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## Rosh Hashanah Apple Picking

Sunday, September 22nd 3:00 – 5:00 pm Tuken's Orchard & Farm Market

PJ Library joins Beth Abraham Synagogue to celebrate Rosh Hashanah. Learn about the holiday and pick your favorite apples to dip in honey! All are welcome to attend.

No charge. RSVP by September 20th to jewishdayton.org/events.



### Sukkah Decorating and Pizza in the Hut

BETH ABRAHAM

Come decorate the synagogue sukkah on **Sunday**, **October 5th**. Children, and others young at heart, are welcome to join our Religious School families that morning at 9:30 to make and hang decorations to beautify our sukkah. Following, we will enjoy a pizza lunch compliments of our Men's Club.

RSVP for lunch by calling the office by Tuesday, Sept. 30th.





## Meet the Sofer Repairing our Torahs

Thanks to the generosity of our Men's Club, we are delighted to provide a unique opportunity to witness and engage in a sacred tradition of repairing our Torahs up close. Learn about the spiritual and technical dimensions of this sacred art and speak with Rabbi Moshe Druin about the legacy of being a sofer, or Torah scribe. **Monday, September 8th**, from 6:00-7:00 pm.

We encourage members of all ages to attend!



### MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: TOBI URZI

Terry Lieberman Smith

As second-generation American with deep roots in the Cincinnati area, Tobi Urzi was raised in a home that blended a variety of cultures and customs. As an adult, he found his spiritual home, or what he calls his "tribe,"

within conservative Judaism. This branch of Judaism resonated with him due to its

solid foundation in tradition, balanced with a willingness to embrace new ideas.



His spiritual journey deepened through the study of Kabbalah and led him to Beth Abraham Synagogue (BAS), where he immediately felt a sense of safety and belonging. The warmth of the members and the guidance of Rabbi Aubrey made him feel welcomed from the moment he walked through the doors. Tobi feels that his connection to BAS has helped to ground him both emotionally and spiritually.

Inspired to give back to the community that embraced him, Tobi has become an active volunteer at BAS. He participates almost weekly in the Friday cooking sessions, channeling his personal love for making food from scratch into preparing meals for the congregation. He finds great reward in working alongside other dedicated volunteers and sharing the food with everyone.

Tobi's commitment has grown beyond the Friday morning cooking sessions. Initially asked to be a guest speaker, he now serves as a co-chair of the BAS Social Action Committee and has recently joined the BAS Men's Club. He values the opportunity to listen to the ideas of others and help bring them to life.

He believes that the opportunities to contribute to BAS through volunteering are plentiful and that the rewards far outweigh the cost of membership. Volunteering provides members with the opportunity to hone current skills and learn new ones. By stepping outside his comfort zone and engaging in new activities, he has become an important part of our community.

Tobi's story is a reminder that when you put yourself out there, good things happen - especially in a community as welcoming and diverse as Beth Abraham Synagogue. His journey continues to bring light not only to his own life, but to the lives of those around him.

Tobi's journey at Beth Abraham Synagogue proves how deeply one member can intertwine with a community when mutual openness, tradition, and purpose align. From finding spiritual grounding within conservative Judaism to actively strengthening that same foundation through cooking, leadership, and heartfelt connection, Tobi embodies the concept that belonging is both a gift and a responsibility. His journey reminds us that when you meet a welcoming community like BAS with curiosity, generosity, and a readiness to serve, you not only enrich your own life but also become a light for others. His journey reminds us that belonging isn't just about being welcomed, it is also about showing up, giving back, and helping others feel at home. And in doing so, he's not only found his tribe—he's helping to build it.

## BETH ABRAHAM



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## From Garment of Tender Resolve to Fragrance of Devotion: An Invitation to Dive Deeper this Coming New Year

Rav Aubrey Glazer



What is the invitation to gather and even dive deeper into this coming New Year? Simply put: from donning the garment of tender resolve to smelling the fragrance of devotion - this is our invitation as to why we gather each year, especially this advent of 5786.

