



## Holiday Details in Your Hands

The High Holy Days will soon be upon us so congregants can turn to the information packets mailed to all in mid-August for a complete overview of religious service schedules, the *Book of Remembrance*, home hospitality and special programs.

The High Holy Days Committee, chaired by Mark Diamond, is completing the schedule of *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur* morning and afternoon study sessions that add personal meaning to the holidays. Pre-holiday learning opportunities marking *Elul* are described on page 14.

In advance of *Rosh Hashanah*, congregant Sam Gilston will teach a *shofar* blowing class. Rabbi Israel will conduct his annual holiday discussion, and Cantor Helzner will be working new melodies into the holiday services.

Volunteers are needed for various duties. Contact Diamond at docdiamond@verizon.net or Executive Director Aaron Chusid at aaron@tikvatIsrael.org. The latter can be contacted if you did not receive the mailed information packet.

## Two Leading Volunteers to be Feted on Simchat Torah at TI

Every year on *Simchat Torah*, Tikvat Israel bestows the honor of *Hattan Torah* and *Kallat Bereshit* (“groom and bride of the *Torah*”) on two congregants who have made significant contributions to our synagogue’s spiritual, educational and cultural life.

Elliot Cowan and Melissa Apter will be honored as the synagogue’s leading volunteers of 2024. They will be the honored guests at a *Simchat Torah* luncheon at Tikvat Israel on Friday, Oct. 25. (Contributions in their honor can be sent to the *shul* office.)



**Elliot Cowan**

A capable service leader, expert *Torah* reader, skilled *gabbai* and frequent *minyán* attendee, as well as long-time member of the Religious Practices Committee, **Elliot Cowan** is a fixture in the religious life of Tikvat Israel. Elliot is the creator and leader of *Torah Club*, a unique mentorship program in which children learn, and subsequently teach others, how to chant *Torah* and *Haftarah*.

Elliot was married to Bonnie Cowan (z’l). He is the father of Marnina (and father-in-law of Seth Cowan), Amalia and Micah Cowan and the grandfather of Aviv and Natan Cowan.

**Melissa Apter**, who considers herself a beneficiary of Elliot’s *Torah Club* program, often can be heard on *Shabbat* mornings chanting *Haftarah* or leading the congregation in prayer. She is also a dedicated and caring tutor for our *bnai mitzvah* students. In recent years, Melissa has been instrumental in welcoming new members and connecting them with the religious, cultural and educational opportunities offered by our community. A synagogue board member, she serves as a contributing editor of the *Tikvat Israel Bulletin*.



**Melissa Apter**

Melissa has the distinction of being the first *Simchat Torah* honoree in at least 27 years to have grown up at Tikvat Israel and the first second-generation honoree. She is the daughter of Susan and Alan Apter, wife of Avi Bardack and mom of Barak Matan Bardack.

## WEEKLY RELIGIOUS SERVICES

<b>Monday</b>	7:15 a.m.	7:30 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00 a.m.	7:30 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:00 a.m.	7:30 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b>	7:15 a.m.	7:30 p.m.
<b>Friday</b>	8:00 a.m.	
<b>Kabbalat Shabbat</b>		6:00 p.m.
<b>Shabbat</b>	9:45 a.m.	
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 a.m.	7:30 p.m.

All services are both online and in person.

## CANDLE LIGHTING & HAVDALAH TIMES

<u>Shabbat &amp; Holiday Dates</u>	<u>Candle Lighting</u>	<u>Havdalah</u>
9/6-7	7:12 p.m.	8:11 p.m.
9/13-14	7:01 p.m.	7:59 p.m.
9/20-21	6:49 p.m.	7:48 p.m.
9/27-28	6:38 p.m.	7:37 p.m.

### *Erev Rosh Hashanah:*

10/2 6:30 p.m.

### *Rosh Hashanah:*

10/3

10/4-5 6:27 p.m. 7:24 p.m.

### *Yom Kippur:*

10/11-12 6:16 p.m. 7:13 p.m.

### *Erev Sukkot:*

10/16 6:09 p.m.

### *Sukkot:*

10/17 7:06 p.m.

10/18-19 6:06 p.m. 7:04 p.m.

10/23

6:00 p.m.

### *Shemini Atzeret:*

10/24 6:57 p.m.

### *Simchat Torah:*

10/25 5:57 p.m. 6:55 p.m.

On the second night of a holiday, candles should be lit from a pre-existing flame after nightfall. If the second night coincides with the start of *Shabbat*, candles should be lit from a pre-existing flame before sunset.

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## Recognizing Our Kitchen's Value, Meyer Assumes Committee Lead

Monica Meyer, a newly reelected Tikvat Israel board member, assumed the post of kitchen committee chair in July.

A coordinator of the synagogue's kitchen functions is expected to be hired as a part-time TI staff member early this fall.

In assuming her role, Meyer said: "I view our kitchen as the heart of our *shul* community. It's where we come together for weekly *kiddushim*, celebrate each other's *simchas* and enjoy holidays, all while sharing lively conversations and delicious food. This connection is crucial for our synagogue's vibrancy.

"My vision is for a kitchen that is welcoming, open, and truly shared by all of us. Engaging in conversation and laughter while working in the kitchen enriches our community experience," she added.

Meyer is encouraging all TI members to volunteer a few times over the year, especially for the *Shabbat kiddushim*.

Not all tasks involve food preparation. Help is needed with setup and cleanup. The software program Sign-Up Genius will allow volunteers to choose dates and suitable roles. To sign up, visit <https://bit.ly/tikitchen>.

## Shul Shorts

### Torah Yoga Session

A first-time activity titled "Stretching into *Elul*" with Sarah Fishman and Rabbi Marc Israel will take place on Sunday morning, Sept. 8, at 11:30 a.m. in the *shul's* Flax Library.

The 75-minute session will combine the practice of yoga with lessons of *Torah*, and it is designed for individuals of all levels, including those with no experience with yoga or *Torah*. Participants should put on their yoga clothes and bring a mat and props if available.

### Shofar Blower Available

Emma Maphis, a 10th grader in the TI Teens group, has offered to blow the *shofar* in person for those who are unable to come to synagogue during the High Holidays. To schedule a time for Emma to visit, contact Judy Stern at [judymstern7@gmail.com](mailto:judymstern7@gmail.com) or call 301-279-0972.

### Advertising Sales Leads

Bob Silverstein serves as advertising sales coordinator for the *Tikvat Israel Bulletin*. He is willing to contact area service providers or retail merchants who might find a potential audience in our synagogue members.

If you are aware of businesses that ought to be contacted, please send Silverstein a contact name at [r\\_silverstein@msn.com](mailto:r_silverstein@msn.com) so he can follow up with a sales pitch and advertising rates. Non-dues revenue is important to the synagogue's fiscal health.

### Open Board Meetings

Meetings of the Tikvat Israel Board of Directors take place on the fourth Tuesdays of most months at 8 p.m. (following evening *minyan*) via Zoom. Congregants are permitted to join as observers (with the only closed portions relating to personnel or legal discussions). Agendas for meetings, as well as the Zoom links, can be obtained in advance from TI's recording secretary, Melissa Apter, at [mwapter@gmail.com](mailto:mwapter@gmail.com), or from the synagogue office.

# Three New Families Join Our Member Ranks

Our congregation has welcomed several new members in recent months.

The *Tikvat Israel Bulletin* asked each of them to share some biographical information as well as their motivation for joining Tikvat Israel.

The new members are Rob and Deb Amchin, Aaron Krupkin and Gabrielle Matuzsan, Rachel Metz and Nataly Schwartz.

**Members:** Robert (Rob) and Deborah (Deb) Amchin

**Children:** Adult children - Shirin Masica and family in Rockville; Ben Amchin and family in Milwaukee, Wis.; and Miriam Roberts and family in Germantown



**Rob and Deb Amchin**

**Residence:** Montgomery Village

**Occupations:** Rob – retired professor of music education at University of Louisville. Deb - middle school counselor at Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School

**Why affiliate with TI:** Unlike other congregations we visited, we were approached and welcomed by many people every time we came to visit. Our first service was *Simchat Torah* on Oct. 7, a rough night to be sure, but still we felt at home right away. We are always invited to sit with people during *kiddush* and are included in conversations, so we are starting to make social connections.

**First impressions of TI:** Lots of Judaically knowledgeable congregants. Coming from Kentucky, that's a new experience for us, and the whole congregation sings in tune. (Our last rabbi was a *mensch* who couldn't match pitch to save his life.)

**Anything else to share:** Rob has already joined the congregational Klezmer band, while Deb is singing with Chai Dynamics and volunteers to read *Torah*. We also joined in the puppet show for *Purim*. We like to volunteer for things (as long as it's OK for us to say no when asked).



