

# THE FOCAL POINT

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## From the Rabbi's Study...



Upon thinking about the upcoming Days of Awe, my attention focused on one part of the *Rosh Hashanah* service that is often overlooked, the *haftarah* reading on the first day. The story comes from the Book of Judges, and centers on a woman named Chana who is childless. Her husband Elkana takes a second wife, Penina, who bares him many children. Penina then goes on to verbally taunt Chana for being barren. Extremely distraught, Chana goes to the Temple to pray for a child. Her prayer is done in an unusual manner for her time, pouring out her soul in silent prayer in a way that only she could hear. (This was the prototype for our current style of reciting the silent *Amidah*.) Eli, the high priest sees her mouth moving without audible sounds, thinks that she is drunk and chastises her for coming to the Temple intoxicated.

Eli being the high priest, was the holiest member of the Jewish nation. The divine spirit rested upon him, and he was able to see within the hearts of men and women. Yet, he saw Chana as a drunkard; drunk with a worldly desire, a desire for a child so that she would no longer suffer the shame and ridicule inflicted upon her by Penina. But Chana answered, "No, it is not wine, but my soul, that pours out to God. For my desire for a child has purpose and meaning beyond the pursuits and follies of man. My child, the precious jewel of my heart's desire, I have already given him to God." God answers her prayer and she gives birth to Samuel, one of our most prominent prophets.

So it is with our prayers. We pray for material things, but as it was with Chana it should not be the material, but the spiritual within them, that our soul desires. The mission of every human being is to bring the many things of this chaotic world into harmony with their inner purpose and the oneness that is intrinsic to them. To do this, each of us must have those things related to our mission: our family, our health, our homes and our income. We pray for these things from our innermost soul, because our soul knows that without them, we cannot fulfill our mission in this world. This is the kind of prayer that God listens to and answers.

In order to achieve this level of prayer, we must prepare ourselves ahead of *Rosh Hashanah* services. This is why the *shofar* is sounded for the thirty days before *Rosh Hashanah*. To get started, I would suggest contemplating on some or all of these questions: 1) When do I most feel that my life is meaningful, and what would bring me more happiness than anything else in the world? 2) How often do I express my feelings to those who mean the most to me, and if I could give my children only three pieces of advice, what would they be? 3) When do I feel closest to God? 4) What are my three most significant achievements and three biggest mistakes since last *Rosh Hashanah*? 5) If I could change one thing about myself what would it be, and if I could change one thing about my spiritual life, what would it be? 6) What are my three major goals in life and what am I doing to achieve them? 7) What are the most important relationships in my life and what am I doing to nurture them? 8) What is the most important decision I need to make this year and do I have a vision of where I want to be one year from now? 9) What did I do last year that gave me the strongest feeling of self-respect? And 10) If I knew I couldn't fail, what would I undertake to accomplish in my life?

Let us gather together this High Holy Day season with a passion and a purpose to create *kedusha* - holiness - in our lives, in the lives of our family, in our synagogue and throughout the world. If we are sincere in achieving this goal, we can only be destined for a *shana tova* – a year filled with joy and fulfillment, and a true celebration of life.

Rabbi Jeffrey A. Shron

**PLEASE NOTE: During High Holy Days, children will not be allowed to roam the building unsupervised during services as it is a security risk. We want our children safe!**

## SHABBAT SERVICES

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Candlelighting\*.....7:29 PM  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:10 PM

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Morning Services.....9:00 AM  
Mincha.....7:05 PM  
Havdalah.....8:18 PM



### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Candlelighting\*.....7:18 PM  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:05 PM

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Morning Services.....9:00 AM  
Mini-Minyan for Kids.....10:30 AM  
Mincha.....6:55 PM  
Havdalah.....8:07 PM



### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Candlelighting\*.....7:07 PM  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:55 PM

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

#### CHAI ANNIVERSARY KIDDUSH

Morning Services.....9:00 AM  
Mincha.....6:40 PM  
Havdalah.....7:55 PM



### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Candlelighting\*.....6:55 PM  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:45 PM

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Morning Services.....9:00 AM  
Mini-Minyan for Kids.....10:30 AM  
Mincha.....6:30 PM  
Havdalah.....7:44 PM  
Selichot Service.....11:00 PM



### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Candlelighting\*.....6:44 PM  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:35 PM

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

Morning Services.....9:00 AM  
Mincha.....6:20 PM  
Havdalah.....7:33 PM

\*No Later than

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## 2016 HIGH HOLY DAY - YAMIM NORAIM

### SCHEDULE 5777

RABBI JEFFREY A. SHRON



### EREV ROSH HASHANAH

Sunday, October 2 - 29 Elul

Shacharit and Selichot.....8:45 am  
Mincha and Maariv.....6:30 pm  
Candlelighting.....6:41 pm

### ROSH HASHANAH

Monday, October 3 - 1 Tishri

Shacharit.....8:00 am  
Birth to K.....9:30 am  
1-8th Grade.....10:30 am  
Tashlich.....6:15 pm  
Mincha and Maariv.....6:45 pm  
Candlelighting (not before).....7:29 pm

Tuesday, October 4 - 2 Tishri

Shacharit.....8:00 am  
Birth to K.....9:30 am  
1-8th Grade.....10:30 am  
Mincha and Maariv.....6:45 pm  
Havdalah.....7:28 pm

### FAST OF GEDALIAH

Wednesday, October 5 - 3 Tishri

Shacharit and Selichot.....7:00 am  
Mincha and Maariv.....5:30 pm

### EREV YOM KIPPUR

Tuesday, October 11 - 9 Tishri

Shacharit and Selichot.....7:00 am  
Mincha.....1:45 pm  
Candlelighting.....6:27 pm

(Candles will be available at the  
synagogue for *licht bentchen*.)

