

# The Focal Point

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HIGH HOLY DAYS - SEPTEMBER 2018

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## From Your Rabbi...



Another milestone - writing my first installment for *Focal Point* from my vantage point here in Overland Park. When I wrote last month's installment, I was still in New York! K.I. was still just an abstract destination in my mind.

Over the past couple of weeks, the K.I. community has finally become a concrete reality for me and Becca and Ari. We were moved and honored by the gala, blowout *kiddush* in our honor. (We were also warned not to expect such a festive *kiddush* every week!)

I've also gotten a taste of the full gamut of life cycle events in the community. On my very first Sunday at *shul*, we celebrated a lovely *Bat Mitzvah*. I've since gotten to meet with two other *bnei/bnot mitzvah* kids to discuss their impending special day this year. I've had the privilege of meeting a couple of my soon-to-be students in the *post-bnai mitzvah* school, which I look forward to teaching at on every second Sunday this year. I saw the community muster to support a bereaved member of our *shul* who was sitting *shiva* this past week. Later this week I'll attend a *bris* for the newest, youngest member of K.I. And I'm also already in the thick of planning a wedding for a long time K.I. member and her fiancé, who are getting married in the spring. These life cycle events are the life blood of a community, and I've felt galvanized to be thrust right into it all so early in my tenure.

I was also gratified to see a full house in the library for the inaugural installment of my weekly *Pirkei Avot* class on *Shabbat* afternoons before *Mincha*. I

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## From Your President...



We are in the Hebrew month of *Elul* – the month before *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur*. We are entering a period of reflection. A period of apologizing and making amends to our friends, family, neighbors, etc. And don't forget G-d! We must ask

for forgiveness and mean it. Even though we might think we did nothing wrong this past year.

Shortly after last *Yom Kippur*, I began thinking about the High Holy Days this year. Specifically, what will our services be like?

I have attended services at K.I. since our days at Meyer Boulevard and Rockhill Road, in Kansas City. I was much smaller and a little bit younger then. My family sat in the front row in Brown Tranin Auditorium, and I had an unobstructed view of Cantor Ben Solomon and the adult choir. I LOVED those days. And we have had a cantor and choir every year since then. K.I. is not K.I. without the cantor and the choir.

As you know, this year we are “importing” our cantor from Israel. Cantor Shron and Hedy will have arrived here on Labor Day. The *Hazzan* and choir will rehearse a few days, and we will be ready and able to present beautiful, meaningful services to you. You won't want to miss any of this.

Closing out *Yom Kippur*, we will have a “Break the Fast” dinner. I'm not sure if it's because of the fact that we've been fasting for 24 hours, but this dinner is always delicious. Make your reservations.

Moving on to *Sukkot* – we will have a *Sukkah* Dinner on Sunday, September 23rd. Make your reservations. The K.I. Fred Devinki School is looking forward to an exciting year as enrollment has been increasing each

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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](mailto: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*.

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# SHABBAT SCHEDULES

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 31

Candlelighting\*.....7:33 pm  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:15 pm

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Morning Services.....9:00 am  
Mini Minyan for Kids.....10:30 am  
Rabbi's Class.....6:20 pm  
Mincha.....7:10 pm  
Havdalah\*.....8:22 pm  
Selichot Service.....12:00 am



## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Candlelighting\*.....7:22 pm  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:40 pm

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Morning Services.....9:00 am  
Mini-Minyan for Kids.....10:30 am  
Rabbi's Class.....6:10 pm  
Mincha.....6:55 pm  
Havdalah\*.....8:11 pm



## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Candlelighting\*.....7:11 pm  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:30 pm

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Morning Services.....9:00 am  
Mini-Minyan for Kids.....10:30 am  
Rabbi's Class.....6:00 pm  
Mincha.....6:45 pm  
Havdalah\*.....7:59 pm



## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Candlelighting\*.....6:59 pm  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:30 pm

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

### CHAI ANNIVERSARY KIDDUSH

Morning Services.....9:00 am  
Mini-Minyan for Kids.....10:30 am  
Rabbi's Class.....5:45 pm  
Mincha.....6:30 pm  
Havdalah\*.....7:48 pm



## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Candlelighting\*.....6:48 pm  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:40 pm

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Morning Services.....9:00 am  
Mini-Minyan for Kids.....10:30 am  
Rabbi's Class.....5:00 pm  
Mincha.....5:45 pm  
Havdalah\*.....7:36 pm

\* No Later than  
+ No Earlier than

## ORDER YOUR ETROG & LULAV NOW!

Place orders NOW for your *lulav* and *etrog*.

**ORDERS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY YOUR CHECK.**

**DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 7, 2018.**

**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  
10501 Conser  
Overland Park, KS 66212

## HIGH HOLY DAY BABYSITTING

Babysitting will be available on Days 1 and 2 of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur Eve, and Yom Kippur for infants through 2nd graders. The following rules will apply:

1. No children will be allowed to wander in the building. Any child who refuses to stay in the designated area will be returned to their parents.
2. No food may be brought into the building. Snacks will be provided. In the infant care area ONLY, parents may feed bottles and kosher baby food to their infants.

**Please fill out the form below and return to the synagogue office by Thursday, Sept. 5.** Remember to indicate which day(s) each child will be attending.

