksgiving and Chanukah and ringing in the secular New Year. I certainly look forward to creating even more great memories during this time of the year and I hope that will be the case for all of you as well.

I would be remiss not to express our sincere thanks to the Adat Shalom family for supporting Carol and me, as we were honored by the Zionist Organization of America with the Justice Louis D. Brandeis Award a few weeks ago. Thank you for the numerous tributes, emails and phone calls received. Carol and I are humbled by the outpouring of support from so many. We are truly fortunate to be part of the Adat Shalom community!

On behalf of Carol and our children, we wish you all a very happy and healthy Chanukah and New Year ahead!

B'Shalom,  
Sandy



## FROM HAZZAN DANIEL GROSS *BERLIN'S BLOCKBUSTER*

In 1940, a man stayed up all night in a California hotel writing a song which would go on to become the world's best-selling single of all time. The man was Irving Berlin and the song was "White Christmas."

Irving Berlin was born in the Russian Empire in 1888 as Israel Beilin, one of 8 children born to Moses and Lena Beilin. Moses was a cantor and shochet (ritual slaughterer) and moved the family to America in 1893 in order to escape the pogroms. Israel was only 8 years old when his father died and having obtained only two years of formal education, he started working as a street singer and a singing waiter in New York's Lower East Side. His first published song, "Marie from Sunny Italy," appeared in 1907 and a printer's error on this song named him "Irving Berlin." Berlin composed nearly 1000 songs, 19 musicals and 15 film scores. George Gershwin claimed that Berlin was "the greatest songwriter who has ever lived" and Jerome Kern said that "Irving Berlin has no place in American music—he is American music."

Berlin supported Jewish charities and various organizations and was honored in 1944 by the National Conference of Christians and Jews for "advancing the aims of the conference to eliminate religious and racial conflict." Five years later, he was honored by the New York YMHA as one of twelve "outstanding Americans of Jewish faith." Berlin was a proud American, displaying his patriotism in his illustrious song "God Bless America." In 1955, President Eisenhower presented Berlin with a gold medal in recognition of his services in composing many patriotic songs for the country.

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## FROM RABBI AARON BERGMAN

There are a lot of Jewish holidays. We have a long and eventful history, and have lived in a lot of locations, some voluntary and some not. Each of these eras created their own holidays, and for the most part each generation of our people has maintained them. There is one notable exception.

The original celebration of the Chanukah story was called Nikanor Day, which commemorated a great military battle against the Hellenistic Syrian army. We no longer celebrate it. It is not even on the calendar.

Instead, we rejoice over the Maccabees reclaiming the Holy Temple and over the miracle of lights. Our sages said that it was far more important to remember the event that brought us light and connection than it was to remember the defeat of an enemy. They understood that if the only thing that brings us together is a common enemy, then defeating that enemy will at best only bring temporary connection.

Our rabbis recognized that this was one of the problems with gossip. We use it to create a connection with someone, but at the expense of someone else. We create an enemy in order to bind us to someone else. That is why there are so many laws in Judaism that deal with how we use words.

Brene Brown has an interesting idea called common enemy intimacy. She writes, "Common enemy intimacy is counterfeit connection and the opposite of true belonging. If the bond we share with others is simply that we hate the same people, the intimacy we experience is often intense, immediately gratifying, and an easy way to discharge outrage and pain. It is not, however, fuel for real connection. It's fuel that runs hot, burns fast, and leaves a trail of polluted emotion. And if we live with any level of self-awareness, it's also the kind of intimacy that can leave us with the intense regrets of an integrity hangover. Did I really participate in that? Is that moving us forward? Am I engaging in, quite literally, the exact same behavior that I find loathsome in others?"

Genuine connection comes from celebrating the good in the world. When you light the Chanukah lights this year, think about the people in your life who really matter and who bring you joy, not divisiveness. Remember how much light there is when we appreciate those who bring light into our lives.



## FROM RABBI RACHEL SHERE *WHICH NIGHT IS YOUR FAVORITE?*

Chanukah always occurs right around the winter solstice, the time of year when we have the least amount of daylight. It's the time of year when even the most positive among us can't help but feel a little bit of the external darkness and cold seeping into our days. At

the exact time of year that the frigid temperatures and long nights start to feel endless, lighting that first candle is a radical act; it is an act of standing up to the forces in the world that work to chip away at our optimism and diminish our spirits. In lighting that first candle, we echo the hopeful attitude of our ancestors who, not having enough oil, nonetheless set a fire under the little bit they had. It was only after they took that first radical step that the oil miraculously lasted for another seven nights.

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# THE LEARNING COMMUNITY



**JEWISH  
FAMILY  
EDUCATION**

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



**SUMMER  
CAMP  
SCHOLARSHIPS**

~ Celia Schwartz Scholarship Fund ~

*A scholarship opportunity from the Sisterhood of Adat Shalom*

The Celia Schwartz Scholarship Fund was established to provide funds for use towards an accredited Jewish summer camping or travel trip experience, which would enhance a child's or teen's Jewish educational experience. The student must be an active participant in Adat Shalom's congregational life, and the parents must be members in good standing of Adat Shalom Synagogue.

**Student topic: The world would be a better place if...**

**Parent statement: Why is this summer experience important for your child, your family and you? (please limit to one paragraph and submit on a separate sheet of paper)**

#### ENTRY GUIDELINES:

- Current 3rd to 5th graders are required to draw a picture and write 1 paragraph.
- Current 6th to 8th graders are required to type an essay of 1 to 2 paragraphs.
- Current 9th to 11th graders are required to type an essay of 500 words.
- All entries must be accompanied by a parent statement.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Submit entry with a completed application no later than Sunday, February 2, 2020
- **Please put your name on the form below only - not on the actual submission.**
- Scholarship funds will be mailed directly to the camp or travel trip program.
- Winners will be notified at the beginning of March.

Send submissions and the application to:

Adat Shalom Sisterhood Scholarship Fund, 29901 Middlebelt Rd, Farmington Hills, MI 48334.

Please email any questions to [sisterhoodscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:sisterhoodscholarship@gmail.com)

The Celia Schwarz Scholarship Fund Application 2020  
(Submissions are due no later than Sunday, February 2, 2020)  
[www.adatshalom.org/scholarship](http://www.adatshalom.org/scholarship)

## Raising Kids in a Complex World



Navigate parenting through a Jewish lens with  
**Jackie Issner, PhD, LP & Rabbi Rachel Shere**

*A series for anyone with a role in caring for children ages 7-12*

**Sundays, 9:30 to 10:45 a.m.**  
12/8, 1/12, 2/9, 3/15, 4/26

Each class is self-contained | No charge for Adat Shalom members | Non-members, \$5 per session.

RSVP appreciated by the Thursday before each session

248-626-2153 | [sshapiro@adatshalom.org](mailto:sshapiro@adatshalom.org) | [adatshalom.org/parenting](http://adatshalom.org/parenting)



This program is sponsored by Adat Shalom's Learning Community, Sisterhood, and Adult Learning, and supported by We Need to Talk, which is a community-wide youth mental health initiative provided in collaboration with Jewish Detroit's social service agencies, schools, congregations and Jewish identity building organizations.