**Members:** Rachel Metz and Nataly Schwartz

**Residence:** Silver Spring

**Occupations:** Nataly - governance and operations manager at the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics. Rachel - data and research manager, DC Action

**Why affiliate with TI:** We were looking for a participatory, egalitarian Conservative or Reconstructionist congregation big enough to have pastoral support and education infrastructure in place but small enough to still feel like a community. That's a lot of criteria, but Tikvat Israel seems to hit them all. From people coming up and introducing themselves at *kiddush* when we came to services, to the system of committees and many volunteers



**Rachel Metz (left) and Nataly Schwartz**

who keep the wheels of the synagogue turning, to the *havurot* that help people connect with one another, it's clear that Tikvat Israel is a really intentional community and a very special congregation.

**First impressions of TI:** Very welcoming

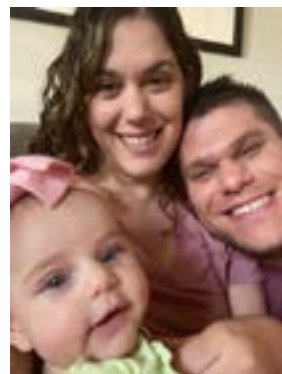


**Members:** Aaron Krupkin and Gabrielle Matuzsan

**Children:** Madeline (5 months old)

**Residence:** Silver Spring

**Occupations:** Aaron – budget analyst at the Congressional Budget Office. Gabrielle - senior analyst on defense issues at the Government Accountability Office



**Aaron Krupkin and Gabrielle Matuzsan with Madison**

**Why affiliate with TI:** When we found out that Madeline was on the way, we started searching for a synagogue community in which we can raise her. We love that TI is an established congregation with a very warm and welcoming feel. When we found out that Rabbi Israel also went to University of Michigan (Aaron's alma mater), we knew it was meant to be.

**First impressions of TI:** We first attended services last fall and immediately felt welcomed by everyone we met. The TI community is so warm, and it was very easy to envision ourselves making it a home. The TI staff and Rabbi Israel were great at answering all our questions about the synagogue and becoming members. We were also so touched at the support we received when Madeline was born in April.

**Anything else to share:** We are looking forward to getting more involved at TI and meeting everyone.

## Four Final *Kabbalat Shabbats* with Instruments

This spirited Friday evening service, scheduled four times during 2024-25, includes uplifting melodies both traditional and new, always led by Cantor Helzner and accompanied by instrumentalists.

The service begins at 6 p.m. preceded by a reception at 5:30 p.m. The service dates are Dec. 13, Jan. 31, March 28 and June 13.

Sponsors for the receptions are needed. Please contact Cantor Helzner.



# 'A Time to Sing' to Mark a Cantor Moving On

BY JEFF SMITH, CANTOR CONCERT CO-CHAIR

During the last congregational meeting, Rabbi Israel announced that our beloved cantor, Rochelle Helzner, will shift into her new role next June as cantor emeritus. This provides us an opportunity to celebrate her and her legacy for an entire year, culminating with a cantor's concert like no other in May.

As a co-chair of "Et HaZamir: A Time to Sing," with Mary Wagner, I am truly excited and honored to make this event a memorable one.

We are forming a committee of volunteers now from inside and outside of Tikvat Israel to deliver top-notch programs. Our intentions are these:

- hold special events during the *chagim*;
- enhance the cantor's amazing *Kabbalat Shabbat* with Instruments program;
- involve community partners in social action; and
- produce a concert that we hope we all will be talking about (in a good way) for years to come.

The concert will feature musical artist Joey Weisenberg from the Hadar Ensemble and numerous others who participate in his moving and beautiful singing circles. If you are not familiar with the ensemble, we will highlight their *niggunim* and unique

way of engaging musicians and audiences. When you attend the concert in May, you will be moved by the power of song combined with the incredible community that Cantor Helzner has built over her four decades as cantor at Beth Tikva and Tikvat Israel.

In addition to the concert itself, we intend to involve our community in the following ways:

- Fundraising to ensure our congregation's financial well-being and to support musical and educational programming for years ahead;
- Commission art pieces as a gift to the cantor and to place in the synagogue, providing a constant reminder of her impact on our community; and
- A tribute book of photographs, memories and meaningful words from all of us who have been touched by her work.

We will need everyone's help to make all of this come together. In the coming weeks and months, you will learn of opportunities to get involved. Please do. The more we all give, the more we will all get out of it. Watch for further communications, including e-mails and website posts, with more information.

We look forward to commemorating and celebrating together. May we all go from strength to strength.

## Capital Campaign Tally Exceeds Target by 20%

BY AARON CHUSID, TIKVAT ISRAEL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Aaron Chusid

Just over two years ago, our congregation launched a Capital Campaign to fund some much-needed upgrades to our building. At the time, our \$600,000 goal seemed incredibly ambitious, but today I am proud to share that we have not only reached but surpassed our goal, raising \$722,559, or 120 percent of the target.

The Capital Campaign was much larger than our typical appeals, but it turned out our members were not only ready to step forward, they were willing to go even farther than we had asked. More than half of our member households donated toward the campaign, making this a true community effort.

The final boost that pushed us over the top came from a generous donation by the Temple Israel Foundation. This fund was formed from the assets of Temple Israel Synagogue when it merged 26 years ago with Beth Tikva to form Tikvat Israel. Its mission is to provide support for Jewish causes and programs in the areas of education, Jewish identity and communal projects

throughout the metropolitan Washington area. The foundation's support of the Capital Campaign is a testament to the blended history of our congregation, and the strong community we have built.

To date, the Capital Campaign has financed essential repairs around TI, including replacing failing HVAC units, repairing the elevator, repaving the parking lot and upgrading the security of our doors and windows. Upcoming projects include replacing an aging air conditioner in the ECC wing and beginning long-delayed repairs to the roof.

I am grateful to campaign co-chairs Carol Chelemer and Howard Wilchins, and all the volunteers who helped make this possible. Thank you all for your work and support on this campaign. It has been a pleasure to work with and learn from all of you, and I look forward to going from strength to strength in our work on behalf of our congregation.

It's not too late to be part of the Capital Campaign. To learn more or make a donation, access [www.tikvatisrael.org/capitalcampaign](http://www.tikvatisrael.org/capitalcampaign).

## PRESIDENTS' CORNER

# Back to *Shul*: Goals for the Upcoming Year

BY BETH SMITH AND SALLY KRAM, TIKVAT ISRAEL CO-PRESIDENTS



Beth Smith



Sally Kram

As fall approaches, many Jewish families start thinking about school, High Holidays and football. (OK, maybe only some Jewish families think about football.)

The Tikvat Israel Board of Directors took a different approach, engaging in a day-long workshop on Aug. 4 to set priorities for the upcoming fiscal year, which began on July 1, 2024, and will end next June 30.

To start the conversation, the board reviewed goals it had set for itself in January when it last met to review how well TI was meeting the goals of the strategic plan in Year 2.

### Among the board's accomplishments so far in 2024:

- It has taken steps toward increasing participation in board meetings;
- It has empowered the TI treasurer to improve the quality of financial information and enhance the transparency of that information, enabling the board to make better fiscal decisions and informatively discuss those decisions with the congregation;

- It recommended and saw the congregation approve a revision to the TI bylaws which, among other things, will add a second congregational meeting to the calendar year to allow for elections in winter;
- It supported an update to the TI website to include a guide for multifamily families and a page dedicated to inclusion;
- It endorsed the launch of the *Netivot* Religious School, now entering its second year;
- It encouraged the creation of programming to further explore Jewish traditions and create new ones; and
- It oversaw the rollout of the voluntary pledge model for membership.

Unwilling to rest on its laurels, the board then turned to how it could better meet TI's mission to Engage, Embrace, Inspire and Empower our Jewish community. Among projects and programs the board will be working on this fiscal year are these:

### Engaging the Congregation

- Through better communication on important synagogue-wide initiatives such as a celebration of Cantor Rochelle Helzner's 40 years with TI;
- By introducing more varied and specialized religious experiences such as a Torah yoga session, scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 8 (see *Shul* Shorts, page 2);
- Through a broader effort to recruit members to revitalized

teams (formerly known as committees) to work on various projects such as holiday programming, support for Israel and expanded *chesed* services for our members.

### Embracing the Jewish Community

- By instituting greater outreach to the broader Jewish community.

### Empowering the Congregation

- Through a new Bylaws Review Team aimed at continuing to improve synagogue operations;
- Through strengthening the *davening* corps, including more training for people who might want to participate in services on the *bimah*;
- Through a continuing evaluation of TI's staffing needs and how the staff can better serve the membership.