Kol Nidre Service.....6:15 pm  
Birth to K.....6:15 pm  
1-4th Grade.....6:30 pm  
5-8th Grade.....6:30 pm

### YOM KIPPUR

Wednesday, October 12 - 10 Tishri

Shacharit.....9:00 am  
Birth to K.....10:00 am  
1-8th Grade.....10:30 am

#### Yizkor in the late morning

Mincha.....5:00 pm  
Birth to K.....5:00 pm  
Ne'ila.....6:00 pm  
Maariv.....7:10 pm  
Havdalah and End of Fast.....7:17 pm

### KIDDUSH ON ROSH HASHANAH

Inasmuch as most prayerbooks do not contain the daytime *Rosh Hashanah Kiddush* recited before luncheon upon returning home from the synagogue, we are furnishing the text for your information:

תקנו בתק"ש שופר, בכסה ליום חגנו.  
כי חק לישראל הוא, משפט לאלהי יעקב.

Tik-u bachodesh shofar, bakeseh l'yom chagaynu.  
ki chok l'yisrael hu, mishpat lay-lohay Yaakov.

(סברי מרנן ורננו ורבותי)

ברוך אתה ה' אלקינו מלך העולם, בורא פרי הנפץ.

## TASHLICH

*Tashlich* comes from the Hebrew word meaning “to cast,” referring to the intent to cast away our sins via this meaningful and ancient Jewish custom common to both Ashkenazi and Sephardic communities, and is performed on the first day of *Rosh Hashanah* (Second day if first day is *Shabbat*).

*Tashlich* is preferably recited alongside a body of water containing fish, to remind us that just as fish are protected by the water in which they live, we pray to be protected by God. Also, just as fish swim freely and can suddenly be caught in a net, so too we can just as helplessly fall into the net of sin. And even as the eyes of fish are always open, so do we pray that God, too, will keep a vigilant watch over his people.

Needless to say, the physical motions near the water and fish of *Tashlich* are not what grant us atonement. But if we pay attention to the symbolism and apply the sincere desire to heal our relationship with God as portrayed in the physical demonstrations of *Tashlich*, then it serves as a crucial part in the process of repenting and returning to God in purity.

Please join in and participate in the *Tashlich* service by meeting on the first day of *Rosh Hashanah*, Monday, October 3rd at 105th and Conser over Indian Creek at approximately 6:15 p.m. *Tashlich* will conclude in time to return to the synagogue for the 6:45 p.m. *Mincha* and *Yom Tov Maariv*.

## FAST OF GEDALIAH

October 5, 2016

The fast will begin at 6:00 a.m.  
and conclude at 7:21 p.m.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Those driving to the synagogue for the High Holy Days are reminded that the Overland Park Police Department will be ticketing any vehicles parked in fire lanes (located on the south and east sides of the synagogue building). Also, designated handicapped parking is reserved for only those persons prominently displaying the handicapped sign. We ask that you cooperate fully. There is a fine for those not in compliance with the disabled parking ordinance. Thank you.

Bar Mitzvah Bat Mitzvah Wedding



Engagement Hostess Gift Birthday

Baby Shower Bris Wedding Shower

Just Because I've Always Wanted One

### K.I. Fox Family Gift Shop

## BIG SAVINGS!

Sundays in September

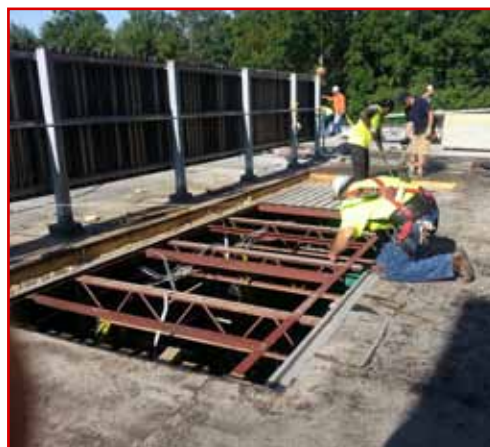
11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, & 25<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am - Noon