**Adat Shalom  
Winter 2020  
Parent-Toddler**



For children 14 months to 36 months and an adult

Classes meet from 9:45 to 11:15 a.m.

Mondays, January 6 - March 23 (11 sessions)

Fridays, January 10 - March 20 (11 sessions)

Members \$200 Non-Members \$250

Sign up dates: Member/Current Student - December 2

Open Enrollment - December 16

Questions? contact Sammi Shapiro,

[shapiro@adatshalom.org](mailto:shapiro@adatshalom.org) or 248.626.2153



Everyone had fun at the  
family sukkah decorating  
event.

K-4th grades

**KIDS  
NIGHT  
OUT**

ONLY AT  
ADAT SHALOM

What do foggy dry ice storms, shivering scissors,  
and bubbly showers have in common?

You'll have to come to the Mad Science event at Adat Shalom to find out!

**Saturday, December 14, 5:30-8 p.m.**



Cost: \$12 members / \$17 non-member  
(includes dinner & activities)

Reservation deadline: Wednesday, December 11  
[www.adatshalom.org/youth](http://www.adatshalom.org/youth)

#### Questions:

Abbi Emerson, Youth Engagement Leader

248.688.8394 / [youthleader@adatshalom.org](mailto:youthleader@adatshalom.org)

Jodi Gross, 248.626.2153 / [jgross@adatshalom.org](mailto:jgross@adatshalom.org)

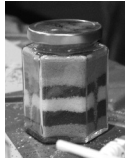


FROM DR. MELISSA SER  
Director of Education

### LEARNING COMMUNITY NEWS

Last month we kicked off a new cycle of family programming for 5780 with a Family Havdalah. Families enjoyed a havdalah service and songs led by Hazzan Gross, an explanation of how the symbols of Shabbat and Havdalah bring meaning into our lives by Rabbi Bergman, a slew of hands-on activities meant to explore the different symbols led by Sammi Shapiro, Melissa Ser, and Emily Hollenberg, and — of course — ice cream to sweeten the end of the evening.

Everyone went home with a beautiful sand/wax art havdalah candle, a spice bag full of cloves, cinnamon and herbs from our Adat Shalom garden along with new friends.



#### What's next?

Mark your calendars for an amazing Family Chanukah Bash on Wednesday, December 18 at 6:15 P.M. We'll be having pizza, snacking on latkes and donuts, singing, dancing, making olive oil, and some other cool surprises. The event is \$18 per household or \$6 for an individual. Pre-registration is encouraged, [adatshalom.org/chanukah](mailto:adatshalom.org/chanukah) or call 248.626.2153

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8



**Navigate parenting through a Jewish lens** with Jackie Issner, PhD, LP and Rabbi Rachel Shere at 9:30 A.M.

Parents of 3rd graders are invited to a special parents-only workshop at 11:00 A.M. with Rabbi Shere to prepare for their child's **Siddur Celebration** at the end of the year.



The 5th and 6th graders, in partnership with the Legacy Heritage Better Together program and the Men's Club of Adat Shalom, will be heading to Fleischman & Hechtman Senior Residences for a **Chanukah Sing-Along** at 10 A.M.

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

**Family Chanukah Bash** — 6:15 P.M.



MAY 8-10, 2020

**Adat Shalom Family Camp** Join Melissa Ser, Rabbi Bergman and other Adat Shalom families for Shabbat at Butzel Retreat Center at Tamarack Camps in Ortonville. More details to come...**save the date!**



FROM JODI GROSS

Director of Adult Learning & Youth Engagement



**YOUTH ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMMING** is in full swing. The kids are enjoying making new friends, building community and having fun doing a variety of activities at Adat Shalom. Tweens & teens continue to volunteer and make lasting connections.

Looking ahead, everyone is invited to our annual congregation-wide Volunteer Day on Sunday, January 19, 2020 at 11 am.

Our synagogue is a place of study, gathering and worship. When we gather together to make personal meaning of the Jewish values of Tzedakah and Tikkun Olam, we make the world a better place for our community, families and friends. Volunteer day has become an annual tradition. A committee of volunteers have worked hard to create meaningful projects that will help organizations in our Jewish community and throughout Metropolitan Detroit. This program is a partnership of the Adat Shalom - Beth Achim Learning Community, the Youth Department, Men's Club, Social Action Committee, Sisterhood, and the Harold Dubin Memorial Tikkun Adat Fund.

**In preparation for volunteer day, the following donations are appreciated:** clean, new and gently used socks, small toiletries, items for animals in a local shelter.

Collection bins are downstairs by the Learning Community. Questions, contact Jodi Gross at 248.626.2153 or [jgross@adatshalom.org](mailto:jgross@adatshalom.org)

### CALENDAR:

#### Saturday, December 14

Kids' Night Out...two events on one night

Mad Scientist - K to 4th graders

T.G.I.Fun Video Game Truck - 5th to 7th graders

#### Sunday, December 15

Teen Volunteer Corps project



### COLLEGE CONNECTIONS

Our rabbis visit Michigan universities throughout the school year, treat our students to coffee or dinner and enjoy the opportunity to stay connected. Thanks to parent volunteers, Adat Shalom also sends care packages before Chanukah and Pesach. Help us help your child stay connected to Adat Shalom.

Each fall I update our database and kindly request your assistance. Please email your undergraduate / graduate student's contact information to me at [jgross@adatshalom.org](mailto:jgross@adatshalom.org). If your student/young adult has not moved, please let me know.

**FRIENDS, FUN & GAMES**  
5th - 7th graders

**Saturday, December 14**  
5:30 - 8:00 pm  
Adat Shalom Synagogue

Cost: \$12/member  
\$18/non-member  
Dinner & activity

Questions?? Contact Abbi Emerson, Youth Engagement Leader,  
(248) 688-6394 or [youthleader@adatshalom.org](mailto:youthleader@adatshalom.org)  
or Jodi Gross, (248) 626-2153 or [jgross@adatshalom.org](mailto:jgross@adatshalom.org)

Registration deadline:  
Wednesday, December 11

Register online  
[www.adatshalom.org/youth](http://www.adatshalom.org/youth)





Offering you  
nourishment for  
your mind, body  
& spirit

# ADULT LEARNING

Jodi Gross, Director of Adult Learning

## Adat Shalom's Lunchtime Learning with **Rabbi Bergman**

**Monday, December 2 at 11:45 A.M.**

### ***Did Abraham Really Break the Idols? Midrash and the Jewish Imagination***

You are invited to bring your own dairy / parve lunch. Drinks and dessert are complimentary. There is no charge. Reservations are requested by the preceding Friday. Please contact Kellie Yost, 248.851.5100, ext. 246, or [kyost@adatshalom.org](mailto:kyost@adatshalom.org)

## **Meditation AND MINDFULNESS with Rabbi Bergman**

Sundays, December 1 & 15  
and January 5 & 19 at 9:30 A.M.

Find your internal spirituality and realize that Judaism can make you happier. A refreshing hour for all ages.

Sessions continue throughout the year. There is no charge.



### ***Watch for it...***

**An on-line video series is coming to Adat Shalom  
taught by Rabbi Bergman**

An accessible and meaningful way to enhance your knowledge and spirituality when you are out and about or at home.