## Kittel as Compassion: White Garment of Tender Resolve

Compassion - how do we wear it on our sleeves? The *kittel* - a simple

white robe - wraps itself around our most sacred Jewish moments: worn under the marital chuppah, on Yom Kippur, and even at the Seder, and, eventually, in burial. In every appearance, it's a garment of compassion -toward others, toward ourselves, toward the life we are called to sanctify. White in Jewish tradition is not the absence of color; it's the gathering of all light. In the prophet Isaiah's vision, "Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow," the whiteness is divine compassion actualized - a resetting, a tender mercy that sees the soul beneath the stains. I recall hearing once of a person who brought their ancestor's kittel to their own wedding. His father had passed when he was a child, but the garment still carried faint traces of wine from a past Seder, wrinkles from Yom Kippur prostrations. Wearing it under the chuppah was not just a tribute; it was an embrace, the living compassion of generations stitched into one white robe. The kittel is deliberately unadorned, equalizing in its plainness. Whether worn by a bridegroom or a sage, it strips away status and ego. On Yom Kippur, as we stand in the kittel before God, we are all simply souls clothed in the same humble mercy. What will you be wearing on your sleeve as we approach the New Year? How can we don the garments of tender resolve no matter the size or style?

#### Heart as Etrog: Fragrance of Devotion

Open-heartedness - how do we foster it in a world of broken heartedness? In the four species we bring together on Sukkot - the *lulav* (palm), *hadas* (myrtle), *aravah* (willow), and *etrog* (citron) - our blessed sages found a correlate to a part of the human body. This year amidst our broken heartedness, let us focus upon the *etrog*, with its golden skin and sweet scent, is the lev, the heart. Why? Recall that the heart in Jewish tradition is not just the seat of emotion; *lev* is the integrating core of intellect, will, and feeling. The *etrog* is unique among the species: it has both taste (symbolizing learning and knowledge) and fragrance (symbolizing good deeds). A heart that beats with compassion and integrity produces both - the wisdom to discern and the kindness to act.

The story is told of a poor farmer who, after months of saving, bought the most beautiful etrog he'd ever seen. On the way home, he saw a family stranded on the road before the holiday, hungry and cold. He sold the etrog to feed them. That year, his sukkah felt

fuller than ever - not because the ritual was complete in form, but because the heart of the *mitzvah* was alive within him. The "missing" etrog became the most fragrant heart of all. Unsurprising then that the etrog's enduring growth - ripening slowly and sometimes staying on the tree for a whole year - is also compared to a heart that's never finished becoming. True devotion is not a momentary burst, but a continual season of ripening, in which the sweetness deepens over time.

## Heart and Compassion Together: Cultivating Your Inner Sukkah

How do we enter the Inner Sukkah? From the kittel's of compassion to the etrog's symbolism of the heart, we experience an authentic rhythm of Jewish time. The heart without compassion can harden; compassion without a grounded heart can become untethered. Together, they form an inner sukkah - a place where the core self is both protected and open to the wind.

Consider a Shoah survivor I once met in Jerusalem, who told me he still kept a *kittel* in his closet, though he no longer fit into it. And each *Sukkot*, he would spend hours holding his *etrog*, inhaling its scent. "The *kittel* reminds me," he said, "that even in white shrouds there can be love. And the *etrog* reminds me my heart survived." His rituals were not about obligation alone - they were about keeping his humanity awake. How can we keep our hearts awakened amidst the sleep that feels we are experiencing?

I invoke these symbols to invite us into a living practice together in community this cycle of the Awesome Days with this intention:

- Hold the etrog as if cradling someone's heart, aware of its fragility and worth.
- Wear or envision the kittel as a choice to approach others without armor, without rank - just soul to soul.
- Let these moments interrupt the rush and ask: Am I leading with my heart? Am I clothing myself in compassion?

The invitations here are grounded, but not limited to the hasidic masters who taught that the most transformative *mitzvah* is the one you "clothe" yourself in - making it visible not only in deed but in countenance and tone. The *kittel* and the *etrog* are precisely such garments of the soul.

