

AGUDATH ACHIM SYNAGOGUE

THE SHOFAR

FEBRUARY 2013

קהילת אגודת אחים



HANUKKAH DINNER

DECEMBER 9, 2012





Clark Adelman, President

Dear Members & Friends,

Happy New Year! As we welcome 2013, our synagogue is a hub of activity. Shabbat morning services continue to be well attended. Rabbi Wohl's inspirational sermons are informative and provide current content in relation to the week's parsha. Please join us on Saturday morning at 9:30 AM. Services are meaningful and include an awesome lunch. Come join us.

I want to thank Joel Hollander and his the committee for their hard work. Their work will help keep our synagogue viable into the future. 99% of our congregants increased their dues and we thank you.

Ron Adelman has been a great addition to our office. He has things well organized and has documented most of the duties performed by the secretary. This will be invaluable as we move into the future. Greg Werstil has been working closely with Ron on the synagogue finances and has had many great ideas and suggestions that we will be using going forward. Thanks Ron and Greg!

Elliott Bilofsky is our House Committee Chairman and can be found in the synagogue weekly fixing things and working with Albert to keep our synagogue functional and beautiful. Thanks Elliott!

Henry Weinberg continues to chair our Cemetery and Ritual Committees. Henry is so devoted to Agudath Achim that even while in Florida, he is always concerned about our cemetery and synagogue. Thank You Henry!

Thanks to Madelyn for all her efforts on publishing the Shofar. Please check our website www.agudathachim.com for more information and a calendar of events. The website also has copies of previous Shofars under the community tab.

Our religious school principal, Ilissa Zimmerman continues to make Sunday School fun and educational for our children. Sunday School has moved back to Agudath Achim until the end of the year. Please plan on attending the annual Purim Carnival on March 3rd. More information will be provided soon. Thanks Ilissa for all you do!

There will be an adult Purim Party held at the Laurel Lodge on Saturday, February 23rd. You should be receiving invitations in the mail very soon. Thanks to Rabbi Wohl for the idea and to Carol Lipitz and Paula Binus for the planning. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending this event. It will be a great time to share with our fellow congregants.

Sincerely,

Clark

Clark R. Adelman

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UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY
JANUARY 26TH
TU B'SHVAT SEDER
AFTER SERVICES

MONDAY JAN 28TH
(EVERY MONDAY)
ADULT EDUCATION
BEGINS ON
6:15 - 7:00 PM
INTRODUCTION
TO HEBREW
7 PM "THE LIFE
OF JOSEPH"

FEB 16TH & 17TH
CONFIRMATION
TRIP TO
WASHINGTON D.C.

SATURDAY FEB 23RD
PURIM MEGILLAH
READING AND
ADULT PARTY
AT THE LAUREL
LODGE
5:45 MEGILLAH
READING
6:45 DINNER &
DANCING WITH
A DJ



Rabbi Josh Wohl

For those of us who take Passover seriously, there is a great deal of stress involved in our preparations. We meticulously clean every nook and cranny of our house, checking for crumbs of chumetz. We spend hundreds of dollars on Kosher for Passover food. Countless hours of cooking are completed to prepare the delicious soups, kugels and brisket served at the family Seder. By the time the Seder begins, some of us feel worn out and unfocused succumbing to the pressure to speed-read through the Haggadah.

So this year let me point out one key verse in your Haggadah that you must not skip over, for its message reveals the essence of the holiday's meaning. We read, "In every generation a person must see themselves as if they came out from Egypt." This short quote teaches us that it is not enough to simply retell the story of our ancestors; rather it is our responsibility to relive the experience of the Exodus from Egypt in our own lives. We must see ourselves as slaves going from slavery to freedom!

However, to many of us this command seems like a stretch. For I can safely assume that each of us was born free. No one I know has been forced to work on a plantation or build a Pyramid against their will. So how are we supposed to relive the Exodus? How can we see ourselves as going from a place of slavery to a place of freedom?

