

# THE FOCAL POINT

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## From Your Rabbi...



I recently went to see the movie "Oppenheimer." I occasionally make movie recommendations in this space, and "Oppenheimer" is on my recommended list! It is powerful and frightening. It is also full of Jewish content. J. Robert Oppenheimer himself, the physicist who oversaw the Atom Bomb project at Los Alamos, was Jewish, although highly assimilated. His nemesis

in the film, Lewis Strauss, was also Jewish and was even the president of Temple Emanuel in New York, a prominent Reform Temple which has historically been America's largest synagogue. Many other prominent Jewish physicists appear in the film, such as Albert Einstein and Edward Teller. When you reflect on the fact that these Jewish men and their families were forced out of Europe and then brought about the invention of the weapon that defeated the Axis and brought an end to the war - how can you not believe in Divine Providence?! There is one moment in the film where Oppenheimer declares that they will beat the Germans to the bomb because of anti-Semitism - Hitler had declared theoretical physics to be "Jewish Science," and so he would never allow a concerted effort at producing a bomb to the same degree that the US would. Oppenheimer famously invoked the Hindu scriptures in discussing how he felt in creating these weapons of mass destruction: "Now I am become death, the destroyer of worlds." I recently read the following fascinating tidbit online: In his book Oppenheimer: Portrait of an Enigma, physicist Jeremy Bernstein quotes a conversation he conducted with Oppenheimer's close friend Isador Rabi. "'What was his problem?' I asked. 'Identity,' Rabi answered. 'Oppenheimer wanted every experience. In that sense he never focused. My own feeling is that if he had studied the *Talmud* and Hebrew, rather than Sanskrit, he would have been a much greater physicist....'" (quoted in Oppenheimer: Portrait of an Enigma by Jeremy Bernstein. Ivan R. Dee: 2005).

What a great window into the experience of American Jewry. The balance between fealty to our own Jewish identity vs. being global citizens of the world. Oppenheimer fell more on the assimilated, universalist side of that equation, and his friend Rabi (who also appears in the film) was more particularistically Jewish and takes his friend to task for this. We are now approaching the High Holidays. *Rosh Hashanah* has a universal element to it - the *Talmud* teaches that God judges the entire world on *Rosh Hashanah*, not only the Jews. And yet only the Jews are required to go to *shul* and hear the *shofar*. This speaks to our role as a "Light unto the Nations," to try and embody universal truths through the lens of our own particular experience. Different Jews navigate this challenge in different ways. I encourage us to all attend *shul* this *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur*, and to reflect on how we ourselves will navigate that balance in the year to come.

Shana Tovah!

Rabbi Moshe Grussgott

## From Your President...



It is comforting that we are done with the extended period of mourning which included the Fasts of 17th of *Tammuz* and *Tisha b'Av*, 9th of *Av*. This year on *Tisha b'Av* we also viewed the movie "City of Joel" on the big screen, a provocative film, followed by a rabbis' panel discussion of the movie that included a Q and A period, ending with breaking the fast.

The movie revealed how a small town was polarized and divided over a land dispute between the ultra-Orthodox Jewish sect and their secular neighbors, and how the prevalence of democracy eventually helped the dispute to a peaceful ending.

Here we are again; another High Holiday season is almost upon us. *Rosh Hashanah* brings us a new Jewish year with all of its appeals and attractions, followed by *Yom Kippur* which is a "serious" but happy day, where we, as you know, ask for forgiveness in exchange for a good or better year, bursting with requests for peace, physical health, honor, prosperity and blessings in many areas of our lives.

My most favorite holiday of this season, though, is *Sukkot*. I have always enjoyed building a *sukkah*, as laborious as it is, so we can enjoy a tempered living in the outside setting and adore the nature. I think of it as the Jewish way of patio style, eating and drinking.

I know at least two different *Sukkah* dinner occasions are in planning. Stay tuned for the dates and times for now.

We also do the *mitzvah* of *lulav* and *etrog*, which I call the Jewish way of a shake dance or the way to learn our spatial directions as in up and down left and right and so on. LOL.

As mentioned previously, I am looking forward to seeing everyone during the three wonderful days starting with *Rosh Hashanah*, followed by serious Day of Atonement, *Yom Kippur*.

I am still hopeful that by *Rosh Hashanah* our sanctuary portion of our new sound system will be in place, and mingled with the re-organized choir, the services should be pleasant and an event to look forward to.