**Starting in January 2020!**



## **Mussar Mondays: A Jewish Guide to Living a Better and More Meaningful Life**

**Led by Rabbi Bergman**

**Monday, January 6 at 7 P.M.**

Mussar is a unique approach to living a good and meaningful life. It transmits timeless advice for everything from having happy relationships to creating harmonious communities.

Each class is self-contained. No previous knowledge necessary. Reservations are requested. Please call Kellie Yost, 248.851.5100, ext. 246 or email [kyost@adatshalom.org](mailto:kyost@adatshalom.org)



## **iEngage: Israel's Milestones and Their Meanings A Shalom Hartman Institute Lecture and Study Series with Rabbi Bergman and Rabbi Shere**

iEngage explores the pivotal events of 1917, 1947 and 1967 as key moments when Zionism unleashed new thinking about the meaning of Jewishness for generations to come.

Through video lectures, text study, and lively group discussion, we are pleased to bring the world-renowned faculty of the Shalom Hartman Institute into the Adat Shalom community. Each session is self-contained.

Fall Series led by Rabbi Bergman:  
Sunday, December 8 at 10:00 A.M.

Spring Series led by Rabbi Shere:  
Sundays, March 1 & March 29 at 10:30 A.M.

To register, contact Kellie Yost,  
[kyost@adatshalom.org](mailto:kyost@adatshalom.org) or 248.851.5100



## **Facilitated by Hazzan Gross**

**Monday, December 2, 7 P.M.  
at Hillel Day School**

**Join us for this fun, exciting and powerful way  
to bring our community together through rhythm.**

No experience necessary. No fee to attend. Drums provided.  
RSVP required - space is limited (ages 13 and up).  
Next date: Tuesday, February 11

For information and to reserve your spot,  
contact Caren Harwood: [charwood@adatshalom.org](mailto:charwood@adatshalom.org)  
or 248.851.5100, ext 231



To register or learn more, contact Rabbi Shere or Jodi Gross  
248.851.5100 [adatshalom.org/retreat](http://adatshalom.org/retreat)

# A CARING COMMUNITY

## SOCIAL ACTION IN ACTION

### HOPE HOSPITALITY AND WARMING CENTER

DECEMBER 25-28, 5:30 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

Hope Hospitality and Warming Center is a safe overnight center for the homeless in Pontiac. Hope is open from 5 P.M. until 9 A.M. providing dinner, triage healthcare, showers and overnight shelter, and access to resources that can be a pathway out of homelessness. Each year, more than 250 Hope guests exit the shelter to a place they can keep as their home. Without this center, many of the guests would be staying on the streets and at great risk.

Adat Shalom and Kol Ami partnered and together were the first synagogues to volunteer at the center. Our volunteers serve warm and filling meals in a caring atmosphere. The center is always at their maximum capacity of 60 men and women. We need 6-8 volunteers, over the age of 18, each night. The guests are very appreciative of our kindness. Volunteers will carpool to the center. WE NEED YOUR HELP! Please call Evva Hepner, 248.798.7673, if you are able to join us.

In addition to providing dinner we will be collecting men's white athletic socks to donate to the center. Elizabeth Kelly, executive director of Hope, emphasized the importance of socks to the homeless population. This need is especially critical during the winter months when wet feet can lead to frostbite. Changing socks, something we take for granted, can save lives. A box will be in the main office area of the synagogue to collect your sock donation..

*"I do not want followers who are righteous, rather I want followers who are too busy doing good that they won't have time to do bad."*

— Rabbi Menachem Mendel of Kotzk

Evva Hepner

evva.hepner@gmail.com / 248.798.7673

Friends

VIRTUAL TOUR



Journey back in time to Northwest Detroit where Jews built community in spite of adversities. The growth of the area was felt in the housing, retail shops, schools, and synagogues where first and second generation of American Jews came to adulthood.

Wednesday, December 11, 11:45 a.m.



**\$5 Donation**  
Open to the community.

You are welcome to bring  
a pareve or dairy lunch.

Kindly RSVP by  
Sunday, December 8

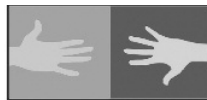
Margery Jablin,  
mjablin@yahoo.com  
or  
Jodi Gross,  
jgross@adatshalom.org  
248.851.5100

Led by Margery Jablin

In partnership with 

The next **movie date** scheduled by the Adat Shalom FRIENDS is January 12 with opinions and refreshments to follow at the home of Shelly and Allen Klegon. If you're new to the group and would like to share an enjoyable afternoon, email Charlotte Dubin at cmd67@mi.rr.com

**And there's more:** If you would enjoy making some Adat Shalom friends over a scrumptious dinner, let Linda Levy know at likol@aol.com so she can include you at the next dining outing.



*Tikkun Adat:*

Sharing more than bricks & mortar

### Got a New Baby?

Well, mazal tov! How about sharing the news and letting Adat Shalom help you celebrate with a gift basket arranged by Charmley Levine and friends. They'll deliver if you'll give her a call at 248.737.8948.

### Food for Thought ... and More

Some of the best medicine can be a home-cooked meal. For proof, just ask the recipients of Shabbat dinners prepared by some of Adat Shalom's best volunteer cooks.

Back from the hospital, or otherwise recuperating at home from illness, folks have been treated recently to the cooking/baking therapy of Sara Braverman, Charlotte Dubin, Nancy Handelman, Evva Hepner, Charmley Levine, Sara Waldshan and Ruth Zerlin. Other volunteers are appreciated when the need arises, so stay tuned for new names in the months ahead.

If you or a family member could use a little of that therapy, send your name and phone number to evva.hepner@gmail.com or cmd67@mi.rr.com.

### Tech Connections

For the record, it's been almost seven years—and 14 tutorials—since the birth of Adat Shalom's Tech Connect as a help to adults confounded by their ornery iPads and other devices. Here's the latest trio of learners with their veteran tutors:



Standing from left: Benny Shaevsky, Leslie Salomon and Elisha Cooper; Seated from left: Annette Neuvirth, Ethan Biederman and Paula Stone

P.S. The three young "veterans" are already thinking about college. But they will be around for the next Tech Connect in the spring.

Charlotte Dubin

When visiting at the hospital, Rabbi Shere brought 96-year-old Sam Orechkin one of the wonderful blankets made by the Adat Shalom knitting group.



# ACTIVE AFFILIATES ►

## Sisterhood

As 2019 comes to a close, we, at the Sisterhood, would like to thank you for your support. We would also like to remind you of the following:

**Sisterhood Membership:** If you are not yet a Sisterhood member, please consider becoming one. General membership dues are \$54. Lifetime membership suggested donation is \$18. Dues for Sisterhood members age 40 and under are also \$18.

**The Gift Shop:** Don't forget to check out the Sisterhood Gift Shop for beautiful Chanukah gifts for friends and family, or for hostess gifts at any time.

**Sister Talk:** You should be getting weekly emails from Cindy Babcock. The emails will keep you up to date with current Sisterhood activities and aware of upcoming events. If you have not received these emails, please check your junk mail, spam folder, or contact Cindy at cindybabcb@gmail.com

**SIM date change:** Our next Sisterhood Informational Meeting will be December 15, 2019 (moved from December 1) at 11:00 A.M. We would love to have a chance to meet with you in person, tell you about the events we have planned for the coming year, and get your input.