The ancient mystical book the Zohar offers a unique insight into the Passover

experience shedding light on this perplexing command. The word for Egypt in Hebrew is Mitzrayim, which means narrow straits. When God led us out of Egypt he extricated us from Mitzrayim, a narrow place with tight controls and limited prospects into the land of Israel, a wider place filled with opportunities. The redemption, the move from slavery to freedom, is really a movement from a state of despair to a state of redemption. It is a universal human experience.

The ancient Egyptians believed that as you were born, so will you die.

Slaves were meant to be slaves, just as the poor were meant to be poor, nothing ever changed. It was the great insight of the Jewish faith that one's situation can change. Slaves can become free and everyone who trusts in God can move away from the narrow place that confines them.

We all have some narrow place in our lives. Many of us are the victims of bad habits and addictions we are unable to break. Some of us remain stuck in an unfulfilling relationship. Others feel shackled by the limitations of our financial situation. The lesson of Passover is that change is difficult but do-able. With God's help, we can overcome our bad habits, reinvigorate our unfulfilling relationships and break free from our financial difficulties. Our situation can change; this is the lesson of the Exodus story. When the world says, "Give up," God whispers, "Try it one more time."

On March 26th, Agduath Achim Congregation will be hosting a communal Passover Seder. Instead of struggling to prepare two Seders, we invite you to come and join us for a meaningful discussion and delicious dinner. And remember that the central mitzvah of the Seder night is to relive not retell the story. So this year let us pray that in partnership with God, we will begin to extricate ourselves from our personal Mitzrayim, to a place of freedom and happiness. And in doing so we will fulfill the Seder's central mitzvah, "In every generation a person must see themselves as if they came out from Egypt."

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY MARCH 25TH
SERVICE FOR THE FIRST
BORN 7:30 AM

TUESDAY MARCH 26TH
2ND NIGHT PASSOVER
SEDER 6 PM

TUESDAY APRIL 2ND
YIZKOR SERVICES
7:30 AM

SATURDAY APR 6TH JUDY
MEISEL GUEST SPEAKER

FEDERATION
FILM FESTIVAL
FEB 21, 28 & MAR 7, 14

THE SHOFAR IS PRINTED
FOUR TIMES A YEAR.

FEBRUARY, MAY

AUGUST, NOVEMBER

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ZIMMERMAN & DANA
SKY FOR THEIR FABULOUS
ARTICLES, BARBARA
HOLLANDER FOR EDITING
AND JEFF GREENBERG FOR
HIS BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS OF
OUR AAC FAMILY

