

THE FOCAL POINT

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From The Rabbi....



I am writing this on the morning after a heart breaking Chiefs loss to the Patriots in the AFC Championship Game. As I said to one congregant today, only half-jokingly - I might need to make myself available for some extensive pastoral counseling this week! It was an incredible game to watch, and a tough loss to swallow. Luckily, Patrick Mahomes and the Chiefs have a bright future ahead of them. As sports fans, we are quite accustomed to the mantra "wait until next year." Anyone who puts their heart and soul into following a team knows that being a fan ends up being more about processing loss than celebrating victory. After all, since the four major sports leagues (MLB, NFL, NBA and NHL) each have around 30 teams, it's likely that the team you root for will usually fall short of winning the championship.

In Judaism, we know that day to day life features more defeat than success. This is why we say the solemn "*tachanun*" prayer almost every day. It's only on special occasions, such as *Shabbat* and on holidays, that we skip it. *Tachanun* opens with the words of the Book of Samuel, followed by a prayer: "And David said to Gad 'I am exceedingly distressed. Let us fall into the hands of the Lord, for His mercies are abundant' ...Oh compassionate and gracious One, I have sinned before You. *Hashem*, who is full of mercy, have mercy on me and accept my supplications." In the daily *tachanun* prayer, we recognize that we are flawed, that we sin, and that we must surrender control to God. Now that the Chiefs' remarkable season is over, perhaps we can find solace in the sense of community and solidarity which is provided by *shul*!

This past *Shabbat*, we celebrated a lovely *Bat Mitzvah* for a fourth generation family at K.I. As for the upcoming calendar, on the educational front, I'll be starting a class in February, Thursday nights at 7 pm, about the *Siddur* - its basic structure and contents. This will pick up from the excellent class on the *siddur* that has been meeting until now under the leadership of **Dan Kass**. My tagline is: now that you've heard the layman's perspective on prayer, come hear the rabbi's perspective! I hope that these two courses will complement each other in that regard. But please note that you don't need to have attended Dan's class in order to follow this one - we'll be starting from scratch.

And on the subject of prayer, let me close with a prayer for the Chiefs: that their next season and beyond be imbued with success and victory!

Rabbi Moshe Grussgott

From The President...



Happy February!

January was nice, if you like cold and snow. But living in the Midwest, that's to be expected, just as a bear doing its business in the woods.

Anyway, we are lucky at K.I. We have so many things going on to keep us warm. We have a popular women's class, an ongoing Talmud class, Rabbi's living room series or how to pray series. The Women of K.I. have get-togethers regularly. The Men's Club members go to sporting events. All you have to do is come, attend, enjoy.

We also celebrated **Jaden Jacobson's** *Bat Mitzvah* with the Jacobson family on January 19th. Parents, **Alix and Richard**. Brother, **Jackson**. And, of course, grandparents, **Howard and Ro**. What a wonderful *simcha*! We look forward to sharing more *simchas* with the Jacobson family.

Now we welcome February. This month we celebrate the birthdays of three presidents - Abraham Lincoln, George Washington and yours truly. He is a president!

I also like February because it's a short month. I like to think we are three days closer to spring.

So come and enjoy what K.I. has to offer. And to our "snowbirds," we look forward to seeing you on your returns.

Be well and stay safe.
Marty Gorin, President

SHABBAT SERVICES

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Candlelighting*.....5:22 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:30 PM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2

BLESSING OF NEW MONTH ADAR I CHAI ANNIVERSARY KIDDUSH

Morning Service.....9:00 AM
Mini Minyan for Kids.....10:30 AM
Rabbi's Class.....4:20 PM
Mincha.....5:05 PM
Havdalah.....6:15 PM



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Candlelighting*.....5:30 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:40 PM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

SCOUT SHABBAT

Morning Service.....9:00 AM
Mini Minyan for Kids.....10:30 AM
Rabbi's Class.....4:25 PM
Mincha.....5:10 PM
Havdalah.....6:23 PM



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Candlelighting*.....5:38 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:45 PM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

BAT MITZVAH OF SAMARA

KRUPNIK

Morning Service.....9:00 AM
KIDDUSH IN HONOR OF SAMARA
Rabbi's Class.....4:35 PM
Mincha.....5:20 PM
Havdalah.....6:30 PM



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Candlelighting*.....5:46 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:55 PM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Morning Service.....9:00 AM
Mini Minyan for Kids.....10:30 AM
Rabbi's Class.....4:40 PM
Mincha.....5:25 PM
Havdalah.....6:38 PM

*NO LATER THAN THESE TIMES

IS YOUR SON/DAUGHTER IN COLLEGE?