**Donor Day:** It will be here before you know it. It is our biggest fundraiser of the year. It will be on May 5, 2020. We are looking for volunteers in all capacities for preparations before the day as well as during Donor Day. If you are interested in volunteering, we would love to have you join us.

Cindy Babcock Geula Rapp Judy Rudy



### Sisterhood of Adat Shalom Book Club

The Sisterhood of Adat Shalom Book Club will meet Thursday, December 12 at 7:00 P.M. at a private home for coffee and a discussion of *Another Side of Paradise* by Sally Koslow.

Other Book Club dates are February 13, March 12 and May 14. There is a \$25 annual Book Club fee for Sisterhood members and a \$36 fee for non-members.

For additional information and to join Book Club please contact chairpersons:  
Sue Lutz: 248.877.7253, s4lutz@gmail.com  
or Marianne Pesick: 248.909.5512, mhpesick@gmail.com.



A special birthday... an anniversary... an engagement... a wedding

**Celebrate a special occasion by sponsoring  
a Shabbat Kiddush on Saturday morning**

Call Kellie Yost for more information, 248.851.5100 ext. 246

## Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh with Rabbi Rachel Shere

*With the new moon comes  
an opportunity for self-renewal*

**New Moon ☼ New Start**

You're invited to a service for women  
in honor of the new month of Tevet.

**Monday, December 30**

**10:00 - 11:00 A.M.**

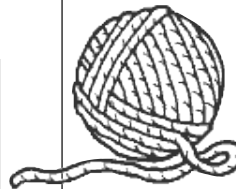
Open to the community. No charge.

Future dates: January 27, February 26, March 26, June 23

Please respond to Rochelle Lieberman by December 23.  
248.553.2498 or rochelle.r.lieberman@gmail.com

## Adat Shalom Knitting Circle

Sunday, December 15 at 9:30 A.M.



Join us as we make scarves, hats and afghans  
for charity. Feel free to get started at any time  
with yarn from the knitting cubicle in the office.

For more information: Debby Portney,  
debbyportney@gmail.com, 248.788.9488



The Sisterhood of Adat Shalom's fall event was about honoring the past and looking forward to the future as they recognized members over 80-years-old.



# ACTIVE AFFILIATES

## MEN'S CLUB

### MEN'S CLUB MUSINGS... BY JOEY LEBOVIC

If you enjoyed "Fiddler on the Roof" on stage or screen, you will want to see this year's Erev Xmas showing of the new documentary "Fiddler: A Miracle of Miracles." The film offers a fascinating look at why this musical has touched so many lives for so many years and explains why Fiddler's themes of tradition, religion, gender roles, race and anti-Semitism still resonate today. It currently has a Tomatometer score of 100%.

Men's Club for many years has offered movies on Erev Xmas as a fun activity for those not vacationing in warmer destinations. What began as a kids newly-released movie night with popcorn and candy has evolved into a Kosher Chinese dinner with Jewish-themed movies for grown-ups. We modified this program based on feedback from congregants. Our club's leaders want your input to help ensure future programs align with your needs. We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at our events.

On January 11, 2020 from 9:30 A.M. to 6 P.M. we are holding our first Men's Shabbat Retreat with Rabbi Bergman. Join us for this inspirational event at Adat Shalom.

Men's Club dues are still only \$36 per year. Mail in payment or visit [www.adatshalom.org/mens-club-dues/](http://www.adatshalom.org/mens-club-dues/) to join online. Please feel free to contact me at [jlebovic@ameritech.net](mailto:jlebovic@ameritech.net) with any questions.

### Community-Wide Veterans Day Brunch



On Sunday, November 10, Adat Shalom Synagogue hosted a brunch honoring military veterans. The event was co-sponsored by the Men's Clubs of Adat Shalom Synagogue, Congregation Beth Ahm and Congregation B'nai Moshe. Rabbi Emeritus Herbert Yoskowitz was the guest speaker. *Pictured above are a group of our Adat Shalom veterans at the event.*

## A Modern Jewish Tradition...

*Chinese food and a movie on Christmas Eve!*



Tuesday, December 24

**Hey Chavurah groups!**

**Mark your calendars for this fun-filled tradition!**

### 6 p.m. - Kosher Chinese Dinner

by Quality Kosher Catering

Pre-registration REQUIRED by December 20  
Chinese food/movie - \$15/person (vegetarian & gluten free available) \$5- Hot dog & chips/movie option

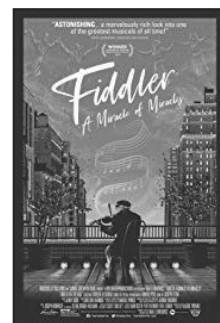
### 7 p.m. - Movie

#### "Fiddler: A Miracle of Miracles"

"Fiddler: A Miracle of Miracles" is an entertaining documentary about the phenomenon that is "Fiddler on the Roof."

Questions? Call David Shevrin  
248.788.9511 or email [davidshevrin@yahoo.com](mailto:davidshevrin@yahoo.com)

Pay online at: [www.adatshalom.org/movie](http://www.adatshalom.org/movie)  
or return form & check to:  
29901 Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48334



### ADAT SHALOM MOVIE & CHINESE DINNER

\_\_\_\_ # people for Chinese dinner and movie - \$15/person  
\_\_\_\_ # of people for the hot dog/chip and movie - \$5/person  
\_\_\_\_ # of people for movie only option - \$5/person  
\_\_\_\_ Total amount due (checks payable to Adat Shalom Men's Club)

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The Men's Club of Adat Shalom  
invites you to their first

## Men's Shabbat Retreat with Rabbi Bergman

Join us on January 11

from 9:30 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

for this inspirational day of davening, discussion  
and dialogue at Adat Shalom

Watch the weekly email *Happenings* and the Adat Shalom  
website, [www.adatshalom.org/flyers](http://www.adatshalom.org/flyers) for information.

Questions? Contact Joey Lebovic at [jlebovic@ameritech.net](mailto:jlebovic@ameritech.net)

## Congregation-wide Volunteer Day

Sunday, January 19, 11 A.M. - 1 P.M.

Hands-on project stations for all ages that will benefit clients  
of community service organizations throughout Metro Detroit.

In partnership with the Learning Community, Tikkun Adat,  
Men's Club and Sisterhood.