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YAHREZEITS

February 3	Herbert Bilofsky	Father of Dr. Elliott Bilofsky	March 24	Gussie Kline	Grandmother of Dr. Michael Kline
February 4	Anna Lieberman	Mother of Phyllis Port		Edythe Vivian	Aunt of Ron & Clark Adelman & Joy Susengill
February 6	Mollie Brooks	Mother of David Brooks			
February 7	Sarah Freeman	Mother of Eleanor Grossman & Grandmother of Ardie Karp	March 27	Meyer Deitch	Father of Adele Giller
			March 31	William Greenberg	Father of Jeff Greenberg
February 10	Arthur Cohen	Husband of Donna Cohen & Father of Michael & Shawn Cohen	April 1	Sarah Epstein	Mother of Louis Epstein
	Isaac Saltzman	Father of Fay Schmitt		Albert Faber	Grandfather of Steven, Alex & Michael Seltzer
February 13	Rose Altberg	Wife of Dr. Reynold Altberg & Mother of Marla Greiper	April 2	Yetta Seltzer	Mother of Irving Seltzer & Grandmother of Steven, Alex, Alison & Michael Seltzer
	Julius Mazur	Brother Rose Karp			
	Israel Sky	Father of Phillip Sky & Grandfather of Israel Sky	April 6	Dorothy Levinson	Mother of Howard Levinson
			April 7	Anna Mazur	Mother of Rose Karp & Grandmother of Rick Karp
February 14	Samuel Klevans	Brother-in-law of Emanuel Rosenberg			
	Maurice Sherman	Father of Freya Berger	April 8	Hanna Krapin	Mother of Millicent Bailing
February 15	Benjamin Blender	Uncle of Jeffrey Blender		Joseph Rosenberg	Father of Emanuel Rosenberg
February 15	Abraham Adelson	Uncle of Samuel Kaplan	April 10	Joseph Cohen	Father of Lynn Fishbaine
	Julius Krentzman	Grandfather of Marcia Schulman	April 12	Israel Weinstein	Grandfather of Judy Weinstein
February 17	Pesa Tuttle Golant	Mother of Jakob Golant	April 13	Harry Crigger	Father of Sandra Singer
February 20	Ann Kline-Gilbert	Aunt of Michael Kline	April 14	Ruth Karp	Mother of Ardie Karp & Sister of Eleanor Grossman
February 23	Albert Karp	Father of Rick Karp, Husband of Rose Karp & Brother of Ida Schulman		Zeida Karp	Grandmother of Rick Karp
				Ann Colbus	Aunt of Henry Weinberg
February 24	Morris Antikol	Father of Hyman Antikol and Linda Charam	April 17	Sanford Gould	Brother of Barry Gould
	Rose Port	Mother of Stephen, Neil & Martin Port & Grandmother of Joshua Port		Bess Levine	Mother of Ida Christensen & Nancy Seigel
February 28	Stella Bader	Aunt of Susan Karp	April 18	Samuel Port	Father of Stephen, Neil & Martin Port
March 5	Ruth Scott	Mother of Nancy Devorris & Grandmother of Philip Devorris & Andrea Cohen	April 20	Sarah Bergstein	Mother of Gerald Bergstein & Grandmother of David Bergstein
March 6	Irving Schmidt	Father of Dr. Stephen Schmidt			
March 7	Molly Rosenberg	Mother of Emanuel Rosenberg		Rae Dolinger	Mother of David Dolinger
March 9	David Brozgal	Husband of June Brozgal	April 22	Lillian Ramer	Mother of Burton Parish
	Louis Burrows	Grandfather of Bruce, Jonathan & Eric Thaler and Amy Seltzer	April 24	Rose Devorris	Mother of Donald Devorris & Grandmother of Philip Devorris & Andrea Cohen
March 10	Sarah Sussman	Mother of Marilyn Port		J B Henderson	Grandfather of Robert Henderson & Susan Henderson-Brody
March 11	Ruth Blender	Mother of Jeffrey Blender			
March 12	David Altberg	Father of Dr. Reynold Altberg & Grandfather of Marla Greiper	April 26	Anna Paikin	Mother of Saul Paikin
March 13	David Scott	Father of Nancy Devorris & Grandfather of Philip Devorris & Andrea Cohen		Deborah Sare	Grandmother of David Dolinger
March 14	Morris Epstein	Father of Louis Epstein	April 27	Martha Cohen	Mother of Lynn Fishbaine
March 15	Aaron Gendel	Brother of Sophie Rosenberg	April 29	Morris Kaplan	Father of Samuel & Harold Kaplan
	Lawrence Hollander	Father of Joel Hollander & Grandfather of Nicole and Rachel Hollander & Nanci Caplan			
March 17	Morris Devorris	Father of Donald Devorris & Grandfather of Philip Devorris & Andrea Cohen			
March 19	Moses Sky	Uncle of Stephen, Neil & Martin Port & Phillip Sky			
March 23	Morton Hollander	Uncle of Joel Hollander & Great Uncle of Nicole and Rachel Hollander & Nanci Caplan			

MAHZOR LEV SHALEM IS OUR NEW
HIGH HOLIDAY PRAYER BOOK. PLACE
A 'DEDICATION' OR 'IN MEMORY OF'
\$36 CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE OUT
TO AAC SISTERHOOD.