## 35% off all items\*

*\*Mezuzahs, parchments and publications are excluded from this sale*

## NEW HVAC BEING INSTALLED





## SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES



- 1 Hailey & Efraim Gershom (31)  
Maureen & Amir Minoofar (28)  
Bonnie & Matthew Siegel (30)  
Drs. Shari & Michael Sokol (30)
- 2 Beverly & Bernard Jacobson (48)  
Sara & Jason Gordon (9)  
Jasmine & Jonathan Kaplan (4)
- 3 Nancy & Steve Cline (38)  
Barbara & Phillip Goodbinder (49)  
Jean & Dr. Allen Parelman (27)
- 4 Judith & Edward Chaiken (50)
- 5 Stephanie & Richard Gatewood (23)
- 6 Alix & Richard Jacobson (18)
- 11 Donna & Alan Gallas (24)  
Marilyn & Jacob Schulzinger (44)
- 12 Janet & Steve Eisman (45)
- 17 Toby & David Levine (27)
- 22 Ann & Isak Federman (70)
- 26 Heather & Bill Oliver (18)
- 27 Roberta & Jerry Rosmarine (57)

## CONGREGANTS' SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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

Mickey Batnitzky, Celia Sher, Gela Adelman, Sandy Levine, Marvin Romer, Marvin Birnbaum, Richard Dunivan, Miriam Glueck, Barbara Kusnetzky, Allison Zismer, Regina Fink, Allen Parelman, Paul Blackman, Sherry Davidson, Daniel Singer, Ellen Soltz, Carissa Zolotor, Susan Cohen, Richard Devinki, Luis Rosales, Jessica Rich, Richard Rosenstock, Ben Corchine, Steven Eisman, Randi Haith, Mark Klein, Jamie Smartt, Joseph Adamous, Enid Levi, Catherine Singer, Daniel Dunivan, Elly Goldstein, Bonnie Vadnais, Rose Weisberger, Norman Burk, Scott Macek, Janet Stone, Nancy Cohen, Mary Stahl, Susan Gutovitz, Sandy Weinstein.

## רפואה שלמה

The congregation expresses sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to **Barbara Goodbinder, Phil Goodbinder, Sandy Gasser, Rose Gross, Harriett Katz, Carole Sher, Sheldon Snitz, Manny Winston**, and to all other members of the congregation and community who have been ill or hospitalized.

## ORDER YOUR *ETROG* & *LULAV* NOW!

Place orders NOW for your *lulav* and *etrog*. Orders **MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY YOUR CHECK.** **DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 26, 2016.** NO orders will be accepted after this date in order to ensure we receive the *lulav* and *etrog* in time for *SUKKOT*.

*LULAV* & *ETROG* @ \$45 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Same price as last year!)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

(Please print)

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Mail order form and check to:



Kehilath Israel Synagogue  
Attn: Allegra Shanberg  
10501 Conser  
Overland Park, KS 66212

## SEPTEMBER YOUTH BIRTHDAYS

Beatrix Smartt, Zakaiyah Gillom, Joel Gutovitz, Dina Johnson, Anna Krutz, Elle Kolkin, Samuel Tucker, Amanda Sokol.

**DEADLINE FOR THE OCTOBER FOCAL POINT  
IS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9.  
WE APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION.**

**THE FOCAL POINT OF  
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# SUKKOT HONOREES



Ask **Felicia Weiner** what are her greatest accomplishments and she'll definitely say her three daughters (Mindy Wajcman, Shelly Tedesco, and Lori Seligson), her four grandchildren and her 5 ½ great-grandchildren! But to start with, Felicia and **Seymour Weiner** were married at K.I. 60 years ago. Her *yiddishkeit*, however, was learned from the greatest of all women – her mother Frieda Friedman and her mother-in-law Martha Weiner. That's where love of synagogue, volunteerism and taking action to better others' lives was honed.

After being a stay at home mom and serving as an officer or board member of Sisterhood, Hadassah, B'nai B'rith Women, Girl Scouts, The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, and other philanthropies, her daughters were growing up and that's when she realized she always wanted to be a brain surgeon! So, she did the next best thing - - went to school to train to be a surgical assistant and then went to work for the head of Gynecologic Oncology at K.U. Med Center. Her working background then became as varied as you could find in multiple people, certainly not in one woman. Judge for yourself.

She was asked then to lead a task force of 12 physicians and academicians to write the first definitive manual in family medicine education. Funded by a grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, she then traveled nationally and internationally to bring educational programs to further that discipline in underserved and third world countries. After 8 ½ years of that, she wanted no more travel and after two plus years as the Executive Director of the Midwest Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, she began her career in banking, ultimately with 10 branches reporting to her. When she retired she had served as the president of the Kansas City Institute of Banking and past president of the South Kansas City Chamber of Commerce.

Now with more time to volunteer, she has served as a vice president of K.I. for the past six years, and with her right hand, her husband Seymour (who can be called on to work on the golf committee, Grand Givers, or take spots out of the office carpet), they devote significant time to the Task Force for the Annual Day of Discovery. As an aside, this is a family of those who work for synagogues - - her sister, Marlene Krakow, is on the K.I. Board, her nephew, Jason Krakow, is a vice president of Beth Shalom, and her young grandson, Danny Wajcman, is president of BIAV.

Oh . . . the other thing she's most proud of, getting Seymour to say yes when she asked him to marry her!