**Birth to 18 months** \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ age(s)

Child(ren) name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Days attending: \_\_\_\_\_

**8 months to 4 years** \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ age(s)

Child(ren) name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Days attending: \_\_\_\_\_

**K-2nd grade** \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ age(s)

First Child \_\_\_\_\_

Second Child \_\_\_\_\_

Third Child \_\_\_\_\_

**Member (parent's) Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Best Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

# 2018 HIGH HOLY DAY - YOMIM NORAIM

## SCHEDULE 5779

RABBI MOSHE GRUSSGOTT

### EREV ROSH HASHANAH

Sunday, September 9 - 29 Elul

Shacharit and Selichot.....8:45 am  
Mincha and Maariv.....6:05 pm  
Candlelighting.....7:18 pm

### ROSH HASHANAH

Monday, September 10 - 1 Tishrei

Shacharit.....8:00 am  
Birth to K.....9:30 am  
1-8th Grade.....10:30 am  
Tashlich.....5:30 pm  
Mincha and Maariv.....6:00 pm  
Candlelighting (not before).....8:15 pm

Tuesday, September 11 - 2 Tishrei

Shacharit.....8:00 am  
Birth to K.....9:30 am  
1-8th Grade.....10:30 am  
Mincha and Maariv.....7:20 pm  
Havdalah+.....8:14 pm

### FAST OF GEDALIAH

Wednesday, September 12 - 3 Tishrei

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

**FAST OF GEDALIAH**  
**Wednesday, September 12**  
**The fast will begin at 5:45 am**  
**and conclude at 8:01 pm.**

### EREV YOM KIPPUR

Tuesday, September 18 - 9 Tishrei

Shacharit and Selichot.....7:00 am  
Mincha.....1:45 pm  
Candlelighting.....7:04 pm  
(Candles will be available to light at shul)  
Kol Nidre Service.....7:00 pm  
Birth to K.....6:30 pm  
1-4th Grade.....7:00 pm  
5-8th Grade.....7:00 pm

### YOM KIPPUR

Wednesday, September 19 - 10 Tishrei

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

### Yizkor in the late morning

Birth to K.....5:00 pm  
Mincha.....5:25 pm  
Ne'ila.....6:40 pm  
Maariv.....7:50 pm  
Havdalah+ and End of Fast.....8:01 pm

### YOM KIPPUR REMINDER

On Yom Kippur night and all day, all laws of Shabbat apply. Also, it is very important for those of you affected by the Overland Park Eruv to call the Eruv Hotline at 913.735.3788 late in the afternoon of the eve of Yom Kippur to verify the Eruv is "up" and functioning, as we do on the eve of every Shabbat.



### WE WANT TO KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE!

Therefore, children are not be allowed to roam the building unsupervised during services as it is a security risk.

### SELICHOT

Prepping for the High Holy Days! Saturday night, Sept 1 @ 10:30 pm we will watch the movie, *The Wave*. At 11:15 pm Rabbi Grussgott will lead a discussion: "The Mob Mentality: How We Can Channel It for Good." Snacks will be served. The Selichot service will begin at midnight.



### TASHLICH

Tashlich comes from the Hebrew word meaning "to cast," referring to the intent to cast away our sins 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 G-d.

Please join in the Tashlich service on the first day of Rosh Hashanah, Monday, September 10 at 105th and Conser over Indian Creek at 5:30 pm. Tashlich will conclude in time to return to the synagogue for the 6 pm Mincha and Yom Tov Maariv.

### KIDDUSH ON ROSH HASHANAH DAY

Many prayerbooks do not contain the daytime Rosh Hashanah Kiddush recited before lunch upon returning home from the synagogue, so we are furnishing the text for your convenience:

תקעו בחודש שופר, בכסה ליום חגנו.  
כי חק לישראל הוא, משפט לאלקי יעקב.

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

(סגרי מרנו ורפנו ורבותי)  
ברוך אתה ה' אלוקינו מלך העולם, בורא פרי הגפן.

S avri maranan.

Baruch Atah Adon\_i Elohu Melech ha'olam  
borei p'ri hagafen.

After the wine is drunk, the assembled wash their hands and begin the meal with Hamotzie over the bread, which is dipped in honey.

## SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES



- 1 Hailey & Efraim Gershom (33)  
Maureen & Amir Minoofar (30)  
Bonnie & Matthew Siegel (32)  
Drs. Shari & Michael Sokol (32)
- 2 Beverly & Bernard Jacobson (50)  
Sara & Jason Gordon (11)  
Jasmine & Jonathan Kaplan (6)
- 3 Nancy & Steve Cline (40)  
Barbara & Phillip Goodbinder (51)  
Jean & Dr. Allen Parelman (29)
- 4 Judith & Edward Chaiken (52)
- 5 Stephanie & Richard Gatewood (25)
- 6 Alix & Richard Jacobson (20)
- 11 Donna & Alan Gallas (26)
- 12 Janet & Steve Eisman (47)
- 13 Samuel & Bonnie Rabicoff (48)
- 17 Toby & David Levine (29)
- 26 Heather & Bill Oliver (20)
- 27 Roberta & Jerry Rosmarine (59)

## תודה רבה

...to our office volunteers who assist in so many ways: **Carolyn Braverman**, Marsha Ceule, **Brenda Fishman**, **Jake Schulzinger**, and **Eunice Snitz**.

