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From Your Rabbi..



It's hard to believe that I am beginning my nineteenth year at K.I., and my third year as your rabbi. Believe it or not, it has been my pleasure to serve as your rabbi, and I thank you and value your confidence by selecting me to be your spiritual leader. I truly look forward to each new day with much optimism, and I feel

privileged to have the opportunity to share a part in your lives.

We have had two very successful years with several new programs and innovations, and in the past year and a half we have had eighteen new members join our congregation. We have formed a new program committee which has already planned many new and fun events and programs for the coming year. I hope all of you will come out and participate in as many of these as possible.

Thanks to the generosity of the Devinki family, our religious school is leading the way by welcoming every child in our Jewish community into our school, without requiring membership to our synagogue -- tuition free. A quality Jewish education should be available to every Jewish child, and finances should never get in the way. We are also pleased that **Rachel Macek** has accepted the position of school director. I am looking forward to a great school year.

I realize that our traditional *Shabbat* morning service can be challenging for some; therefore, I encourage you to attend the *Shabbat* Lite service once a month. This is an informal/learner's service in our chapel, from 10-11 am, where virtually every aspect of our rich Jewish heritage and liturgy is discussed and explored, bringing new meaning, understanding and relevance into our lives. The dress code is casual.

Over the years, people have suggested that more people would attend *Shabbat* services if they could come dressed as they please. First of all, I don't think that is true, and second, coming to *shul* in shorts or jeans and a tee shirt shows a lack of respect for *Shabbat* and the *shul*. Standing before G-d in prayer is not the same as going to a concert or sporting event. If one would be invited to meet the president of our country, one would certainly be dressed appropriately. Having that said, I would not object if a man came to *shul* wearing a nice

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K.I. ANNOUNCES NEW RELIGIOUS SCHOOL DIRECTOR



Kehilath Israel Synagogue is pleased to welcome **Rachel Macek** as the new director of the Kehilath Israel Fred Devinki Religious School.

Rachel brings years of experience working in education to her new position. She earned her Bachelors of Science and Masters of Sci-

ence in education from the University of Kansas. She has taught science and engineering classes for over eight years in the public school system. Rachel has been working in the Kansas City, Kansas School District central office for the last seven years as part of the curriculum department.

Rachel also has over twelve years of experience teaching in local religious schools. She has experience writing and reviewing curriculum in both public and religious schools. Rachel plans to bring this knowledge with her to the Kehilath Israel Fred Devinki Religious School to improve the great curriculum that is already being taught.

Rachel is a life-long resident of Overland Park. She has been a member of Kehilath Israel for over seven years, serving in the past on the executive board. She and her husband, **Scott Macek**, are active with many of K.I.'s activities. Rachel lives with her husband and son, Yedid Dov.

This year Kehilath Israel Synagogue is opening their religious school doors to all Jewish children in the community tuition-free. Rabbi Shron states, "We would like K.I. to be a place where people can send their kids to receive a good Jewish education and not have finances be an obstacle for that Jewish education."

The school is being funded by the Fred Devinki Jewish Education Scholarship Fund for Kehilath Israel Synagogue. The fund was created by Maria Devinki and the Devinki family specifically to help spur Jewish education at the synagogue. This is the first year the fund is being used to include children from the Jewish community at large.

The school serves children in grades pre K-10th. Classes are on Sunday mornings and Wednesday afternoons. Classes begin on August 30th. Enrollment forms can be found on the synagogue website (kisyn.org).

For more information, contact Rachel Macek, macek.rachel@gmail.com or call the synagogue office at 913.642.1880.