I would like to wish everyone a happy new year and an easy fast.

Shana Tovah  
Joseph Adamous

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## SHABBAT SCHEDULES

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Candlelighting\*.....7:31 PM  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:15 PM

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Morning Services.....9:00 AM  
KI KIDZ.....10:00 AM  
Rabbi's Pirkei Avot Class.....6:20 PM  
Mincha.....7:05 PM  
Havdalah.....8:21 PM

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### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Candlelighting\*.....7:20 PM  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:05 PM

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Morning Services.....9:00 AM  
M & M.....10:00 AM  
Women's Circle.....10:00 AM  
Rabbi's Pirkei Avot Class.....6:10 PM  
Mincha.....6:55 PM  
Havdalah.....8:10 PM

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### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

(See Holiday Schedule)

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

(See Holiday Schedule)

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### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Candlelighting\*.....6:58 PM  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:45 PM

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

#### SHABBAT SHUVA

#### CHAI ANNIVERSARY KIDDUSH

Morning Services.....9:00 AM  
Rabbi's Parsha Class.....5:45 PM  
Mincha.....6:30 PM  
Havdalah.....7:46 PM

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### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

(See Holiday Schedule on page 3)

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

(See Holiday Schedule on page 3)

\*No Later than.

### FAST OF GEDALIAH

Monday, September 18

The fast will begin at 5:43 am  
and concludes at 7:54 pm.

#### DEADLINE FOR THE

**OCTOBER FOCAL POINT**  
**IS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8.**  
**WE APPRECIATE YOUR**  
**COOPERATION.**

## 2023 HIGH HOLY DAY - YAMIM NORAIM

### SCHEDULE 5784

RABBI MOSHE GRUSSGOTT

### EREV ROSH HASHANAH

Friday, September 15

29 Elul

Shacharit and Selichot.....6:45 AM  
Minchah and Maariv.....6:30 PM  
Candlelighting.....7:09 PM

### ROSH HASHANAH

Saturday, September 16

1 Tishrei

Shacharit.....8:00 AM  
Minchah and Maariv.....6:45 PM  
Candlelighting (not before).....7:58 PM

Sunday, September 17

2 Tishrei

Shacharit.....8:00 AM  
Tashlich.....6:15 PM  
Minchah and Maariv.....7:10 PM  
Havdalah.....7:56 PM

### FAST OF GEDALIAH

Monday, September 18

3 Tishrei

Shacharit and Selichot.....7:00 AM  
Minchah and Maariv.....5:50 PM

Tues/Wed/Thurs

September 19 - 21

4 - 6 Tishrei

Shacharit and Selichot.....7:00 AM  
Minchah and Maariv.....5:50 PM

Friday, September 22

7 Tishrei

Shacharit and Selichot.....7:00 AM  
Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:45 PM  
Candlelighting .....6:58 PM

### SHABBAT SHUVAH

Saturday, September 23

8 Tishrei

(Please see Shabbat Schedule)

### EREV YOM KIPPUR

Sunday, September 24

9 Tishrei

Shacharit and Selichot.....9:00 AM  
Minchah.....1:45 PM  
Candlelighting .....6:55 PM  
Kol Nidre.....7:00 PM

### YOM KIPPUR

Monday, September 25

10 Tishrei

Shacharit.....9:00 AM  
**Yizkor in the late morning**  
Minchah.....5:00 PM  
Ne'ila.....6:15 PM  
Maariv.....7:35 PM  
Havdalah and End of Fast. ....7:43 PM

### 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

תקנו בחול'ש שופר, בבס'ה ליום חגנו.  
כי חק לישראל הוא, משפטם לאלהי יעקב.

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

(סב'רי מר'ן ור'ב'ן ור'ב'תי)  
ברוך אתה ה' אל'ינו 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.