If so, do we have their address? We will be mailing "CARE" packages for *Purim*, and we would like to include them! Please call the synagogue office 913.642.1880 or email ashanberg@kisyn.org to let us know his/her college address.

BAT MITZVAH

Saturday, February 16, 2019



Samara Hannah Krupnik

Biana and James Clark proudly announce the *Bat Mitzvah* of their daughter, Samara Hannah Krupnik, on Saturday, February 16th, 2019 at 9:00 am in the Maurice D. Solomon Sanctuary.

Samara is the granddaughter of Sofia and Gregory Krupnik and is the great-granddaughter of the beloved former member of K.I., Khatskel Shvartsblat.

The K.I. congregation, friends and family are invited to attend services and a *kiddush* lunch following services in Samara's honor.

PURIM IS COMING

MARCH 20 & 21!



Wish your friends and family a happy *Purim*. You can do this with a *Mishloach Manot* basket from K.I.! Let us do the work; it's easier than shopping all over town!

Become a *Purim* Patron for only \$180 and send baskets to the ENTIRE congregation, or choose individuals where the first basket is \$12 and additional ones are \$6 each.

A separate mailing has been mailed with K.I. members' names for you to circle. If you are going to be a *Purim* patron, just send your check for \$180 to the synagogue and notate *Purim* patron in the memo line (**you do not need to circle names as a *Purim* patron**).

We thank you so much for participating in this project and sending K.I.'s *Mishloach Manot* baskets for *Purim* this year.

With
good wishes for a Happy *Purim*
The *Mishloach Manot* Committee

**DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT
ISSUE OF
THE FOCAL POINT
IS FEBRUARY 8.
WE APPRECIATE YOUR
COOPERATION!**

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

Learn with Rabbis
Moshe Grussgott & Herbert Mandl
(alternating weeks)

Meets Wednesdays
7:00 pm
in the library at K.I.



Students choose the discussion topics!

Contact Rabbi Grussgott for more info:
rabbi@kisyn.org / 913.642.1880 x211

**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019**

The K.I. annual congregational meeting to elect and install new board of directors will be held on Sunday, March 17, 2019, at 10:00 am in the Kehilath Israel Synagogue Social Hall.

The Nominating Committee for the K.I. Board of Directors and Officers is composed of the following members: Craig Caplan, chair; Laura Daniels, Sam Devinki, Marty Gorin, Marcie Kaplan, Catherine Singer, Max Singer, and Elizabeth Peden.

The Nominating Committee is presenting the nomination of Craig Caplan as Investment Committee Chair.

The following are nominated to the K.I. Board of Directors for a new two year term: Paul Blackman, Carolyn Braverman, Bill Greenberg, Susan Gutovitz, Dan Kass, Marlene Krakow, Brenda McKinnon, Dr. Shari Sokol and Jerry Stolov.

We are not voting on new officers as they have another year to serve. Our officers are:

Martin Gorin, President
Joe Adamous, Vice President
Ari Lubowicz, Vice President
Dr. Michael Sokol, Vice President
Brenda Fishman, Secretary,
Rick Simon, Treasurer.

The following are not being voted upon as they are serving their second year of a two year term on the K.I. Board of Directors: Valerie Bordy, Richard Glass, Elliott Goldstein, Larry Haith, Tamara Kingston, Sandy Levine, Maureen Minoofar, Ellen Portnoy, Greg Quinn, Felicia Weiner, Lois Winston, and Joel Zitron.

The following are ex-officio members of the K.I. Board of Directors: Craig Caplan, immediate past president; Sam Devinki, honorary president for life; Rabbi Moshe Grussgott, senior rabbi; and Elizabeth Peden, executive director.