If you care to tend to your soul then, may your heart be as fragrant as the etrog, ripening with wisdom and kindness through every season. May your compassion be as pure as the *kittel*, wrapping others in gentleness and grace. And may you find, in the weaving of heart and compassion, a *sukkah* that shelters you - and all who enter - with joy. I invite us all to embody our garments of the soul this coming New Year 5786 - may it be a true blessing for us all!





Hadassah is bringing MeshugaNotes, OSU's acapella group, to Beth Jacob on Sunday, Oct. 5th at 2:00 pm. More information can be found on Hadassah's Facebook page.

# Beth Abraham Sisterhood - New Year's Greetings L'Shanah Tovah Tikateyvu!

Beth Adelman Beth Abraham Men's Club Matt & Elaine Arnovitz George & Ruth Barnett & family Ann & Sheldon Berger & family Ellie & Bob Bernstein Maryann & Jack Bernstein Allan Spetter & Claudia Birch Jody Pollack Blazar & family Linda Blum Judy & Alan Chesen Stanley & Connie Blum Sylvia Blum & family Bari & Steve Blumhof Dena Briskin Larry & Cindy Burick Mike & Joann Chambers Douglas & Bonnie Deutsch & family Celia B. Diamond Melinda & Bill Doner & family Douglas & Bethany Einstein Enrique & Ruth Ellenbogen Beverly Farnbacher & family Adam & Tara Feiner Bruce & Debbie Feldman Gary & Irene Fishbein & family Lynn Foster Steve & Penney Fraim Mike Freed & Family Bella Freeman & family Angela & Joel Frydman & family Renate Frydman & family Charlotte Golden Lynn & David Goldenberg & family

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Cantor Andrea Raizen

Bonnie Beaman & Walter Rice & family **Brenda Rinzler Jeff & Connie Roberts** Cherie Rosenstein & family **Beverly Saeks** Lee & Patti Schear Andrew & Pamela Schwartz Judy Schwartzman Felice Shane & family Michael & Marcie Sherman & family Zerla Stavman **Bob & Suzanne Thum Rex & Louise Tincher** Doug & Theda Wagner Norm & Mary Rita Weissman Ralph & Diane Williams Judy Woll Steve & Patty Wyke Carol L. Bernstein Mike Freed & family Mark & Kathy Gordon Michael Jaffe Tobi Urzi & family





## **Community Selichot Service**

Date: Saturday, September 13, 2025 Time: 8:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. Location: Temple Beth Or

Temple Beth Or invites you to join a community-wide Selichot Service to welcome the High Holiday Season. The evening will commence with a dessert reception at 8:30 p.m., followed by the service at 9:00 p.m., featuring Dayton's Rabbis and the Dayton Jewish Chorale. This event will be held in person and will also be live-streamed.

## New Beginnings This Rosh Hashanah: Honoring Loss, Embracing Leadership

Julie Liss-Katz, Beth Abraham President



This Rosh Hashanah, as the shofar calls us to reflection and renewal, I am deeply aware of how new beginnings often grow from places of profound change. This year, I stepped into the role of synagogue president with a heart still tender from the loss of Marc. For me, his memory is felt throughout our synagogue, a home away from home for him. He loved everything about being Jewish. The rituals, learning,

observances, music, food, traditions, and prayer. I accepted this role partially as a way to honor him.

Grief has taught me both humility and courage. In moments of sadness, I have felt the strength of our community. As I take on this leadership responsibility, I am guided by Marc's

dedication to our congregation and by the values we shared together and as a family. His legacy inspires me to serve with compassion, integrity, and humor.

Throughout the High Holy Days and the coming year, I pray that we will continue to comfort one another, to celebrate joys, and support each other through hardships. May this new year bring deeper connection, renewed energy, and opportunities for all to contribute their unique gifts to Beth Abraham.

Inspired by tradition and open to change, may we move forward together, strengthened by memory and united by an inspired vision.

L'shanah tovah u'metukah—wishing you a good and sweet new year filled with hope and healing.