Complete registration will be available soon.  
Questions? Contact Jodi Gross at  
248.626.2153 or [jgross@adatshalom.org](mailto:jgross@adatshalom.org)



# CELEBRATIONS

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- |                           |                       |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 – Lillian Efros Kaufman | 14 – Kari Richmond    |
| 2 – Yana Krefman          | 16 – Karen Crane      |
| 3 – Gary Karp             | 17 – Carmen Biederman |
| Francine Martin           | Elissa Miller         |
| Jackie Perlman            | 18 – Phil Bak         |
| 5 – Michael Colman        | Ronald Lorfel         |
| Ian Monson                | 20 – Edward Hersch    |
| 6 – Beth Berk             | Nina Lopatin          |
| Myles Hoffert             | 21 – Eugene Perlman   |
| Andrea Rogoff             | 23 – Erin Chupack     |
| Carol Vieder              | 24 – Gerald Gershune  |
| 7 – Helene Little         | Rochelle Lieberman    |
| 8 – Cliff Dubowski        | 26 – Jeffrey Kraft    |
| Elysa Weil                | Jason Pivoz           |
| 9 – Cayley Cohen          | 27 – Sonja Kass       |
| 10 – Michael Feldman      | 28 – Semonna Matz     |
| Stefanie Owen             | Jerome Pesick         |
| 11 – Larisa Belski        | Steve Schanes         |
| Steven Blaharski          | 29 – Howard Babcock   |
| Jodie Elsberg             | Stacey Columbus       |
| Sherwin Newman            | Robert A. Shapiro     |
| Sharon Rocklin            | Eugene Smoler         |
| 12 – Shirley Carp         | Marc Wasser           |
| Margery Schroeder         | 30 – Marshall Lett    |
| 13 – Karen Goss           | Marilyn Logan         |
| Barry Rosen               | 31 – Dina Ashmann     |
| Kenneth Stein             | Gaye Taub             |

## DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- |                               |                            |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 5 – Marlene & Gary Kraft      | 22 – Dina & Sandford       |
| 14 – Melissa & Laurence       | Ashmann                    |
| Kirshner                      | Maureen & Sanford          |
| 16 – Deborah & Stuart Logan   | Kornwise                   |
| Carrie & Joseph Roth          | 23 – Beverly & Alan Yost   |
| 18 – Sonja & Robert Kass      | 24 – Carol & Sidney Lifton |
| 19 – Ellen & Edward Betel     | 25 – Sheila & Ronald       |
| Margery & David               | Schechter                  |
| Schroeder                     | 26 – Claire & Eugene       |
| Carly & Michael Weinstock     | Richmond                   |
| 20 – Rochelle & Allen Klegon  | 31 – Sarah & Joel Kirsch   |
| Lauren & Mark Rosenberg       |                            |
| Gaye & Alan Taub              |                            |
| 21 – Harriet & Michael Kovacs |                            |
| Carrie & Roger Kushner        |                            |
| Jackie & Aaron Perlman        |                            |

### YEAR-END FINANCIAL PLANNING

2020

The government allows you to count your synagogue dues payments, Missebaba and Yom Kippur Appeal donations, and other contributions as tax deductions. In order to take advantage of these charitable deductions when you file your taxes this spring, we encourage you to remit this year's Adat Shalom dues and building fund payments before the end of December. You are also encouraged to pre-pay next year's dues. For answers to your year-end and gift-giving questions, call Executive Director Alan Yost, 248-851-5100.

## MAZAL TOV!

Birth of **Adam Leor Bernfeld**, son of Lisa Yoskowitz & Michael Bernfeld; grandson of Rachel & Rabbi Herbert Yoskowitz and Julie & Shimon Bernfeld

Birth of **Miles Home Pliskin**, son of Elyse & Evan Pliskin, grandson of Nancy & William Handelsman and Mary Pliskin

Bat Mitzvah of **Jordyn Sage Yoskowitz**, daughter of Mimi Sager Yoskowitz and Marc Yoskowitz; granddaughter of Rachel & Rabbi Herbert Yoskowitz and Dr. Karen & Dr. David Sager

Congratulations to **Mindy Eisenberg** for another successful Yoga Moves MS benefit on November 9, 2019 at the Mint! We are so proud of our *Soulful Yoga* instructor who started this organization! – From her Soulful Students

**Tobi & Larry Fox** celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary in October. Mazal tov!

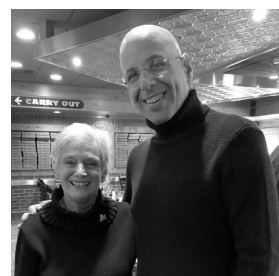
## WE ARE PLEASED TO LET YOU KNOW...

**Hazzan Gross** and the seven other members of the Executive Committee of The Coalition for Black & Jewish Unity represented Detroit at the inaugural reception of the Congressional Caucus on Black-Jewish Relations on Capitol Hill October 23.



Pictured with Hazzan Gross from L to R: Dr. Pauline Plummer, Rep. Will Hurd (TX), Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (FL), Rep. Karen Bass (CA), Rep. Kim Schrier (WA), and Rep. Brenda Lawrence (MI).

A celebration was held in honor of **Sheila Lederman's** retirement. She worked at Adat Shalom for the past 24 years, and directly with Rabbi Bergman since 2008.



The Zionist Organization of America – Michigan Region honored **Carol & Sanford Vieder** with the Justice Louis D. Brandeis Award at the 84th Annual Balfour Celebration.

**Yad Ezra** sent all of us at Adat Shalom a note of appreciation for the donations collected during the High Holy Days: *"Dear Friends, Thank you for your generous Pushka contribution to Yad Ezra, Michigan's only kosher food pantry..."*

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

## CONGREGATIONAL FUND

### IN MEMORY OF:

Frances Abelson *by Florence & Richard Abel; Dina Brodsky; Rosalie Gold; Karen & Ken Goss*

Myrna Bradley *by Judy & John Marx*  
Debbie Glassman *by Bobbie & Donald Blitz; Marlene & Seymour Bresler; Joan & Bob Epstein; Sandy Nucian; Julie & Mark Teicher*

Sheldon Goldman *by Marlene & Seymour Bresler; Julie & Mark Teicher*

Sister of Geri Lazare  
*by Marlene & Seymour Bresler*

Leonard Posner *by Ronna & Kenny Whiteman; Will Bluford & Danielle Bluford*

Werner Seiferheld *by A Pass Educational Group*

### Yahrzeits of:

William Biederman  
*by Carmen & Robert Biederman*  
Elizabeth Brown; Rodney Brown  
*by Helen Brown*  
Louis Droz *by Sharon Katan*  
Abe Engelbaum; Leo Engelbaum  
*by Ike Engelbaum*  
Mark Judikovic *by Lola Schoenberger*  
Herman Kaufman *by Charlene Green*  
Hyman Moskowitz *by Marilyn Goldberg*  
Adelle Robins *by Elaine & Robert Robins*  
Helen Schrage; Alexander Ullmann  
*by Faye Ullmann Kanter*  
Sol Waxman *by Diane Voight*

### IN HONOR OF:

Adat Shalom Clergy & Staff  
*by Andrea Rogoff*  
Rabbi Bergman; Rabbi Shere; Hazzan Gross; Michael Wolf for their assistance with Talya's Bat Mitzvah  
*by Leemor & Jeff Rotberg*  
O'Mally *by Thomas O'Neil*  
Rabbi Bergman *by Richard Kahn*  
High Holiday Aliyah  
*by Jennifer & Stuart Freedland*  
Special birthday of Harriet Friedman  
*by Sharon Bergman*  
Thank you to Linda Goodman  
*by Ilene Hafner*  
Karen & Ken Goss *by Helene Brody*  
High Holiday Aliyah  
*by Barbara & Edward Gutman*  
Aliyah Honors  
*by Rochelle & Charles Markle*  
You win to Linda & Steven Mondrow  
*by Deborah Weiss*  
High Holiday Aliyah  
*by Beverly & Randy Phillips*  
High Holiday Aliyah *by Andrea Rogoff*