**KI Men's Club, Friends, and Family
are going to a TBL basketball game!**



**KC Tornadoes vs. Tampa Bay Titans
Members of TBL (The Basketball League)
February 24, 2019, 7 pm Hy-Vee Arena**

2019 KI Men's Club members = Free Non-members = \$15.00 each

Checks are payable to KI Men's Club

Please send payment to :

K.I. Synagogue, attn: Greg Quinn, 10501 Conser, Overland Park, KS 66212

Sign up must be received in the office by Monday, February 18

Parking at the Hy-Vee Arena (old Kemper Arena) is free.

Our club does not provide transportation to and from the arena, so it is urged that attendees car pool.

**Note: we are excited to cheer on our local team! Of special interest
for us is that Grant Greenberg, son of our member **Bill Greenberg**, is on the roster.**

Questions? Contact Greg Quinn: home-913.492.6812; cell-913.449.0873; kansasbadger@yahoo.com

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES



- 2 Cheryl Lester & Philip Barnard (35)
- 4 Sherrill & Richard Rosenstock (57)
- 5 Barbie & Richard Glass (53)
- 14 Biana & James Clark (6)
- 26 Mary Jane & Reuben Stern (51)
- 28 Cristi & Clint Gillom (17)

תודה רבה

...to our very capable, gracious and willing "regulars" **Eunice Snitz, Muriel Soloff** and **Jake Schulzinger** who take the time to assist office staff.

מזל טוב

...to **Sheila Ginsberg** on the birth of a grandson, Max Oliver Ginsberg, son of Rachel and Joel Ginsberg.

...to **Rochelle and Ed Kanter** and Vladimir and Marina Bondar on the birth of their grandson, Mayer Yuki Kanter, son of Shane and Julia Kanter.

...to **Shelley and Aaron Rissien** on their son Matt Rissien being hired by StandWithUs to be the first Midwest LINK Associate Director. LINK is a digitally-interactive, experiential, online middle school Israel curriculum, which was developed by teachers, curriculum writers, and internet experts who understand the need for a dynamic, educational experience.

Women of K.I. PAINTING CLASS

Facilitated by
**RANDY BERGER &
DEBBY SCHLOZMAN**

Tuesday - February 19
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm @ K.I.

Cost: \$30

RSVP to Natalie -
913.568.6063 / natjgc@aol.com

CONGREGANTS' FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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

Fani Schiffman, Karen Lesky, Gloria Planzer, Shirley Pener, Rosemary Gorin, Harriett Katz, Hilary Gutovitz, William Schiffman, Andre Schwartz, Bonita Krutz, Eleanor Belingloph, Irene Goodman, Sharon Levin, Beverly Mallin, Stephanie Gatewood, Svetlana Kapustin, Alan Fuchsman, Gregory Quinn, Charlene Rubin, Ronald Bronstein, Gena Agron, Stella Hoffman, Myra Litman, Helen Brown, Sally Cohen, Sharon Levitan, Sharon Noorollah, Marjorie DeLeve, William Greenberg, Abbott Zolotor, Martin Gorin, Edward Kanter, Vlad Kaufman, Rochelle Solomon, Jason Smartt, Karen Gortenburg, Valerie Bordy, Hailey Gershom, Maurice Eastman, Zolan Gilgus, Adam Rich, Charles Kuluva, Yale Winston, Jacob Margolies.



FEBRUARY YOUTH BIRTHDAYS

Audrey Brand, Nina Kulikov, Lilith Tucker, Melissa Rosenthal, Kayla Goldenberg, Esti Mandl, Samara Krupnik, Jacob Abrams, Chloe Stone.

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K.I. Adult Ed Classes in February

(All meet at K.I. and are free; no previous knowledge required)

MONDAYS

EXPLORING THE SECRETS OF THE TALMUD

7:00 pm with **Rabbi Mandl**, ongoing series

The longest-running Jewish class in Kansas City! Delve into the *Talmud*, a central Jewish text pertaining to Jewish law, ethics, customs and history. Ongoing series meets Mondays unless prior notification given.