...to **Linda Silver** and her crew who helped make mandel bread for our *Yom Kippur* break fast: **Arlene Abrams**, **Debbie Adamous**, **Carol Caviar**, **Doris Chopp**, **Brenda Fishman**, **Marcie Kaplan**, **Brenda McKinnon**, **Sharon Noorollah**, and **Shelley Rissien**.

...to **Micah Friedman** and **Lily Friedman** for sponsoring the congregational Break the Fast in memory of their grandparents, **Sherrill & Elinor Friedman**.

...to **Robert, Aaron** and **Nancy Cohen**, and **Carol Sher** for the beautiful *Rosh Hashanah* flowers in memory of **Abbott J. Sher** and **Martha Abend Sher**.

...to the **Devinki, Pack** and **Kolkin families** for providing the beautiful *Yom Kippur* flowers in memory of **Fred & Maria Devinki**, **Moshe & Kela Lea Dziewiencki**, **Yaakov and Feitl Dziewiencki**, **Regina & Solomon Braun**, and **David and Samuel Braun**, and of the 6,000,000 who perished.

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

**Correction to August Focal Point** We incorrectly listed a hole sponsor of the 2018 K.I. Allan Greenberg Memorial Golf Tournament. The name should have been listed as **German May PC**.

## 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**, **Shira Levine**, **Sandy Levine**, **Marvin Romer**, **Marvin Birnbaum**, **Richard Dunivan**, **Miriam Glueck**, **Barbara Kusnetzky**, **Allison Zismer**, **Regina Fink**, **Allen Parelman**, **Paul Blackman**, **Sherry Davidson**, **Joel Gutovitz**, **Cathy Levin**, **Daniel Singer**, **Ellen Soltz**, **Deborah Turley**, **Carissa Zolotor**, **Susan Cohen**, **Richard Devinki**, **Luis Rosales**, **Jessica Rich**, **Richard Rosenstock**, **Ben Corchine**, **Steven Eisman**, **Randi Haith**, **Mark Klein**, **Elle Kolkin**, **Danielle Gatewood**, **Alanna Daniels**, **Jamie Smartt**, **Joseph Adamous**, **Enid Levi**, **Catherine Singer**, **Daniel Dunivan**, **Rose Weisberger**, **Norman Burk**, **Scott Macek**, **Janet Stone**, **Nancy Cohen**, **Mary Stahl**, **Susan Gutovitz**, **Sandy Weinstein**.

## YOUTH BIRTHDAYS

**Beatrix Smartt**, **Zakaiyah Gillom**, **Kristine Clark**, **Dina Johnson**, **Anna Krutz**, **Samuel Tucker**, **Amanda Sokol**.

## מזל טוב

...to **Joe Goldwasser & Carolyn Braverman** on becoming grandparents to **Sarah (Sari) Stewart Goldwasser**. Parents are **Jared & Amanda Goldwasser**.

... **Angie & Aaron Fry** on the birth of a baby boy, **Avi Marcus**, and to **Avi's** big sister, **Delilah**.

...**Dr. Robert & Miriam Glueck** on the marriage of their daughter, **Katie**, to **Maor Cohen**.

## רפואה שלמה

The congregation expresses sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to **Bob Gast**, **Marlene Krakow**, **Allegra Shanberg** and to all other members of the congregation and community who have been ill or hospitalized.

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## SUKKOT SCHEDULE

### EREV SUKKOT

**Sunday, September 23 - 14 Tishrei**

Mincha and Yom Tov Maariv.....6:00 pm

Candlelighting .....6:56 pm

### FIRST DAY OF SUKKOT

**Monday, September 24 - 15 Tishrei**

Festival Service.....9:00 am

Kiddush in the Sukkah

Mincha-Maariv.....6:00 pm

Candlelighting.....7:44 pm

### SECOND DAY OF SUKKOT

**Tuesday, September 25 - 16 Tishrei**

Festival Service.....9:00 am

Mincha-Maariv.....6:45 pm

Havdalah\*.....7:43 pm

### CHOL HAMOED SUKKOT

**Wednesday, Sept. 26-Thursday, Sept. 27**

**17 Tishrei - 18 Tishrei**

Shacharit.....7:00 am

Mincha-Maariv.....5:40 pm

### CHOL HAMOED

**Friday, Sept. 28 - 19 Tishrei**

Candlelighting.....6:48 pm

Mincha-Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:40 pm

### SHABBAT CHOL HAMOED

**Saturday, Sept. 29 - 20 Tishrei**

Morning Service.....9:00 am

Mincha (Reading of Kohelet).....5:45 pm

Havdalah\*.....7:36 pm

### HOSHANAH RABBAH

**Sunday, Sept. 30 - 21 Tishrei**

Shacharit.....9:00 am

Mincha and Yom Tov Maariv.....6:00 pm

Candlelighting.....6:45 pm

### SHEMINI ATZERET

**Monday, Oct. 1 - 22 Tishrei**

(Yizkor will be recited)

Festival Service.....9:00 am

Mincha.....6:00 pm

Maariv and Hakafot.....6:15 pm

Candlelighting (not before).....7:33 pm

Celebration of the completion of the Reading of the Torah.

Join in Festivities at K.I.!