**Larry Haith** is a lifelong member of K.I. Synagogue and a Kansas City resident since October 11<sup>th</sup>, 1949. He is the president and founder (1975), of Haith & Co. Inc. Real Estate Services. Larry remains active in the real estate business. He reviews deals, oversees daily operations, reviews contracts and is "hands on" in the daily management activities. Currently he is a board member and involved in the K.I. building committee.

He was a former member of K.I. / S.Y.O. youth group. He is a daily *minyannaire*. He recently re-taught himself to read Hebrew when his father passed away. He re-learned his *Bar Mitzvah* portion after not reading Hebrew since his *Bar Mitzvah*. Larry now leads *maariv* services most evenings.

Larry is a founding member of Sigma (the last S.W. High School Jewish fraternity), previous JCC board member, and a past president of JNF of KC (10 YEARS). A retired activist, except if he gets the chance, then he gets involved in Jewish missionary work (he studied with Mark Powers, the president of Jews for Judaism), and active fund raiser for many Jewish organizations and activities.

Larry is a graduate of UMKC with a degree in Economics and a designated C. P. M. (Certified Property Manager) from the Institute of Real Estate Management.

Larry is married to **Randi Weil Haith** (my #1 accomplishment!!!) He is the son of the late Joseph and Hortense Haith, of blessed memory. Larry is the father of Amy & Peter Shapiro, Erin & Ben Nathan, Zac Haith, Rebecca & Jason Conley, and Janina & Ben Conley. Grandfather of Sophie & Emma Shapiro, Eli & Maya Nathan and soon to be baby boy Conley. Larry enjoys spending time with family, traveling, working out, eating and living a healthy lifestyle.

*Please join us on Shabbat morning, October 22  
as we honor our two honorees. A Kiddush  
Luncheon will follow services.*



## CUB SCOUT PACK 3153

K.I.'s Cub Scout Pack 3153 is open to all boys from throughout the community who are entering 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grades this coming school year.

Adult volunteers are encouraged and more than welcome to participate, and will receive full training and guidance! Please contact Beth Albee, Cubmaster (269.364.0763 / roses2273@yahoo.com), or Ted Goldstein, Pack Committee Chair (913.271.6798 / tgoldstein613@gmail.com) for more information.

The 2016-17 Cub Scout year has started with a "casual Pack Meeting/get together/ice cream social" last month. The 1<sup>st</sup> formal pack meeting will be on September 15 at 6:45 p.m., in the Social Hall at K.I.

The Pack's major fundraiser is our participation in the B.S.A.'s Popcorn Sale. This will begin with the September Pack meeting and run through October 20<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds from this sale are a significant portion of Pack 3153's operating budget; 70% of the sales remain local, and both Pack 3153 and our Cub Scouts and their families share in the profits. All products are O-U kosher. We genuinely appreciate your support in this fundraiser; if you are not directly contacted by one of our Cubs, please contact me (Ted Goldstein, 913.271.6798 / tgoldstein613@gmail.com) and I will have a Cub contact you.

Upcoming planned activities include Pack meetings on September 15<sup>th</sup> and October 20<sup>th</sup> and our annual "Sukkah Camp-in" on October 22<sup>nd</sup> /23<sup>rd</sup> in the K.I. Sukkah and back field. The program will begin with Havdalah in the Sukkah, and will feature a campfire, games and snacks. Following the mitzvah of living/sleeping in the Sukkah, we will have a full breakfast on Sunday morning.

Pack meetings are also planned for November 17<sup>th</sup> and December 17<sup>th</sup>. Various "Tikkun Olam" projects are planned including collection of toys/books for Chanukah/holiday gifts for those in need. These will be re-distributed through Kansas City Jewish Federation and/or Children's Place. Pack meetings for the rest of the Scouting/school year are generally planned for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month, barring conflicts. Scout Shabbat will be February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in the sanctuary. Pinewood Derby, and the Blue and Gold dinner/program will be held on Sunday afternoons/evenings.

The Pack's volunteer (and fully trained) leadership is headed by Cubmaster Beth Albee, with Den leaders for each of the age level dens. The Pack is Shabbat and holiday observant and maintains kashrut at all functions.

## תודה רבה

...to **Paul Blackman** and Anita Chaplick on donating a Torah Breast Plate in memory of their late parents, Arthur and Ida Blackman.

## POPCORN – POPCORN – POPCORN !



Boy Scouts of America's  
National Fund Raising program!

Help support K.I.'s Cub Scout Pack 3153. All products are certified kosher. Traditional Popping Corn, Microwavable Packet Varieties, Gourmet Flavored "Popped" varieties, Chocolate Covered Pretzels, Trail Mix... and Kansas City's own large commemorative "World Champion Royals Tin"



(Also... the \$30 and \$50 "Popcorn For Our Troops" donation program is again available)

- 70% stays local!
- Directly benefits our Cub Scout Pack 3153 operating budget, our Heart of America Council, and our Cubs!
- Scouts learn life lessons by "earning their own way"!
- The prize program motivates Scouts!

Sale starts September 15 and ends October 20, with delivery to your home during November. If you are not contacted directly by a Pack 3153 Cub Scout, please contact Ted Goldstein (913.271.6798/tgoldstein613@gmail.com) and you will then be contacted by one of our Cubs!

**WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!**

The Sisterhood of Salaam Shalom recent event at K.I. was attended by over sixty people (mostly women and a few men.)





## IN TIME FOR THE HOLY DAYS!

Learn to make

### KREPLACH

(& take home  
a dozen)

with Dan Kass

Sunday, Sept. 11  
10 am at K.I.



\$12/person Payment is your RSVP - to the K.I. office by Tuesday, Sept. 6

## WOMEN OF K.I. Upcoming Event

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 -- 7 pm

Kosher Wine Tasting by Royal Liquor (\$10)  
at the home of Debbie Adamous  
Snacks will be served



RSVP to Natalie Cohen  
913.341.6622 or natjgc@aol.com  
by Tuesday, Sept. 6.

**Call the synagogue office for Debbie's new home address.**



Stock is the gift of choice for many donors who want to make a greater impact with their charitable giving. It is simple, convenient, and giving appreciated stock (held for one year or longer) offers greater tax benefits than selling the stock and then donating the cash proceeds.

Some advantages of giving appreciated stock:

- Receive an income tax deduction for the full market value of the stock (up to 30% of your adjusted gross income)
- Avoid paying capital gains taxes
- Generously support Kehilath Israel Synagogue

For more information contact Kevin Taylor at 913.327.8134.

## WOMEN OF K.I.

The Women of K.I. recently toured The Museum at Prairiefire and enjoyed each other's company afterward. Pictured from left: Hedy Shron, Beverly Alport, Joyce Organ, Barbara Rittmaster, Natalie Cohen, Barbie Glass, Debbie Cohen, Rosemary Gorin and Randi Berger. Not pictured women who attended included Mickey Batnitzky, Mary Covitz, Brenda McKinnon, Debby Schlozman, and Linda Silver.



## Challahs by Steve Ellenberg for Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur

**\$10.50 Plain**

**\$11.50 Raisin**

**Order and Payment Deadline - September 26 (to K.I. office)**

***Rosh Hashanah*** pickup at K.I.

Sunday, October 2 at 10:30 a.m.

***Yom Kippur*** pickup at K.I.

Tuesday, October 11 at 10:30 a.m.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Rosh Hashanah Yom Kippur

Raisin @ \$11.50 each # \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

Plain @ \$10.50 each # \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_





# Break the Fast at K.I.

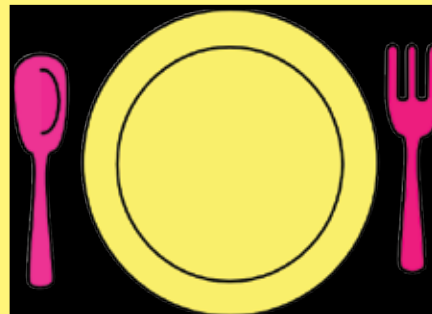
with a delicious dairy meal following Yom Kippur (about 7:45 pm)

## Wednesday October 12th

**\$10/person**

**Kids 5 and under/Free**

Help us cook on Monday, Oct. 10th!  
Sign up below or contact Hedy  
hshron18@gmail.com or 913.649.6296



**RSVP by Wednesday, October 5.** Your payment is your reservation.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Paying for: # \_\_\_\_\_

Ages 5 and under FREE: # \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please check if you can help \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

*Selichot* program  
followed by services at 11:00 pm  
led by Rabbi Shron and the K.I. Choir

### FALL FOOD DRIVE SET FOR OCTOBER

JFS is conducting a fall food drive to help those who are food insecure in our community. JFS has a food pantry located at its offices on the Jewish Campus as well as in its Missouri office. Through its pantry, and generous food and financial donations from the community, JFS will provide food packages for the High Holidays. Volunteers are needed to help in the pantry on Sept. 28 when clients will come in to fill their holiday packages. Those interested in help out in the pantry should call 913.730.1410 or send an email to [volunteer@jfskc.org](mailto:volunteer@jfskc.org).

Monthly the pantry provides food for more than 250 people, and it is in continuous need of restocking for both food and personal care items. From Oct. 1 through 30th, a Communitywide Food Drive will take place. Please bring your donations of shelf stable food, paper and personal hygiene products, cat or dog food to donation barrels located throughout the community and at participating congregations. JFS will be moving into new offices for its Missouri facility and the pantry will need approximately 15,000 pounds of food when it opens there in November; the Kansas pantry will remain open as well. The Missouri pantry will relocate when the new JFS Missouri office opens at 425 East 63rd Street in Brookside East.

For more information about the pantry and the food drive, please contact Jo Hickey, JFS Food Pantry Director, at 913.327.8257 or email her at [jhickey@jfskc.org](mailto:jhickey@jfskc.org). Information available online at [jfskc.org/high-holiday-food-drive/](http://jfskc.org/high-holiday-food-drive/).