### Inspiring the Congregation

- With expanded *Torah* study on *Shabbat* during and after services;
- With enhanced adult religious education opportunities;
- With increased participation in weekday *minyanim*, particularly in-person participation; and
- By planning for a "Year of Song" to celebrate Cantor Helzner's contributions to our community.

The board cannot achieve any of these goals without you. Ask us how you can join a team, provide an idea or add to the goal of creating a special *kehillah* at Tikvat Israel. E-mail Beth Smith at [ticoprezbeth@gmail.com](mailto:ticoprezbeth@gmail.com) or Sally Kram at [sallykram939@gmail.com](mailto:sallykram939@gmail.com).



Above: Co-presidents Beth Smith (left) and Sally Kram led the board of directors through its goal-setting retreat on Aug. 4. (Photo by Felicia R. Black)



Left: Monica Meyer (left) and Melissa Apter were among the board members who set ambitious goals for the coming year at Tikvat Israel. (Photo by Felicia R. Black)

# From Paris to *Elul*: What the Olympics Teach Us about *Teshuvah*

BY RABBI MARC D. ISRAEL



one minute or one minute and four seconds.

In race after race, sport after sport, the difference between winning a medal or not often came down to the smallest of measurements. Olympic athletes are well aware of these close margins when they are training, as well as what is at stake — which includes not only the medal, but often endorsement deals and future competition. They train for this, prepare for it and compete, knowing that every tiny detail can make a difference.

Imagine if all of us were to live our lives in this manner. This is exactly what Maimonides asks us to do as we prepare for the *Yamim Nora'im* – the days from *Rosh Hashanah* to *Yom Kippur*. But, he notes, it is not only these days that matter. In the *Mishneh Torah on Laws of Repentance*, he writes:

Throughout the entire year, a person should always look at oneself as equally balanced between positive deeds and transgressions, indeed as if the world is equally balanced between positive deeds and transgressions. If you transgress one time, you may tip the balance and that of the entire world to the side of guilt and bring destruction upon yourself.

On the other hand, if you perform one *mitzvah*, you may tip the balance and that of the entire world to the side of merit and bring deliverance and salvation to yourself and others. ... For these reasons, it is customary for the Jewish people to give generously to charity, perform many good deeds, and busy oneself with doing *mitzvot* from *Rosh Hashanah* until *Yom Kippur* to a greater extent than during the remainder of the year. (*Mishneh Torah, Hilchot Teshuvah* 3:4)

He teaches that our deeds throughout the year matter. It is analogous to the training period for athletes and the preliminary competitions that help determine if they will even make it to the Olympics. One who doesn't put forth the effort throughout the year has little chance of making the team.

Extending this analogy, the *Yamim Nora'im* are our Olympics, and Maimonides is teaching that the intensity of our efforts and the implications of our actions are magnified exponentially during this time. Every second, every inch can matter.

How would our lives be different if we knew that going out to exercise one more time or visiting a doctor might extend our life? Or if we knew that making one extra phone call to check on a neighbor could make the difference in their, or our, lives? Or if giving that extra bit of *tzedakah* could truly be the difference between life and death? Or if taking the time to visit a loved one would impact their fate?

Of course, we don't know how our deeds impact our fate – or even whether our deeds impact our fate. Each of us knows plenty of people who are paragons of good deeds, generosity and love but whose outcome does not seem to correlate with their actions.

But that is true for the Olympians as well. There are plenty of athletes who train hard, who do everything their coaches tell them to do and yet, at the last moment, they take a misstep and sprain an ankle or get COVID and can't compete in a race or who simply get an unfair ruling from a judge. All the work they have put forth over many years seems to be for naught. Yet I have never heard an Olympian say the effort was not worthwhile. The opportunity to compete in the games, win or lose, is worth the pain they have endured and the time they have devoted. They may be bitterly disappointed with the results, but they appreciate they were able to be in the game.

Can we say the same thing about our lives?

If the whole year is our time of training, then the month of *Elul* is our time trials and preliminary competitions. We have the opportunity to ratchet up our efforts, to evaluate the areas where we can improve, and to still change course to give ourselves the best opportunity to live our lives at our highest levels.

This year, we are offering programming to help you with your own “training” – whether it is “Stretching into *Elul*” with Sarah Fishman, to align our body and our soul, a side trip on Sunday, Sept. 8 to stretch our minds or any of the other opportunities offered here or in the wider community. If we want to be at our best to “compete” on these coming holidays, we know that we must put in the effort to prepare for them.

We go into this holiday season knowing that no one action or set of actions guarantees a particular outcome, just as every athlete knows there is no guarantee of a medal. There are simply far too many factors that are beyond our control. In life, as in sports, the only thing that we can do is put forth our maximum effort. When we do, we will know that if we stumble or get an unfair ruling, it will not be because we didn't try.

I pray that each of us will be able to look upon our lives and see that the opportunity to compete – or in our case, to live a righteous life – is worth everything.



## Understanding Tikvat Israel's Annual Pledge Model

- ❌ Fixed dues based on demographics
  - ✅ Voluntary Annual Pledge from each family
- ❌ Assumptions of what your family can afford
  - ✅ Focus on the value of our community
- ❌ High financial barriers to participation
  - ✅ Everyone is valued for what they can contribute
- ❌ Uncomfortable dues reduction program
  - ✅ Transparency about expenses & TI's budget

Together we will ensure that Tikvat Israel stays financially strong!

[www.tikvatisrael.org/pledge2024](http://www.tikvatisrael.org/pledge2024)

## VOLUNTEERS ATTACK OVERGROWTH ON SYNAGOGUE'S FRONT FACE

Mighty tree warriors defended Tikvat Israel against the wrath of overgrown tree branches that were overhanging the roof and rubbing against the building façade in mid-summer. They also handled some other groundskeeping work on the front side of the property.

The warriors included Marc Pressman, Barry Lipsy, Michael Cohen and Alan Apter, who coordinated the effort.

Pressure washing of the building along the front side was completed by Sam Gilston and Apter.

"I'm happy to report that all the green mold was removed from the building, and we returned the building to its normal state," Apter said.



Barry Lipsy trims overhanging branches from the shul's roof.



Marc Pressman removes nasty weeds from the front landscape of the synagogue.

## THE GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL High Holy Days Community Memorial Services



**Sunday, September 29, 2024, 2:00 p.m.**

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual Memorial Service at the Garden of Remembrance led by Rabbi Marc Israel and community clergy.

There will also be a Memorial Service at 10:00 a.m. led by community clergy. For directions and more information, visit [www.gardenofremembrance.org](http://www.gardenofremembrance.org) or call (301) 428-3000.

Live-stream of both services available at [www.gardenofremembrance.org](http://www.gardenofremembrance.org). To submit names of loved ones to be remembered and announced at the memorial service, please visit [gardenofremembrance.org](http://gardenofremembrance.org) or email to [info@gardenofremembrance.org](mailto:info@gardenofremembrance.org) by September 26.



**Garden of Remembrance**

GAN ZIKARON MEMORIAL PARK

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## THE INSIDE SCOOP ON BABKE BAKING



Shul-made babkes were served at TI's Shabbat kiddush

With instruction from Beth Smith, a handful of congregants tried their hands at babke baking at a session in the TI kitchen on Aug. 8. She taught everyone how to make the dough, add the fillings, and roll and slice the filled dough. They made two sizes, small individual babkes and larger ones in a loaf. Several of them were shared with congregants at the Shabbat kiddush two days later. (Photos by Bob Silverstein)



Alan Apter practices his dough-rolling movements.



Barry Lipsy learned fine points of rolling dough from Beth Smith.

## WOMEN'S NETWORK

# An Exciting New Program Year with Art, Learning and Much More

BY BRENDA BROOKS, CO-PRESIDENT, TI WOMEN'S NETWORK

On behalf of my co-president Susan Apter and other members of the Women's Network leadership team, we hope everyone had a fun and relaxing summer.

To recap our summer, our members and other synagogue congregants enjoyed attending a Washington Nationals baseball game on July 21, where our home team won its game against the Cincinnati Reds. There was a nice turnout from Tikvat Israel and everyone had fun cheering on our team. Thanks to Rebecca Salon for continuing to organize this annual event.

Also this summer, Women's Network supported a school supply drive for Harmony Hills Elementary School. Sandra Sheskin has been a longtime lead on this charitable event. Her efforts are greatly appreciated.