## SUKKOT SCHEDULE

### EREV SUKKOT

Friday, September 29 - 14 Tishrei

Candlelighting .....6:47 PM  
Mincha-Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:50 PM

### FEAST OF TABERNACLES

Saturday, September 30 -15 Tishrei

Festival Service..... 9:00 AM  
Kiddush in the Sukkah

Mincha-Maariv.....6:45 PM  
Candlelighting (not before).....7:35 PM

### SECOND DAY OF SUKKOT

Sunday, October 1 - 16 Tishrei

Festival Service..... 9:00 AM  
Mincha-Maariv.....6:45 PM  
Havdalah.....7:34 PM

### CHOL HAMOE'D SUKKOT

Monday, Oct. 2 - Thursday, Oct. 5

17 Tishrei - 20 Tishrei

Shacharit.....7:00 AM  
Mincha-Maariv.....6:50 PM

### HOSHANA RABBAH

Friday, October 6

Shacharit.....7:00 AM  
Mincha-Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:40 PM  
Candlelighting (not after).....6:36 PM

### SHEMINI ATZERET

Saturday, October 7 - 22 Tishrei

(Yizkor will be recited)

Festival Service.....9:00 AM  
Mincha (Reading of Kohelet).....5:30 PM  
Maariv and Hakafot.....7:30 PM  
Candlelighting (not before).....7:24 PM

Celebration of the completion of the  
Reading of the Torah.

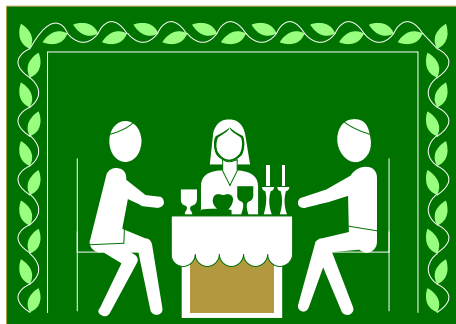
Join in Festivities at K.I.!

### SIMCHAT TORAH

Sunday, October 8 - 23 Tishrei

Festival Service with Hakafot.....9:00 AM  
Mincha.....6:35 PM  
Followed by Maariv, Havdalah  
and Conclusion of Sukkot.....7:23 PM

## KIDDUSH



Saturday only begin here:

וְשִׁמְרוּ בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶת הַשַּׁבָּת, לַעֲשׂוֹת אֶת הַשַּׁבָּת לְדֹרֹתָם  
בְּרִית עוֹלָם. בְּנֵי וּבְנֵי בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אוֹת חַיָּא לְעוֹלָם, כִּי שְׁשַׁת  
יָמִים עָשָׂה ה' אֶת הַשָּׁמַיִם וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ, וּבַיּוֹם הַשְּׁבִיעִי  
שָׁבַת וַיְנַפֵּשׁ.

For Both Days

אֵלֶּה מוֹעֲדֵי ה', מִקְרָאֵי קֹדֶשׁ אֲשֶׁר תִּקְרְאוּ אֹתָם בְּמוֹעֲדָם.  
וַיְדַבֵּר מֹשֶׁה אֶת מִצְוֵי ה', אֶל בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל.

וְסִדְרֵי מִדְּבַר וּרְבִי

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה', אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בּוֹרֵא פְּרִי הַנֶּחֱסֵן.

In the Sukkah add:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה', אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו  
וַיְנַפֵּשׁ לִישָׁב בַּסֻּכָּה.

## TASHLICH



Tashlich comes from the Hebrew word meaning "to cast," referring to the intent to cast away our sins via this meaningful and ancient Jewish custom common to both Ashkenazi and Sephardic communities.

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. Also, just as fish swim freely and can suddenly be caught in a net, so too we can just as helplessly fall into the net of sin. And even as the eyes of fish are always open, so do we pray that G-d too will keep vigilant watch over his people.

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

Please join in and participate in the Tashlich service by meeting on the second day of Rosh Hashanah, Sunday, September 17 at 105th and Conser over Indian Creek at approximately 6:15 pm. Tashlich will conclude in time to return to the synagogue for the 7:10 pm Yom Tov Mincha, Maariv and Havdalah.

### 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.

## SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES



- 1 Hailey & Efraim Gershom (38)  
Maureen & Amir Minoofar (35)  
Bonnie & Matthew Siegel (37)  
Drs. Shari & Michael Sokol (37)
- 2 Jasmine & Jonathan Kaplan (11)  
Dr. Emily & Alfred Kass (2)
- 3 Nancy & Steve Cline (45)  
Kerry Cosner & Michael Block (5)  
Barbara & Phillip Goodbinder (56)
- 6 Alix & Richard Jacobson (25)  
Miriam & Michael Farber (14)
- 7 Joel Agron & Kelly Vickery (4)
- 11 Donna & Alan Gallas (31)
- 12 Janet & Steve Eisman (52)
- 17 Toby & David Levine (34)
- 26 Heather & Bill Oliver (25)
- 27 Roberta & Jerry Rosmarine (64)

## SIMCHA TREE LEAVES

Looking for a way to honor or thank someone?  
Upcoming Birthdays? Anniversaries?  
Weddings? Graduations?  
Other Happy Occasions?