# Sukkah Decorating Party & Lunch



**Sunday, Oct. 9  
at 10:30 am**

**for children with their  
parents and/or grandparents**



## **SPEAK UP WALK SET FOR OCT. 9**

The SPEAK UP Walk, honoring the memories of Jason Arkin and Sara Prideaux, will take place to be held on Sunday, Oct. 9 at 9 a.m. at Ironwoods Park Amphitheatre. Both Jason and Sara grappled with mental illness, and the walk is designed to raise awareness and destigmatize mental illness. The Greater Kansas City Mental Health Coalition (GKCMHC), a partnership of 24 local mental health organizations led by Jewish Family Services, is hosting the walk.

There is a \$10 donation to participate in the walk that includes getting a T-shirt. Funds raised through the walk will help educate teens about mental illness, raise awareness in our high schools, and prevent suicides.

Walk details and updates will be posted at <http://www.itsok.us/get-involved/speak-up-walk>.

For more information about the SPEAK UP walk, please contact Kim Romary, coalition coordinator, at 913.730.1452 or email her at [kromary@jfskc.org](mailto:kromary@jfskc.org).

# Sukkah Dinner

*1st Night of Sukkot!*

**Sunday, Oct. 16 at K.I.**

**SERVICES: 6:00 PM**

**DINNER: 6:30 PM**

**Cost: \$15/person**

**Kids 5 and under - free**

**Max. family out-of-pocket: \$40**



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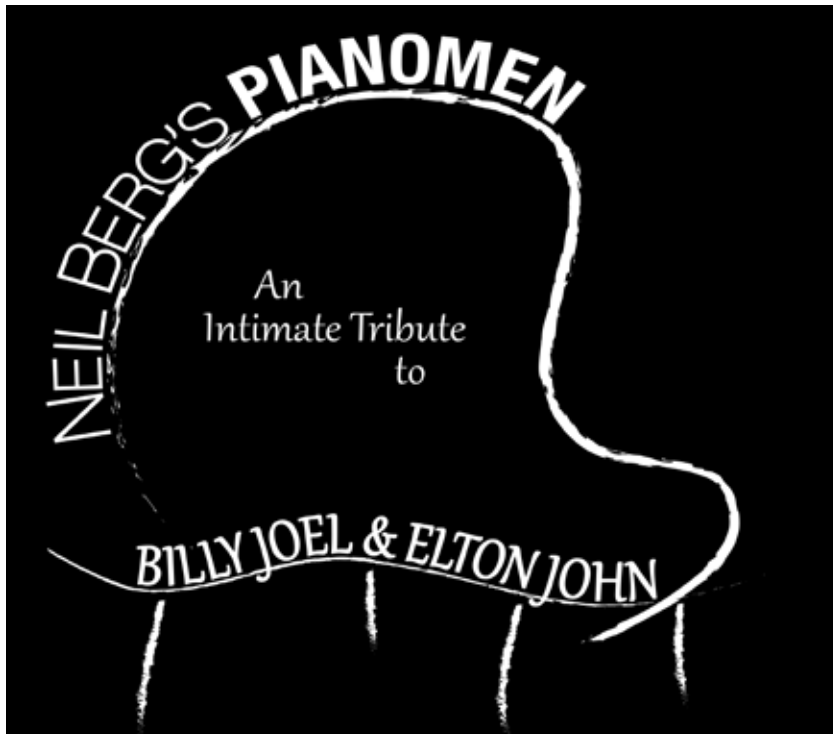
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### 28 AV-SEPTEMBER 1

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PHILIP COHEN  
YETTA FISHMAN  
BESSIE KANDLIS  
SAMUEL PUCKER  
BERNARD TENENBAUM  
ANNA ZALCMAN

### 29 AV-SEPTEMBER 2

RACHEL COHEN  
ANATOLY LEVIN  
REBECCA LIEBERMAN  
DOROTHY MNOOKIN  
ABE RADETSKY  
PRO SHERMAN

### 30 AV-SEPTEMBER 3

RUTH ENGLANDER  
IRVING KASS  
SIDNEY LEWIS  
LILLIAN MARGOLIN  
DAVID PENER

### 1 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 4

JENNIE KALLIS  
MARSHALL KOCH

### 2 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 5

BEILA DENOWITZ

### 3 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 6

ADA DELGASE  
SAM FEINGOLD  
HARRY GALLAS  
IDA KAHN  
CHARLES LAPIDES  
SYLVIA RADETSKY  
ETTA SHAW  
ROSLYN WEINER

### 4 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 7

BESS ALBERT  
ESTHER BURSTEN  
SLAVA GOLDBERG  
MARY LEVITT  
PAUL LIBER  
RACHEL MALLIN  
SILIA SHOSTAK  
BERTHA WACKNOV

### 5 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 8

DELIA BURNETT  
ELIYA KALLIS  
RUTH KOFFLER  
SAMUEL LEVENE  
CELIA LEVIN  
LOUIS LIEBERMAN  
ANNE MARGOLIS  
JENNIE MENDELSON  
EDITH RUBIN