Our Misheberah List

The following individuals are in our prayers of healing this week. If you have names to add to our list, please contact the office. In addition, if you or someone you know is hospitalized or would like a visit, please contact Rabbi Wohl.

Mark Andrew
Eva Berger
Larry Betar
Dave Binus
Stacey Blank
Dave Brooks
Alma Burgoon
Dana Caparoso
Bob Carter
Steve Colyer
Mendle Covitch
Jacob Crum
Nancy Devorris
Merle Evey
Michael Freilich
Shirley Glucroft
Alvin Gray
Brooke Haney
Stephen Holland
Mary Jones
Dr. Steve Kaplan
Kenneth Keagy
Scott King
Red Lightner
Mary Lipple
Judy McKillip
Sandy Messner
Vered bat Dany & Miki
Diana Miller
Dany Noiman
Joe Portugal
Scott Randell
Desiree Rosenthal
Cora Rose
Bill Rossman
Barry Smith
Bill Thaler
Judy Thaler
Lou Ventura
Edythe Voloshen
Evelyn Wagner
Judy Weicht
Rick Weigl
Jeanette Weinberg
Elinore Wharton
Kim & Bob Wilson
Mary Yingling

All the American & Israeli Soldiers injured in battle

Please notify us if the person on this list has recovered.

CONGRATULATIONS TO
ADAM & JAMIE BERGSTEIN
ON THE BIRTH OF THEIR DAUGHTER,
LEAH JANE
BORN DECEMBER 21, 2012
GRANDDAUGHTER OF NANCY & DAVID
GREAT GRANDDAUGHTER
OF JOAN & GERALD

CONGRATULATIONS TO
JEAN & DAVE DOLINGER
ON THE BIRTH OF THEIR GRANDSON,
JACOB ANDREW
BORN OCTOBER 31, 2012
PARENTS ARE MICHAEL & STEPHANIE
DOLINGER OF PITTSBURGH

IN MEMORY OF ROSE MILLER
SISTER OF IRV Seltzer AND AUNT OF STEVE,
MIKE, ALEX AND ALISON Seltzer.
MAY HER MEMORY BE FOR A BLESSING AND
MAY ALL OF THE FAMILY BE COMFORTED
AMONG THE MOURNERS OF
ZION AND JERUSALEM.

IN MEMORY OF JERRY HENDERSON
FATHER OF EDWARD, EVAN,
MATTHEW AND MEGAN.
MAY HIS MEMORY BE FOR A BLESSING AND
MAY ALL OF THE FAMILY BE COMFORTED
AMONG THE MOURNERS OF
ZION AND JERUSALEM.

IN MEMORY OF MELVIN KING LURIE
BROTHER OF JOE LURIE
AND UNCLE OF JAN HOUSMAN.
MAY HIS MEMORY BE FOR A BLESSING AND
MAY ALL OF THE FAMILY BE COMFORTED
AMONG THE MOURNERS OF
ZION AND JERUSALEM.

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Mr. & Mrs. David Rispoli, Tyler & Casey
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 In Memory of Betty J. Perchy
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 In Memory of Norma Colyer
 In Memory of Marcella Wonderly
 In Memory of Donald Paul Claybaugh
 In Memory of Donald P. Stone
 In Memory of Linda Taddei

Mr. & Mrs. Henry Weinberg
 In Memory of Donald Collier
 Get Well Cheryl Davis
 Get Well Eva Kranich
 In Memory of Linda Taddei
 Get Well Helen Stein
 Mazel Tov on Leemor's engagement
 Mr. & Mrs. Gary Feldman
 In Memory of Ben Yingling
 Congratulations on Jessica's engagement
 Mr. & Mrs. Edward Henderson
 Congratulations on birth of grandson,
 Jackson to Amy Seltzer
 Congratulations on birth of grandson,
 Jackson to Steven Seltzer
 Get Well Michael Pennington
 Get Well Michael Irwin
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 Best wishes on retirement Bill Ward
 Get Well Mim Dancoff
 In Memory of Mother of Dave Carnell
 Get Well Morley Cohn
 In Memory of Helen Sandler
 Get Well David Binus
 Get Well Libby Malone
 In Memory of Barbara L. Bernardinelli