Turning to the fall, Women's Network will host its opening event at the synagogue on Sept. 22, an art project to create table centerpieces. The activity will be led by Bobbi Gorban, with food and socializing expected. Bobbi's creativity always inspires us. We will create some beautiful centerpieces to decorate our High Holiday tables.

Also in September, Women's Network will host its first book group meeting by Zoom on Sept. 25, when we will discuss *The Matchmaker's Gift* by Lynda Cohen Loigman. The facilitator will be Sara Harris. (See full schedule of book group discussions below.)

In October, we will celebrate *Sukkot* by enjoying a meal and being together in the *sukkah*. It should be a great way to enjoy the holiday.

Women's Network has many other events planned. Dates for book group meetings and other key events are listed on our bookmarks. Also, as our members know, we provide detailed weekly updates through our weekly e-newsletter, thanks to our communications expert Amy Matathias.

Plans are in the works for an informative program in November related to disabilities, which all congregants may attend. It will be led by Rebecca Salon and Ellen Lederman. In December, current plans include a workshop led by Nancy Goldberg on Qigong, which is an ancient Chinese healing art involving meditation, controlled breathing and movement exercises. Also in December, Ellen Eisner and her husband Sherman will facilitate serving a hot dinner to clients at Shepherd's Table in Silver Spring.

Other future events include our learning sessions (formerly known as *Rosh Chodesh* programs), the annual Women's Network *Shabbat*, the annual *Mishloach Manot* project, a new *Purim*-related Vashti banquet, a museum trip and more.

Information for the Women's Network's 2024-25 membership year has been distributed. If you have not yet registered for this year, we encourage you to do so as soon as possible. Membership dues are payable by sending a check directly to our treasurer Elyse Bernstein or by sending an electronic payment to the Women's Network PayPal or ShulCloud accounts. Directions are on the membership form. You may contact me at [bbrooksx@gmail.com](mailto:bbrooksx@gmail.com) for further information.

We also hope that you will provide support for the Women's League for Conservative Judaism's Torah Fund. (See related article, page 9.) This initiative focuses on the very important cause of educating and training Conservative/Masorti rabbis, cantors, scholars, educators, summer camp directors, chaplains, campus Jewish life staff and committed lay leaders. The 2024-25 Torah Fund has the theme *Am Yisrael Chai*, meaning the people of Israel live. Anita Brenner serves as Torah Fund chair.

We are enthusiastic about this year's programs and the variety that they offer for our members. We're off to a great start this fall and will keep the *ruach* going.

## Three Fiction Books, Two Memoirs Tapped for Book Discussions

A range of five published works, including two memoirs, have been selected for the Women's Network Book Group in 2024-25. The Women's Network conducted a vote to make these selections.

The group discussions will take place on Zoom, except where noted. These are open to all women who are teenaged or older and affiliated with Tikvat Israel.

**Sept. 25:** *The Matchmaker's Gift* by Lynda Cohen Loigman. Discussion to be led by Sara Harris.

**Nov. 20:** *Hello Darkness, My Old Friend* by Sanford D. Greenberg. Discussion to be led by Susan Apter.

**Jan. 15:** *The Thread Collectors* by Alyson Richman and Shaunna Edwards. Discussion to be led by Ellie Diamond.



**March 16:** *Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride. In-person discussion at Tikvat Israel to be led by Paula Kasper.

**June 8:** *Lilyville: Mother, Daughter and Other Roles I've Played* by Tovah Feldshuh. In-person discussion at TI to be led by Wendy Bauman.

A summary of the five books can be found at [https://bit.ly/TI\\_bookclub24-25](https://bit.ly/TI_bookclub24-25).



## Israeli Food Bank Leader to Speak at TI



The congregation will hear an informative talk by Carol Marcus from the American Friends of *Leket Israel*, based in Teaneck, N.J., during *Shabbat* services on Sept. 21.

She is the organization's associate director of development and has been with this organization for 12 years. Tikvat Israel has provided financial contributions to support the group's work.

She will speak about the work that her organization does as Israel's national food bank. *Leket Israel* collects excess nutritious food that otherwise would be thrown away, redirecting it to nonprofit partners serving the needy. *Leket's* goal is to alleviate nutritional insecurity. *Leket* also offers cooperative purchasing, nutrition education and food safety projects.

Since last Oct. 7, *Leket Israel* has expanded its projects to provide emergency food and resources to those most affected by the hostilities, including evacuees, farmers, tour guides, and others whose incomes and livelihoods have been affected both in the Gaza region and in the north.

## A Ballpark Blast



About 45 members of Tikvat Israel and their friends enjoyed watching the Washington Nationals defeat the Cincinnati Reds, 5-2, on a hot July 21 afternoon at the annual baseball outing organized by Rebecca Salon

of the Women's Network. The synagogue was recognized on the scoreboard as a group participant during the game. (Photos by Jay P. Goldman)



## Torah Fund Support Brings Honor to Women's Network

BY ANITA BRENNER, CHAIR, TI TORAH FUND

Through Torah Fund, Women's Network for Conservative Judaism strives to make a significant impact through scholarships and programs that benefit students at the Jewish Theological Seminary, Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies, Schechter Institutes, Seminario Rabinico Latinoamericano and Zacharias Frankel College. Torah Fund has raised nearly \$108 million in its 81 years.

Tikvat Israel's Women's Network has proudly supported Torah Fund for many years. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, we help committed Jewish students become the rabbis, cantors, educators, synagogue administrators, social workers, scholars, researchers and lay leaders of tomorrow. When you support Torah Fund, you help educate students in New York, Los Angeles, Israel, Latin America and Europe—and you align with those who value learning, knowledge and providing future generations with relevant skills to fortify the Jewish people.

This year, we have again received the Torah Fund Award of Honor (certificate shown below), due to the generosity of our members.

The 2024-25 campaign theme is *Am Yisrael Chai*, "the people of Israel live." Those who contribute \$180 or more will receive this special pin designed for this campaign.



Torah Fund heartily accepts contributions of all sizes. I want to thank our members who have so generously contributed over the years.

Visit [www.jtsa.edu/torah-fund](http://www.jtsa.edu/torah-fund) to contribute electronically (directly) to Torah Fund, making sure to designate Tikvat Israel Congregation as your affiliate. If you wish to contribute by check, contact me ([anitabrenner@comcast.net](mailto:anitabrenner@comcast.net), 301-933-2280). Notify me of any contributions so I can ensure they are credited to TI's account.



# New Pop-Up Library in Lobby for Book Borrowing

BY JANICE ROSENBERG, LIBRARY COMMITTEE CHAIR

To make it easier to borrow books from Tikvat Israel's Flax Library, the library committee created a pop-up library on a wall-mounted display in the synagogue's lobby adjacent to the entrance to the sanctuary. Each book has a bookmark with instructions on how to borrow, return and find more books in the collection that may interest you. The pop-up library has both fiction and non-fiction books.

To borrow books from TI's pop-up library, send an e-mail to [TikvatIsraelLibrary@gmail.com](mailto:TikvatIsraelLibrary@gmail.com). Include book title and your contact information. Books can be borrowed for three weeks with one renewal. Return books in the box marked "Returns" in the Flax Library or below the pop-up library in the lobby.

When you are in the synagogue for services, a meeting, a special occasion or any other purpose, remember to visit Tikvat Israel's pop-up library.

Here are a few books to borrow at TI's pop-up library:

*The Book of V*, by Anna Solomon. Three characters' stories overlap, showing how women's lives have and have not changed over thousands of years.

*The Boy Who Loved Anne Frank*, by Ellen Feldman. This novel is about Peter van Pels, the Dutch teen in hiding with Anne Frank, and what might have happened if he had survived.

*Kitchen Table Wisdom: Stories That Heal*, by Rachel Naomi Remen. A collection of true stories that draw on the human tradition of shared experiences.

*The 100 Most Jewish Foods: A Highly Debatable List*, by Alana Newhouse. This book features 100 Jewish recipes along with cultural and historical context.

*The Weight of Ink*, by Rachel Kadish. The lives of two women are interwoven in this novel that takes place in London in the 1660s and the early 21<sup>st</sup> century.

*Wherever You Go, There They Are: Stories About My Family You Might Relate To*, by Annabelle Gurwitch. An insightful collection



Some of the recommended titles available for borrowing in TI's pop-up library. (Photo by Janice Rosenberg)

of essays about the author's family, as well as the communities she adopted as her family along the way.

## Flax Library Catalog

You now can search the library's online catalog to discover additional books in the collection. Open the TI website and, under "Study," click on "Flax Library Catalog." You can search the online catalog by keyword, author, title or subject to find fiction, non-fiction, short stories and biographies.

