# THE FOLKL POINT

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# From Your Rabbi...



The *Talmud* quotes Rabbi Yochanan as teaching that after the destruction of the Temple, authentic prophecy ceased. Accordingly, those who claim to be prophets today are either children or fools! I thought of this teaching when looking back at all my predictions from this past year, in sermons and in articles, on when the pandemic would

end. Looking back at such predictions should humble us into realizing that Rabbi Yochanan was correct! Alas, none of us are prophets.

In one of my recent *Focal Point* articles, I predicted that by *Shavuot*-time, enough people would be vaccinated that many Jewish communities around the world will be able to hold their inperson, all-night learning programs without masks or distancing. Now, I'm genuinely interested to see how correct or not I may have been! Certainly in Israel, which has inspired us all by leading the world in vaccination, I imagine that my prediction will, in fact, be widely realized. But I suspect that in America, most communities are still erring on the side of caution.

We at K.I. are such a community. We're not ready to jettison the masks just yet! But normalcy does feel oh so tantalizingly close. We've returned to our full-length services, and we have welcomed kids of all ages back to K.I. Although our "tailgate" style outdoor *Kiddush* after services has never been "official," I do finally feel comfortable mentioning it in the *Focal Point*.

Vaccination is now open to all adults in Kansas and Missouri, and as I look around the room at *shul* each week, I believe most of our attendees have, in fact, been vaccinated. I myself am blessed to be fully vaccinated (two weeks after my second shot of Pfizer today as I am writing this article). When receiving my second shot, I made the blessing of "*Shehecheyanu*" - thanking G-d for having brought us to this medically miraculous moment - with great emotion.

I am excited to start visiting our seniors in person again, many of whom have been isolated in elder care facilities which haven't allowed visitors until recently. On a lesser note, I am now removing my mask while giving my sermons. Aside from feeling much more comfortable, it's little steps like that which helps to make *shul* feel more - to use that overused word again - normal.

I look forward to seeing you in *shul*, and I look forward to a hopeful summer on the horizon.

Rabbi Moshe Grussgott

Memorial Day services will be held in the chapel at Blue Ridge Cemetery, 1901 Blue Ridge Boulevard, on **Sunday, May 30 at 11:00 a.m.** 

# From Your President...



Dear Congregant,

We have weathered the Coronavirus pandemic and we are winning!

We are now looking to return to 100% normalcy. When the virus attacked, we were the first congregation in KS/MO to hold limited services. Then we installed a top of the line air filtration system and adding to that with

sanitizers and social distancing, we were able to hold daily *Shacharit* and *Shabbat* services. Adding to that the vaccinations, we are now open fully. *Shabbat* services as well as daily services are back to the pre-pandemic times. We are not, however, hosting *Kiddush* and *Shalos Seudot*, yet. But we've taken a big step.

During the past 14 months we used ZOOM for many of our classes and meetings. The last ZOOM meeting of consequence was the Annual Congregational Meeting which was held on April 11, 2021. I thank Craig Caplan for his tireless efforts in putting together and running the nominating committee which was composed of Sam Devinki, Brenda Fishman, Marty Gorin, Rosemary Gorin, Rabbi Moshe Grussgott, Marcie Kaplan, Bill Schifman, Max Singer and Elizabeth Peden.

The following were nominated to a two-year term: Paul Blackman, Aaron Fry, Bill Greenberg, Jasmine Kaplan, Simon Kass, Ron Kogan, Dr. Shari Sokol and Frank Tankard. Craig Caplan will continue to chair the Investment Committee. All the current officers and board members who have a year remaining on their terms will continue

I hope everyone had a delightful *Pesach*. I'm glad it came early this year, but it was still eight days long. Now, our attention is turning toward *Shavuot* beginning on May 16 at sundown. These Pilgrimage Festivals, as they are called, are wonderful times to reflect on our lives and our families. There are many reasons why we recite *Yizkor* on these holidays, and one of the most obvious ones is that we should remember our loved ones who are no longer with us, physically. It is an emotional time, if only for a few minutes. It doesn't seem to me to be such a big deal that one can't take the time for such an important thing.