### 6 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 9

DAVE COHEN  
SARAH WHITE

### 7 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 10

SONIA BROWN  
DEACON COHEN  
SOL DALLEN  
IKE ENTINE

MARY FRISCHER  
ANNA HAMER  
FANNIE KAUFMAN  
WILLIAM KRUG  
MOSHE VISCOFSKY

### 8 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 11

ISRAEL BETTINGER  
JEAN KATZ  
EVALINE PFEFER  
LOUIS PRESS

### 9 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 12

HANS KOCH  
MARSHALL MILLER  
GEORGE NEWMAN  
GOLDIE OSHANSKY  
ARON POLSKY  
GARY STEIN  
SALAMON TARABOULOS

### 10 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 13

JEROME AARON  
SAM GAMPOL  
DAVID GROSSMAN  
MARTIN JERWICK  
MARGARETHE LATTER  
SOPHIA MARCUS  
HANNAH PASSMAN  
LOUIS WOLFE

### 11 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 14

BERTHA BOBROV  
JOSEPH CONE  
LEISBISH CUKIER  
JULIUS DENNIS  
RUBIN FISHMAN  
MEYER GILBERT  
SAUL KASS  
SARA KLEVATT  
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ROSE LEVINSON  
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JACOB MNOOKIN  
HAROLD MYER  
HERMAN RADETSKY  
ALEZYR RESNICK  
IDA ROSMARINE  
ROSE SMUCKLER  
MORRIS TIVIN  
IDA ZITRON

### 12 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 15

LOUIS BOLD  
ESTHER RUBIN  
ESTHER SOLOFF

### 13 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 16

BEN ENTIN  
PEARL GOTTLIEB  
PHILLIP JABEN  
SHAYNA LEWKOWSKY  
JACOB MADLOF  
ISADORE RUBIN  
SARAH SAPER  
MAX SHEAR  
HAROLD SHOENIG  
MORRIS STRAUSS  
EDWARD WEISS

### 14 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 17

HERMAN FRIEDMAN  
GUY LANSKY

### 15 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 18

MOSHE DZIEWIENCKI  
ETHEL GREENBERG  
JACOB HARRIS  
SARAH HOROWITZ  
SADIE LEVIN  
ETHEL ROGERS  
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### 16 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 19

MORDECHAI CUKIER  
MELVIN DELEVE  
DEVI DOLNIK  
DOROTHY DORFMAN  
LOUIS KRASHIN  
ABRAHAM LEVY  
DAVID MINKIN  
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### 17 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 20

TZIZI BIRENBOIM  
KATIE BROWN  
YITZCHAK GAUM  
BENA GUTOVITZ  
LOUIS KAPNICK  
SAMUEL LEVIN  
SAM ROSENBERG

### 18 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 21

SONYA AGRON  
ESTHER GLICKSTEIN  
HERMAN KOESTEN  
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SARAH SPECTOR

### 19 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 22

MORRIS FRIEDMAN  
SAM HIPSH  
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BENJAMIN MNOOKIN  
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### 20 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 23

SOLOMON ALTENHAUS  
RACHEL DENNIS  
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JERRY KRAFT  
MARGOT LIPSCHUETZ  
ROY SPITCAUFSKY

### 21 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 24

DORA BARABAN  
SOL HIPSH  
ISIDORE KLINOCK  
FANCESKA LENIOWER  
FRITZ METZL  
RALPH SPITCAUFSKY  
DAVID WOLOWSKI

### 22 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 25

JACK BELOVE

ABRAHAM BIALSKY  
MOLLY GOLDSTEIN  
JOSEPH GREENBAUM  
BARBARA HOLLENBECK  
MAX KRUG  
BARBARA ROSENBLATT  
KERWIN SHOLTZ  
BESS ZEFF

### 23 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 26

BARUCH INDIN  
SEYMOUR KAUFMAN  
SARAH KLOPPER  
CELIA MOLOTSKY  
SHERIDAN MORGAN  
HARRY ROSENBERG

### 24 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 27

FRIEDA FRIEDMAN  
CARL HIMMELSTEIN  
LILLIAN KANTER  
ESTHER KATZ  
LEAH MALLIN  
ROSE SELIGSON

### 25 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 28

SIDNEY BROWN  
SAMUEL DWORKIN  
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BLANCHE LERNER  
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SAMUEL POLLMAN

### 26 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 29

DORA BAKER  
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## **Mini-Minyan for Kids**

**Pre-K to 7th Grade**

**Meets September 10 & 24**



**10:30 am in the Rose Morgan Chapel**

**Led by Debbie Entine**

**Kids will join us in the sanctuary for the end of services**

## K.I. BLUE RIDGE CEMETERY MEMORIAL SERVICE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2016

This year the **Annual Kehilath Israel Blue Ridge Cemetery Memorial Service** is scheduled to be held on **Sunday, October 9, the Sunday before Yom Kippur, at 11:00 am.**

The annual service, led by Rabbi Jeffrey Shron, will be held in the Jack Chernikoff-Louis Dolginow Memorial Chapel at the *Kehilath Israel* Blue Ridge Chapel, 1901 Blue Ridge Boulevard, Independence, Mo.

It is the Jewish tradition during this High Holiday period to visit the *Kever Avot*, the graves of our forebearers. Since it would be inconvenient for many to attend the service on a weekday between *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur*, Sunday, October 9 was selected.