SHABBAT SERVICES

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

Candlelighting*	8:06 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat	6:45 PM
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Morning Services	9:00 AM
KIDDUSH IN HONO	R OF
MANNY WINSTON'S 90TH	BIRTHDAY
Mincha	7:45 PM
Havdalah	8:59 PM

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

Candlelighting*	7:57 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat	6:35 PM
SATURDAY, AUG	UST 15
Morning Services	9:00 AM
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Mincha......7:35 PM Havdalah.....8:49 PM

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

Candlelighting*	7:48 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat	6:30 PM
SATURDAY, AU	GUST 22
Morning Services	9:00 AM
Mincha	7:25 PM
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FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

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Candlelighting*	7:37 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat	6:20 PM
SATURDAY, AUGU	ST 29
Morning Services	9:00 AM
Shabbat Morning 'Lite'	10:00 AM
Shabbat Party for Kids	10:00 AM
KIDDUSH IN HONO	OR OF
IRENE DREISESZUN	'S 90TH

 BIRTHDAY

 Mincha......7:15 PM

 Havdalah.....8:27 PM

*NO LATER THAN THESE TIMES

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shirt and pants, and a woman wearing a nice blouse and skirt or nice slacks. This would both keep the sanctity of the day and make people feel more comfortable.

My goal as a rabbi is to keep the traditions of our synagogue, but to create a more user friendly and informal atmosphere; a place where all who attend will feel more spiritual and more enlightened than when they first arrived. I also want to be as accessible to the congregation as possible. If you are in need of my help or guidance, please feel free to contact me. Of course, everything is strictly confidential.

If we all pitch in and work together, Kehilath Israel Synagogue can be a vibrant spiritual home to us all.

Rabbi Jeffrey A. Shron



SATURDAY, AUGUST 8 MANNY WINSTON'S 90TH BIRTHDAY

Please join Manny and his family for services and *kiddush* luncheon to celebrate.



SATURDAY, AUGUST 29 IRENE DREISESZUN'S 90TH BIRTHDAY

Please join Irene and her family for services and *kiddush* luncheon to celebrate.

POLICY FOR ADMITTANCE TO HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES AT KEHILATH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE 2015/5776

Participation in our High Holy Day services is a privilege of membership. Our desire is to welcome all members to share in worship during our High Holy Day services.

An adult member in good standing will receive a ticket, plus tickets requested for:

- dependent children (under 18 years of age do not need ticket); and
- out-of-town guests, visiting for the holidays.

Undergraduate or graduate students are welcome to attend as our guests by showing their student IDs.

In addition, military personnel and residents who have moved to the K.C. area within the last 12 months and are not yet affiliated are welcome as our guests.

Because of security, you must have a ticket and your car must have a parking pass to attend High Holy Day services.

If you have any questions or would like tickets for the High Holy Day services, please contact the synagogue office at 913.642.1880.

DEADLINE FOR THE SEPTEMBER FOCAL POINT IS FRIDAY, AUGUST 7. WE APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION.

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IS YOUR SON/DAUGHTER ENTERING COLLEGE IN THE FALL?

If so, please call the synagogue office (913.642.1880 or email *ashanberg@kisyn.org*) to let us know his/her college address. In addition to receiving *The Focal Point* each month students will also receive special "CARE" packages on Chanukah, Purim & Pesach.



Come to K.I.'s **AMAZING RACE** around the world (or at least the K.C. suburbs). Just like the *Amazing Race* TV show but on a local scale. Get your clues, race through the city to complete challenges and get back to home base (K.I.) in the fastest time possible. Watch

out! There will be "roadblocks" and "detours" along the way!

A Grand Prize will go to the team with the best time.

The Amazing Race - Sunday, Aug 30, 10 am to 2 pm Start and finish at K.I., with lunch at the finish line

Event is open to racers of all ages, members and non-members. Sign up in teams of 2-4. At least one team member must be of driving age. Space is limited to only 10 teams, so act soon!

Sign up online at kisyn.org or call the office 913.642.1880.

Sign up deadline is Monday, August 24

On your mark - Get set - GO SIGN UP!! FREE EVENT

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AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES



- 4 Barbra & Ronald Bronstein (41)
- 5 Cathy & Craig Caplan (25)
- 6 Doris & Zolan Gilgus (54)
- Randa & Dr. Joel Feder (44) Margaret & Jerome Nerman (74)
- Chaia & Aron Mandl (17)
- 10 Ashley & Greg Nerman (3)
- 11 Sue & Lewis Nerman (9)
- 12 Debra & Joseph Adamous (36) Sandra & William Gasser (59) Joyce & Dr. Harold Koch (53)
- 13 Doris & Gregory Quinn (43)
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- 15 Clara & Norman Levine (50) Fani & William Schifman (44)
- 16 Jamie & Jason Smartt (18)
- 18 Barbara & Rabbi Herbert Mandl (47) Osa and Seth Mandl (13)
- 19 Kitty & Hal Novicoff (53)
- 20 Marcie & Bruce Kaplan (37)
- 21 Betsy & Steve Waxman (16) Jennifer & Richard Devinki (4)
- 22 Sharon & Howard Levitan (50)
- 23 Beverly & Barnett Alport (45) Renee & Lynn Kuluva (51)
 - Cindy & Sheldon Singer (34)
- 25 Karen & Steven Schwartz (30)
- 27 Beverly & Dr. Norman Burk (54)
- 28 Bonnie & Herbert Rosen (55)
- 29 Muriel & Gene Soloff (50)
- 30 Gerri & David Ruben (23)
- 31 Deborah & Alvin Garon (29) Susie & Paul Gershon (52)

Ruth & Sandy Levine (35)

Judy & Arthur Press (30)

תודה רבה

- ...We would like to thank Sheldon and Eunice Snitz for seeing to it that the Focal Point goes out.
- ... A very big thank you to **Scott Fishman** for taking pictures at our recent events.

CONGREGANTS' AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

We want to wish a Happy Birthday to all of the following congregants who are celebrating their birthdays:

Mitchell Gold, Robert Cohen, Melvin Abend, Ida Kolkin, Shelley Rissien, Nata Dolnik, Barbara Mandl, David Pool, Amir Minoofar, Anna Cohen, Gerri Ruben, Emanuel Winston, Harvey Schifman, Simon Budnitskiy, Lisa Kusnetzky, Linda Goldstein, Michael Taraboulos, Susie Blackman, JoAnne Weiner, Bernard Jacobson, Bradley Cotlar, Stephen Koffman, Lewis Nerman, Steve Sweet, Ann Federman, Seth Mandl, Deanna Rudd, Carole Sher, Susan Goodbinder, Rachel Tucker, Edith Quito, Scott Fishman, Carol Cohen, Susie Gershon, Linda Hoffman-Kurz, Ira Neufeld. Irene Dreiseszun, Michael Heiligman, Bradley Davidson, Charles Gersh, Joel Feder, Nathaniel Pool, Sue Nerman, Geoffrey Friedman, Nedra Rosen, Herbert Rosen, Madeline Zolotor, Steven Nearenberg, Ronald Weiss.

AUGUST YOUTH BIRTHDAYS

Joshua Kolkin, Pierson Kubel, Maximus Rosales, Noah Rosenbloom, Jedediah Shaffer, David Waxman, Yedid Dov Macek, Calder Smartt, Eliezer Rich, Yaniv Gershom, Tucker Strain.



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GOLF TOURNAMENT STILL GOING STRONG

The 16th Annual Allan Greenberg Memorial Golf Tournament was another great success for Kehilath Israel Synagogue. Thanks to the incredible efforts of the Golf Committee volunteers and tournament chairs, **Amy Goldstein** and **Alan Gallas**.

Held on June 22nd at Oakwood Country Club, participants were treated to a VAAD supervised "best chicken ever" BBQ style lunch before golfers' shotgun start at 12:15pm. The food sponsors were **Aaron Pfefer** and **Debbie Cohen**, and it was deliciously prepared by a hard-working committee led by **Brenda McKinnon**. Smoke 'n' Fire generously donated for the second year a \$1500 grill that was raffled that day. The silent auction was a big hit and wrapped up after golfers returned to the clubhouse from a great day of golf. The committee is already at work on next year's tournament.

Kehilath Israel is so thankful for the generous sponsors, donors, and volunteers who have made this tournament a great success. Please show your appreciation to our donors and volunteers by thanking them and supporting their businesses. We also greatly appreciate **Scott Fishman** for taking pictures.