If you've been reading the *Focal Point* every month, you've noticed that I haven't written my article for the past several months. The reason for that is I wanted to give my officers an opportunity to let you know them, a little personal history, etc. Unfortunately, one of my officers was left out, **Ellen Portnoy**; she is our vice president in charge of governance. I recently appointed her and she will have her article printed in next month's *Focal Point*. I'm looking forward to that.

Have a wonderful *Shavuot* and a happy and safe summer. We are OPEN for business, so please come and join us for services, classes, and everything else we have to offer.

Keep smiling and be well.

Marty Gorin

#### SHABBAT SERVICES

ותעעתווט	SERVICES
FRIDAY, APRIL 30	SATURDAY, MAY 15
Candlelighting*7:53 PM	BAMIDBAR
Kabbalat Shabbat6:35 PM	Torah Reading: Numbers 1:1-4:20
SATURDAY, MAY 1	Haftarah: Hosea 2:1-22
<b>EMOR</b>	Morning Services9:00 AM
Torah Reading Leviticus 21:1-24:23	Rabbi's Pirkei Avot Class7:15 PM
Haftarah Reading Ezekiel 44:15-31	Mincha, Parsha Class, Maariv8:00 PM
Morning Service9:00 AM	Havdalah9:02 PM
Rabbi's <i>Pirkei Avot</i> Class7:15 PM	<b>\$</b>
Mincha, Parsha Class, Maariv7:45 PM	FRIDAY, MAY 21
<i>Havdalah</i> 8:47 PM	Candlelighting*8:12 PM
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FRIDAY, MAY 7	SATURDAY, MAY 22
Candlelighting*7:59 PM	NASSO
Kabbalat Shabbat6:40 PM	Torah Reading: Numbers 4:21-7:89
SATURDAY, MAY 8	Haftarah: Judges 13:2-25
BLESSING OF THE NEW MONTH	Morning Services9:00 AM
OF SIVAN	Rabbi's <i>Pirkei Avot</i> Class7:20 PM
BEHAR - BECHUKOTAI	Mincha, Parsha Class, Maariv8:05 PM
Torah Reading: Leviticus 25:1-27:34	<i>Havdalah</i> 9:09 PM
Haftarah: Jeremiah 16:19-17:14	\$
Morning Service9:00 AM	FRIDAY, MAY 28
Rabbi's <i>Pirkei Avot</i> Class7:05 PM	Candlelighting*8:18 PM
Mincha, Parsha Class, Maariv7:50 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat6:55 PM
Havdalah8:54 PM	SATURDAY, MAY 29
\$	BEHA'ALOSCHA
FRIDAY, MAY 14	Torah Reading: Numbers 8:1-12:16
Candlelighting*8:06 PM	Haftarah: Zechariah 2:14-4:7
Kabbalat Shabbat6:45 PM	Morning Services9:00 AM
↑	Rabbi's <i>Pirkei Avot</i> Class7:30 PM
₹	Mincha, Parsha Class, Maariv8:15 PM



#### Sunday, May 16 - 5 Sivan Erev *Shavuot*

Mincha, Yom Tov Maariv -- 8:15 pm Candlelighting 8:08 pm\*

# Monday, May 17 - 6 Sivan First Day of *Shavuot*

Festival Service 9:00 am

Torah Reading: Exodus 19:1-20:23

Maftir: Numbers: 28:26-31

Haftorah: Ezekiel 1:1-28; 3-12

Mincha and Yom Tov Maariv -- 6:45 pm

Candlelighting 9:04 pm\*

#### Tuesday, May 18 - 7 Sivan Second Day of *Shavuot*

Festival Service 9:00 am

Torah Reading: Deuteronomy 15:19-16:17

Maftir: Numbers: 28:26-31

Haftorah: Habakkuk 2:20-3:19

#### (YIZKOR WILL BE RECITED)

Book of Ruth 7:30 pm Mincha 8:00 pm Rabbi Grussgott will teach on The Ten Commandments after Mincha Havdalah 9:05 pm