WEDNESDAYS

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

7 pm, led various weeks by **Rabbi Grussgott** or **Rabbi Mandl**

Women choose the subjects of this ongoing class which is returning by popular demand.

SHABBAT (SATURDAYS) -

PARSHA OF THE WEEK

with **Rabbi Grussgott**

Meets 45 minutes before *Mincha* (see page 2 of this *Focal Point*)

Enhance *Shabbat* by gaining insights into the weekly *Parsha*. This class meets every week unless otherwise informed.

A new class with Rabbi Moshe Grussgott

Understanding the Siddur

We'll delve into the basic structure and content
of the daily prayers in the *Siddur*,
shedding new light into the ancient texts!

Please join us for this
four part class
Thursdays @ 7 pm
February
7, 14, 21 & 28

Questions? rabbi@kisyn.org
or 913.642.1880





CUB SCOUT PACK 3153

PINEWOOD DERBY: A fun-filled afternoon activity, the 2019 edition of Cub Scout Pack 3153's annual Pinewood Derby, was held on January 6th in the K.I. social hall. Overall Pack winners were Ayden Mooney (1st place), Franklin Swerdlove (2nd place), Samantha Wajcman (3rd place) and Jake Mooney (Outlaw division).



2019 Cub Scout Pack 3153 Pinewood Derby - Overall Pack Winners and Den Winners

Left to right: front row: Dylan Freiden, Eitan Wajcman. Samantha Wajcman (overall 3rd place), Jeremiah Wajcman; back row: Daniel Albee, Franklyn Swerdlove (overall 2nd place), Bella Gladish, Ayden Mooney (overall 1st place), Ethan Hobbs, Yair Horesh. Missing from picture: Evan Albee and Daniel Galler.

3153 BLUE AND GOLD BANQUET & PROGRAM: By the time this February *Focal Point* goes to press, the 2019 Cub Scout Pack 3153 Blue & Gold banquet and program will have been held Sunday, January 20th. Following a pizza buffet, our crew of volunteer leaders and adults were recognized, and a "crossover" ceremony transitioning Webelos II Scouts Daniel Albee, Ethan Hobbs, Ezra Jacobs, and Ayden Mooney from the Pack into Boy Scout Troop 61. The ceremony was conducted by the Tribe of Mic-O-Say's White Shield Dance Team, after which all in attendance enjoyed the dance team's performance.

SCOUT SHABBAT: Scout *Shabbat* will be celebrated at several congregations throughout the Jewish Community in February and March. K.I.'s Scout *Shabbat* is scheduled for February 9, 2019, which concludes National Scout Week. The community is encouraged and invited to attend. Religious awards earned since the 2018 Scout *Shabbatot* will be presented, and as much of the service as possible will be led by current and former Scouts, Leaders, and parents.

A *kiddush* reception following the *Shabbat* morning service is co-sponsored by Kehilath Israel Synagogue's Men's Club, the synagogue, and friends of Pack 3153.

INFORMATION:

With the Boy Scouts of America's new "Family Scouting" initiative, which has opened up the Cub Scouting programs fully to girls, we expect major growth in Pack 3153. Several girls have registered with the Pack and we expect several more to sign up and participate in the Pack's activities and the 2019 camping programs including Day Camp.

Cub Scout Pack 3153, Kansas City's Jewish Community's Cub Scout Pack, meets at and is sponsored by Kehilath Israel Synagogue and is open to all youth currently in the 1st through 5th grades from throughout the Kansas City community. For more information regarding Pack 3153 or any of its activities, please contact: Cubmaster Beth Albee: 269.364.0763/rozes2273@yahoo.com or Pack Committee Chair Ted Goldstein: 913.271.6798/tgoldstein613@gmail.com.



HAMENTASHEN TIME

Can you believe it? It's time to order delicious, homemade *hamentashen*. We are taking orders **until February 28, 2019.**



\$12.00 per dozen. Please indicate number of dozen.