You can also reserve books while searching the Flax Library catalog. First, conduct a search and click on the book title to view the full record. Then, click on "Reserve" on the left-hand side. Fill-in your name and e-mail address and hit "Send".

To reserve multiple items, click on "Add to Book Bin" on the left-hand side. Continue searching until done. Open "Book Bin" at the top of the page and click "Reserve" in the blue band. Fill-in your name and e-mail address and hit "Send."

You will be notified when the books you reserved are available for pick-up.

Happy reading!

## Mazel Tov

... to **Emily and Harris Trobman** on the birth of Charlotte Julia on July 14. Charlotte has a brother, Liam.

... to **Sandy and Larry Levine**, on the birth of granddaughter Miriam Eva Cahn, born to Diana Schapiro and Aaron Cahn. Miriam has two brothers, Ethan and Asher.

... to **Ziva and Jerry Schuchman** on the birth of grandson Jesse Micah, son of Mattan and Michele Schuchman on July 21.

... to **Bruce Goldin** on the birth of grandson Sam Robin Goldin, born to Lauren and Daniel Goldin.

... to **Molly and Stu Turkewitz** on the engagement of daughter Ellen Turkewitz to Evan Unger.

... to **Elyse and Jeff Bernstein** on the marriage of daughter Claire Bernstein to Joe Walker on Sept. 1.

... to **Judy Stern and Uzi Ben-Ami** on the publication of their book *Many Ways to Learn: A Kids' Guide to Learning Disabilities* in Chinese. The book is published by the American Psychological Association.





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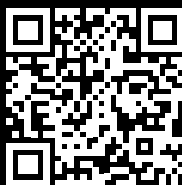
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## What Does Our Congregants' Tzedakah Support?

BY DAVID GANTZ, CHAIR, *TZEDAKAH HAVURAH*



The total *tzedakah* collections for FY '24 amounted to \$4,191.

The contributions from congregants came from these sources: \$3,603 from the *pushke* and direct donations; and \$588 from *Purim* canister donations.

This year, the collected funds enabled us to allocate to 10 groups, each receiving \$414. Receiving this support were Comfort Cases, *Ogen* (Israel Free Loan Association), *B'nai Brith's* Project Hope, International Rescue Committee, *Dror Israel*, *Eli* (Israeli Association of Child Protection), First Book, Greater D.C. Diaper Bank, American Joint Distribution Committee and *Leket Israel* (Israeli Food Bank).

The *Tzedakah Havurah* has been able to make such allocations because of the everyday generosity of the Tikvat Israel congregants.

As a reminder, you may give *tzedakah* using our virtual *pushke* at <https://tikvatisraelrockville.shulcloud.com/payment.php>. Please direct your donation by entering "*Tzedakah Havurah*" in the section that says "add a note" or "add special instructions."

For those interested in joining us in allocation discussions (mainly by e-mail), please contact me at 301-460-4674. Others on the committee are Hope Kott, Dan Jacobs, Elyse Bernstein and Robbi Cohen.



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## EDUCATION AND YOUTH

# Programming for all Ages

BY JUDY STERN, VICE PRESIDENT FOR EDUCATION



### Netivot Sunday Morning Religious School

Our Sunday morning religious school program for children in kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades will begin on Sunday, Sept. 8. It's not too late to register. For more information and the registration link, go to <https://www.tikvatIsrael.org/learning/netivot-religious-school/>. If you have questions, contact me at judymstern7@gmail.com.

### TI Teens Group

On Sunday, Sept. 8, from 12:30-5:30 p.m., we will be joining the Interfaith Unity Walk with other families in the Washington, D.C., area. This is an annual program oriented toward familiarizing people with various houses of worship and their practices. They are all open for visitors that day and within easy walking distance from each other.

The afternoon begins at the Washington Hebrew Congregation at 12:30 p.m. Participants may then choose from a variety of faith communities and visit their buildings to learn more about them. The program is open to teens, and families are invited to join in. To register for the event, use this link: <https://lfcmw.org/welcome-to-unity-walk-2024/>.



### Synagogue's Impact

Our family would like to thank the Tikvat Israel community and Rabbi Israel for the warm support after the death of our father, Leonard Bachman, in May. Our father would have wanted to acknowledge the important role that our synagogue communities played in the lives of his children.

Our donation is from him in honor of Tikvat Israel and its impact on our family's life.

*Emily Marthinsen and Joseph, Daniel and Jacob Bachman*

### A Vote for Zoom

I appreciate that we continue with the Zoom *minyanim*. I know it's good if members can attend at the synagogue but many members can't get to the synagogue *minyan* in time. We usually have good attendance on Zoom and if those attending are not sufficient, then sending an e-mail to members that we need a few more people always helps.

We have good *minyan* leaders such as Elliot Cowan at the synagogue and others who help as needed. Larry Gorban, Sara Harris and Ted Kram also have helped while on Zoom. We certainly have a great community.

*Mimi Meltzer*

If you would like to travel together with other participants attending from Tikvat Israel, contact [judymstern7@gmail.com](mailto:judymstern7@gmail.com) so we can coordinate carpools and connect people who would like to travel together by Metro.

Also, mark your calendar for our annual Fall Movie Night for Teens on the evening of Nov. 16. The evening begins with *havdalah* and continues with dinner and a movie. The event is open to teens from grades 6 to 12.

### Shabbat Dinners for Families of Young Children

ECC Family Network will continue to host *Shabbat* and holiday dinners for families of young children during the school year. The next dinner will be a pasta meal in the *sukkah* on Tuesday, Oct. 22, at 5 p.m. Children and family members are all welcome to attend. Watch *B'Keshet* for more information and registration.

### Story Readers for the Early Childhood Center

We are continuing our program of having congregants read books to the preschool children. Volunteers spend about an hour reading a book and talking to the children in several classes. It was hard to say who had more fun, the children or the adult readers, during the past year. If you would like to be placed on the schedule one or more times, send me an e-mail at [judymstern7@gmail.com](mailto:judymstern7@gmail.com).

## Congregant to be Feted at Adventist HealthCare Triumph



Hope Levy Kott

Hope Levy Kott, a longtime TI member, will be recognized as the 2024 Post-Acute Care Patient Honoree by Adventist HealthCare Rehabilitation Hospital's Adventist HealthCare Home Care Services.

The recognition will take place at the Triumph Trek Fun Run & Health Fair on Sunday, Sept. 22, at Berman Hebrew Academy's track and field venue, 13300 Arctic Ave., Rockville.

Registration for the walk/wheel/run event starts at 10 a.m. with the event taking place at 11 a.m.

In a formal announcement, the hospital said: "We salute Hope Levy Kott for her courage, her persistence, her generosity and her tireless commitment to the rights of people with disabilities. Repeated infections resulting from knee replacement surgery led to an above the knee amputation. And a long road to recovery."

Kott credits the skilled staff at Adventist HealthCare Rehabilitation and the Amputee Support Group for getting her back on her feet. She hopes you will join her team for the 5K event by making a donation or participating in the race. Access <https://give.classy.org/TeamHopeful> for details.

## October 7 Commemoration Set for The Anthem

Thousands from across the greater Washington Jewish community are expected to gather on Oct. 7 to mark one year since the horrific attacks in Israel that changed our world forever.

An event staged by the Jewish Federation, Jewish Community Resource Council and the Washington Board of Rabbis will take place at a popular concert venue, The Anthem, located at 901 Wharf St. S.W., in the District of Columbia. The event begins at 7 p.m. with doors opening an hour earlier.

Participants will jointly remember the lives lost, pray for those still in captivity, honor the survivors and unite in communal resilience.

Register for the event at [jconnect.org](http://jconnect.org).

### DONORS TURN OUT AT BLOOD DRIVE

The blood drive at Tikvat Israel on Aug. 7 yielded 27 pints of blood. Approximately 45 percent of the blood donors were TI staff or congregants, including Sue and David Meiselman (left). Staff members Aaron Chusid, Susan Davis, Nadia Palacios and Iber Gonzalez and volunteers Robbi Cohen, Elyse Bernstein, Larry Gorban and Keith Brooks were on site to help the Red Cross. The next TI blood drive is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 6.

*(Photo by Robbi Cohen)*



### STEPPING UP WITH A WARM MEAL

Shown are some of the 11 volunteers who assembled at the TI parking lot in June to drop off their dinner contributions for the Stepping Stones shelter in Rockville. Up to five times a year, TI provides a full hot dinner to approximately 24 residents (mainly women and children) at the family shelter in Rockville. The next dinner preparation is scheduled for Sept. 11. Contact Ellen Eisner to assist.