#### WHY IS IT CUSTOMARY TO EAT DAIRY ON SHAVUOT?

It has become customary on Shavuot to eat at least one dairy meal during the holiday. Some see this as symbolizing "a land flowing with milk and honey." Others point out that the very same verses that speak of bringing "the choicest first fruits of the land unto the house of the Lord vour G-d" in celebration of Shavuot also stress that "You must not boil a kid in its mother's milk." (Ex. 23:19, 34:26.) On the basis of the latter part of these verses, the Oral Torah based its prohibition of eating meat and milk together. Hence, a separate dairy meal is deliberately eaten to emphasize the authenticity of the Oral Torah.

## NO LATER THAN THESE TIMES

#### SENIOR GABBAI



**Dr. Michael Sokol** has accepted the title of our Senior *Gabbai*. In his new position, Michael will be seen on the pulpit on *Shabbat* and holidays, calling up people for their *aliyot* during the *Torah* reading, but there is much more that goes into the position.

*Havdalah....*9:16 PM

Michael also acts as "proofreader" while the *Torah* is being read. He follows closely along as the *Torah* reader chants the *parsha* to be sure every word is read correctly.

Dr. Sokol credits his mother, father, and grandfather for strongly encouraging him to have extra Hebrew language and Jewish ritual tutoring, along with his basic religious studies,

when he was younger. And he thanks Morty Lewkowsky, of blessed memory, for inviting him to join the "*Gabbai* Crew" when he first joined Kehilath Israel Synagogue.

It is said that, just as a *Torah* cannot be used if even one letter is incorrect or unreadable, so are the Jewish people. Every single letter is needed to make the *Torah* complete, and every single Jewish person makes the Jewish people complete, or whole. We each have a role to play or task to perform, be it big or small.

As Michael takes on his new position, he certainly does his part that will be a benefit us all. Thank you, and *Yasher Koach*, Dr. Sokol!

DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE-JULY ISSUE OF THE FOCAL POINT IS MAY 10

# From Your Vice-President...



This year has been an extremely difficult year for almost all of us. It has also been a difficult year for the synagogue. Even though our services have been curtailed, our overhead is not. Our dues are continually shrinking because of the age of our membership. We do have a wonderful new rabbi, and hope to soon have a world renowned cantor. However, today our dues income comprises only 30%

of our budget. Our fundraisers such as the golf tournament and Grand Givers, add only \$100,000 to our income. We have been forced to use the maximum draws from our endowment funds to just stay above water. Using all of our available funds, we can barely meet our operating expenses. There is no money for capital improvements which in some cases are badly needed.

So what is the solution? The solution is multi-faceted. Each and every one of our members must look into their hearts and understand that if they care about the synagogue, they must consider helping. You can help by increasing your dues either voluntarily or an across the board dues increase. You can help by participating in the golf tournament either as a player or a sponsor; by buying Grand Giver tickets; being a Grand Giver; or even being a Dreiseszun Grand Giver.

There is also the issue of capital improvements. Recently through the efforts of our president, Marty Gorin, we have secured a large gift from **Bill and Fani Schifman** to create a tech center in our library. I believe and I hope there are other members who would consider larger gifts in order to make some of the other capital improvements which are desperately needed. Many years ago, one of our past presidents, **Arnie Caviar**, created a fund to make capital and other improvements by soliciting ten families to donate \$50,000 each. Such a campaign would enable us to bring our building into a first class condition.

As I said earlier, we hope our members can find it in their hearts and care enough about the synagogue to see that it is sustained for the future. We need every one's help whether that means \$100 or \$50,000. Please help us to keep this wonderful place called Kehilath Israel Synagogue the type of place we can be proud of, and we can call home.