#### SOCIAL ACTION UPDATE

**Beth Adelman** 

The Social Action Committee was so pleased to see the response to our Crayons to Classroom project, collecting over 150 items! The school supplies will be provided to teachers for their classrooms with many students benefiting from your donations. Thanks to Sandra and Jason who set-up the display and to Jason and Tobi Urzi for packing up all of the items and taking them to the Crayons to Classroom facility.

Our Interfaith Shabbat was a wonderful success! There were 13 members of various faiths joining 10 Beth Abraham members. They experienced a lively, interactive interfaith discussion led by Rav Aubrey. They ended their time together with a beautiful mincha service. Thanks to Bonnie Beaman Rice and Rav Aubrey for their work making this such a worthwhile afternoon. If you are interested in participating in the Interfaith Forum of Greater Dayton, please contact Bonnie for more information.

Upcoming Programs:

October 20th 1-3: Foodbank opportunity with JCRC. Oct. 26th: Sunday Brunch with LGBTQ+ panel.



#### Mazel Tov & Congratulations



**Irvin Moscowitz** for receiving the Robert A. Shapiro Award and **Judy Chesen** receiving the JCC Volunteer of the Year Award at the Federation Annual Meeting.

Susan & David Joffe on the engagement of their daughter Becky to Josh Friedberg.

### In the Beth Abraham Family

#### Thanks to the following Kiddush Sponsors:

August 2 - Susan & Marty Toher in honor of their granddaughter Celeste's Baby Naming

August 9 - A friend of Beth Abraham

August 16 - Rachel Kinard in honor of the Strategic Plan Steering Committee; Tara & Adam Feiner in honor of our Beth Abraham Family

August 23- Jane and Alex Briskin in honor of Alex's 62nd birthday, his retirement from Wright-Patterson AFB after 40 years of service, and the baby naming of their granddaughter

August 30 – Edie (z"l) and Janel Pequignot in memory of Glenn Pequignot

#### Congratulations to those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in September:

#### September Birthdays

2	Steve	Wyke
7	Steve	VVYKE

4 Minnette Weiss

4 lackie Miner

4 Barbara Sanderow

5 Maryann Bernstein

6 Neil Katz

7 Donald Zulanch

10 Franklin Lewis

11 Janis Sussman

11 Michael Sherman

12 Lucien Gabbe

16 Masha Kisel

16 Jules Sherman

17 Elena Rosner

18 Susan Zulanch

18 Zoharah Naziri

19 Marc Shaw

21 Cantor Jerome Kopmar

21 Michael Kimmel

21 Shoshana Krummel-Adkins

22 Beverly Saeks

23 Matt Arnovitz

25 Lana Dorf

25 Jonah Dorf

28 Babs Miller

#### September Anniversaries

2 Joel & Angela Frydman

2 Marc & Francine Shuchat Shaw

2 Sheldon & Ann Berger

5 Alex & Jane Briskin

5 Abe & Marla Merdinger

5 Michael & Harriet Massimini

10 Scott & Ann Liberman

15 Bill & Sharon Cohen

16 Donald & Susan Zulanch

17 Douglas & Bonnie Deutsch

\*\* If your birthday or anniversary is not listed above, please call the office so we can put it in the database

#### WE WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS:

Nancy Sorkin

## WE RECORD WITH GREAT SORROW THE PASSING OF:

Daniel Rosner, son of Elena Rosner

## Mirpeset Kabbalat Shabbat

(Porchfest Shabbat)









## IN THE BETH ABRAHAM FAMILY

## We Gratefully Acknowledge...these thoughtful contributions

#### **Bert Appel Fund**

In memory of

**Larry Wgenfeld**, by Joel & Angela Frydman

#### **Cantor Raizen's Education Fund**

In memory of

Betty Crouse, by Beth Adelman Jean Isenberg, by Beth Adelman Marcus H. Laster, by Tara & Adam Feiner

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In memory of
Walter Zuckerwise, by Nathaniel &
Susan Ritter

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In memory of

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Alan Berman, Rick & Randy Diamond,