Mark the moment in a permanent way with a  
**Simcha Tree Leaf at K.I.**

Contact Mary Lea in the K.I. office for assistance.

## תודה רבה

...to our office volunteers who assist in so many ways: **Jake Schulzinger** and **Eunice Snitz**.

...to **Max Jevinsky** for taking the *Focal Point* to the main KC, MO post office each month so that you can receive a print version.

...to **Brenda Fishman** and her crew - **Pete Cabell**, **Terri Herman**, **Rachel Lubowicz**, **Ileen Neufeld**, **Rebecca Speier**, **Bridey Stangler**, **Amy Stoltz**, **Janet Stone**, **Tracy Tankard**, and **Doug Zolotor** for fixing the *Shabbat Kiddushim*.

## CONGREGANTS' SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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

Mickey Batnitzky, Oren Goldstein, Gela Adelman, Shira Levine, Sandy Levine, Marvin Romer, Marvin Birnbaum, Barbara Kusnetzky, Tracy Tankard, Regina Fink, Paul Blackman, Zakaiyah Gillom, Cathy Levin, Daniel Singer, Carissa Zolotor, Richard Devinki, Jessica Rich, Alex Simon, Anna Krutz, Arthur Berger, Steven Eisman, Randi Haith, Elle Kolkin, Alanna Daniels, Jamie Smartt, Joseph Adamous, Enid Levi, Catherine Singer, Marilyn Solsky, Norman Burk, Scott Macek, Janet Stone, Nancy Cohen, Mary Stahl, Amanda Sokol, Susan Gutovitz.



## YOUTH BIRTHDAYS

Eliana Silver, Beatrix Smartt, Kristine Clark

## מזל טוב

...to **Joe Adamous** on the birth of a grandson, Oliver Isaiah to Jennifer and Josh Adamous.

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The Gift Shop will be open on Wednesdays from 4:30 to 6:00 pm and on Sundays from 9:00 to 11:00 am except for holidays.

The Gift Shop is getting new items on a regular basis and getting ready for the holidays (for *Rosh Hashanah* and *Sukkot* decorations.) We are in the process of ordering new items for *Chanukah*.

Come in and browse and if you cannot make it to the synagogue when we are open, just call us know and we can set up an appointment time for you to come in. We will also do special orders if we do not have what you would like.

We would love to see you!

## FRED DEVINKI KEHILATH ISRAEL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL/CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING MONTH OF SEPTEMBER - TISHREI

As exciting as it will be to have our first day in the new and improved school, we will be back to basics with a very challenging school schedule. **Our school year begins on Sunday, August 27.** The "Bigs" will have Hebrew class on Wednesdays. We will begin on Wednesday, August 30 and then continue every Wednesday through the month of September.

On Wednesday, September 27th, we will not have class, but we will have our annual Sukkah Decorating Party. Ideas for wonderful decorations and tall people needed and wanted!

Sunday, September 3rd there is no school as it is Labor Day. Thank goodness, we will have Sunday, the 10<sup>th</sup> to teach about *Rosh Hashanah*, *Yom Kippur*, *Tashlich*, etc. It will be a very jam-packed day. Our teachers, **Morah Carol**, **Morah Becca**, **Morah Shelley**, and a wonderful teacher **Morah Leah** from HBHA, will all be here to read stories, learn about the holidays and maybe even say, "I'm sorry" a few times.

The schedule for the High Holiday Kid's programming:

**Sat, Sept 16 & Sun, Sept 17 Rosh Hashanah** (10:00 am - 12:30 pm)

**Sun, Sept 24 Kol Nidre** (7:00 - 9:00 pm)

**Mon, Sept 25 Yom Kippur**

10:00 am - 12:30 pm Service, snack, games, stories, etc.

K-2<sup>nd</sup> grades in large room in school wing

3-5<sup>th</sup> grades in chapel

*Schedule for Sukkot will be sent out separately.*

We have many new things to be thankful for this year. We have new friends that are now part of our K.I. kids. We have new teachers who are so excited about the year and activities to come. We have new books and a new library, as well as new families to welcome into our congregation.