### SIMCHAT TORAH

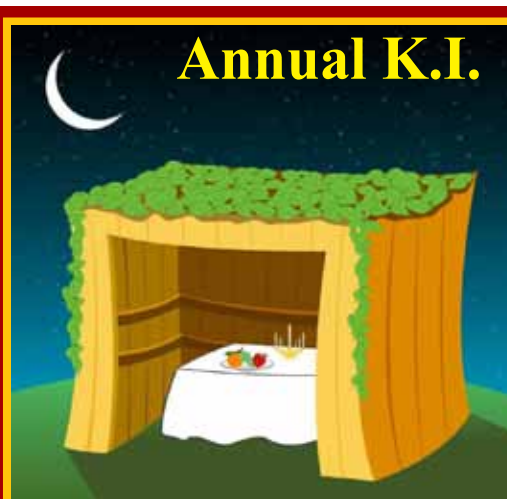
**Tuesday, Oct. 2 - 23 Tishrei**

Festival Service with Hakafot.....9:00 am

Mincha.....6:45 pm

Followed by Maariv, Havdalah\*

and Conclusion of Sukkot.....7:32 pm



## Annual K.I.

**Sukkah  
Dinner  
on the 1<sup>st</sup>  
night of  
Sukkot**

**Sunday, Sept. 23**

**Children's Program - 6 pm**

**Services - 6 pm     Dinner - 6:45 pm**

**\$15/adults   \$8/under age 8   Men's Club members/Free**

**Reservation deadline Monday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Daytime Kiddush for First 2 Days of Sukkot & Sh'mini Atzeret/Simchat Torah:**

אֱלֹהֵי מוֹעֲדֵי ה', מִקְרָאֵי קֹדֶשׁ אֲשֶׁר תִּקְרְאוּ אֹתָם בְּמוֹעֲדָם.

וַיְדַבֵּר מֹשֶׁה אֶת מוֹעֲדֵי ה', אֶל בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל.

Ayleh mo-aday Adon\_i, mikra-ay kodesh asher tik-r'u otam b'moadam.

Va-y'daber Moshe et mo-aday Adon\_i, el b'nai Yisrael.

(סְבִירָה קָרְנָה וְרִבּוּתָהּ)

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה' אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בּוֹרֵא פְרִי הַגֶּפֶן.

Baruch Atta Adon\_i, Elohu Melech ha-olam, boray p'ri hagafen.

In the Sukkah add:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה' אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו,

וְצִוָּנוּ לֵישֵׁב בַּסֻּכָּה.

Baruch Atta Adon\_i, Elohu Melech ha-olam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav,  
v'tzevanu l'yeshv basukkah.

## 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:

**BONNIE ROSEN**

(Wife of Herb Rosen)

# Let's Break the Yom Kippur Fast Together!

Wednesday, September 19

Approximately 8:15 pm,  
immediately following  
the *Nei'lah* service and  
the blowing of the *Shofar*

\$12/person  
Kids 5 & under/Free

RSVP by Friday, September 14  
[kisyn.org](http://kisyn.org) / 913.642.1880



Monday, Oct. 1  
6 pm  
For Kids  
Under 12

*PRE-SIMCHAT  
TORAH FUN*

WITH  
DAN KASS

*FREE, but RSVP*  
Rachel Macek  
[macek.rachel@kisyn.org](mailto:macek.rachel@kisyn.org)

Monday, Oct. 1  
Following 6:15 pm Maariv  
&  
Tuesday, Oct. 2 at 9 am services

## CUB SCOUT PACK 3153

Scouting tradition and history at K.I. dates back some 70 years to Troop 53 at “Meyer & Rockhill.” Now, Cub Scout Pack 3153 has begun its “31st Scouting year,” bringing the full Cub Scout program, with a Jewish “twist,” to the greater Kansas City community.

Pack and Den meetings and activities have begun, and our next Pack event will be the annual “*Sukkah* Camp-in” in the K.I. *Sukkah* on Saturday night, September 29th. A fun evening is planned with *Havdalah*, followed by a campfire in the Pack’s fire pit, snacks, games, participating of “living in the *Sukkah*” by spending the night, and concluding with a full hot breakfast on Sunday morning.

Dates have also been set for our annual Pinewood Derby, Scout *Shabbat*, Blue & Gold Banquet and program for the coming year. Also, plans for family camping opportunities and *Tikkun Olam* projects are in the works, as are Summer 2019 Day Camp and Resident Camp programming.



### CALLING ALL BOYS & GIRLS in the 1st through 5th Grades!

Scouting, recently refocused nationally into “Family Scouting,” is the entry level for boys and now GIRLS in the 1st thru 5th grades of what is, without question, the best youth program in the world... Scouting BSA (The Boy Scouts of America).

Cub Scouting is a “family affair” and involves the youth’s family. Pack 3153 is 100% volunteer led; adult family members are expected to “help the Pack go and grow.” Volunteer leaders are fully trained in depth in all aspects of the Cub Scout program including youth protection, motivation, youth cooperation development, and keeping the program FUN!

If you have a son or daughter, grandchild, nephew/niece, etc. who has not looked into Scouting, now is the time. 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.



Have you made a planned gift to Kehilath Israel Synagogue? If so, we’d like to invite you to a special complimentary event, **Foundation for Our Future, on October 11 at the Johnson County Arts and Heritage Center** (formerly the King Louie West bowling alley).

Foundation for Our Future is a community-wide celebration of planned giving that will feature a Vaad-supervised, retro-themed reception which will begin at 5:30 pm, followed by an engaging program at 6:15 pm.