Chocolate Chip _____ Mun _____ Cherry _____ Apricot _____ Apple _____

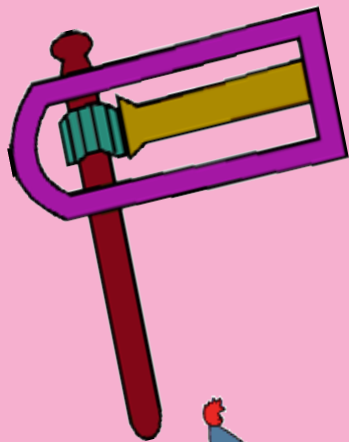
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Please make checks out to: Kehilath Israel Synagogue and mail to: 10501 Conser, Overland Park, KS 66212.



SAVE THE DATE!
SUNDAY,
MAY 5, 2019
MITZVAH DAY
Look for more
details in the
upcoming months'
Focal Points



PURIM is coming!

Megillah Readings

Wednesday, March 20 - 8 pm

Thursday, March 21 - 7 am; 6 pm



We're having a Purim Seudah (dinner)
on Thursday, March 21 @ 6:30 pm
\$10 for K.I. Members 8 and up
\$15 for non-members
Free for K.I. Men's Club and
ages 7 and under

and
costume contests for the
young and the young at



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With Reverence We Record the Following Yahrzeits

MEMORIAL TABLETS

26 SHEVAT-FEB 1

ARTHUR BLACKMAN
NATHAN CAPITO
JACOB CONE
MALKA DWORKIN
SARAH KAPLAN
MARGARET KRASHIN
EUGENE LEVINE
ELIEZER WANG

27 SHEVAT-FEB 2

DORIS BASSIN
SAM BEISER
HENRY DWORK
MAX GELPHMAN
ROSE GOLDSTEIN
DAVID GREENSTEIN
ERNA HUEBNER
ESTHER KAHN
MILTON POLLMAN
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MARCUS WEISBERGER

28 SHEVAT-FEB 3

EARL CONE
ERNEST HOROWITZ
EUNICE RUBEN

29 SHEVAT-FEB 4

LILLIAN BULAVSKY
CHARLOTTE GLASS
AMALIE KORNFELD
SIMCHA LAZERWITZ
MORRIS STERN

30 SHEVAT-FEB 5

CELIA AARON
MICHAEL AARON
ELIZABETH FRANK
ISSACHAR GUROVITZ
ROSE JERWICK
HIMIE KAPLAN
HELEN KATZ
MEYER KOCHEROV
ABRAHAM LEVINE
CHARLES POLLACK
WAYNE ROTHBERG
BESSIE RUBEN
ABRAHAM SPECTOR

1 ADAR I-FEB 6

MAX FLEITMAN
SARAH GORDON
CHAVA GUROVITZ
ADOLPH KOCH
RAISEL LADINSKY
WILLIAM MILLER
IDA SEBERT
MANYA SLOTKIN
RACHEL WEINER
SOLOMON WISMAN

2 ADAR I-FEB 7

BERTHA ABEND
MOSES BECKENSTEIN
JOSEPH GOLDMAN
HARRY JACOBSON
PHILLIP KATZ
SAUL KLEIMAN
LOUIS MALLIN
ELIC MENDELSON
JEROME NERMAN
OSCAR RUBIN
ROSE SHRON
ANN WEINBERG

3 ADAR I-FEB 8

ANNA GERTLER
BELLE GLASS
ESTHER JEVINSKY
AARON KRAITCHMAN
ANN YEDDIS

4 ADAR I-FEB 9

ROSE AARON
JOE ADELMAN
BLANCHE
BLUMENTHAL
ROSE FILSON
LEIB FISHMAN
BENJAMIN HARRIS
BEILA JABEN
MAX MOLOTSKY
SOPHIE PRESS
MARTIN SPITCAUFISKY