Tournament Committee: Amy Goldstein, co-chair; Alan Gallas, co-chair; Debbie Adamous; Natalie Cohen; Sam Devinki; Brenda Fishman; Sharon & Geoff Friedman; Jessica Gallas; Barbie & Richard Glass; Larry Haith; Dan Kass; Marlene Krakow; Vlad Kaufman; Brenda McKinnon; Scott Macek; Elizabeth Peden; Aaron Pfefer and Debbie Cohen; Joe & Debby Pfefer; Jodi Rosenthal; Felicia & Seymour Weiner; and Colleen Whiteside.

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מזל טוב

...to **Betty Mittelman** on the birth of a great-grandson, Aaron Charles Glass, son of Lean and Evan Glass of St. Louis, MO.

- ...to **Karen** and **Jim Lesky** on the birth of a grandson, Henry Oliver Spear, son of Rachel and Douglas Spear.
- ...to **Fani and Bill Schifman** on the birth of a granddaughter, Ava Madeline. Parents are Drs. Gabe Schifman and Aaron Waggie.
- ...to **Norma** and **Andy Schwartz** on the graduation of their grandson, Harry Daniel Schwartz from William Jewell College Phi Gamma Delta.

רפואה שלמה

The congregation expresses sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to Valerie Bordy, Sally Cohen, Irene Dreiseszun, Charles Gersh, Stanley Katz, Marlene Krakow, Norbert Lipschuetz, Abbott Zolotor, and to all other members of the congregation and community who have been ill or hospitalized.

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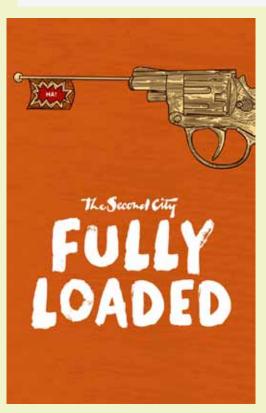


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Chicago's renowned comedy troupe

The Second City



6:30 pm Hors d'oeuvres & Wine 7:30 pm Doors open for seating 8:00 pm Show starts

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Fully Loaded features hilarious sketches made famous by Second City stars such as Tina Fey, Steve Carell and Stephen Colbert. The show also features new scenes straight from sold-out shows in Chicago and Toronto. Don't miss this irresistibly winning combination of improv, sketches, and song!

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For more information about becoming a Grand Giver, contact Elizabeth@kisyn.org or 913.642.1880 x203, or event co-chairs Drs. Michael & Shari Sokol.

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RUBIN BURK
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ROSE MALINOSKY
ZVI MILLER
SAM SHAPIRO
HARRY ZELMANOVICH

26 AV-AUGUST 11

BENJAMIN BRONSTEIN MORRIS FISHMAN CELIA KROSS STEVEN MILLER MALKA ROSENBERG HERMAN SHALINSKY

27 AV-AUGUST 12

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MOSES LERNER
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MILTON ROSENBLATT
SOLOMON SPORN
DONALD TRANIN
SHAW WEINER
CHAYA YODLER

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JOSEPH COHEN
PHILIP COHEN
YETTA FISHMAN
BESSIE KANDLIS
SAM PUCKER
BERNARD TENENBAUM
ANNA ZALCMAN

29 AV-AUGUST 14

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MARY LEVITT
PAUL LIBER
RACHEL MALLIN
SILIA SHOSTAK
BERTHA WACKNOV

5 ELUL-AUGUST 20

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RUTH KOFFLER
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If you are needing High Holy Day tickets for your college age, older children, or outof-towners, for them to attend services, please call the synagogue office and let us know.

IN MEMORIAM

May the G-d of Mercy sustain and comfort those who have suffered the loss of dear ones. The Kehilath Israel family extends deepest sympathy to the bereaved families

LILIAN LIPSCHUETZ

(Wife of Norbert Lipschuetz)

MONUMENT UNVEILING

Sunday, September 6 In Memory of Jeanette Studna 11:00 a.m. **Sheffield Cemetery**

COMMUNITY CORNER.....

'DAY OF DISCOVERY' TO KICK OFF YEAR OF JEWISH LEARNING

Mark your calendar for an exciting, upcoming community program: "Day of Discovery – Explore the Joy of Jewish Learning in Kansas City." This event will be held from 8:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., at the Jewish Community Campus on Sunday, August 23.