Birthday of Michael Serling  
*by Sherwin Newman*  
60th Birthday of David Sherbin  
*by Susan & Larry Slabotsky*  
Birthday of Ezra Shere  
*by Marilyn Robinson*  
Happy Healthy New Year to Lisa & Gary Shiffman *by Rosalie Gold*  
Aliyah Honors *by Amy & David Strauss*  
Howard Terebello *by Ronna & Kenny Whiteman; Will Bluford & Danielle Bluford*

### SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Julie Teicher  
*by Lisa & Gary Shiffman*  
Beverly & Ralph Woronoff  
*by Julie & Mark Teicher*

## MATTHEW SCOTT DOREN CAMP RAMAH/ISRAEL TRAVEL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

### IN MEMORY OF:

Yahrzeits of Charlotte Mellner Raylson  
*by Naomi Doren*

### IN HONOR OF:

Thoughts are with you to Judith Clarke;  
Alan Dozoretz *by Naomi Doren*

## HAROLD DUBIN MEMORIAL TIKKUN ADAT FUND

### IN HONOR OF:

New job for Lisa Betman  
*by Charlotte Dubin*  
Retirement of Sheila Lederman  
*by Charlotte Dubin*

## DR. MANUEL FELDMAN BETH ACHIM RELIGIOUS SCHOOL MEMORIAL FUND

### IN MEMORY OF:

Alan Jedwab *by Tammi, Scott, Adam, Elisha & Joshua Cooper*

### IN HONOR OF:

Aliyah received *by Tobi & Larry Fox*  
Thank you for the dinner to Myrna & Joe  
Salzman *by Phyllis Subar*

## ALEX GRAHAM TRAVEL & EDUCATION FUND

### IN MEMORY OF:

Sheldon Goldman *by Susie & Bill Graham*  
Joyce Tubben *by Alice Klegon*  
Yahrzeits of:  
Ruben Burko *by Dina Ashmann*  
Louis Been *by Claudia & Ken Been*

## GERRY D. KELLER MEMORIAL CHOIR FUND

### IN MEMORY OF:

Marilyn Freedland *by Judy Keller & Howard Schulist*

### IN HONOR OF:

Sheldon Gordon's retirement  
*by Judy Keller & Howard Schulist*  
Special birthday of Sandy Hack  
*by Judy Keller & Howard Schulist*

## ROBERT KORNWISE FUND IN MEMORY OF:

Martin Miller *by Claire & Gene Richmond*

## HILLEL ISAAC AND RACHEL MAISEL MEMORIAL HOUSING THE HOMELESS FUND

### IN MEMORY OF:

Sheldon Goldman  
*by Evva & Michael Hepner; Rochelle & Joel Lieberman*  
Patty Klein *by Rochelle & Joel Lieberman*  
Herbert Samovitz  
*by Nancy & Bill Handelsman*  
Werner Seiferheld  
*by Evva & Michael Hepner; Debbie Cohen & Andy Pass*  
Yahrzeits of:  
Harriet Lisnov  
*by Rochelle & Joel Lieberman*  
**IN HONOR OF:**  
Aliyah received *by Joan & Ken Stern*  
**SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:**  
Steve Sinkoff *by Rochelle & Joel Lieberman*  
Julie Teicher *by Fran & Phil Wolok*

## MORRY NEUVIRTH BAR & BAT MITZVAH FUND

### IN MEMORY OF:

Leo Berlin *by Sharon & Tom Lebovic*  
Sheldon Goldman *by Sharon & Tom Lebovic*  
Ruth Alice Pataky  
*by Rochelle & Joel Lieberman*  
Werner Seiferheld *by Sharon & Tom Lebovic*  
Yahrzeits of:  
Theodore Rotblatt; Mary Weizen  
*by Rochelle & Joel Lieberman*

### IN HONOR OF:

High Holiday Honor received  
*by Sheryl & Cliff Dovitz; Karen & Bruce Silverman*  
Alan Yost *by The Olender Family*  
**SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:**  
Dan Sonnenberg  
*by Julie & Marty Wiener*  
Norma Dorman *by Rosalie & Bruce Rosen; Julie & Marty Wiener*

## SYLVIA & ABE PEARLMAN EDUCATION FUND

### IN MEMORY OF:

Debbie Glassman *by Linda Friedlaender*  
Brother of Jerry Kurtis *by Linda Friedlaender*  
**IN HONOR OF:**  
Bat Mitzvah of Talia Begres  
*by Linda Friedlaender*

# ▶ TRIBUTES

## STEVEN POSEN YOUTH VOLUNTEER FUND

### IN HONOR OF:

Sukkot hospitality to Laurel, Stuart & Steven Fink; Andi & Jay Levin *by Cindy Posen*  
Bar Mitzvah of Ariel Ser *by Andrea Rogoff*

## PRAYER BOOK FUND

### IN MEMORY OF:

Dr. Allen Stone *by Adele & Jerry Kalman*

## MAURICE RAZNICK & JEAN RAZNICK KLARISTENFELD MEMORIAL FUND

### IN MEMORY OF:

Debbie Glassman *by Elaine & Mel Raznick*  
Sheldon Kaye *by Elaine & Mel Raznick*  
Leonard Posner *by Elaine & Mel Raznick*

### IN HONOR OF:

Anniversary of Gerrie & Buddy Sollish  
*by Elaine & Mel Raznick*

## BELLE & MAURICE ROSENDER MEMORIAL FUND

### IN MEMORY OF:

Sheldon Goldman  
*by Joyce & Jeffrey Weingarten*

### IN HONOR OF:

Birthday of Scott Eisenberg  
*by Ruth & Chuck Weingarten;*  
*Joyce & Jeffrey Weingarten*  
Receiving ZOA honor to Sandy & Carol  
Vieder *by Joyce & Jeffrey Weingarten*  
Anniversary of Joyce & Jeffrey Weingarten  
*by Ruth & Chuck Weingarten*

### SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Carma Gargaro  
*by Joyce & Jeffrey Weingarten*  
Rachel Hirschman  
*by Ellen & Geoff Kasselman*

## SISTERHOOD KIDDUSH FUND

### IN MEMORY OF:

Sheldon Goldman *by Cindy Babcock; Geula Rapp; Judy Rudy*

Allan Jedwab *by Marcia Garland*

Linda Seagle

*by Sandra & Stephen Wittenberg*

Werner Seiferheld *by Marcia Garland*

Harold Traub

*by Marlene & Seymour Bresler*

Yahrzeits of:

Rebecca Tron *by Geula & Stanford Rapp*

### IN HONOR OF:

Birth of Miles Homer Pliskin

*by Marcia Garland*

Your new home to Rena Tepman;

Beverly & Ralph Woronoff

*by Marcia Garland*

### SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Julie Teicher *by Beryl & Mickey Levin*

## JERRY TEPMAN ALIYAH FUND IN MEMORY OF:

Werner Seiferheld *by Larry, Suzan & Jordyn Tepman; Rena Tepman*

Yahrzeit of:

Pauline Tepman *by Doreen, Jason, Evie & Jillian Dickman; Larry, Suzan & Jordyn Tepman; Rena Tepman*

## CANTOR LARRY VIEDER MEMORIAL FUND

Yahrzeits of:

Zoli Kohen *by Sheri Kohen*

Kay Shapiro

*by Maureen & Robert Shapiro*

### IN HONOR OF:

Thank you for the Sukkah to Sandy & Carol  
Vieder *by The Endelman Family*  
Receiving ZOA honor to Sandy & Carol  
Vieder *by Lori & Jim Issner; Gerrie & Buddy Sollish*

## JAY YOSKOWITZ ISRAEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

### IN HONOR OF:

Thank you to Rabbi Bergman, Alan & Dorene Finer, Denise Gallagher, Hazzan Gross, Rabbi Shere, Elliot Solomon, Michael Wolf, Alan Yost

*by Dennis Phillips*

Ariel Ser's Bar Mitzvah *by Dennis Phillips*

Chanting Haftarah Yonah to Betsy Wolf

*by Dennis Phillips*

Wonderful simchas to Rabbi & Rachel

Yoskowitz *by Trudy & Art Weiss*

Recent marriage of Barbara Newman Zack

& Norman Joel Rubin *by Dennis Phillips*

### SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Shelly Perlman *by Dennis Phillips*

## THE BREAKFAST FUND

### October

In memory of Evelyn Berlin

*by Lou Berlin and Joyce Weingarten*

In memory of Frederick Greenhut

*by Kerry & Elaine Greenhut*

In memory of Hannah & Alexander

Schostak *by Lillian & Lee Schostak*

In memory of Meyer King

*by Ellen & David Bushman*

### November

In honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Josh Kroll

*by Jonathan & Michelle Kroll*

In memory of Saul Leff *by Gordy Leff*

In honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Jake

Rosenwasser

*by Jenifer & Mitch Rosenwasser*

In honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Ari Margolis

*by Caroline & Paul Margolis*

In memory of Seymour Subar *by Phyllis,*

*Jeffrey & Carol Beth Subar*

In memory of Ira M. Caplan *by Dennis*

*Phillips*

In honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Jonathan  
Manela *by Melissa & Harley Manela*  
In memory of Sol Winkler *by Lillian & Lee Schostak*

## Minyan Breakfast Fund

Yahrzeits of:

Harriet Gregg *by Rosalie Gold*

Sol Hoberman

*by Karen & Terry Weingarden*

Mikulas Judikovic

*by Alvin & Susan Schoenberger*

Jack Sittsamer *by Murray Sittsamer*

Kurt Urbach *by Joan & Ken Stern*

*by Doris & Frederick Blechman*

### IN HONOR OF:

Michael Wolf *by Karen & Ken Goss;*

*Beryl & Mickey Levin*

## Adat Shalom Synagogue Tribute Contribution

**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.

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 visit our website [www.adatshalom.org/donate.php](http://www.adatshalom.org/donate.php) or call the office at 248.851.5100. or 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.

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.**

# MEMORIALS

**MYRNA BRADLEY**, wife of the late Joseph Bradley, mother of Scott (Diana) Bradley, Sheri Bradley, and Dr. David (Debra) Bradley, grandmother of Rachael, Hannah, Isabel, Dylan, and Brendan Bradley, sister of the late Elaine Weintraub

**DEBBIE GLASSMAN**, wife of Jerry Glassman, mother of Lenore (Alan) Deutch Singer, George (Sherri) Glassman and Judith G. Etkin, grandmother of Stephanie (Dr. Jordan) Goldstein, Brad (Leanne) Deutch, Justin (Elyse) Singer, Rachael Glassman, Michael (Dr. Mindy) Glassman, Jamie (Jordan) Sherman, Maude Etkin and Stephanie Etkin Hart, great-grandmother of Harrison Goldstein, Bryce Goldstein, Harvee Deutch, Bowen Deutch, Calvin Singer and Ezra Hart, sister of Allen (Margie) Charnes, mother-in-law of the late Harvey Deutch, daughter of the late Saul and the late Martha Charnes

**DANIEL VICTOR**, son of Judith Dubin and the late Marvin Dubin, Richard and Denise Victor, brother of Ronald (Heather) Victor, Sandra (Adam) Cosolala, Shelby Dubin (Dr. Silvio Cozzetto), Bruce (Suzanne) Dubin, and Eric (Dalia) Dubin, father of Davis Victor and Stirling Victor. Also survived by his former wife and mother of his children, Tracy Moen, and Tracy's parents, Bette and Ron Moen. He was the grandson of David and Diana Berman, and the late Simon and the late Helen Victor

**ARON ZOLDAN**, husband of the late Frances Zoldan, father of Mildred (Michael) Pivoz, Reena (Stuart) Arnold, Martin (Elisa) Zoldan, Sandra (Jay) Colvin and Brenda (Corey) Freedman, brother of Israel (Malka) Zoldan and the late Reuvan Zoldan, grandfather of Jason (Melissa), Craig (Megan), Benjamin, Eric (Jenna), Jeffrey (Laura), Steven, Jaclyn (Corey), Joseph, Ethan, Mathew, Dayna, Adam and Heather, great-grandfather of Tyler, Dylan, Jaxon, Chase and Jordyn



## ADAT SHALOM MEMORIAL PARK

THE CEMETERY IS OPEN FROM 9 A.M. TO 5 P.M.  
SUNDAY THROUGH FRIDAY  
CLOSED ON SHABBAT AND JEWISH HOLIDAYS

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE PURCHASE OF CEMETERY PLOTS,  
PLEASE CALL STEVEN GOLDSMITH, 248.798.9995  
OR DENISE GALLAGHER, 248.851.5100

*Serenity*

A New Open AA Meeting

**TUESDAYS @7:30PM**

Adat Shalom Synagogue

The general public is welcome

## HAZZAN GROSS (continued from page 3)

"White Christmas" came out in the middle of World War II and through its mixture of beautiful sentimentality and vivid images of the comforts of home, the song provided solace for countless people affected by the hardships of war. Bing Crosby said that the most difficult thing he ever had to do in his career occurred at a USO show in 1944 in Northern France when he had to sing "White Christmas" in front of 100,000 G.I.s who were in tears. This took place only a few days before the Battle of the Bulge where many of these soldiers lost their lives.

I'm always happy to admit that I love Christmas music (see my December 2018 Voice article, available at [adatshalom.org](http://adatshalom.org)). The Jewish people's contributions to the arts is indisputable and although many of us may experience the "December Dilemma," we can all take pride in knowing that the best-selling song of all time was written by a nice Jewish boy. My best wishes for an illuminated, wonderful, and maybe even White Chanukah!

## RABBI SHERE (continued from page 3)

When our world feels dark and cold, it's easy to get frustrated and discouraged. The first step toward fixing any problem is always the hardest to take. With any goal, once we see that first bit of progress, no matter how small, it becomes easier to take the next step. Darkness is dispelled one small step at a time. Our Chanukah candles may shine the brightest on the eighth night, but the first night will always be my favorite.

## From Michael Wolf

Director of Spirituality and Outreach

Continuing my 5780 theme - the year of Outreach...