Sam Devinki

#### **GRADUATIONS**

If you have students graduating high school, college or graduate school, please email events@kisyn.org with their names, school, degree, future plans, and even a picture, so that they can be acknowledged in the next *Focal Point*.

# From Your Executive Director...



It is so good to see more of your faces as you return to *Shabbat* morning services! We missed you! To those of you who have not come yet, we look forward to the day when we get to see you! And, of course, we greatly appreciate those who have been coming throughout this difficult time.

Thank you to **Bill Greenberg** for scheduling someone to be at the front door for services

since we reopened last July. He is also the chair of our library renovation project where thanks to **Bill & Fani Schifman** we are going to have the Fani & Bill Schifman Tech Center, complete with new furniture. We will be able to have meetings and classes in-person as well as using video conferencing. Some participants may be in their homes or in another state or country. With the new furniture, we will have flexible and comfortable setups. You can still check out books and other library materials thanks to our volunteer librarian **Ruth Nowack**.

Thank you to **Felicia Weiner** for organizing a large group of caring members to perform acts of *chesed* for our members, especially those who have illnesses or are lonely. We want you to know that your K.I. family is here for you!

We appreciate **Sharon Friedman**'s resuming PrayerWorks on the second Sunday of each month at 11:00 am. Open to everyone (member or not), PrayerWorks is currently on Zoom. PrayerWorks brings people together to find healing for themselves and for others.

KI Next has started again with **Frank Tankard** and **Simon Kass** taking the lead. KI Next is composed of adults ages 21-40ish. They recently had a virtual wine tasting with our own sommelier, **Aaron Fry**.

I am excited to announce that the honoree for this year's ad book is our very own president, **Marty Gorin**. Marty is serving a fifth year as K.I.'s president (the only other person in K.I.'s history to do this was **Arnie Caviar**). Marty has been a K.I. member since his parents brought him to Kansas City as a small child, and he has been involved in numerous ways. He has a wonderful voice and has been a part of the K.I. choir since he was a young boy. He has supported the synagogue in various ways over the years and continues to go above and beyond! Please consider honoring him with entries in our donor pages or by buying an ad through MetroMedia for this keepsake book.

The annual **Allan Greenberg Memorial Kehilath Israel Golf Tournament** is coming up soon--on Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. This year's tournament is dedicated to the memory of **Larry Haith**. Larry was an avid supporter of our tournament. He brought us sponsors and teams, played in it when he could, volunteered, and was our 'cheerleader.' Larry, of blessed memory, is sorely missed! Do something in honor of his memory--be a sponsor, ask someone to sponsor, sign up a team or players, donate, or solicit auction items. The tournament is always a lot of fun, so you are doing someone a favor to ask them to play!

As I mentioned last month, find your niche, come help us, and you receive even more in return! Let me know how I can assist you--

Elizabeth Peden

#### **MAY ANNIVERSARIES**



- 11 Susan & Charles Goodbinder (52)
- 12 Lisa & Michael Jerwick (3)
- 16 Linda & Elliott Goldstein (28)
- 17 Becca & Rabbi Moshe Grussgott (6) Cheryl & David Shanberg (6)
- 18 Jessica & Ryan Woods (3)
- 20 Fran & David Kanter (37)
- 21 Beryl & Richard Silberg (67)
- 23 Lilly Lopez-Goldstein & Oren Goldstein (16) Deanna & Jeffery Rudd (40)
- 24 Madeline & Robert Schifman (57)
- 26 Catherine & Daniel Singer (8) Hillary & Sean Hirshberg (2)
- 27 Joyce & Alan Organ (19)
- 28 Debra & Scott Levin (21) Rebecca & Jason Speier (4)
- 30 Tamara & Steven Kingston (39)
- 31 Susan & Samuel Gutovitz (34)
  Nancy & Richard Kohn (34)
  Jennifer & Lowell Fletcher (11)
  Cara & Doug Zolotor (6)

#### תודה רבה

...to our office volunteers who assist in so many ways: Brenda Fishman, Jake Schulzinger, Sonny Singer, and Eunice Snitz.