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Kathy Gordon, Ellen & Mark

Greenberger, Robin Haunton & Hilarie

Friedlander, Susan & David Joffe, Stanley & Susan Katz, Allan & Linda Katz, Scott & Ann Liberman, Sandra Mikos, Linda & Dennis Patterson, Harry Rice & Elizabeth Bell, Beverly Saeks & Family, Andrew & Lisa Star, Myron Stayman, Judy Woll

**Gerta Whitman**, by Gary & Irene Fishbein & Family

In honor of

Meredith Levinson, Bonnie Beaman Rice, & Mindi Wynne, our inspiring women, by Gary & Irene Fishbein & Family

Ken & Janice Krochmal, on the birth of their granddaughter, by Gary & Irene Fishbein & Family

#### Jerry Wilks Memorial Fund

In memory of

Yale Ducker, by Howard Ducker

#### Joel Horenstein Fund

In memory of

**Betty Crouse**, by Linda & Steve Horenstein

Mike Goldstein, by Dena Briskin, Linda & Steve Horenstein

**Joel Horenstein**, by Harriet & Nelson Tarbell

Edie Pequignot, by Dena Briskin, Alan & Judy Chesen, Linda & Steve Horenstein Jean Isenberg, by Linda & Steve Horenstein

**Larry Wagenfeld**, by Dean Briskin, Linda & Steve Horenstein

In honor of

Alex & Jane Briskin in honor of all your Simchas, by Linda & Steve Horenstein

#### **Kiddush Kitty**

In memory of

Jean Isenberg, by Wendy Lipp, Laurie Lipp, & Amy Maslia, Linda & Jeff Albert

In honor of

Chris &Sarah Mabe, on the baby naming for Celeste Mabe, by Nancy Sorkin

#### Ray Glazer's Discretionary Fund

In memory of

Charles & Ethel Elman, by Bert & Terri Harrison Mike Goldstein, by Ralph & Diane Rubin Wililams

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In memory of

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In honor of

**Terry Pinsky, for his special birthday,** by Gary & Irene Fishbein and Family

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Gladys Renas, by Stephen Renas
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Dorothy Suson, by Cantor Raizen
Larry Wagenfeld, by Alan & Judy
Chesen, Susie & Eddie Katz
Shirley Wahrman, by Lorene Wahrman

#### **Social Action Fund**

In memory of

**Herbert M. Louis**, by Beverly Louis **Jon Steven Schwartzman**, by Judy Schwartzman

Samuel Topper, by Judy Schwartzman

#### **YAHRZEITS**

This list represents yahrzeits for this month as listed in Beth Abraham's database. If we have missed a name, please call the Synagogue office at (937) 293-9520 and let us know so we can update our records.

## This September (Elul– Tishrei) we remember:

**ELUL** Robert Abrams Louis Abromovich Jane Aides Philip Atkins Jacob Harry Auster Joan Azen **Emil Barsky** Rose Bashner **Edward Baume** May Berkowitz David Bernie Rebecca Bodenstein **Beatrice Brook** Jeffrey Chesen R. Lee Chodos Samuel Chudde Harry Cohen Charles Cooper Jacob Deutsch **Evelyn Kravitz Driscoll** Max Ehrenberg Cecile Fand Kurt Farnbacher Kurt Fish Jack Fishbein Ronny Friedberg Matilda Valens Friedman Sol Friedman George Friedman Oscar Froikin Selma Garlikov Abe Garlikov Miriam Gehatia Isadore Goldberg Anna Gordon Anna Gurin Diane Handler David Hanken Stanley M. Harrison

Gussie Hellman

Sidney Hertz

Ann Hoffman

Katie Hyman Max Jacobson Gussie Jacobson Belle Jenefsky Pearl Joffe Herman Kahn Sally Kantor **Dov Meir Kass** Joseph Katz Rose Aides Kaufman Lorraine Kobel Aaron Koretzky Louis Kotler Beatrice Kuhr Lillian Kuraner Janet Kurtzer Morton Land Phil Lang **David Larman** Meyer Larrison Helen Leopold Louis M Lerner Molly Levin May Levine Anne Levy Ruth Lieberman Irene Mandel Jack Mann Aaron Mark Carol Marks Harriet Levy Marwil Samuel Maslow Sadie Matusoff Yitzhak Isaac Mellman lan G. Mendelson Joel Meredith Paula Meyer Herman E. Miner Reva Munich Herman Nides Louis Niren Herbert Jerome Oppenheimer Frances Oxman