Last, but not least, my favorite holiday of the year, *Sukkot* will close September. As always, we will have a *Sukkah* party with decorations to make, stories to tell, good food to eat and let's not leave out the rain which never stays away! Soon fall we be upon us, and the leaves will change colors and be beautiful on the trees.

Please remember that our school is supported by the Devinki Family in memory of Fred Devinki. They have made it possible for all our children to be able to learn in our beautiful school without any cost. If you know of anyone who has school age children, please just let me or any of the teachers know, and we will make sure that they are contacted.

As always, I am so excited to kick off the best year ever for K.I. Religious School. *Shana Tova* to each of you, and may this be a year of health, love, learning and K.I. kindness.

*Shanah Tova U'Tikatevu*

# YOM KIPPUR

## BREAK-THE-FAST

Immediately following the *Nei'lah* service  
and the blowing of the *Shofar*

Monday, September 25 (about 8:00 pm)  
\$20/person      Free for kids 5 and under

**RESERVATIONS DUE MONDAY, SEPT. 18**  
**KISYN.ORG / 913.642.1880**

**OR SEND CHECK TO K.I.**  
**10501 CONSER ST. OPKS 66212**



## Sukkah Dinner

### 1st Night of Sukkot!

Friday, September 29 at  
7:45 pm following services

Cost: \$25/person

Kids 10 and under - free

Reservations due by Wednesday, September 20

סוכות

RSVP at [kisyn.org](http://kisyn.org)



# Grand Givers



## Afternoon Musicale

Join us for a once in a lifetime MUSICAL TREAT direct from Paris! Six classically trained performers will give a heartwarming and mesmerizing performance that will include a variety of genres of music including Broadway favorites and Rock 'n Roll.



*\$400/couple*  
*\$2500/Grand Givers*

Elegant light refreshments will follow the performance.

*Sunday*  
*Nov 12 at K.I.*

*3:00 pm doors open*  
*3:30 pm show begins*

*More details to follow.*



# ESRIG-GOULD MEMORIAL ALCOVE

*With Reverence We Record the Following Yahrzeits*

## MEMORIAL TABLETS

### 15 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 1

NATALIE DUGGAN  
MOSHE DZIEWIENCKI  
ETHEL GREENBERG  
JACOB HARRIS  
SARAH HOROWITZ  
SADIE LEVIN  
ETHEL ROGERS  
BERTHA SPECTOR  
ANNA STRAUSS  
CHERNA WOLPER

### 16 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 2

MORDECHAI CUKIER  
MELVIN DELEVE  
DEVI DOLNIK  
DOROTHY DORFMAN  
LOUIS KRASHIN  
ABRAHAM LEVY  
DAVID MINKIN  
MELVIN ROLSKY  
ANNA SWADE

### 17 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 3

TZIZI BIRENBOIM  
KATIE BROWN  
YITZCHAK GAUM  
BENA GUTOVITZ  
LOUIS KAPNICK  
SAMUEL LEVIN  
MARJORIE LIPSKY  
NATALIE NEARENBERG  
SAM ROSENBERG

### 18 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 4

SONYA AGRON  
ESTHER GLICKSTEIN  
HERMAN KOESTEN  
ZVI MAIZLISH  
SARAH SPECTOR

### 19 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 5

MORRIS FRIEDMAN  
SAM HIPSH  
HARVEY LEVINE  
FRANCES LIBER  
BENJAMIN MNOOKIN  
MARVIN ORLOVICK  
HARRY ROSS  
NATHAN SALTZMAN  
ZEV SWARTZ