# מזל טוב

...to **Seymour & Felicia Weiner** on the birth of a great-grandson, Matanel Levi, son of Josh and Andrea Wajcman in Israel.

#### **PRAYERWORKS**



All members of the Jewish community are invited to join. PrayerWorks facilitated by K.I. member, **Sharon Friedman**, will meet at 11:00 am on the second Sunday of each month. This month it is on May 9. Link: https://zoom.us/j/98521373264



#### **CONGREGANTS' MAY BIRTHDAYS**

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

Arlene Abrams, Michael Abrams, Jeniece Berman, Craig Caplan, Hannah Caplan, James Clark, Donald Cohen, Natalie Cohen, Kerry Cosner, Ariella Davidson, Maya Dolnik, Boris Friedman, Marsha Friedman, Sondra Friedman, Sandra Gasser, Lilly Lopez-Goldstein, Lisa Gortenburg, Daniel Hammer, Beverly Jacobson, Richard Jacobson, Tamara Kingston, Phyllis Kohn, Craig Kolkin, Jackie Kraft, Anna Kricsfeld, Samuel Kulikov, Norman Levine, Rachel Macek, Thomas Morgan, Jesse Newman, Sam Pener, Faya Portnoy, David Rabinovitz, Aaron Rissien, Harrison Rosenthal, David Ruben, Matthew Siegel, Cindy Singer, Max Singer, Mary Jane Stern, Josh Tucker, Steve Waxman, Judith Weinstein, Lois Winston.



#### MAY YOUTH BIRTHDAYS

Abby Gold, Rachel Johnson, Eton Fletcher, Grayson Raiche, Evelyn Brand, Ava Gortenburg.

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#### MAY ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES AT K.I.

#### **EXPLORING THE SECRETS OF THE TALMUD (VIRTUAL)**

Mondays, May 3 & May 10 - 7:30 pm

Study of this central Jewish text pertaining to Jewish law, ethics, stoms and history. This is the longest running Jewish class in our area, but no previous knowledge needed. Taught by **Rabbi Herbert Mandl**. Zoom links are mailed to class participants just prior to each class. If you do not currently receive these emails, and would like to request them at info@kisyn.org.

#### WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP (VIRTUAL)

Wednesdays, May 5 & May 12 - 7:00 pm

Women choose the topics in this class. Taught alternately by **Rabbis Moshe Grussgott** and **Herbert Mandl**. Zoom links will be emailed before each class. If you do not receive our weekly emails, please request the link at info@kisyn.org.

#### THE BOOK OF RUTH (VIRTUAL)

Thursdays, May 6, May 13, May 20 & May 27-7:00 pm

The Book of Ruth is traditionally read in synagogue on *Shavuot*, the holiday on which we received the *Torah*. The standard reason given for this practice is that Ruth herself is the prototypical convert. This short Biblical book, only four chapters long, is also one of the most popular. In this four part class, we will explore the characters of The Book of Ruth in depth and discover what makes them so timeless and inspiring. Taught by **Rabbi Moshe Grussgott.** Zoom links will be emailed before each class. If you do not receive our weekly emails, please request the link at info@kisyn.org.