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 Get Well Dr. William Thaler
 In Memory of Wade C. Porter
 In Memory of Judy Lamont
 In Memory of Melvin King Lurie
 Get Well Michael Irwin
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 In Memory of Dean Nelson
 In Memory of Rose Miller
 In Memory of Helen Sandler
 In Memory of Barbara L. Bernardinelli

Dr. Reynold Altberg & Mrs. June Brozgal
 Get Well Dr. William Thaler
 In Memory of Marjorie Carothers

Dr. Reynold Altberg, Mrs. June Brozgal,
 Mr. & Mrs. Philip Greipe, Dr. & Mrs. Marc
 Rappaport & Anastasia
 Get Well Helen Sandler
 In Memory of Sister of Rita Dulberg

Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Bergstein
 In Memory of Judy Lamont
 In Memory of Melvin King Lurie

Mr. & Mrs. Saul Paikin
 In Memory of Sarah Jane Taylor
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson

Mrs. Rosaline Karp
 Get Well Rosalind Levey

Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Port

In Memory of Carl S. Nerenberg

Mr. & Mrs. Morley Cohn
 Congratulations on the birth of Jackson
 Seltzer Family
 In Memory Betty Jane Lenson Katzner
 In Memory Jerry Henderson
 In Memory Rose Miller
 In Memory Helen Sandler
 In Honor of the birth of grandson,
 Jacob Mr. & Mrs. David Dolinger
 Get Well David Binus
 Get Well Nancy Devorris

Mr. & Mrs. Joel Hollander
 In Memory of Dorothy Naomi Zajac
 In Memory of Elizabeth E. Lechner
 In Memory of Melvin King Lurie
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 In Memory of Rose Miller
 In Memory of Helen Sandler

Dr. & Mrs. Michael Cohen
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 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 In Memory of Rose Miller
 Get Well Morley Cohn
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 In Memory of Helen Sandler

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 In Memory of Melvin King Lurie
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 In Memory of Rose Miller
 In Memory of Helen Sandler

Mr. & Mrs. Edward Henderson & Family
 In Memory of Melvin King Lurie
 In Memory of Rose Miller
 In Memory of Helen Sandler

Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Greenberg
 In Memory of Melvin King Lurie
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 In Memory of Rose Miller
 In Memory of Helen Sandler

Dr. & Mrs. Michael Kline
 In Memory of Melvin King Lurie
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 In Memory of Rose Miller
 In Memory of Helen Sandler

Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Fishbaine
 In Memory of Dean Nelson

In Memory of Jerry Henderson

Dr. & Mrs. Marvin Meisner
 In Memory of Melvin King Lurie
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 In Memory of Rose Miller
 In Memory of Carl S. Nerenberg
 In Memory of Helen Sandler
 In Memory of Barbara L. Berardinelli

Mr. & Mrs. Neil Port
 In Memory of Melvin King Lurie
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 In Memory of Rose Miller
 In Memory of Helen Sandler

Mrs. Amy Seltzer
 In Memory of Melvin King Lurie
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 In Memory of Rose Miller

Dr. & Mrs. Bruce Thaler
 In Memory of Melvin King Lurie
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 In Memory of Rose Miller

Mrs. Ilissa Zimmerman
 In Memory of Melvin King Lurie
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 In Memory of Rose Miller
 In Memory of Helen Sandler

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Kaminsky
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Mrs. Fay Schmitt
 In Memory of Dean Nelson
 In Memory of Clementine M. Kawtoski
 In Memory of Rose Miller

Mrs. Fay Schmitt & Mr. Bob Helsel
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson

Miss Nicole Hollander
 In Memory of Carl S. Nerenberg

Miss Rachel Hollander
 In Memory of Carl S. Nerenberg

Mr. & Mrs. Ben Caplan
 In Memory of Carl S. Nerenberg

Mrs. Mildred Miller
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 In Memory of Helen Sandler

Mr. Hyman Antikol
 Happy Birthday Ron Adelman
 Happy Birthday Jakob Golant

Mr. Al Roth
 In Memory of Janice Wikes

Mr. & Mrs. Israel Sky, Sam & Mandy
 In Memory of Anna Yacuk

Mr. & Mrs. Byron Lasser & Miss Stacy Lasser
 In Memory of Linda Taddei
 In Memory of Dean Nelson
 In Memory of Jerry Henderson
 In Memory of Charlotte Blua

WE SAW IT ALL AT NEARLY NEW 5773! CRAZY HATS, MEN IN HEELS, LAYLA!, NEW WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS AND HURRICANE SANDY!!!



Despite the bad weather, we had another successful year with the Nearly New Sale, raising just over \$4000! This enormous Labor of Love, continues to reach out into the community with donations to organizations for less fortunate children, Veteran's Home and the Salvation Army. Thank you congregants AND friends for your generous donations of clothing and time! We are very grateful!

The following list of volunteers took time out of their busy schedules to help make this sale a success: Ilissa Zimmerman, Bonnie Zimmerman, Paula Binus, Dana & Amanda & Sam Sky, Roz Sky, Tobi & Casey Rispoli, Faye Schmidt, Carol Lipitz, Chanale & Mendel Stein, Mindy Newton, Ana & George Aguero, Samantha Bilofsky, Ginger Glass, Krystal Cruthers, Judy Weinstein, Ronna Lasser, Michael Scheinberg, Hy Antikol, Donna Cohen, Mitzi Bailing, Dave & Erica Binus, Tina & Albert & Lisa Mealing, Carolyn & Bill Wallen, Sandra Halpern, Andrea Cohen, Barbara Hollander, Kathy Boccardi, Judy Knox, Ginny & Sawyer & Sidney Glass, Delaney Hallinan, Caleb Marasco, Christopher Damiano, Eva Deleo, Lisa Covitch, Maxine Weinberg, Kelley Adler, Laura Scheinberg, Betsy & Ava Kline, Mickey Port, Julie Wohl, Ron Adelman.



There are so many volunteers who are not members of our synagogue. We could not have had this fundraiser without you. Thank you so much for your generous donation of your time to our community. Your efforts are very appreciated!



**Our dates have been set for next year. We MUST have your help to make it work!
Please mark your calendars for Set Up—October 15, 16, 18 & 20
And the Sale Dates—October 20, 21, 22 & 23**