Glenn Pequignot Isaac Perlmutter Rose Rauchman Sidney F. Resler Dr. Sidney Robby **Bessie Cameros** Rockoff Goldie Roden Moshe Ross Perry Ross Phyllis Ross Sophie Roth **Ruth Salomon Agnes Schetz** Max Schriber **Ervin Schriber** Claire Shapiro Florence Shapiro Morris Shokler Esther Rochel Shulman John Silberman **Nellie Sivitz** Samuel Skal Maxine Slone Henriette Smilack Eliyahu Sokol Myra Stack Justin Stoler Ann Moskowitz Stone **Betty Strauss** Melanie Tayloe Gilbert Unger Abraham Waldman Sarah Wall Rev. Joseph Wasserman Lena Valensky Weinhaus Anna Weintroob **Emil Weiss Toby Wilson** Gladys Yaross Sam Zimmerman Augusta Zimmerman

Bernice Zimmerman Victor Zwelling **TISHREI** Robert Abrahamson Aaron Joel Abramson Rabbi Ernest A Adler Ida Apfel **Beatrice Barnett** Corinne E. Beaman Charles Beaman Annalee Bender Irene Charles Anna Dworkin Harry Einhorn Jacob Ellison Lori Ellman Edwin Ellman Elizabeth Feuer Harry Finegold Abe Friedman Emma Mae Froug Leah Froug Elizabeth Rice Gellman Bessie Ginsburg Regina Gisser Renee Glassman Carolyn Goldberg Abe Goldberger Joan Goldwasser Barbara Guggenheimer Morris Gurin William Haegel Morris Handler Issac Hellreich Bertha Izenman Bess Jacobs Lee Jacobson Joseph Jaffe Rose Joffe Stephen Kahn Elizabeth Kahn Susan Michelle Kessler

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## CALL for VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are essential in supporting our community. We are seeking additional Greeters and Kiddush Crew volunteers. If you're able to help, please reach out to the office.

Sadie Klebanow

## **HIGH HOLIDAY INFORMATION**

PARKING is available in the tiered portion of our parking lot on the upper two levels, but please enter through the upper level chapel doors. There are handicapped spaces available, however since the holidays fall during the week, we ask that you be respectful of the professional buildings around us and their



need for handicapped spaces as well. Please do not park in front of the chapel doors so they are accessible for those who need assistance.

ENTERING THE BUILDING: The chapel door entrance will be the only door open for security purposes. Please use these doors for dropping off and entering the building. The lower level doors in the circular drive will be locked.

DECORUM: Please note that all school age children should be in the youth service or with their parent in the sanctuary during the High Holy Day services. We also ask that you please refrain from wearing cologne or perfume out of respect for those sitting around you or who may be allergic.

STREAMING will be available for all services. Please find the link on our website, in News & Notes or on the back page of this Bulletin.



RECIPROCITY LETTERS can be arranged with Sandra in the office. Please call or email (sandra@bethabrahamdayton.org) with the name of the congregation you will be visiting, their address, phone and fax number and email address if available. We will also need to know what holiday(s) you will be attending and with whom you will be sitting.

LULAY AND ETROG ORDERS need to be placed by Sept 9th through the office. The cost is \$56.

BREAK-THE-FAST will follow the Neilah service on Thursday, October 2nd. This yearly tradition is prepared by our Beth Abraham kitchen volunteers and sponsored by the Men's Club. Please call the office to RSVP by Sept. 25.





It is our tradition to bring donations of food on the evening of Kol Nidre for the hungry. Please make a stop at the food barrels before you proceed to the sanctuary.