5 ADAR I-FEB 10

LINDA DORFMAN
MORRIS EISEN
ABRAHAM EISSMAN
HARRY KAPLAN
NATHAN MAISELL
BERTHA RUBIN
IRMA SCHILD
PHILIP SPECTOR

6 ADAR I-FEB 11

BENJAMIN BAKER
JOSEPH BERNSTEIN
FREDA BODKER
LINDA DORFMAN
JULIUS
GUCKENHEIMER
FANNIE PELTZMAN
JACK WEINBERG

7 ADAR I-FEB 12

GERTRUDE BURSTEN
PESACH COHEN
BARNEY FRIEDSON
MOLLIE GANDAL
ABRAHAM GUTOVITZ
BEN KUSNETZKY
EDITH MANN
PAUL MANN

SARAH MILOVITZ
YEHUDAH MNOOKIN
GUS SNITZ
FANNY SOLTZ
ISADOR TENENBAUM
MEYER WINEGAR

8 ADAR I-FEB 13

HYMAN GLASSMAN
LOUIS KRASNOY
EDNA KUSHNER
GERALD MACK
DAVIDA MARKOWITZ
ROSE MORGAN
PHILIP SLOBOSKY
WILLIAM TIGERMAN

9 ADAR I-FEB 14

SHERMAN BERNSTEIN
MARTHA LEVI
SAMUEL PREVAN
ZVIYAH SILVER
MOLLIE SINGMON
REBECCA TRANIN
ALEX WACKNOV
ZLATA ZENITSKY

10 ADAR I-FEB 15

SAM CAPLAN
ESTHER COHEN
BENJAMIN DELEVE
KATIE FEINGOLD
PEARL FOX
ELINOR FRIEDMAN
ABRAHAM GALLAS
MEYER GILGUS
SARAH GORTENBURG
HENRIETTA
JACOBSON
JACOB LANSKY
JOSEPH PRICE
ROSE SCHAFFER
YOSEF YEDDIS

11 ADAR I-FEB 16

BASIA GORIN
IZZY HAMMER
DORA KAHN
MILTON NEARENBERG
RACHEL SHEFFEL
SADIE WACKNOV

12 ADAR I-FEB 17

ISSY BERMAN
MEYER FEDER
MARY HOROWITZ
BETTY SOLOMON
EARL TRILINSKY
MORRIS YEDDIS

13 ADAR I-FEB 18

BETTY GLASS
ISRAEL GOTTLIEB

MIRIAM GOTTLIEB
RIVKA GOTTLIEB
SARA GOTTLIEB
MAX GREEN
LEAH KALISH

14 ADAR I-FEB 19

SAMUEL GLADSTONE
SAM INDYK
SOL KATZ
SOL H. KATZ
IKE RUBEN
HARRY SAGER
LEVI SINGMON

15 ADAR I-FEB 20

SAM GUDINSKY
RAYLA LESKI
SIMCHA LESKI
MARY MARGOLIS
BETTY MASLAN
CARL MYERS
ROSE ROVEN
DORA SANDLER
JEANNE SUBERS

16 ADAR I-FEB 21

PERLE COHN
JUDITH COOPER
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SANDRA GOLDSTEIN
ESTHER GREENSTEIN
ITTA LICHTOR
WILLIAM LIPKIN
KIVA MAGADY
ROSA POWELL
CELIA SCHIFMAN

17 ADAR I-FEB 22

EMMA CHERNOFF
JACOB COHN
MOLLY MEYERS
SYLVIA SPECTOR

18 ADAR I-FEB 23

LENA COHN
HARRIS GOLDIN
BETTY KOOK
ROSE LINDMAN
SOLY MIZRAHI
MINNIE SALWINSKY
DAVID SHAPIRO
SARAH TENENBAUM

19 ADAR I-FEB 24

MOSHE CUKROWSKI
DAVID FRANK
FISHEL JABEN
LOTTE KOESTEN
HINDA LEWKOWITZ
MAX PITLUCK
DAVID STEINBERG
JEAN TAXMAN

20 ADAR I-FEB 25

NATHAN JACOBSON
LOTTE KOESTEN
JOSEPH KRUG
SOL LEVIN
NATHAN MATTERS
NELLIE MLLSTEIN
ELIZABETH PFEFER
NATIEN ROVENSKY

21 ADAR I-FEB 26

GOLDIE BERNSTEIN
JACK EISEN
HARRY KATZ
JACOB SHAW
LEONA TRANIN

22 ADAR I-FEB 27

JAKE BELL
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23 ADAR I-FEB 28

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Jack Fettman

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

LEARN LAUGH & LOVE PROGRAMS LINED UP INTO THE NEW YEAR

Learn Laugh & Love will explore Jewish genealogy in a program facilitated by Ron Doctor on Thursday, February 21 at 1 p.m. in the MAC Room. When Doctor earned his Ph.D. in nuclear engineering in 1967, he became known as "Dr. Doctor". He would not learn until many years later that in so doing he was mirroring his ancestors, who also had a surname that reflected their professions. Near the end of his lengthy career in the energy industry and as a professor, Doctor began researching his genealogy – a passion that culminated in a lifetime achievement award from the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies.