## Well Circle in Rockville Growing and Thriving

BY JANAKI KURUPPU

The Well Circle affiliated with Tikvat Israel met in mid-August for the sixth time since we were founded. So what is a Well Circle?

At The Well ([www.atthewellproject.com](http://www.atthewellproject.com)), an international organization based in Washington, D.C., explains it this way: “Well Circles are our favorite nourishing new moon practice! Each Well Circle is an independently organized group of 6-12 people who meet together around the new moon. Through group conversation and ritual, coupled with personal inquiry, you can connect more deeply with yourself, your circle, and these ancient traditions.”

“We called them Well Circles because of how powerful they are for your well-being. Participants say things like ‘Knowing I have a space that’s sacred, where we can share and be seen, has improved my life and my mental and emotional health.’”

At The Well was founded in 2020 by Sarah Waxman, who said in an interview, “I really missed a sister.” She is the middle sibling of three and the only girl. “I’m dedicated to helping other people find real belonging with other women,” she said.

One goal of At The Well, the founder explained, is to model and nurture relationships like those between the daughters of Zelophehad, sisters who together petitioned Moses to inherit their father’s land in the absence of male siblings, and not like Sarah and Hagar, rivals for Abraham’s love.

The Rockville-based group welcomes new members and new ideas for ways to learn together and nurture one another. Contact Janaki at [jkuruppu@gmail.com](mailto:jkuruppu@gmail.com) for more information.



Participants in a recent Well Circle group were (from left) Arlene Berger, Chava Gal Or, Cantor Lauren Adesnik, Felicia Black, Ellen Eisner and Janaki Kuruppu. *(Photo by Amy Sanders)*

### Elul Side Trips After Lunch

In the leadup to the High Holy Days, the *kiddush* lunches on Sept. 14 and Sept. 21 will include *Elul* side trips.

“Reaching the Divine in the Sky” is Richard Lederman’s session on the 14<sup>th</sup>. The literature and liturgy is full of references to a divine drama that takes place among the celestial bodies. This lesson will explore ways to connect to the divine through greater attention to what takes place not just in nature but also in the heavens.

Cliff Fishman’s session, “Apology, Forgiveness and *Teshuvah*” will be delivered on the 21<sup>st</sup>. When should we apologize and how? Are we obliged to forgive? He will raise these questions and suggest how *halakhab*, social science and popular culture address them.



# EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

## Accredited Program Gearing Up for an Exciting Year

BY DEBBIE UNGAR, DIRECTOR, EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER



The ECC is excited to start the 2024-25 school year. We continue to offer a high-quality child-centered program with flexible hours found at few other schools. The school has accreditation from the Maryland State Department of Education. We also participate in Maryland Excels, a quality rating system for childcare in Maryland and are at level 5, the highest level possible.

Our dedicated, caring staff brings warmth, professionalism and excitement to our program. We have exciting activities and special programs planned, as well as many new students and families. There are 67 students currently enrolled in six classes.

The children will continue to have morning special activities that add to our educational and child-centered program. On Mondays, all classes have music with Ellie Schuchman. On Tuesdays, the children participate in Israeli dance with Sharon Geboin Katz.

On Wednesdays, Marcie Nadler teaches our pre-kindergarten using an innovative program she created called J-STEM, focusing on science, technology, engineering and math through a Jewish lens. Marcie serves as a resource for the entire school, highlighting opportunities where STEM and Judaics intersect.

On Thursdays, the pre-kindergarten has the opportunity to visit the library. They have story time and learn how to find books that they can read at home. On Fridays, the entire school joins together for *Shabbat* Sing led by Adrienne Suson of Rhythm 'N' Ruach. This music program combines Jewish music and rhythm instruments for a wonderful educational and fun experience.

We are looking forward to a wonderful year in the ECC. Wishing everyone a *Shana Tovah!*



A summer visit to the petting zoo captured the attention of ECC youth.



ECC youngsters learned in class about *Shabbat* rituals.

### Volunteers Serve Needy at Shepherd's Table



Shown (from left) are Shepherd Table volunteers Marian Hallen, Ziva Schuchman, Lincoln Hallen, Karen Cohen, Jayme Sokolow, Ellen Eisner, Stuart Turkewitz and Bob Balin. Not shown but present: Felicia Black, Dan Black and Sherman Eisner.

TI volunteers performed a *mitzvah* jointly at Shepherd's Table in Silver Spring on the final Monday evening of July. The group served a dinner meal to 212 clients, including three young children.

TI's next dates to volunteer at the human service agency are Sept. 30 and Dec. 30. The Women's Network plans to do the serving on the latter date.

Contact coordinator Sherman Eisner at [shermaneisner147@gmail.com](mailto:shermaneisner147@gmail.com), if interested.

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In memory of Leonard Bachman by Ellen and Richard Lederman  
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# Tikvat Israel Remembers With Respect Those Whose *Yahrzeits* Occur From from 28 Av through 27 *Elul*— September 2024

## SEPTEMBER 1 28 Av

Jack Chelemer  
Shirley Cohen  
Marilyn Ehrlich  
Barbara Goldberg  
Harold Goldstein  
Sylvia Holtzman  
Claire Kahn  
Richard Spector

## SEPTEMBER 2 29 Av

Rose Blonder  
Yetta Cohen  
Rachel Pachenker  
Rabbi Leivy Smolar

## SEPTEMBER 3 30 Av

Larry Bloom  
Pearl Cohen  
Toba Eileen Gellman  
Lina Goldstein  
Sonia Goldstein  
Sarah Kay  
Saul Lubar  
Lloyd Oppenheim  
Edith Smith  
Elias Wolfe  
Charlotte Zimmerman

## SEPTEMBER 4 1 ELUL

Hans Joseph  
Irving Kabik  
Max Katz  
Julia Notovitz  
Pearl Plesset  
William Rosenfeld  
Ellen Siegel  
William Stein  
Esther Stolzenberg  
Harry Vinokur  
Helen Wexler

## SEPTEMBER 5 2 ELUL

Anne Altman  
Marsha Fleisher  
Eva Gunther  
Shirley Hardis  
Vera Israel  
Rabbi Joseph Kaplan  
Harry Klion  
Ben Levin  
Alvin Peck  
Regina Rosenberg  
Mina Rothberg  
Marion Soypher  
Samuel Steckler  
Irving M. Yanoff

## SEPTEMBER 6 3 ELUL

Batya Band  
Pesach Band  
David Lipofsky  
Max Sommer

## SEPTEMBER 7 4 ELUL

Conrad Glaser  
Dorothy Harris  
Ethel Miller

## SEPTEMBER 8 5 ELUL

Lawrence Bardack  
Norman Freedman  
Sarah Freda Golding  
Max Herman  
Jean Hirschman  
Marcia Lieberman  
Rose Lifshutz  
Marsha Papageorge

## SEPTEMBER 9 6 ELUL

Ronald Black  
Raizia Chigorsky  
Samuel A. Hale  
Joel Hoffman

## SEPTEMBER 10 7 ELUL

Morris Fineman  
Rabbi Simeon Kobrinetz  
Mark D. Rosen  
Aaron Sobell  
Leonard Suskind

## SEPTEMBER 11 8 ELUL

Charles Larry Blair  
Mollie Broadman  
Sam Sharlot  
Pearl Zipin Tubiash  
Sol Shalom Wexler  
Fannye Zlotnick

## SEPTEMBER 12 9 ELUL

Abraham Fierman  
Bessie E. Miller  
Maxene Rosenthal  
Minnie Teitelbaum

## SEPTEMBER 13 10 ELUL

Ben Ami Barsky  
Shirley Gendel  
Morris Kanow  
Hilda Schwartz  
Dick Stein  
Rose Volin

## SEPTEMBER 14 11 ELUL

Evelyn Goldberg  
Cornelis Hartendorp  
Bertha Knott  
Harry Witt

## SEPTEMBER 15 12 ELUL

Eugene Brooks  
Doris Grossmann  
Frances Karlin  
Louis Karlin  
Florence M. Novack

## SEPTEMBER 16 13 ELUL

Gertrude Bender  
Kenneth Grossman  
Morris Alex Jacobs  
Morris Weintraub  
Norman Winson

## SEPTEMBER 17 14 ELUL

Daniel Barash  
Benjamin Feller  
Abram Fraeman  
Emil Notovitz  
Sylvia Senzer

## SEPTEMBER 18 15 ELUL

Samuel Abramson  
Jacob Berman  
Chaya Karmel  
William Schaechter  
Daniel Shaz  
Abraham Simon