Customarily, each individual recites the *Molay Rachamim* prayer, a “Prayer of Consolation,” at the gravesite of their loved ones. The chapel prayer booklets are available for gravesite prayers. There is a selection of prayers in the booklet, found on pages 65 through 74, in both Hebrew and English. Please return the booklets to the chapel before leaving the cemetery.

Although the cemetery is maintained by *Kehilath Israel Synagogue*, the major building improvements, new walkways, monuments and other beautification is done primarily by private contributions. If you desire to assist in the program to improve and beautify the cemetery, an envelope for your contribution to this worthy cause is available at the desk near the front door of the chapel. You may leave your check or cash in the envelope, seal it, drop it in the slot on the desk, or mail your contribution to *K.I. Blue Ridge Cemetery*, 10501 Conser, Overland Park, KS 66212.

### 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 of:

**LORY LEDFORD**

(Sister of Alan Goldberg)

**LEONID BASHMAKOV**

(Husband of Anna Bashmakov)

**SOL DANIELS**

### MONUMENT UNVEILING

Sunday, September 11  
In Memory of Sophia Waldmann  
10:30 a.m.  
K.I. Blue Ridge Cemetery

## SERVICE OF COMFORT SET FOR SEPTEMBER

Join Jewish Community Chaplain Rabbi Jonathan Rudnick, Congregation B’nai Jehudah Rabbi Beryl Padorr and Congregation Beth Torah Music Director Emily Tummons at Village Shalom on Thursday, Sept. 15, at 6 pm for the Jewish Community *Tefilat Shalom* – service of spiritual comfort and renewal. This pre-High Holiday celebration is sponsored by the Chaplaincy Program through Jewish Family Services to surround you with music and the feeling of community. Please make reservations by calling the JFS office at 913.327.8250 or sending an email to [healing@jfskc.org](mailto:healing@jfskc.org). For more information go to [jfskc.org/tefilat-shalom-community-service/](http://jfskc.org/tefilat-shalom-community-service/).

### JEWISH COMMUNITY PREPARES FOR HIGH HOLY DAYS WITH COMMUNITY-WIDE SELICHOT PROGRAM AND SERVICE

*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 community will come together for a city-wide *Selichot* program and service on Saturday, September 24, at Congregation Beth Torah, 6100 W. 127<sup>th</sup>.

The evening will begin with a dessert reception at 8:15 p.m. and will be followed by *Havdalah* at 8:45 pm. At 9:00 pm, Rabbis will present *Learning, Reflection and Song* as they reflect and discuss how they spiritually prepare for the High Holy Days. Whether it is quiet meditation, doing *teshuvah*, cooking a special holiday meal or exploring the *Machzor*, our clergy will share their thoughts on how they stay centered, how what they do impacts others and how they approach repentance and forgiveness.

***Selichot* services also take place at 11:00 pm at Kehilath Israel Synagogue.**

For information, visit [kcrabbis.org](http://kcrabbis.org) or contact Annette Fish, Rabbinical Association Administrator, [afprogram@aol.com](mailto:afprogram@aol.com) or 913.327.4622.

The Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City sponsors the *Selichot* program with generous support from The Jewish Federation of Greater Kansas City.



# September 2016

28 Av 5776 - 27 Elul 5776

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 28 AV	2 29 AV	3 30 AV
4 Rosh Chodesh Elul - Day 2 Rosh Chodesh Elul - Day 1 Re'eh Shabbos Ends: 8:18 Rabbi Shron Study Class-6:20 pm	5 Labor Day OFFICE CLOSED Shacharit Service- 9:00 am	6 Religious School 4:30-6:15 pm	7 Yoga-6:00 pm	8 5 ELUL	9 7:18 6 ELUL	10 Shoflim Isaiah 51:12-52:12 Shabbos Ends: 8:07 Mini-Minyan for Kids-10:30 am Rabbi Shron Study Class-6:10 pm 7 ELUL
11 Religious School 9:15-11:30 am Kreplach Cooking Class-10:00 am 8 ELUL	12 Prayer Works-7:30 pm 9 ELUL	13 Religious School 4:30-6:15 pm Women of K.L. Wine Tasting-7:00 pm at home of Debbie Adamous 10 ELUL	14 Yoga-6:00 pm Spring Forest Qigong-7:00 pm 11 ELUL	15 Cub Scouts Pack Meeting-6:45 pm 12 ELUL	16 7:07 13 ELUL	17 Ki Seizei Isaiah 54:1-10 Shabbos Ends: 7:55 Chai Anniversary Kiddush Rabbi Shron Study Class-5:55 pm 14 ELUL
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SUNDAY SHACHARIT 9:00 AM  
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SUNDAY-FRIDAY  
MINCHA AND MAARIV

Week of September 4	6:05 PM
Week of September 11	6:00 PM
Week of September 18	5:50 PM
Week of September 25	5:40 PM

The *Shofar* will be sounded after the morning service during the month of *Elul* (except on *Shabbat* and the day before *Rosh Hashanah*) as a call to repentance.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, LABOR DAY 9:00 AM**

**ROSH CHODESH ELUL - Saturday (Shabbat) Sept. 3  
Sunday, Sept. 4**



*Wishing you and  
yours a Happy  
Healthy and  
Prosperous New Year*



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