All Learn Laugh & Love programs are free but reservations are requested by calling The Heritage Center reception desk at 913.327.8044. www.jfskc.org/seniors-and-mental-health/

JFS SPONSORS FREE GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

JFS is starting another Grief and Loss Support Group this month that continues for 10 sessions. The group meets the first and third Wednesday of each month at 2-3:30 p.m. at the JCC. The group, which is free, provides the opportunity to address issues of loss and grief within a Jewish spiritual context in a warm and confidential environment. The Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City also sponsors the group.

The group is co-facilitated by Rabbi Mark Levin and Erica Bench, LPC. The support group is for individuals grieving from the death of a spousal partner, life partner or immediate adult family member. Rabbi Levin will offer feedback based upon his Jewish spiritual background.

While there is no charge to attend the support group, those wishing to participate (or who would like additional information) should register by contacting Debra Orbach Grayson, JFS Clinical Manager at 913.327.8298 or email her at dgrayson@jfskc.org.

www.jfskc.org/grief-loss-support-group-starts-january-16/

NAMI, JFS OFFER FREE COURSE TO HELP FAMILIES COPING WITH MENTAL ILLNESS

JFS and NAMI (the National Alliance on Mental Illness) are working together to offer NAMI's Family-to-Family Education Course to help families dealing with a loved one who has a mental illness.

This free, 12-week series of classes is held on consecutive Monday evenings beginning February 25 at 6:30-9 p.m. in Conference Room C at the JCC. Participants must commit to the entire 12 weeks. This course is for the caregiver and not the loved one with mental illness. NAMI, JFS, and the Greater Kansas City Mental Health Coalition sponsor the course.

During the course, participants will learn communication and problem-solving techniques as well as coping mechanisms to help them deal with their loved one's journey with mental illness.

Space is limited for the free course so those interested are asked to register in advance by contacting NAMI representatives Michelle Reeves at Michelle@johnsoncountytow.com or John Thompson, tntkc@hotmail.com or call him at 816.763.6169.

For more details on the course, visit www.nami.org.

PARK PLACE & JFS TEAM UP TO FILL THE FOOD PANTRY

The Ice at Park Place is now open and you can have fun while helping those in our community who struggle with hunger. The Ice at Park Place and JFS Food Pantry have teamed up to collect canned goods for the two JFS Food Pantry locations! Now until the rink closes in mid-February, skaters who bring canned goods, personal care items or non-perishable items receive \$1 off their admission. (Skate rental is separate.)

Items can be dropped off in the big JFS Food Pantry barrel at The Ice. For hours of operation, please check www.parkplaceleawood.com/special-offers/ice.

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Please ask The Ice attendant for your discount – then you can skate your cares away.

JACOB AND ROSE SZNELER SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR TRAVEL TO ISRAEL AND/OR EASTERN EUROPE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

In July 2016, the Beth Shalom Foundation received a number of contributions to establish the Jacob and Rose Szneler Scholarship Fund. The purpose of the fund is to provide funds to high school students to help underwrite the costs of their participation in an organized trip to Israel and/or Eastern Europe.

Although the funds reside in the Beth Shalom Foundation, all Jewish students in Kansas City and Des Moines, Iowa, are eligible to apply. 2019 applications are due by February 25th and should be emailed to diane.azorsky@yahoo.com.

Applications should include: student's name; grade he/she will be entering in fall 2019; name of Israel and/or Eastern Europe program and sponsoring organization; and a 300-400 word essay explaining why you chose to participate in this trip.