### 20 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 6

SOLOMON ALTENHAUS  
RACHEL DENNIS  
KALMON KESSLER  
JERRY KRAFT  
MARGOT LIPSCHUETZ  
ROY SPITCAUFSKY

### 21 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 7

DORA BARABAN  
SOL HIPSH  
ISIDORE KLINOCK  
FRANCISKA LENOIWER  
FRITZ METZL  
RALPH SPITCAUFSKY  
DAVID WOLOWSKI

### 22 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 8

JACK BELOVE  
ABRAHAM BIALSKY  
MOLLY GOLDSTEIN  
JOSEPH GREENBAUM  
BARBARA HOLLENBECK

MAX KRUG  
BARBARA ROSENBLATT  
KERWIN SHOLTZ  
BESS ZEFF

### 23 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 9

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

### 24 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 10

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

### 25 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 11

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

### 26 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 12

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

### 27 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 13

BETTY CAPLAN  
MEYER KRAFT  
FRANK SOLTZ  
ABRAHAM SUKIENNIK

### 28 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 14

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

### 29 ELUL-SEPTEMBER 15

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

### 1 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 16

ANNA COHN  
HYMAN KUSNETZKY  
MIRIAM LITMAN  
HARRY MALLIN

BERNICE MILLER  
TIBBY RISSIEN  
GOLDENE RYDELL  
SIMA SCHECHTMAN  
MORTON SWARTZ  
ETTIE TITENSKY  
MANNYA TITENSKY

### 2 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 17

ISADORE KAPLAN  
MARLENE KRAKOW  
ZELDA KROSS  
BEN SCHIFMAN  
NAOMI SCHWARTZ  
ETTA SNITZER

### 3 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 18

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

### 4 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 19

ESTELLE DALEN  
SHELLEY FARBMAN  
GOLDIE GASSER  
MANUEL GREEN  
GEORGE LEVICH  
JOHANNA LOEFFLER  
JACOB ROSEN  
HARRY SELIGSON  
BERTHA WAINSTOCK

### 5 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 20

ROSE DALEN  
JACK EISBERG  
YEHOASHUA KAMENESKY  
LOUIS KRUG  
ESTHER MONDSCHEN  
SARAH SCHULTZ

### 6 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 21

EVELYN BROWN  
MORRIS HORN  
JACOB LEVIN  
CHAIM MANDELBAUM  
SAMUEL SIMON

### 7 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 22

FREDA GOLDBERG  
PHILIP GOLDBERG  
ROSA NERMAN  
BENNETT TRANIN  
CYRIL YEDDIS

### 8 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 23

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

### 9 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 24

SUE AGRON  
AARON GLICKSTEIN  
ROSE KAPNICK  
ISRAEL KOTELOV

SAMUEL LANSKY  
MORRIS PARDO  
MARVIN ROBINSON  
A. ROSENZWIEG  
SARAH RUBIN

### 10 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 25

ESTHER ALTBIER  
FREDA BEISER  
SHEINDL CUKIER  
FEITL DZIEWIENCKI  
KEILA DZIEWIENCKI  
YAAKOV DZIEWIENCKI  
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TILLIE LERNER  
ANNA ROSENBERG  
BERISH ROSENBERG  
FEIGL ROSENBERG  
MEYER ROSENBERG  
YERL SPIRTUS  
YISROEL SWARTZ  
CHIPPA TENENBAUM  
FRIEDA WOHLNER

### 11 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 26

EDWARD BLUMENTHAL  
GOLDIE BRESEL  
LOUIS CUMONOW  
BEN GROSS  
BERNARD KESSLER  
IDA LEFKOWITZ  
ALLEN LEVINE

### 12 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 27

ITZHAK BIRENBOIM  
MARY SCHIFMAN  
LOUIS SHAW  
MAURICE SOLTZ

### 13 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 28

HELEN KRAFT  
PAUL MOTTO

### 14 TISHREI-SEPTEMBER 29

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

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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:

**MARGARET TAYLOR**  
(Mother of Maureen Minoofar)

## K.I. BLUE RIDGE CEMETERY MEMORIAL SERVICE

This year, the second day of *Rosh Hashanah* will fall on Sunday, and *erev Yom Kippur* also falls on Sunday, therefore the **Annual Kehilath Israel Blue Ridge Cemetery Memorial Service** is scheduled to be held on the Sunday before *Rosh Hashanah* on **Sunday, September 10, the Sunday before Rosh Hashanah, at NOON.**

The annual service, led by **Rabbi Moshe Grussgott** and **Cantor Aron Hayoun**, 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. 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. 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.



## COMMUNITY CORNER.....

### JEWISH COMMUNITY PREPARES FOR HIGH HOLY DAYS WITH COMMUNITY-WIDE SELICHOT PROGRAM AND SERVICE SEPTEMBER 9

The Jewish community will come together to prepare for the High Holy Days at the annual community *Selichot* program and service on Saturday, September 9. There will be opportunities for multi-access participation.

At 9:00 pm *The Breath of Life: A Jewish Mindfulness Practice of Teshuva* will be the topic of a discussion led by Rabbi Josh Feigelson, President & CEO of the Institute for Jewish Spirituality.