D O N A T I O N S

Rabbi M. Berger Memorial Scholarship Fund

Joel and Barbara Hollander

In Memory of Saul Paiken's nephew, Carl Nerenberg,

Joel and Barbara Hollander

In Memory of Irv Seltzer's sister, Rose Miller

Joel and Barbara Hollander

In Honor of Morley Cohn - Best wishes for continued
good health

Joel and Barbara Hollander

In Memory of Helen Sandler

Joel and Barbara Hollander

In Honor of Nancy Devorris - Best wishes for continued
good health

Congregational Fund

Joel and Barbara Hollander

In Honor of Jakob Golant's 92nd Birthday

Susan Henderson Brody

In Memory of Susan's Grandmother Annie Henderson

Carol and Morley Cohn

In Memory of Carol's Mother Thelma Brenner Skolnek

Carol and Morley Cohn

In Memory of Carol's Father Samuel Joseph Skolnek

Carol and Morley Cohn

In Memory of Morley's Mother Yetta Reinstein Cohn

Carol and Morley Cohn

In Memory of Morley's Father Joseph Cohn

Ethel K. Fried

In Memory of Ethel's Husband Dr. Joseph Fried

Bob Henderson and Family

In Memory of Bob's Grandmother Annie Henderson

Dr. Scott, Barbara, Sara, Yoni, Lisa & Mark Trichka and Marc
Brande

In Memory of Isaac Karp

Dr. Scott, Barbara, Sara, Yoni, Lisa & Mark Trichka and Marc
Brande

In Memory of Celia Karp

Dr. Scott, Barbara, Sara, Yoni, Lisa & Mark Trichka and Marc
Brande

In Memory of Aaron Herzog

Dr. Scott, Barbara, Sara, Yoni, Lisa & Mark Trichka and Marc
Brande

In Memory of Father Harold Brande

Dr. Scott, Barbara, Sara, Yoni, Lisa & Mark Trichka and Marc
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In Memory of Mother Selma Brande

Dr. Scott, Barbara, Sara, Yoni, Lisa & Mark Trichka and Marc
Brande

In Memory of Paul Blender

Dr. Scott, Barbara, Sara, Yoni, Lisa & Mark Trichka and Marc
Brande

In Memory of Ruth Blender

Dr. Scott, Barbara, Sara, Yoni, Lisa & Mark Trichka and Marc
Brande

In Memory of Lorain Brande

Dr. Scott, Barbara, Sara, Yoni, Lisa & Mark Trichka and Marc
Brande

In Memory of Nathan Brande

Major Burton Parish

In Memory of Burton's Mother Rae Parish

Major Burton Parish

In Memory of Rae Parish's Yahrzeit

Ronna Lasser

In Honor of Nancy Devorris's 70th Birthday

Hyman Antikol

In Memory of his Grandfather Achaim Antikol

Bernard Swartz

In Memory of his Brother Maurice Swartz, AKA Buddy
Black

Patrick Himes

General Donation to Synagogue

Dr. Saul Savitz

In Memory of his Mother Mary Savitz

Dr. Saul Savitz

In Memory of his Father Herman Savitz

Bernard Swartz

In Memory of his Brother Maurice Swartz

Hyman Antikol

In Memory of his Mother Gerry Antikol

Neil and Mickey Port

In honor of Nancy Devorris for a full and speedy recovery

Dr. Irvin & Mrs. Freya Berger

In memory of Frank Berger, Dr. Irvin's father

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In Memory of her Husband Jerry Wayne

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Sponsored Kiddush In Memory of his Mother Gerry Antikol

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Sponsored Kiddush In Memory of their Mother Jennie
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Carol and Morley Cohn

Leonard Zimmerman

Steve Seltzer

Jakob Golant

Window Fund

Joel and Barbara Hollander

In Memory of Gerald B. Henderson

Tree of Life

From Agudath Achim Congregation

In Honor of Chuck Kaminsky's cleaning of Tallit and
Bimah covers

Birthdays

February

1	Daniel Henderson	14	Sandra Singer
2	Sara Gould	16	Ryan Seltzer
2	Kevin Thaler	18	Howard Levinson
10	Kathleen Schneider	24	Claudia Devorris
11	Samantha Bilofsky	25	Joshua Seltzer
11	Amanda Sky	26	Bernice Levinson
11	Maxine Weinberg	26	Andrea Okonak
13	Sam Gould	27	Sarah Arlick
14	Matthew Eiman	29	Ilissa Zimmerman
17	Brittany Thaler		

April

19	Jolene Bowers	2	Dr. Jay Arlick
21	Elizabeth Kline	2	Adam Seltzer
22	Sophie Rosenberg	5	Noah Scheinberg
23	Philip Devorris	5	Michele Schmidt
23	Emanuel Rosenberg	5	Steven Seltzer
23	Carolyn Wallen	8	Leeanne Port
24	Stephen Port	9	Dr. Joel Schocker
26	Cathie Gould	12	Ian Housman
26	Alex Thaler	13	Scott Glass
		13	Alex Seltzer
		19	David Halpern
		20	Jan Housman
		23	Gerald Bergstein
		23	Phyllis Thaler
		28	Jeffrey Blender
		30	Jean Dolinger
		30	Madelyn Greenberg
		30	Erica Schmidt