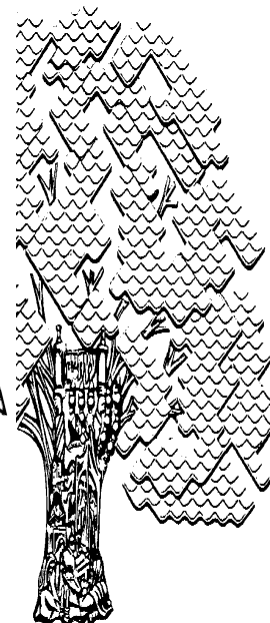
Please register at [FoundationForOurFuture.org](http://FoundationForOurFuture.org) by October 3. For more information about planned giving, please contact **Elizabeth Peden**, K.I. Executive Director, 913.642.1880 x 203 or [elizabeth@kisyn.org](mailto:elizabeth@kisyn.org).

We hope you can join us and thank you again for helping ensuring a bright future for our organization and our community.

Launched in 2016, Foundation for Our Future honors those who have established planned gifts to local Jewish agencies and synagogues. This year’s complimentary event will feature Victor Wishna, emcee, David Katzman, Professor Emeritus of American Studies at the University of Kansas, and the signing ceremony for the Endowment Book of Life. You may also tour the Johnson County History Museum and the 1950s All-Electric House.

### SIMCHA TREE LEAF DEDICATION

Happy 40th Anniversary  
Bruce & Marcie Kaplan  
August 20, 2018  
Love, The Mahj/Poker Group



Rabbi's message

can already tell it's going to be difficult to cover any ground, since we had a such an engaged and boisterous crowd! We didn't even get through the first *Mishnah*.

And so I'll conclude here by quoting a line, from that same first *Mishnah*, that we didn't succeed in covering: "It is said in the name of the Men of the Great Assembly...Develop many disciples." I feel that I've been fortunate to already develop some great "disciples" here at K.I., amongst the kids and adults alike, who have all given me great insight and advice in turn. I look forward to developing many more such relationships in the coming year.

A *Shana Tova* to us all!

Rabbi Moshe Grussgott, *Senior Rabbi*

year. To those of you who have children or grandchildren of age, check it out!

I am very optimistic about this coming year. And I want you all to enjoy it as well. But you can't enjoy these wonderful opportunities if you don't partake. Come to services. Try out a class or two. Bring your children and grandchildren. Call the office and volunteer to help out. Help the *Chesed* Committee. Come to the Women of K.I. events. Come to Men's Club. There are so many ways that you can enjoy your synagogue and, at the same time, help us out. I promise you, you will feel so good, you won't mind paying your dues.

Rosemary and I wish each and every one of you, your families, and friends a healthy, happy and successful year ahead. May you all be Inscribed and SEALED in the Book of Life.

Be well – Keep smiling – Happy trails to you.

Marty Gorin, *President*

Please join us on *Shabbat* morning, September 29,  
to pay tribute to **Brenda Fishman & Jake Schulzinger!**  
A *kiddush* luncheon will follow services.

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# SUKKOT HONOREES



**Kehliath Israel's *Ayshet Chayil*...**  
**BRENDA FISHMAN**

Brenda Fishman was born and raised in Kansas City and Overland Park, educated in the Shawnee Mission schools, and she did not stray very far, attending KU and now teaching at Shawnee Mission East high school, her dream job. Besides teaching a variety of Social Studies courses, Brenda has been the Student Council sponsor and International Club sponsor for many years. She likes to say that she has been to more proms as a teacher than a student. One of the best aspects of her teaching career has been meeting so many wonderful students and families over the years. Additionally, she and several colleagues traveled for many years with student groups to Australia, the British Isles, Europe, Central and South America, Canada, Japan and China. Brenda plans to continue teaching for at least another half dozen years and to continue traveling, with a trip to Israel in the works! Besides volunteering at K.I., Brenda volunteers for the Johnson County Christmas Bureau and the Kauffman Center for Performing Arts.

Brenda's parents and grandparents were also Kansas Citians, and a set of great-grandparents farmed in Richmond, MO. She has a brother, Barry, who is a mortgage broker with Alpha Mortgage, and is married to Sherian. They have two children and two grandchildren.

Although both parents grew up at Kehilath Israel (mother confirmed and father *bar mitzvahed*), her parents decided to join Temple B'nai Jehudah. Brenda was confirmed there and continued her membership for a number of years. With grandparents, aunts and uncles at K.I., Brenda and her brother often had double services on holidays – first at the Temple, then at K.I. when the two synagogues were just blocks apart. Eventually Brenda made the move to where she felt most comfortable, and that of course was at Kehilath Israel, where she has found a fantastic community and successfully encouraged her father to also re-join K.I.

Brenda has found that the members are very warm and friendly, and she enjoys helping prepare kiddush and meals with other volunteers. She is looking forward to many years of volunteering with K.I.



**Kehilath Israel's *Chattan Bereshit*...**  
**JAKE SCHULZINGER**

My late wife and I moved to Overland Park in 2007 and promptly joined K.I. and the JCC's Heritage Center to try integrating ourselves in the Jewish community. We became active in the Heritage Center and helped establish and maintain their lending library, a job I still perform. When my wife Marilyn passed away early in 2017, I increased my frequency of attendance at K.I. in order to say *kaddish* for her and have since become a daily *minyan* attendee. At the same time I have increased my volunteer activities here in an effort to try to help the *shul* wherever help is needed.