The *Selichot* service begins at 10:10 pm and is designed to help worshipers begin to spiritually prepare for *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur*. The service will be led by area clergy, and a musical leadership team of soloists from congregations across the community.

***Selichot* services also take place at Kehilath Israel at 9:00 am on Sunday, September 10 followed by breakfast.**

Visit <https://www.kcrabbi.org/> for more information about the program. Register at: [bit.ly/selichot2023](http://bit.ly/selichot2023). For further questions, contact Annette Fish, Rabbinical Association Administrator, [afprogram@aol.com](mailto:afprogram@aol.com) or 913.327.8226.

The Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City sponsors the *Selichot* program in collaboration with area congregations and generous support from The Jewish Federation of Greater Kansas City.

## KI KIDZ FISHING DERBY



Children pictured here from left are Crosby Tankard, Jackie Neufeld, Bill Kass, Charlie Kass, Wes Tankard, Jacob Tankard, and Jonah Tankard. Parents in second row are Rabbi Grussgott, Simon Kass, and Frank Tankard.



Jackie Neufeld

Jonah and Wes Tankard



### RETURN OF THE WoKI'S (Women of K.I.) SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 from 2-4 PM PATIO PARTY @ Houlihan's in Leawood

It's time to revive our group and celebrate our future. Bring your ideas for events and let's get this party started!

Please RSVP by Thursday, September 7 to [events@kisyn.org](mailto:events@kisyn.org) or by calling the synagogue office.

# September 2023

**15 Elul 5783 - 15 Tishrei 5784**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
17 ELUL	18 ELUL	19 ELUL	20 ELUL	21 ELUL	22 ELUL	23 ELUL
3 NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	4 Labor Day OFFICE CLOSED Shacharit Service-9:00 am	5	6 Religious School - 4:30-5:45 pm	7	8 7:20	9 Nitzavim - Vayelech Isaiah 61:10-63:9 Shabbos Ends: 8:10 M and M-10:00 am Women's Circle-10:00 am Rabbi Grussgott's am Class-6:10 pm
24 ELUL	25 ELUL	26 ELUL	27 ELUL	28 ELUL	29 ELUL	1 TISHREI
10 Selichos Service - 9:00 am followed by breakfast Religious School - 9:15-11:30 am Blue Ridge Cemetery Service - NOON WoKi Patio Party at Houlihan in Leawood-2-4 pm	11	12	13 Religious School - 4:30-5:45 pm	14	15 Erev Rosh Hashanah 7:09	16 Rosh Hashanah - Day 1 Il Samuel 1:1-2:10 7:58
2 TISHREI	3 TISHREI	4 TISHREI	5 TISHREI	6 TISHREI	7 TISHREI	8 TISHREI
17 Rosh Hashanah - Day 2 Yom Tov Ends: 7:56 NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	18 Fast of Gedalyah	19	20 Religious School - 4:30-5:45 pm	21	22 6:58	23 Haazinu Hosea 14:2-10, Joel 2:11-27, Micah 7:18-20 Shabbos Ends: 7:46 Chai Anniversary Kiddush Rabbi Grussgott's Class-5:45 pm
9 TISHREI	10 TISHREI	11 TISHREI	12 TISHREI	13 TISHREI	14 TISHREI	15 TISHREI
24 Erev Yom Kippur 6:55 NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	25 Yom Kippur Yom Kippur Ends: 7:43 OFFICE CLOSED Break the Fast Meal - 8:00 pm	26	27 Religious School - 4:30-5:45 pm	28	29 6:47 Sukkot Dinner - 7:45 pm	30 Succos - Day 1 Zachariah 14:1-24 7:35





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SUNDAY *SHACHARIT* 9:00 A.M.  
DAILY *SHACHARIT* 7:00 A.M.

SUNDAY-FRIDAY  
*MINCHA AND MAARIV*

Week of September 3 6:15 PM  
Week of September 10 6:05 PM  
(See *Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kipur* Schedule-page 2)  
Week of September 18-21 5:50 PM  
Week of September 26-28 5:40 PM

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, LABOR DAY  
*Shacharit* Service 9:00 AM



Shanah Tovah U'metukah  
שנה טובה ומתוקה

Happy New Year! May you be inscribed  
in the Book of Life for a good year.



From the Administration, Officers, and Staff of Kehilath Israel Synagogue