## SEPTEMBER 19 16 ELUL

Jack I. Karlin  
Jack Keilsohn  
Lorraine Rayden

## SEPTEMBER 20 17 ELUL

Anna Esther Askow  
Jacob Hershbaum  
Sondra Levin  
Robert M. Minkoff  
Edith Scherer  
Julius Seligman  
Bertha Smith  
Hilda Starr  
Alexander Stolovy

## SEPTEMBER 21 18 ELUL

Evelyn Flax Mirmelstein  
David Pearl  
Irene Wexler

## SEPTEMBER 22 19 ELUL

Anna Esther Askow  
Sanford Belkin  
Louis Chernoff  
Abraham Hamburg  
Meyer J. Levin  
Lamar Miller  
Morris Rosenthal

## SEPTEMBER 23 20 ELUL

Mollie Berly Lipofsky  
Mildred Sterman  
Mayer Zlotnick

## SEPTEMBER 24 21 ELUL

Lew Cyrulnik  
Leah Mayer  
Fannie Rosen  
Irwin Marvin Towers

## SEPTEMBER 25 22 ELUL

Edward Chait  
Mary Kessler  
Neil Newman  
Hyman Pachenker  
Arthur H. Yedwab

## SEPTEMBER 26 23 ELUL

Leon Altschuler  
Chassa Freda Chait  
Bess Lavine  
Clara Phillips  
Minnie Polansky  
Naomi J. Rappaport  
Scott J. Rappaport  
Aaron Segal  
Robert Solomon

## SEPTEMBER 27 24 ELUL

Alice Abramson  
Jennie Derene  
Sara Goldman  
Tillye Weintraub

## SEPTEMBER 28 25 ELUL

Jack Feigin  
Eva Mae Futrovsky  
Paul Herman  
Hilda Hoffman  
Clara Lichter  
Fred Meyers  
Diane Soldano  
Rosemary Stoll

## SEPTEMBER 29 26 ELUL

Donald Andrews  
Rebecca Harrison  
Pearl Kaplan  
Sadie Polikoff Levy  
David Sakoff  
Sheldon Small

## SEPTEMBER 30 27 ELUL

Barbara Cohen  
Chaim Mandel  
Gerda Tuchler

# Tikvat Israel Remembers With Respect Those Whose *Yahrzeits* Occur From from 28 *Elul* through 29 *Tishrei* — October 2024

## OCTOBER 1 28 *ELUL*

Dorothy Marder  
David Morris

## OCTOBER 2 29 *ELUL*

James W. Church  
Rose Hein

## OCTOBER 3 1 *TISHREI*

Rae Axelrod  
Melvin Banks  
Janet Kabik  
Ruth Plafker  
Margaret Schreiber

## OCTOBER 4 2 *TISHREI*

Michael P. Rappaport

## OCTOBER 5 3 *TISHREI*

Gertrude Appel  
Samuel Gorelick  
Anna Georgia Schneider  
Solomon Shapiro  
Jeffrey Weiss

## OCTOBER 6 4 *TISHREI*

Max Apt  
Irwin Krakaur  
Samuel Meyers  
Isadore Parzow  
Charles Rom  
George Simball  
Esther Stanhill  
Estelle Waxman

## OCTOBER 7 5 *TISHREI*

William Horwitz  
Ernest Jennes  
Sanford Starobin  
Isaac Meir Sterling

## OCTOBER 8 6 *TISHREI*

Sidney Adler  
Michael Berman  
Fay Halpern  
Morris Ridberg  
George Sharlot

## OCTOBER 9 7 *TISHREI*

Sidney Bender  
Fanny Chelemer  
Sarah Goldstein  
Seymour Greene  
Jennie Lavine  
Harold Saldinger

## OCTOBER 10 8 *TISHREI*

Carl Berger  
Libby Cohen  
Alvin Feinsilber  
Joseph David Fertel  
Louise Goldstein  
Leo David Kronzek  
Ray Shapiro

## OCTOBER 11 9 *TISHREI*

Rose Friedman  
Melvin Jackson  
Mildred Meltzer  
Albert Mukasey  
Bernard Newman  
Kalman Roey  
David Shetzlich  
Renee Tropp  
Tobie Waxler

## OCTOBER 12 10 *TISHREI*

Leila Dunsmore  
Selma Jackson  
Tov Yehuda Jaffe  
Robert Katz  
Claire Lellouche  
Moise Lellouche  
David Lieberman  
Miriam Ludwinowitz  
Maurice Pressman  
Ethel Schneider

## OCTOBER 13 11 *TISHREI*

Shirley Allen  
David Chefer  
Michele Eisenberg

## OCTOBER 14 12 *TISHREI*

Marion Bauman  
Lena Brittner  
Tillie Jarcho  
Doris Warren

## OCTOBER 15 13 *TISHREI*

Laurel Anchors  
Rose Freedman  
Lewis Godfrey  
Irene Kline  
Fred S. Zusman

## OCTOBER 16 14 *TISHREI*

Edward Fishman  
Albert Freed  
Saul B. Friedman  
Ada Jacobs  
Marie Lebowitz  
Manny Senzer

## OCTOBER 17 15 *TISHREI*

Arthur Finstein  
Charles Goldman  
Maurice Kahn  
Hannah Dinah Scolnik

## OCTOBER 18 16 *TISHREI*

Alexander Beck  
Pauline Kram  
Ita Vainer  
Carl Zebooker

## OCTOBER 19 17 *TISHREI*

Belle Beck  
Edith Raphelson Botkin  
Felix Eichtersheimer  
William H. Glater  
Noach Hoffman  
Lawrence Morrison  
Robert Oakley  
Avshalom Saadian  
Aaron Stein  
Harry West

## OCTOBER 20 18 *TISHREI*

Herman Iskow  
Dena Leep  
Barbara Ann Schecter

## OCTOBER 21 19 *TISHREI*

Lillian Bloom  
Ruth Gordon  
John Mandel  
Stan Smith  
Ivan Tempchin

## OCTOBER 22 20 *TISHREI*

Samuel Danoff  
Muriel Joy Horowitz  
Celia Kornhauser  
Edward John Urban

## OCTOBER 23 21 *TISHREI*

David Fineman  
Charles Futrovsky  
Lena Moskowitz  
Rosalie Peck  
Bea Solomon  
Benny Waxman

## OCTOBER 24 22 *TISHREI*

Julius Auerbach  
Sidney Bannor  
Harry Berlin  
Rose Fragin  
Moshe Gordon  
Tzipa Gordon  
Robert M. Grossmann  
Rae Caplan Mensh  
Alvin Solomon

## OCTOBER 25 23 *TISHREI*

Miriam Lichter Block  
Albert Copaken  
Gerald Kaiz  
Janice Kirschenbaum  
Philip Marco  
Sylvia Rosenhaft

## OCTOBER 26 24 *TISHREI*

Benson B. Kessler  
Henry Meyers  
Clinton Newman  
Leonard Teitelbaum  
Max Winter

## OCTOBER 27 25 *TISHREI*

Adolph Berger  
Marcelle Copaken  
Samuel J. Feldman  
Benjamin Gorfine  
Esther Kabot  
Harry Koeppel  
Max Seiler