I was raised in Cincinnati, Ohio and attended the first Jewish day school through the 6th grade (which was as high as it went). From there, it was studying for a few years at the local *Talmud Torah* or with a tutor. After that, I studied on my own at whatever Jewish topic struck me at the time. In the late 1960s I moved to St. Louis where I met and married my wife. We stayed there for a while and then moved to Houston, Texas where we lived for 33 years. In Houston we belonged to a number of different congregations and ended up *davening* at Seven Acres, the local Jewish nursing home, where I helped lead the Traditional services and read from the *Torah* for about seven years.

# ***Shabbat Pre-Mincha* Classes with Rabbi Grussgott**

**In the library 45 minutes before *Mincha***

## **September Topic:**

### **Delving Into the Holidays**

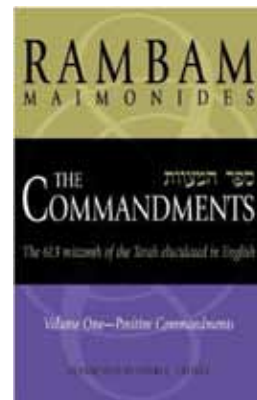
We will go in depth into the meaning, rituals, and traditions of each upcoming Jewish holiday in September.

Sept. 1	6:20 pm
Sept. 8	6:10 pm
Sept. 15	6:00 pm
Sept. 22	5:45 pm
Sept. 29	5:00 pm

## **October Topic:**

### **Delving Into the Commandments:**

An analysis of Maimonides' Compendium of the 613 Commandments of the *Torah*



45 minutes before *Mincha*

## **TWO NEW CLASSES ON THE HORIZON WITH RABBI GRUSSGOTT**

### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT PARSHA CLASS**

**Begins Oct. 17 - 7:00 pm**

We will explore the weekly *parsha* with a mix of the traditional input of the *midrash*, alongside the views of modern scholars such as Robert Alter. Will meet in the library at K.I.



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### **LIVING ROOM LEARNING: CRASH COURSE IN RELIGIOUS ZIONISM**

**Begins in November, in the homes of various different K.I. congregants**

(Stay tuned for more details!). A four part weekly series on the fundamental textual foundations of the ideology of Religious Zionism. We will explore how religious Jews reacted to the political Zionist movement beginning in the late 19th century, focusing on Religious Zionist luminaries such as Rabbis Kook, Herzog, and Soloveitchik. We will also take a look at the anti-Zionist thought of the *Satmar Hasidim*.



## K.I. BLUE RIDGE CEMETERY MEMORIAL SERVICE

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018



This year the *Annual Kehilath Israel Blue Ridge Cemetery Memorial Service* is scheduled to be held on **Sunday, September 16, the Sunday before *Yom Kippur*, at 11:00 am.**

The annual service, led by **Rabbi Moshe Grussgott**, 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, September 16 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.

*Save these Dates for*

## RABBI GRUSSGOTT'S INSTALLATION WEEKEND

**NOVEMBER 3**

***Kiddush Luncheon  
on Saturday  
following  
Shabbat morning services***

**NOVEMBER 4**

***Brunch and Installation  
on  
Sunday  
morning***

**ADDITIONAL INFO WILL FOLLOW**

# ESRIG-GOULD MEMORIAL ALCOVE

*With Reverence We Record the Following Yahrzeits*

## MEMORIAL TABLETS

### 21 ELUL-SEPT 1

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

### 22 ELUL-SEPT 2

JACK BELOVE  
ABRAHAM BIALSKY  
MOLLY GOLDSTEIN  
JOSEPH GREENBAUM  
BARBARA  
HOLLENBECK  
MAX KRUG  
BARBARAROSENBLATT  
KERWIN SHOLTZ  
BESS ZEFF

### 23 ELUL-SEPT 3

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

### 24 ELUL-SEPT 4

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

### 25 ELUL-SEPT 5

SIDNEY BROWN  
SAMUEL DWORKIN  
ZVI GOLDENBERG  
ROSE HIPSH  
PAUL KESSLER  
BLANCHE LERNER  
LOUIS LEVINE  
SARA MAGARIEL  
ANNA MAIZLISH  
JAKE MYER  
DAVID PFEFFER  
SAMUEL POLLMAN

### 26 ELUL-SEPT 6

DORA BAKER  
JOSEPH CHUZIE  
ESTHER EISEN  
SAMUEL LAPIDES  
JACK SAMBUR  
MOE SCHWARTZ

### 27 ELUL-SEPT 7

BETTY CAPLAN  
MEYER KRAFT  
FRANK SOLTZ  
ABRAHAM SUKIENNIK

### 28 ELUL-SEPT 8

WOLF BARABAN  
MARTIN BLENDER  
SARAH BROWN  
ESTHER COHN  
DENA EPSTEIN  
MICHAEL KATZ  
MOENES LEVEY  
ROGER MITTELMAN  
BECKY WEBER  
SHAEL WEDLAN

### 29 ELUL-SEPT 9

ABRAHAM COHN  
MITCHELL FEINGOLD  
LOUIS GOODMAN  
MOSHE MALINOSKY  
MARY MOLOTSKY  
IDA SCHIFMAN  
BESSIE WOLF

### 1 TISHREI-SEPT 10

ANNA COHN  
HYMAN KUSNETZKY  
MIRIAM LITMAN  
HARRY MALLIN  
BERNICE MILLER  
GOLDENE RYDELL  
MORTON SWARTZ  
ETTIE TITENSKY  
MANNYA TITENSKY