**COUTH SERVICES** are available for school age children in grades K-7 for both days of Rosh Hashanah, Sept. 23 & 24, and on Yom Kippur Day, October 2nd, from 10:00 - 12:00. Please RSVP to the office by September 15 so we can plan accordingly.

HIGH HOLIDAY BABYSITTING will be available on both days of Rosh Hashanah, Sept. 23 & 24, and on Yom Kippur day, October 2nd, from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm. RSVPs are required by September 15, as we have a very limited number of spaces available. Due to this limitation, we will not likely be able to accommodate children without an RSVP.



#### TASHLICH - TIME TO TOSS YOUR SINS AWAY

The origins of the custom of Tashlich are uncertain; it does not appear in the Talmud and it seems to have begun in the Middle Ages. We call it Tashlich, meaning "you shall cast." Traditionally, we go to a body of running water, preferably one containing fish, and symbolically cast off our sins. Bring some bread crumbs and the entire family to Island Metro Park on the first day of Rosh Hashanah, Tuesday, Sept. 23rd at 5:30 pm for prayers and singing on the riverbank with Kevin McIntyre, our High Holiday Prayer Leader.



### HIGH HOLIDAY PRAYER LEADER

We welcome Kevin McIntyre to Beth Abraham as our High Holiday Prayer Leader. Many of us had an opportunity to meet Kevin at Shabbat Under the Stars in June and look forward to him leading us in prayer and song. Kevin is a cantorial student living in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Thank you to Susie & Eddie Katz for their generous sponsorship to bring him to our community.

#### We Blessed our Animals with Chesed

Dr. Elyssa Wortzman

Did you know we are obligated to feed our animals before we eat? This comes from the verse

"And I will give grass in your field for your livestock"—and only thereafter "and you will eat and be sated." We asked MAASEH students why our tradition asks us to feed the animals first and guess what they told us:

- -lt would be cruel for my dog to watch me eat when she is hungry.
- -My dog comes to the table with us for dinner and he would be sad if we were eating without him.

We learned how the Jewish value of not distressing or causing suffering to animals, tza'ar baalei chayim, is shared by the many organizations in Montgomery County who seek to protect and safeguard animals from neglect and cruelty. The Montgomery County Animal Resource Center, for example, which reports on the lack of capacity to safely and humanely house our County's pets, helps "Good Samaritans" who try to help lost dogs while they are being reunited with owners. We discussed how we too could be upstanders according to Maimonedes' articulation of the law in the Guide for the Perplexed:

"... we should not acquire habits of cruelty and should not inflict pain gratuitously without any utility, but we should be kind and merciful to all living creatures, except in case of need...."

Going deeper with the older students, we discussed whether the value of tza'ar baalei chayim would prioritize adoption over purchase. The students unanimously agreed it should since it would help animals in distress or without shelter to survive and this would decrease their suffering. Finally, we looked at a standard tune from the Passover Hagadah, Chad Gadya, in light of tza'ar baalei chayim; The song goes: "Then came the stick, and beat the dog, that bit the cat, that ate the goat, my father bought for two zuzim. One little goat, one little goat. My father bought for two zuzim." We discussed the potential cultural and societal differences between the author's time and ours and whether the words to the song should be modified, especially if we want to continue singing it with joy.

Our day ended with an outside blessing ritual for our dogs (no cats were present) where the students created and awarded Jewish prizes like "the dog most likely to sport a kippah well," "the dog showing the most chesed/lovingkindess," and "the dog most likely to have speilkas/ants in their pants during services." We ended feeling blessed to have our furry friends and aware of our responsibility to them.

We are collecting dog and cat food to donate to the Humane Society of Greater Dayton's Golden Ears Program through September, which collaborates with Meals on Wheels to ensure local seniors receiving Meals on Wheels have pet food for their animals.



#### SISTERHOOD NEWS

Irene Fishbein

Thank you to everyone who supported our Honey From The Heart fundraiser this year. We sold 190 jars of golden sweetness that will be arriving at the homes of your friends and family soon! Special thanks to Cheryl Lewis for her hard work and assistance with ordering.