## OCTOBER 28 26 *TISHREI*

Jeanne Bowen  
Adel Erdman  
Muriel Mickey Goldstein  
Max Shulman  
Linda Yun

## OCTOBER 29 27 *TISHREI*

Maurice Becker  
Abraham Kaplan  
Carole Klein  
Adair Lederman  
Yetta Yanoff

## OCTOBER 30 28 *TISHREI*

Lorraine Aronson  
Cille Ridberg  
Alex Silbert  
Grace Turkewitz



## OCTOBER 31 29 *TISHREI*

Norbert Eckstein  
Benito Pazo





# SEPTEMBER 2024

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
1	28 Av 9:00 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan	29 Av 3 7:15 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan  Labor Day Office & ECC closed	30 Av 4 7:15 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan 	1 Elul 5 7:15 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan	2 Elul 6 7:15 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan	3 Elul 7 8:00 AM Minyan 6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat 7:12 PM Candle Lighting	4 Elul 8 9:30 AM Preliminary Service 9:45 AM Shabbat Services (Parashat Shoftim) 11:30 AM Stretching Into Elul 8:11 PM Havdalah	
8	5 Elul 9 9:00 AM Minyan 9:30 AM First Day of Netivot Religious School 12:30 PM Tl Teens Interfaith Walk 7:30 PM Minyan	6 Elul 10 7:15 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan	7 Elul 11 8:00 AM Minyan 7:30 PM The Conservative Movement in Israel Talk @Shaare Torah 7:30 PM Minyan	8 Elul 12 8:00 AM Minyan 4:30 PM Stepping Stones Shelter Meal Drop-off 7:30 PM Minyan	9 Elul 13 7:15 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan	10 Elul 14 8:00 AM Minyan 6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat 7:01 PM Candle Lighting	11 Elul 15 9:30 AM Preliminary Service 9:45 AM Shabbat Services (Parashat Ki Teitze) 11:15 AM Torah Club, Shabbat Family Jam with Auntie A 7:59 PM Havdalah	
15	12 Elul 16 9:00 AM Minyan 9:30 AM Netivot 5:00 PM Welcome Back Bash 7:30 PM Minyan	13 Elul 17 7:15 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan	14 Elul 18 8:00 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan	15 Elul 19 8:00 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan	16 Elul 20 7:15 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan	17 Elul 21 8:00 AM Minyan 6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat 6:49 PM Candle Lighting	18 Elul 22 9:30 AM Preliminary Service 9:45 AM Shabbat Services (Parashat Ki Tavo), Leket Israel Guest Speaker 7:48 PM Havdalah	
22	19 Elul 23 9:00 AM Minyan 9:30 AM Netivot 2:00 PM Women's Network Kickoff Event 7:30 PM Minyan	20 Elul 24 7:15 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan	21 Elul 25 8:00 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan 8:00 PM Board Meeting	22 Elul 26 8:00 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan 8:00 PM Women's Network Book Group	23 Elul 27 7:15 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan	24 Elul 28 8:00 AM Minyan 6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat 6:38 PM Candle Lighting	25 Elul 29 9:30 AM Preliminary Service 9:45 AM Shabbat Services (Parashat Nitzavim Vayeleich) 10:30 AM Torah Club 8:30 PM Havdalah & Selichot	
29	26 Elul 30 9:00 AM Minyan 9:30 AM Netivot 11:00 AM Apple Picking for Rosh Hashanah 2:00 PM Garden of Remembrance Community Memorial Service 7:30 PM Minyan	27 Elul 31 7:15 AM Minyan 5:00 PM Serving Dinner @Shepherd's Table 7:30 PM Minyan	<p>All events subject to change. Please read <i>B'Keshet</i> for the latest status. The Tikvat Israel Office and ECC are closed on Federal and Jewish holidays.</p>					

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p><b>6</b> 4 Tishrei</p> <p>5:51 AM Fast Begins 9:00 AM Minyan 9:30 AM Netivot Special Event 10:30 AM Judean Gardens Keever Avot Memorial Service 7:15 PM Fast Ends ☆ Fast of Gedaliah</p>	 <p><b>7</b> 5 Tishrei</p> <p>7:15 AM Minyan 1:30 PM Communal Memorial Event 7:30 PM Minyan</p>	<p><b>1</b> 28 Elul</p> <p>8:00 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan</p>	<p><b>2</b> 29 Elul</p> <p>8:00 AM Minyan 1:00 PM ECC Early Dismissal 4:00 PM "The Blast" 6:30 PM Erev Rosh Hashanah Services 6:30 PM Candle Lighting</p> <p>🍎 Erev Rosh Hashanah</p>	<p><b>3</b> 1 Tishrei</p> <p>9:00 AM Psukei D'zimra 9:30 AM Shacharit 4:30 PM Shofar Blowing 4:45 PM Minchah 5:30 PM Tashlich @Rock Creek Park 6:30 PM Ma'ariv 7:27 PM Candle Lighting</p> <p>🍎 Rosh Hashanah</p>	<p><b>4</b> 2 Tishrei</p> <p>9:00 AM Psukei D'zimra 9:30 AM Shacharit 6:00 PM Minchah/Ma'ariv/Kabbalat Shabbat 6:27 PM Candle Lighting</p> <p>🍎 Rosh Hashanah</p>	<p><b>5</b> 3 Tishrei</p> <p>9:30 AM Preliminary Service 9:45 AM Shabbat Services (Parashat Ha'azinu) 7:24 PM Havdalah</p>
<p><b>13</b> 11 Tishrei</p> <p>9:00 AM Minyan 9:30 AM Netivot 7:30 PM Minyan</p>	<p><b>8</b> 6 Tishrei</p> <p>8:00 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan</p>	<p><b>9</b> 7 Tishrei</p> <p>8:00 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan</p>	<p><b>10</b> 8 Tishrei</p> <p>7:15 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan</p>	<p><b>11</b> 9 Tishrei</p> <p>8:00 AM Minyan 1:00 PM ECC Early Dismissal 6:00 PM Kol Nidre Service 6:16 PM Candle Lighting</p> <p>☆ Erev Yom Kippur</p>	<p><b>12</b> 10 Tishrei</p> <p>9:00 AM Psukei D'zimra 9:45 AM Shacharit 2:00 PM Yizkor Outdoors 4:00 PM Minchah/Yizkor/Neilah 7:13 PM Havdalah</p> <p>☆ Yom Kippur</p>	<p><b>19</b> 17 Tishrei</p> <p>9:30 AM Preliminary Service 9:45 AM Shabbat Services 7:04 PM Havdalah</p> <p>🌿 Sukkot (Chol HaMoed)</p>
<p><b>20</b> 18 Tishrei</p> <p>9:00 AM Minyan 9:30 AM Netivot 7:30 PM Minyan</p> <p>🌿 Sukkot (Chol HaMoed)</p>	<p><b>15</b> 13 Tishrei</p> <p>8:00 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan</p>	<p><b>16</b> 14 Tishrei</p> <p>8:00 AM Minyan 6:09 PM Candle Lighting 7:30 PM Minyan</p> <p>🌿 Erev Sukkot</p>	<p><b>17</b> 15 Tishrei</p> <p>7:15 AM Minyan 7:06 PM Candle Lighting 7:30 PM Minyan</p> <p>🌿 Sukkot</p>	<p><b>18</b> 16 Tishrei</p> <p>8:00 AM Minyan 6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat 6:06 PM Candle Lighting 7:00 PM Shabbat Dinner in the Sukkah</p> <p>🌿 Sukkot</p>	<p><b>25</b> 23 Tishrei</p> <p>9:15 AM Psukei D'zimra Services 9:30 AM Simchat Torah Services 12:15 PM Simchat Torah Lunch 5:57 PM Candle Lighting 6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat</p> <p>🏠 Simchat Torah</p>	<p><b>26</b> 24 Tishrei</p> <p>9:30 AM Preliminary Service 9:45 AM Shabbat Services (Parashat Bereshit) 10:30 AM Torah Club 11:15 AM Shabbat Family Jam with Auntie A 6:55 PM Havdalah</p>
<p><b>27</b> 25 Tishrei</p> <p>9:00 AM Minyan 9:30 AM Netivot 7:30 PM Minyan</p>	<p><b>22</b> 20 Tishrei</p> <p>8:00 AM Minyan 5:00 PM Young Families Sukkot Dinner in the Sukkah 7:30 PM Minyan 8:00 PM Board Meeting</p> <p>🌿 Sukkot (Chol HaMoed)</p>	<p><b>23</b> 21 Tishrei</p> <p>8:00 AM Minyan 6:00 PM Candle Lighting, Shemini Atzeret Services 7:30 PM Minyan</p> <p>🌿 Sukkot (Hoshana Raba)</p>	<p><b>24</b> 22 Tishrei</p> <p>9:15 AM Psukei D'zimra Services 9:30 AM Shemini Atzeret Services 6:57 PM Candle Lighting 7:00 PM Simchat Torah Services</p> <p>☆ Shemini Atzeret</p>	<p><b>31</b> 29 Tishrei</p> <p>7:15 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan</p>	<p><b>30</b> 28 Tishrei</p> <p>8:00 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan</p>	<p><b>31</b> 29 Tishrei</p> <p>7:15 AM Minyan 7:30 PM Minyan</p>

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## A New Order for Our Religious Service Materials

Tikvat Israel has a newly organized collection of materials needed by those who lead religious services. It can be found under the *shulchan*, the *Torah* reading table on the *bimah*.

Jason Schwartz, chair of the Religious Practices Committee, took the lead on the recent reorganization.

“We have added some shelves with the goal of making everything easier to find and preventing items from getting lost way in the back of the very deep shelves,” he says.

In the new *shulchan*, Schwartz has labelled all items. As shown in the accompanying photos, the labels refer to the items directly *above* them, as indicated by the upward-pointing arrows.

He asks all those using the *Haftarah* book, *Torah* reading binders and large print *siddurim* to please return them with the book spines facing outward so that people can easily see what each item is. (This is not possible for the *siddur/chumash* section because of the size of the books.)

The shelves are adjustable, and the labels are reprintable, so those with suggestions for better ways to arrange the items should contact Jason in person or at [jason@schwartzcentral.com](mailto:jason@schwartzcentral.com).