#### PIRKEI AVOT (IN-PERSON)

Saturday afternoons - 45 minutes before Mincha time

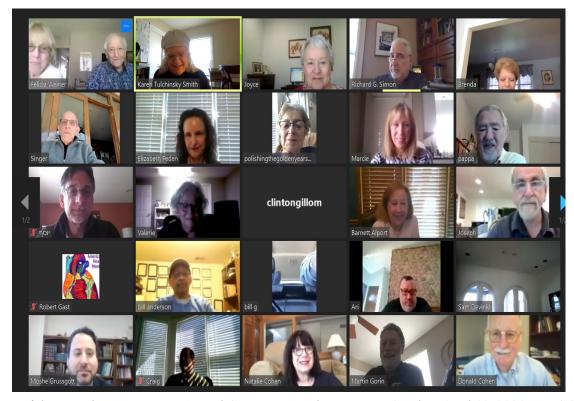
The widespread Jewish tradition is to study *Pirkei Avot* (Ethics of The Fathers) in the spring and summer months between *Pesach* and *Rosh Hashanah*. By internalizing its ethical teachings, we enter *Rosh Hashanah* with uplifted hearts and minds! Come for *Pirkei Avot*, then stay for *Mincha* and *Parsha* class. In this way we'll nourish our souls ith spiritual food until such time as *shaleshudos* returns and we get back to sharing the regular food! See you on *Shabbat*. Taught by **Rabbi Moshe Grussgott**.

#### PARSHA OF THE WEEK (IN-PERSON)

Shabbat (Saturday) afternoons at the synagogue

May 1-7:45 pm; May 8 -7:50 pm; May 15 -8:00 pm; May 22 -8:05 pm; May 29 -8:15 pm

Gain insights into the weekly *Torah* portion with **Rabbi Moshe Grussgott**. Class is taught between *Mincha* and *Maariv* services.



Some of the attendees at our K.I. Annual Congregational meeting on Sunday, April 11, 2021 on ZOOM.

## **NEW K.I. DIRECTORY 5782/2021-2022**

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# 22<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL ALLAN GREENBERG MEMORIAL KEHILATH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE GOLF TOURNAMENT

JUNE 7, 2021 • DEER CREEK GOLF CLUB • 7000 W 133RD ST• OVERLAND PARK, KS
11 AM CHECK-IN & LUNCH • 12:15 PM SHOTGUN START

This year's Allan Greenberg Memorial K.I. Golf Tournament is dedicated to the memory of Larry Haith.

#### **REGISTRATION FORM**

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#### COMMUNITY CORNER.....

#### MONTHLY KOSHER SHABBAT CURBSIDE MEALS TO GO NOW AVAILABLE

Skip the grocery shopping and the cooking and reserve a delicious catered *Shabbat* dinner. Curbside pick-up offers a convenient way to obtain a "take and warm" kosher meal so that you can enjoy a relaxing *Shabbat*. Kosher *Shabbat* curbside "Meals-to-Go" will be available for purchase on Fridays, May 21 and June 18.

Meals are prepared on a rotating basis by kosher caterers Kim Matsil of Kim's Kreations, **Cathy Levin** of Kosher Connection, and Steve Ellenberg of Ellenberg Experience Catering under supervision of the *Vaad HaKashruth* of Kansas City.

Meals can be ordered in quantities to serve one or more individuals or a family of four. All food items are packaged in containers suitable for warming in the oven or transfer microwaveable items to a microwave safe container before heating. Simple and clear heating instructions are included.

Order your curbside *Shabbat* meal and pay online with a few quick clicks at <a href="https://rabbiskc.regfox.com/shabbat-meals-to-go-monthly">https://rabbiskc.regfox.com/shabbat-meals-to-go-monthly</a>

Payment is accepted online and by credit card only, and orders must be received by Tuesdays at 11:00 p.m. of the week ordering. A list of menus and pricing can be found on the order page. Convenient curbside meal pick up takes place Fridays of the week you are ordering from Noon-1:00 at the Jewish Community Campus theater circle drive.

For questions or to inquire about confidential financial assistance, contact Annette Fish, Administrator/Program Director, Rabbinical Association by email, afprogram@aol.com or call 913.327.8226. Visit kcrabbi.org for additional information.

This project is sponsored by the Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City in partnership with the J Heritage Center, Jewish Family Services, *Vaad HaKashruth* of Kansas City and Jewish Federation.

#### KANSAS CITY COMMUNAL GENIZAH POLICY

The Kansas City Communal *Genizah*, created by the Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City is a cooperative initiative with generous funding coming from the Menorah Heritage Foundation, and the land and labor is donated by Congregation Beth Shalom. The purpose of the *Genizah* is to serve the need for the Jewish community to bury *shemot* (the writing of God's name in Hebrew) in accordance with Jewish tradition.