March

7	Sarah Lipitz
8	Clark Adelman
9	Seth Bergstein
11	Rachel Hollander
11	Nicole Lipitz
12	Nanci Caplan
13	Mina Belenitsky

Anniversaries

February

19 Jay & Mary Eiman

March

3 Joel & Barbara Hollander

8 David & Sandra Halpern

26 Barry & Cathie Gould

April

2 Saul & Anna Paikin

8 Philip & Colleen Devorris

11 Anderson Rains III & Sheila Rains

16 Michael & Andrea Cohen

DAVE AND PAULA BINUS
WOULD LIKE TO THANK
CLARK ADELMAN AND
CATHIE GOULD FOR
MAKING THE LATKES AT
OUR HANUKKAH
DINNER

THE STAR OF DAVID

The Star of David does not have any religious significance but is the symbol most commonly associated with the Jewish people. The SIX pointed star is meaningful in many cultures.

TO THE KABBALISTS: The six points represent God's absolute rule over the universe in all six directions: North, South, East, West, Up and Down.

TO THE CHRISTIANS: The six points represent the attributes of God, power, wisdom, majesty, love, mercy and justice. The star is also referred to as the Star of Creation:
the six points stand for the six days of creation.

TO JEWISH SCHOLARS: The six points form 12 sides representing the Twelve Tribes of Israel.

TO THE CRIPS GANG: The international criminal gang adopted the star as a symbol of alliance.

The six points represent life, love, loyalty, honor, peace and respect.

TO THE MUSLIMS: The six pointed star with the crescent moon became a prominent symbol of Islam in the 19th century. Today it is recognized as the world wide symbol of Islam.

TO THE PAGANS: The star is called Solomon's Seal and supposed to possess mystical powers.

And to bring home my point, Sunday School returned to the Synagogue on the sixth of January.

We welcome our students
back to the Synagogue.

Yours, Ilissa



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AGUDATH ACHIM OFFERS MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS TO CONTRIBUTE TO OUR SYNAGOGUE THROUGH VARIOUS FUNDS. PLEASE CONSIDER A CONTRIBUTION TO AGUDATH ACHIM TO HONOR, REMEMBER, OR CONGRATULATE YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS. FOR YOUR REFERENCE, WE ARE HAPPY TO PROVIDE A LIST OF THE AREAS THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

GOLDEN BOOK - MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION OF \$4.00

SISTERHOOD WINDOW FUND (PLAQUE LOCATED IN SOCIAL HALL) - MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION OF \$25.00

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND - RABBI WOHL USES THESE FUNDS TO MAKE CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS ON BEHALF OF THE SYNAGOGUE AS WELL AS TO PURCHASE MUSIC, BOOKS AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL THAT BENEFIT THE SYNAGOGUE AND JEWISH COMMUNITY OF ALTOONA.

TREE OF LIFE SCULPTURE (MAIN LOBBY) - MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION PER LEAF OF \$125.00

ETERNAL LIGHT FUND (SCULPTURE IN MAIN LOBBY). CATEGORIES ON THE SCULPTURE INCLUDE CONTRIBUTIONS OF \$1000.00, \$2500.00, \$5000.00, \$10,000.00, AND \$25,000.00.

SISTERHOOD PRAYER BOOK FUND - MINIMUM \$36.00

CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR GENERAL FUND FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR OPERATING BUDGET ARE WELCOME IN ANY AMOUNT.

PARTICIPATION IN OUR TRUST FUNDS THAT INCLUDE OUR ETERNAL LIGHT AND OUR PHYSICAL TRUST CAN INCLUDE YOUR GIFTS OF SECURITIES, CASH, OR INSURANCE BENEFITS. PLEASE CONTACT JOEL OR CLARK TO DISCUSS YOUR INTEREST IN HELPING TO SECURE THE FUTURE OF OUR AGUDATH ACHIM WITH YOUR KIND GENEROSITY.

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