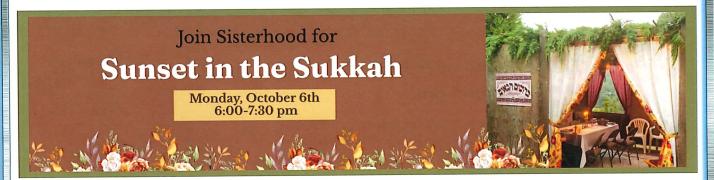
Sunset in the Sukkah will be on Monday, October 6th at 6:00 pm. Judy Chesen and Theda Wagner have a lovely program planned. The gift shop will be OPEN. The event is FREE for Sisterhood members and \$10 for non- members and guests. RSVP to the office by Sept. 30th.

If you haven't sent in your Sisterhood membership dues and interest form yet, there's still time. Please send them to Connie Roberts. We're also happy to take your membership dues at Sunset in the Sukkah.

The MAHJshuganas will meet on Thursday, Sept. 11 & 25 from 1:00-4:00 pm. Please RSVP to Theda Wagner.

Our next Sisterhood meeting is Thursday, Sept. 4 at 10:00 am on Zoom. You'll find the link in News & Notes on the Monday prior to the meeting.

L'Shanah Tova to you all!



#### **MEN'S CLUB NEWS**

Irwin Dumtschin

It's time again to **renew your Men's Club membership** as well as complete the form you received on how you would like to participate in Men's Club activities during this year.

**High Holidays**: Allan Katz is coordinating the ushers for the High Holidays. Please contact him if you would like to volunteer. The Men's Club will again co-sponsor with Sisterhood the High Holiday hospitality gift bags, sharing in the expenses and with the deliveries to our local congregants.

**Putting up the Sukkah and Decorating**: On Sunday, October 5th, the Men's Club will be erecting the sukkah at 9:00 am and anyone is welcome to show up and help. At 9:30 am the religious school will decorate it, during which time the Men's Club will need help in the kitchen to prepare and provide a pizza lunch for all those participating.

Men's Night Out in the Sukkah: Save the date for Sunday, October 12th at 6:00 PM for another bourbon tasting lesson by our bourbon experts. This year we also plan to include dinner. More details to follow.

Men's Club Monthly Meeting: Our next meeting is Monday, September 15th at 7:30 pm via Zoom. Everyone is welcome to attend. Look for the Zoom link in News & Notes.

Men's Club wishes you a Shana Tova Umetukah: - a happy, healthy and sweet New Year. May we all be inscribed into the Book of Life.

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The link for all livestreamed services through StreamSpot is: https://venue.streamspot.com/72a802ed

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# Friday, September 12th 5:30 - 6:15 pm

Rhythm 'N' Ruach is our upbeat music-filled Shabbat experience for families with young children, held from 5:30-6:15 PM the second Friday of each month. Join Cantor Raizen to usher in Shabbat with songs, prayers, instruments, movement, dance, yoga and more.

9:00 pm

Service:



#### Times for Shabbat Candle Lighting & Services

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Friday, September 5	7.40	Friday, September 19			Wednesday, September 24				
Candle Lighting	7:43 pm	Candle Lighting		7:20 pm	Rosh Hashanah I	I			
					Morning Service	9:00 am			
Saturday, September 6		Saturday, September 20			Youth Service	10:00 am - noon			
Morning Service	9:30 am	Morning Service		9:30 am	Candle Lighting	8:10 pm			
Havdalah	8:40 pm	Havdalah		8:16 pm					
		Friday, September 26							
Friday, September 12		Monday, September 22			Candle Lighting	7:09 pm			
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		Ma'ariv Service	5:30-	5:30-6:30 pm Saturday, September 27					
Saturday, September 13		Candle Lighting		7:15 pm	Morning Service	9:30 am			
Morning Service	9:30 am				Havdalah	8:05 pm			
Havdalah	8:28 pm	Tuesday, September 23							
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at Temple Beth Or		Morning Service		9:00 am					
Dessert Reception:	8:30 pm	Youth Service		n - noon					

5:30pm

8:11 pm

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