Information about the KC Community *Genizah* can be found at kcrabbi.org. Newly established community *genizah* policies which explain items appropriate for burial along with procedures on how to access the genizah can be found at: <a href="https://kcrabbi.org/kansas-city-communal-genizah-policy/">https://kcrabbi.org/kansas-city-communal-genizah-policy/</a>

#### K I EDED DEVINKI DELICIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

#### K.I. FRED DEVINKI RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

The K.I. Fred Devinki Religious School is getting to the end of our very different school year. The students adapted very well to classes on ZOOM each week.

The younger students learn with *Morah* Tziporah Mazer. Each Sunday, they start with morning prayers. The students enjoy, not just doing the prayers, but also finding the pages in their *siddurim* and telling everyone what page number was next. Every week, the students also learn about the *parsha*.

Morah Tziporah's class also did a long unit about Shabbat. They learned about lighting candles and saying kiddish, about challah and about why we celebrate Shabbat. They also did some projects for Shabbat, including making a challah cover and coloring a velvety Shabbat dinner picture.

The older students learned with *Morah* **Rachel Macek**. Each Sunday, they start with morning prayers, which include some of *Shacharit* and the *Amidah*. The older students learned about the *parsha* some weeks also, but usually as a text study or as how the *mitzvot* apply to us today. For example, when the *Torah* says, "An eye for an eye," does it really mean if someone pokes out our eye, should we really poke out their eye? Or is there a different consequence?

Morah Rachel's class is also still working on a unit on middot (character building). They have done this by learning about specific middot, like Hachnasat Orchim (Welcoming Guests). They have also been using a book called the Mensh's Handbook to learn about middot. We will continue this unit next year.

On Tuesdays, our 3rd graders and above continue to improve their Hebrew skills. This year, because of ZOOM, all classes are one on one.

All classes will end in mid-May. We hope that things will begin to return to "normal" and we will get to see our students back in-person next fall!



Wes and Crosby Tankard with their Shabbat projects.

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#### **ESRIG-GOULD MEMORIAL ALCOVE**

With Reverence We Record the Following Yahrzeits

#### **MEMORIAL TABLETS**

19 IYAR-MAY 1

RACHEL BIRNBAUM RUTH DUBOWY DAVID GULKO EUGENE SHER WILLIAM WEINDLING

**20 IYAR-MAY 2** 

SARAH APPELBAUM
TILLIE BECKMAN
ABRAHAM BEITCHMAN
ROBERT BLONSKY
AARON CAVIAR
HARRY GOLDSTEIN
LENA GREEN
FANNIE LEVIN
SOPHIE STEINBERG

#### **21 IYAR-MAY 3**

ARTHUR DUBIN FRED ELLIS MARY GORTENBURG DAVID GRUNDMAN REBECCA LAPIDES BEN LESKY POLA ROSS REBECCA WEINBERG

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HELEN BITNER
MARY BODNEY
SARAH CHUZIE
LORETTA FRANK
SADIE KULUVA
BESSIE LITWIN
SIDNEY SHOLTZ

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SAMUEL BECKENSTEIN THIBY EISSMAN FANNIE LAPIDES PHILLIP LERNER SIMON REICH JOSEPH SNITZ YEHUDITH STEMPLEMAN MORRIS YOMAN

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1 SIVAN-MAY 12

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2 SIVAN-MAY 13

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3 SIVAN-MAY 14

MAX STUDNA SARAH TIVIN

4 SIVAN-MAY 15

PESSAH ADELMAN
JOSEPH EISBERG
DANIEL GANDAL
RACHEL KESSLER
SOPHIE MNOOKIN
LOUIS PRICE
ARCHIE SOLSKY
GERTRUDE TENENBAUM

5 SIVAN-MAY 16

EILEEN CHERNOFF RACHEL EPSTEIN REITZA GROSSMAN ROSALIE KARS SOPHIA KASS MORRIS KLUTZNICK ANNA KORT NELLIE KRASHIN SARAH KUSNETZKY SHLOMO LAPIN BEN LERNER