Participants will have an opportunity to learn, study, and discover with some of the community's finest Jewish educators, rabbis, and cantors, who will lead sessions on a wide range of topics. Thirty-four classes will be offered throughout the day and several first time presenters will participate.

Registration for the event will begin in early August. Registration forms will be mailed in July. A listing of classes and information related to the day can be found the end of July at: www.kcrabbis.org. Space is limited and advance registration is required. Class and lunch payments must be received in advance; after the deadline registration fees increase and enrollment is open on a space-available basis.

The program is co-sponsored by The Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City, Jewish Community Center's Department of Jewish Life and Learning, CAJE/Jewish Federation of Greater Kansas City, Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy, Village Shalom and area congregations. Generous funding is provided by the Community Legacy Fund of the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Kansas City.

For more information, visit *kcrabbis.org* or contact Annette Fish, Administrator/Program Director, Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City, by email at $\underline{afprogram@aol.com}$ or by phone at 913.327.4622.

COMMUNITY-WIDE COURSE: "JUDAISM FOR CONVERSION CANDIDATES" BEGINS IN FALL

The Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas will once again offer a community-wide course, "Judaism for Conversion Candidates" beginning August 27. The year-long course will be taught on a rotating basis by rabbis from the Reform, Conservative and Orthodox movements and is intended to acquaint those considering conversion to Judaism with what it means to live Jewishly. Each student will be required to secure a congregational rabbinic sponsor by November 1 and meet the conversion requirements developed by their rabbinic sponsor.

Classes will take place on Thursday evenings from 7:00-9:00 p.m. and the location will rotate among the synagogues. An orientation session is scheduled for August 20, 7:30-8:30 at the Jewish Community Campus. For additional information on the cost of the class or to register for this course, visit kcrabbis.org or contact Annette Fish, Rabbinical Association Administrator/Program Director, by email at afprogram@aol.com or 913.327.4622.

Funding for this program is generously provided by The Jewish Heritage Foundation Supporting Organization of the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Kansas City.

The community is invited to participate in a city-wide Selichot program and service on Saturday, September 5, at Congregation Beth Torah,

Selichot is an opportunity to examine one's deeds of the past year, directing one's heart and mind to the process of teshuvah (repentance), and seeking forgiveness. Some of the prayers and music found in the Selichot service are taken from the High Holy Day liturgy, thus providing a musical transition between the "old year" and the New Year.

The evening will begin with a dessert reception at $8:15~\rm p.m.$ followed by Havdalah at $8:45~\rm p.m.$ At 9:00, two superstars of Jewish music, Neshama Carlebach and Josh Nelson will present a musical concert that is not to be missed.

For information, visit <u>www.kcrabbis.org</u> or contact Annette Fish, Rabbinical Association Administrator, <u>afprogram@aol.com</u> or 913.327.4622.

The Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City sponsors the Selichot program with generous support this year from The Jewish Federation of Greater Kansas City, Marcia S. Karbank and Joseph T. Smuckler Fund of the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Kansas City, Mr. Don Goldman and Ms. Martha Gershun and congregations Beth Shalom, Beth Torah, BIAV, Kehilath Israel, Kol Ami, New Reform Temple, Ohev Sholom, Temple Israel and The Temple, Congregation B'nai Jehudah.

CAREER SKILLS & CONNECTIONS ACTIVITIES

A total of nine workshops will be offered every month to meet the needs and differing schedules of the clients we serve. RSVP for all programs to <code>cboasberg@jfskc.org</code>. Questions? Please call 913.730-1449.