### 2 TISHREI-SEPT 11

ISADORE KAPLAN  
ZELDA KROSS  
FRANCISKA LENIOWER  
BEN SCHIFMAN  
NAOMI SCHWARTZ  
ETTA SNITZER

### 3 TISHREI-SEPT 12

ANNA GINSBERG  
ABRAHAM GLASSMAN  
EDWARD GREEN  
DAVID HOLLAND  
FANNIE KRUG  
CELIA RAINEN  
SYLVIA SCHNAER  
JOE WOLBERG

### 4 TISHREI-SEPT 13

ESTELLE DALEN  
SHELLEY FARBMAN  
GOLDIE GASSER  
MANUEL GREEN  
GEORGE LEVICH  
JOHANNA LOEFFLER  
JACOB ROSEN  
HARRY SELIGSON  
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### 5 TISHREI-SEPT 14

ROSE DALEN  
JACK EISBERG

YEHOSHUA  
KAMENESKY  
LOUIS KRUG  
ESTHER MONDSCHIEIN  
SARAH SCHULTZ  
BESSIE STOLOV

### 6 TISHREI-SEPT 15

EVELYN BROWN  
MORRIS HORN  
JACOB LEVIN  
CHAIM MANDELBAUM  
SAMUEL SIMON

### 7 TISHREI-SEPT 16

FREDA GOLDBERG  
PHILIP GOLDBERG  
ROSE NERMAN  
BENNETT TRANIN  
CYRIL YEDDIS

### 8 TISHREI-SEPT 17

ANNA ADELMAN  
BERTHA ESRIG  
SIDNEY FISHMAN  
MARY GOTTLIEB  
SAM GOULD  
GOLDA HOUSE  
PAUL MNOOKIN  
DORA SCHWARTZ  
PERCE SNITZER

### 9 TISHREI-SEPT 18

SUE AGRON  
SHEINDL CUKIER  
AARON GLICKSTEIN  
ROSE KAPNICK  
ISRAEL KOTELOV  
SAMUEL LANSKY  
MORRIS PARDO  
MARVIN ROBINSON  
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### 10 TISHREI-SEPT 19

ESTHER ALTBIER  
FREDA BEISER  
FEITL DZIEWIENCKI  
KEILA DZIEWIENCKI  
YAAKOV  
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### 11 TISHREI-SEPT 20

EDWARD BLUMENTHAL  
GOLDIE BRESSEL  
LOUIS CUMONOW  
BEN GROSS  
BERNARD KESSLER  
IDA LEFKOWITZ

### 12 TISHREI-SEPT 21

ITZHAK BIRENBOIM  
MARY SCHIFMAN  
LOUIS SHAW  
MAURICE SOLTZ

### 13 TISHREI-SEPT 22

HELEN KRAFT  
PAUL MOTTO

### 14 TISHREI-SEPT 23

SARA BOUB  
EUNICE COHEN  
MEYER COHN  
DAVID KANTOR  
PAULINE ROTHSTEIN  
REBECCA RUBIN  
JOSEPH SOLTZ  
SHIFRA WILENSKY

### 15 TISHREI-SEPT 24

EDITH KRUG  
JULIUS LEVEY  
BESSIE MALLIN  
GENIEK MITTLEMAN  
LEO MNOOKIN  
JENNIE NUDELMAN  
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### 16 TISHREI-SEPT 25

SAM BIRNBAUM  
BELLE COHEN  
IDA DUNN  
LOUIS SHAW  
REBECCA SHERMAN  
BESSIE SILVERMAN  
RUTH SPECTOR

### 17 TISHREI-SEPT 26

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### 18 TISHREI-SEPT 27

DOROTHY AGRON  
NATHAN BERGER  
HELEN EISBERG  
SARAH KESSLER  
SAMUEL RISSIEN

### 19 TISHREI-SEPT 28

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SHABSY FISHMAN  
LEAH FLAPAN  
LEON GABBAI  
ARTHUR GOLDBERG  
JOSEPH MALLIN  
HENRY STEIN  
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### 20 TISHREI-SEPT 29

HARRY AGRON  
JERALD GERSHON  
MORTY LEWKOWSKY  
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### 21 TISHREI-SEPT 30