Jacob prepares to meet his brother Esau in Parashat Vayislach. Jacob employs a number of strategies before meeting with Esau:

1. Direct diplomacy (sending messengers – Va-Yishlach 32:4 "Jacob sent messengers ahead to his brother Esau...")
2. Preparation for the possibility of war (32:8-9 - "Jacob was greatly frightened; in his anxiety, he divided up the people with him, and the flocks and herds and camels, into two camps, thinking, 'If Esau comes to the one camp and attacks it, the other camp may yet escape'")
3. Passionate prayer (32:12 – "Deliver me, I pray, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau...")  
DAILY MINYAN 7:30 A.M. 5:00 P.M.
4. Gift giving (32:14 – 15 – "after spending the night there, he selected from what was at hand these presents for his brother Esau: 200 she-goats and 20 he-goats; 200 ewes and 20 rams.")
5. Mental preparation (wrestling intellectually with his opponent – Esau's guardian angel - in anticipation of their eventual confrontation).

Something was done right, because miraculously Jacob was not harmed by his brother. Which one was it that made the difference? It probably wasn't just one thing that Jacob did, rather it's that he did all he could do. He acted in advance rather than reacting.














A lesson for outreach - the more we know about you, the more we can prepare in advance. **A good place to start is how to get in touch with you! My email is [mwolf@adatshalom.org](mailto:mwolf@adatshalom.org) and my cell – 240.660.5556 – please email or call so I can learn yours.**



# DECEMBER 2019

KISLEV - TEVET 5780






# Adat Shalom Synagogue

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY																																									
<div>1</div> <div>MEDITATION &amp; MINDFULNESS with Rabbi Bergman 9:30 AM NO SCHOOL</div> <div>KISLEV3</div>	<div>2</div> <div>LUNCHTIME LEARNING with Rabbi Bergman 11:45 AM  DRUM CIRCLE with Hazzan Gross at Hillel Day School 7:00 PM</div> <div>4</div>	<div>3</div> <div>SYNAGOGUE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MTG. 6:00 PM</div> <div>5</div>	<div>4</div> <div></div> <div>6</div>	<div>5</div> <div></div> <div>7</div>	<div>6</div> <div> 4:42 PM</div> <div>8</div>	<div>Vayetzei7</div> <div>Bar Mitzvah of Jonathan Manela</div> <div>SHABBAT TORAH STUDY with Ruth Bergman 9:45 AM</div> <div>SOULFUL YOGA with Rabbi Shere 10: 00 AM</div> <div>MINCHAH-MAARIV 5:00 PM9</div>																																									
<div>8</div> <div>PARENTING/LEARNING PROGRAM with Jackie Issner, PhD &amp; Rabbi Shere 9:30 AM MEN'S CLUB CHANUKAH SING- ALONG with 5th-6th Grade 10:00 AM at Fleischman Residence Sisterhood Boutique CHANUKAH BAZAAR for kids iENGAGE HARTMAN ISRAEL with Rabbi Bergman 10:00 AM 3RD GR. PARENT PROGRAM: INTRO TO SIDDUR 11:00 AM</div> <div>10</div>	<div>9</div> <div></div> <div>11</div>	<div>10</div> <div></div> <div>12</div>	<div>11</div> <div>FRIENDS VIRTUAL TOUR 11:45 AM</div> <div>13</div>	<div>12</div> <div>SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB 7:15 PM in a private home</div> <div>14</div>	<div>13</div> <div>SHABBAT-APPELLA 5:00 PM</div> <div> 4:42 PM15</div>	<div>Vayishlach14</div> <div>Bat Mitzvah of Erin Biederman</div> <div>SHABBAT TORAH STUDY with Rabbi Jason Miller 9:45 AM</div> <div>KIDS' NIGHT OUT</div> <div>MINCHAH-MAARIV 5:00 PM16</div>																																									
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<div>22</div> <div>SCHOOL BREAK</div> <div> 1st Candle24</div>	<div>CHANUKAH 1st Day23</div> <div>– NO CLASSES</div> <div> 2nd Candle25</div>	<div>CHANUKAH 2nd Day24</div> <div>UNTIL JANUARY 5</div> <div>DINNER &amp; MOVIE with Men's Club &amp; Friends 6:00 PM</div> <div> 3rd Candle26</div>	<div>CHANUKAH 3rd Day25</div> <div>Morning Minyan 8:30 AM</div> <div> 4th Candle27</div>	<div>CHANUKAH 4th Day26</div> <div></div> <div> 5th Candle28</div>	<div>CHANUKAH 5th Day27</div> <div></div> <div> 6th Candle  4:49 PM29</div>	<div>Miketz28</div> <div>CHANUKAH 6th Day</div> <div>ROSH CHODESH TEVET</div> <div>NO SHABBAT TORAH STUDY</div> <div> 7th Candle MINCHAH-MAARIV 5:00 PM30</div>																																									
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# JANUARY 2020

TEVET - SHEVAT 5780

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<b>5</b> SCHOOL RESUMES  MEDITATION & MINDFULNESS with Rabbi Bergman 9:30 AM  <b>8</b>	<b>6</b>  MUSSAR MONDAYS with Rabbi Bergman 7:00 PM  <b>9</b>	<b>FAST OF TEVET 7</b>  SYNAGOGUE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MTG. 6:00 PM  <b>10</b>	<b>8</b>   <b>11</b>	<b>9</b>   <b>12</b>	<b>10</b>   5:02 PM <b>13</b>	<b>Vayechi 11</b> B'n't Mitzvah of Emily Daitch and Lonni Reich  MEN'S SHABBAT RETREAT with Rabbi Bergman at Adat Shalom 9:30 AM-6:30 PM  MINCHAH-MAARIV 5:00 PM <b>14</b>																																										
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← TEEN TRIP with Rabbi Shere 1/30/20-2/2/20 →

## Adat Shalom Synagogue Prague-Israel Trip 2020



Join our February 2020 trip with Ruth and Rabbi Aaron Bergman. Departing Detroit Sunday, February 9, 2020 for Prague, continuing on to Israel February 13, returning to the U.S. February 24.

Explore the rich Jewish history of Prague – the Jewish Quarter, synagogues, the cemetery, and more.

Honor the memories of those who perished at Theresienstadt, and visit Yad Vashem in Jerusalem.

Spend one Shabbat by the sea in Tel Aviv, and another near the Old City walls of Jerusalem.

Have lunch at a Druze village in Isfiya. Visit the Golan Heights and explore Tzfat.

Can't miss experiences: Masada, the Dead Sea, Shuk Machane Yehuda, the Old City of Jerusalem, the Western Wall, and so much more!

### Costs:

\$6925 per person in a double room for land and air costs

\$ 200 for gratuities and extras

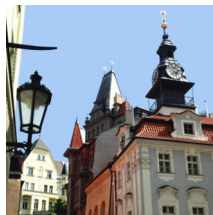
\$1555 private room (single) additional fee

*Price includes: flights and hotel, all programs on the itinerary, 19 meals, 1 laundry service*

Interested? [bit.ly/AdatIsrael2020](http://bit.ly/AdatIsrael2020)

or contact Dr. Melissa Ser at

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### CANDLE LIGHTING

#### Friday:

Dec . 6	4:42 p.m.
13	4:42 p.m.
20	4:45 p.m.
27	4:49 p.m.

### SHABBAT ENDS

#### Saturday:

Dec. 7	5:42 p.m.
14	5:42 p.m.
21	5:45 p.m.
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