6 SIVAN-MAY 17

ABRAHAM AJBERSCHITZ
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ELIYAHU AJBERSCHITZ
HINDA AJBERSCHITZ
LIBA AJBERSCHITZ
MINDL AJBERSCHITZ
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MEIR WALDMANN
YAAKOV WALDMANN
YITZCHAK WALDMANN

7 SIVAN-MAY 18

ABRAHAM BOXER LOUIS CHEPLOVE IRENE DREISESZUN SIGMUND MANDL ADELA MARKSON MORRIS RITZ CHANAH SHAW CHANA SZYDLOWSKA

8 SIVAN-MAY 19

HERMAN DUBIN
IDA FEINGOLD
ANNA GLASSMAN
LORA GODLER
SHEINA GOLDMAN
ROSE KESSLER
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9 SIVAN-MAY 20

ABE BOGASLAVSKY SARAH GOLDMAN EARL GOODBINDER BESSIE HATIH HENIYA KOCHEROV HARRY KOLKIN GERTRUDE SLOBOSKY JACOB TAGER

10 SIVAN-MAY 21

WOLF BRAILOVE ISIDORE CHALET JENNIE CUMONOW FRANCES DELEVE CELIA GOLDIN MANUEL GULINSON ABRAHAM HALPERN REBECCA PARDO STANLEY SCHIFMAN

11 SIVAN-MAY 22

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**12 SIVAN-MAY 23** 

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13 SIVAN-MAY 24

DAVID BECKMAN SARAH BROMBERG ROSE GREENBAUM BERNICE KOGAN HELEN MANDELBAUM PETE ROSEN JACOB ROSENBERG ALVIN SHULTZ

**14 SIVAN-MAY 25** 

MORRIS BASSIN
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HYMAN JERWICK
SAMUEL STEPONSKY
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SARA BARABAN ELIEZER BOBROV SAM DANIELS HELEN FEINGOLD LEE KROSS HARRY LADINSKY CHAIM MALLIN CHAIM POLLMAN

18 SIVAN-MAY 29

DOROTHY BLONSKY MORRIS CAPLAN MORRIS FEINGOLD MILTON GLASS GERTRUDE KLINOCK DAVID SELTZER

**19 SIVAN-MAY 30** 

ABRAHAM BETTINGER SARAH KALLIS EVA KATZ MARY KOCHEROV ETTA KUSHNER SARAH SHULTZ JOEL WINSTON

**20 SIVAN-MAY 31** 

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鎌Rabbi Mandl's Talmud Class on ZOOM - 7:30 pm	Rabbi Mandl's Talmud Class on ZOOM - 7:30 pm		₩Women's Study Group on ZOOM - 7:00 pm	*The Book of Ruth" with Rabbi Grussgott on ZOOM - 7:00 pm	## 7:59	## Behar - Bechukosai ## Behar 16:19-17:14 ## Rabbi Grussgott's Pirkei Avot Class then Mincha, Parsha Class - 7:05 pm
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30  Bellue Ridge Cemetery  Memorial Service - 11:00  Memorial Service - 11:00	20 SIVAN Day LOSED					



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Sunday *Shacharit* 9:00 AM Monday-Friday Shacharit 7:00 AM

Sunday-Thursday *Mincha and Maariv* 

Week of May 2 6:35 PM
Week of May 9 6:40 PM
Week of May 16-May 18 (See Shavuot Times on page 2)
May 19 & 20 6:45 PM
Week of May 23 6:50 PM
Week of May 30 6:55 PM

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

ROSH CHODESH SIVAN - Wednesday, May 12

**SHAVUOT** - First Day, Monday, May 17 Second Day, Tuesday, May 18

MEMORIAL DAY, May 31 - Shacharit Service 9:00 am