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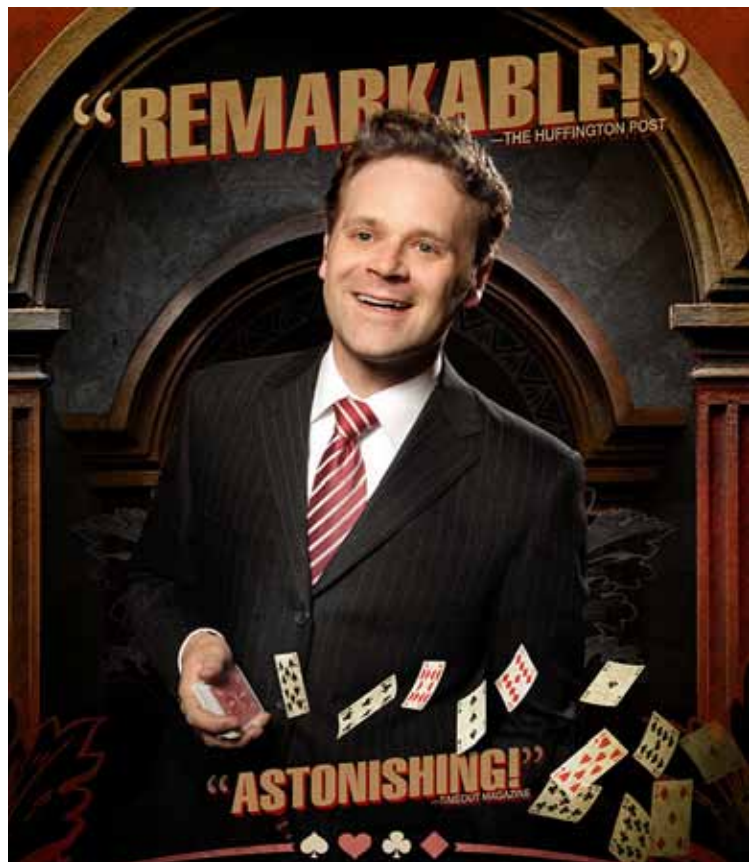
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21 Elul 5778 - 21 Tishrei 5779

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> 21 ELUL Ki Savo Isaiah 60:1-22 Mini Minyan-10:30 am R' Grussgott's class 6:20 pm Shabbos Ends: 8:22 pm Selichot Program 10:30 pm Service at Midnight
<b>2</b> 22 ELUL Selichos Begin	<b>3</b> 23 ELUL Labor Day OFFICE CLOSED Shacharit Service-9:00 am	<b>4</b> 24 ELUL Religious School - 4:30 - 6:15 pm	<b>5</b> 25 ELUL	<b>6</b> 26 ELUL	<b>7</b> 27 ELUL 7:22 pm	<b>8</b> 28 ELUL Nitzavim Isaiah 61:10-63:9 Mini Minyan - 10:30 am Chai Anniversary Kiddush R' Grussgott's class 6:10 pm Shabbos Ends: 8:11 pm
<b>9</b> 29 ELUL Erev Rosh Hashanah 7:18 pm	<b>10</b> 1 TISHREI Rosh Hashanah - Day 1 8:15 pm OFFICE CLOSED	<b>11</b> 2 TISHREI Rosh Hashanah - Day 2 Yom Tov Ends: 8:14 pm OFFICE CLOSED	<b>12</b> 3 TISHREI Fast of Gedaliah	<b>13</b> 4 TISHREI	<b>14</b> 5 TISHREI 7:11 pm	<b>15</b> 6 TISHREI Vayelech Hosea 14:2-10, Joel 2:11-27, Micah 7:18-20 Mini Minyan - 10:30 am R' Grussgott's class 6:00 pm Shabbos Ends: 7:59 pm
<b>16</b> 7 TISHREI Religious School - 9:15 am Family Day Sukkah Decorating - 10:30 am - 1:00 pm	<b>17</b> 8 TISHREI	<b>18</b> 9 TISHREI Erev Yom Kippur 7:04 pm	<b>19</b> 10 TISHREI Yom Kippur OFFICE CLOSED Yom Kippur Ends: 8:01 pm Break the Fast - RSVPs only 8:05 pm	<b>20</b> 11 TISHREI Cub Scout Pack Meeting - 6:30 - 8:00 pm	<b>21</b> 12 TISHREI 6:59 pm	<b>22</b> 13 TISHREI Haazinu Il Samuel 22:1-41 Mini Minyan - 10:30 am R' Grussgott's class 5:45 pm Shabbos Ends: 7:48 pm
<b>23</b> 14 TISHREI Erev Sukkot 6:56 pm Service and Kids' Program - 6:00 pm Sukkah Dinner - 6:45 pm	<b>24</b> 15 TISHREI Succos - Day 1 7:44 pm OFFICE CLOSED	<b>25</b> 16 TISHREI Succos - Day 2 Yom Tov Ends: 7:43 pm OFFICE CLOSED	<b>26</b> 17 TISHREI Succos - First Intermediate Day	<b>27</b> 18 TISHREI Succos - Second Intermediate Day	<b>28</b> 19 TISHREI Succos - Third Intermediate Day 6:48 pm	<b>29</b> 20 TISHREI Succos - Fourth Intermediate Day Ezekiel 38:18-39:16 Mini Minyan - 10:30am R' Grussgott's class 5:00 pm Cub Scout Sukkah Camp-in Shabbos Ends: 7:36 pm
<b>30</b> 21 TISHREI Succos - Fifth Intermediate Day Hoshanah Rabbah 6:45 pm						



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#### WEEKDAY SERVICES - ROSE MORGAN CHAPEL

SUNDAY SHACHARIT	9:00 AM
DAILY SHACHARIT <sup>†</sup>	7:00 AM
SUNDAY-FRIDAY MINCHA AND MAARIV	
Week of September 2	6:10 PM
Week of September 9*	6:00 PM
Week of September 16*	5:50 PM
Week of September 23*	5:40 PM
Week of September 30*	6:45 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.

<sup>†</sup>MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, LABOR DAY 9:00 AM

\*PLEASE SEE SCHEDULES INSIDE FOR *ROSH HASHANAH*, *YOM KIPPUR* AND *SUKKOT* TIMES



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