Jacob and Rose Szneler were extraordinary people. Both were born in Poland, spent the war in a number of concentration and work camps and, horrifically, lost their entire immediate families in the Holocaust. After the liberation, Rose and Jacob met in Bergen-Belsen in 1945. They were married in 1946 and immigrated to Des Moines, Iowa in 1950 under the auspices of HIAS. They did not know English, and attended night school in Des Moines to learn English and proudly become United States citizens. Rose worked as a seamstress for a furrier and Jacob worked in a bag factory.

Jacob and Rose each were devoted Jews who benefited their communities with their kindness, hospitality and sense of humor. They cared deeply for the orphan, the widow, the aged and the sick. Jacob and Rose took great pride in the State of Israel and the traditions and history of their people. Jacob died in Des Moines in 1994 and Rose passed away in 2014 in Kansas City (her adopted home).

For more information regarding the scholarship, please contact Diane Azorsky at 913.345.9191.

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 our bereaved families of:

ABE BRAVERMAN

(Father of Carolyn Braverman)

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(Husband of Harriett Katz)

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(Husband of Sandra Jabenis)

February 2019

26 Shevat 5779 - 23 Adar I 5779

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 26 SHEVAT  5:22	2 27 SHEVAT  Mishpatim  Jeremiah 34:8-22, 33:25-26  Shabbos Ends: 6:15  Mini Minyan for Kids-10:30 am
3 28 SHEVAT Religious School - 9:15 - 11:30 am	4 29 SHEVAT Talmud Class - 7:00 pm	5 30 SHEVAT  Rosh Chodesh Adar I - Day 1 Religious School - 4:30 - 6:15 pm	6 1 ADAR I  Rosh Chodesh Adar I - Day 2  Women's Study Group-7:00 pm	7 2 ADAR I  Understanding the Siddur Class with Rabbi Grussgott-7:00 pm	8 3 ADAR I  5:30	9 4 ADAR I  Terumah  Kings 5:26-6:13  Shabbos Ends: 6:23  Mini Minyan for Kids-10:30 am  Scout Shabbat
10 5 ADAR I Religious School - 9:15 - 11:30 am	11 6 ADAR I Talmud Class - 7:00 pm	12 7 ADAR I  Lincoln's Birthday Religious School - 4:30 - 6:15 pm	13 8 ADAR I  Women's Study Group-7:00 pm  K.I. Board Meeting-6:30 pm	14 9 ADAR I  Understanding the Siddur Class with Rabbi Grussgott-7:00 pm	15 10 ADAR I  5:38	16 11 ADAR I  Tetzaveh  Ezekiel 43:10-27  Shabbos Ends: 6:30  Bat Mitzvah of Samara Krupnik
17 12 ADAR I	18 13 ADAR I  Washington's Birthday (observed) Talmud Class - 7:00 pm	19 14 ADAR I  Purim Katan Religious School - 4:30 - 6:15 pm  Women of K.I. - Painting Class 6:30 pm	20 15 ADAR I  Women's Study Group-7:00 pm	21 16 ADAR I Cub Scout Pack Meeting - 7:00 pm  Understanding the Siddur Class with Rabbi Grussgott-7:00 pm	22 17 ADAR I  5:46	23 18 ADAR I  Ki Sisa  Kings 18:1-39  Shabbos Ends: 6:38  Mini Minyan for Kids-10:30 am  Kiddush in honor of Marty Gorin's 70th birthday
24 19 ADAR I Religious School - 9:15 - 11:30 am	25 20 ADAR I Talmud Class - 7:00 pm	26 21 ADAR I Religious School - 4:30 - 6:15 pm	27 22 ADAR I  Women's Study Group-7:00 pm	28 23 ADAR I  Understanding the Siddur Class with Rabbi Grussgott-7:00 pm		



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Week of February 3 5:30 PM

Week of February 10 5:40 PM

Week of February 17 5:45 PM

Week of February 24 5:55 PM

ROSH CHODESH ADAR I

Tuesday, February 5

Wednesday, February 6



SAVE THE DATE

20th Annual Allan Greenberg Memorial Kehilath Israel Synagogue



GOLF TOURNAMENT

Oakwood Country Club

**MONDAY
MAY 6, 2019**

11:00 am check in
12:15 pm shotgun start