AUGUST

August 3, 10,17,2	4 Monday Morning Coffee Clu	ıb
	9-10am (conf. room A, ope	n to all)
August 4	Job Search Strategies	9-11am *
August 5	30 second commercial	9-11am *
August 6	Successful Conversations	9-11am *
August 11	Resume	9-11am *
August 12	Written Correspondence	9-11am
August 18	Interview Skills	9-11am *
August 19	Salary Negotiations	9-11am *
August 20	LinkedIn	9-11am *
August 21	Getting Unstuck	10-11:30am*

Please have your rsvp sent in by **the Friday before the class takes place**. *Asterisk indicates you must have completed a registration appointment, please contact cboasberg@jfskc.org or call 913.730.1449 to schedule one. LINK: http://www.jfskc.org/JES

JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES TEAMS UP FOR ROSH HASHANAH FOOD DRIVE; PANTRY NEEDS DONATIONS YEAR 'ROUND

Efforts are already under way to provide Rosh Hashanah holiday meals for more than 140 households in the local Jewish community. JFS, in partnership with the Rabbinical Association of Greater KC, has teamed up with area congregations in response to the evergrowing need for food assistance in Kansas City. In preparation for Rosh Hashanah, which begins at sundown September 13, area congregations are collecting **dried fruit, raisins, honey and grape juice**. All congregations can collect any of these items, unlike past years where each congregation was assigned a specific item.

Food donations may be dropped off in specially labeled collection barrels at the congregations or at the JCC, through **Monday, Aug. 24**. Items will be picked up and distributed through the JFS Holiday Project prior to the start of Rosh Hashanah.

Volunteers also are needed to work in the pantry and help with deliveries. If you wish to volunteer, call 913.730.1410 or email <code>volunteer@ifskc.org</code>.

In addition to the above items, the food pantry is also in need of general items to keep it stocked including tuna, peanut butter, paper goods, household cleaning supplies and pet food for the pet pantry. The shelves are often bare in the summer months when donations tend to be down.

Since the Food Pantry's opening in 2012, the number of households served has more than doubled; the agency gives out approximately 12,000 pounds to over 200 families monthly, regardless of religious affiliation. The Food Pantry provides non-perishable staples as well as grains, dairy, protein, and fresh fruits and vegetables. Both VAAD-supervised kosher and non-kosher food options are available, as are personal care and household items. For more information on the food pantry and its needs, please visit www.jfskc.org.

Jewish Family Services is starting a Grief and Loss Support Group that will be held the first and third Wednesday each month, 2-3:30 p.m. The support group is for individuals grieving from the death of a spousal partner. The group, which is free, will provide the opportunity to address issues of loss and grief within a Jewish spiritual context in a warm and confidential environment. The group is co-facilitated by Rabbi Mark Levin and Roger Goldblatt, a licensed clinical social worker. To register for this support group or for more information, please contact Goldblatt at 913.730.1422 or rgoldblatt@jfskc.org.

HEALING SERVICE SET FOR AUGUST 27

The Communitywide Healing Service, under the auspices of the Jewish Community Chaplaincy program housed at Jewish Family Services, will take place Thursday, August 27, at Village Shalom, 5500 W. 123rd St., in Overland Park. The service begins at 6:30 p.m. It is open to the entire community regardless of one's level of observance. Rabbi Jonathan Rudnick, Jewish Community Chaplain, will facilitate the service. The healing service features both traditional prayer and contemporary inspirational readings and music. Please make reservations for the healing service by calling JFS' office at 913.327.8250. For more information, contact healing@jfskc.org.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Religious School 9:15-11:30 am The Amazing Race - 10:00 am - 2:00 pm						birthday Kiddush



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SUNDAY SHACHARIT 9:00 A.M.

MONDAY-FRIDAY

SHACHARIT 7:00 A.M.

SUNDAY-THURSDAY

 Week of August 2
 6:45 P.M.

 Week of August 9
 6:40 P.M.

 Week of August 16
 6:30 P.M.

 Week of August 23
 6:25 P.M.

 Week of August 30
 6:15 P.M.

IMPORTANT AUGUST DATES

ROSH CHODESH ELUL - Saturday, August 15 Sunday, August 16

SELICHOT AT K.I.

Saturday, September 5th, 10:30 pm

K.I.'s *Selichot* program will begin at **10:30 pm** with a 30 minute social gathering. Then at 11:00 pm join Rabbi Shron and the K.I. choir for *Selichot* services in the Rose Morgan Chapel.



Volunteers are needed!

Email Hedy Shron hshron18@gmail.com to volunteer.

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Wednesday, September 23 at 7:45 p.m.

More details will be in the September Focal Point