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From Your Rabbi... From Your President...



The month of August this year contains one of our lesser known, more minor Jewish holidays. On the first of August at night begins *Tu B'Av* - the fifteenth of the month of *Av*. The Ninth of *Av*, one week earlier, marks the saddest day of the Jewish year, the date on which we mourn the destruction of the first and second Temples in Jerusalem. *Tu B'Av* constitutes the more joyous postscript to *Tisha B'Av*. As Jews, we never want to linger on a sad note. This is why, for example, a *Haftarah* is not allowed to end on a sad verse. Even if the overall theme of the *Haftarah* is ominous, we still end it with a positive verse. What makes *Tu B'Av* so joyous? We read in the Babylonian *Talmud tractate Taanit* 26b (translation from *Sefaria*):

Rabban Shimon ben Gamliel said: There were no days as joyous for the Jewish people as the fifteenth of *Av* and as *Yom Kippur*, as on them the daughters of Jerusalem would go out in white clothes, which each woman borrowed from another. Why were they borrowed? They did this so as not to embarrass one who did not have her own white garments

And the daughters of Jerusalem would go out and dance in the vineyards. And what would they say? Young man, please lift up your eyes and see what you choose for yourself for a wife. Do not set your eyes toward beauty, but set your eyes toward a good family, as the verse states: "Grace is deceitful and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised" (Proverbs 31:30), and it further says: "Give her the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the gates" (Proverbs 31:31).

If we incorporated this practice of women dancing to attract potential dates, we might increase attendance on *Yom Kippur*! It could be a great activity during the break. One never knows why some traditions fell by the wayside. Perhaps this one was considered too scandalous, even though it had clear rabbinic approval. In any case, it's fascinating that *Yom Kippur* is linked in this teaching with the more minor holiday of *Tu B'Av*. Perhaps in the week following the saddest day of the Jewish year, *Tisha B'Av*, the rabbis felt that the people needed the highest possible form of uplift. And the greatest source of joy can be found in love, marriage, and building families. I'm privileged to be writing this from Israel, where Becca and I and our boys are visiting my parents. Just yesterday we had the privilege of having lunch with our very own K.I. members **Joe and Carolyn Goldwasser**, who are on a trip to Israel of their own! (See pic attached on back page).

Wishing us all a joyous *Tu B'Av* and a good end to our summer.

Rabbi Moshe Grussgott



Although we had a mild but dry spring, the summer is starting to reach its characteristic Midwest phase, i.e. the prediction for the next 30 days according to weather forecasters is going to be moderately hot and dry. As you already know, one should avoid or minimize outside activity and hydrate as much as possible.

Our annual golf tournament in early June was a success thanks to the efforts of **Richard and Barbie Glass** and others. Because of good planning, the weather turned out to be nice and the participants enjoyed the settings and the weather and the food and the prizes. I thank all who were involved in organizing this tournament, including those who worked in the background.

At K.I. **Cantor Hayoun** has been hard at work to organize choir groups, including the men's, women's and children's choirs. We should see the fruit of the men's choir this coming High Holiday season of *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur*, which will occur on September 16-17 and September 25, respectively.

Rabbi Grussgott and family are back from their trip to Israel where they visited parents and other family members. I am pleased to see them back as I missed them while they were gone. I want to thank Rabbi Mandl for covering for Rabbi Grussgott. Rabbi Mandl had the task of making sure we had a *minyan* which was somewhat difficult due to the fact that some of our regulars were on vacation.

We recently, after doing a thorough due diligence, finalized the selection of a company to install the new sound system throughout the building. We are to have the sanctuary component ready by the high holidays this year. I would like to give my gratitude to all who helped me in this process including **Jake Schulzinger** (who was involved in the beginning), **Sam Devinki**, **Jay Herman**, **Cantor Hayoun**, **Rabbi Grussgott** and **Elizabeth Peden**.

A reminder, the Hebrew school this year will start on August 27th which will include a family day. The classes will be held on Wednesdays and Sundays. I am very excited about the growth of student body under the leadership of **Shelley Rissien**.

In about eight weeks the high holidays will arrive and I am looking forward to seeing everyone during these three wonderful days starting with celebrating the Jewish new year *Rosh Hashanah* followed by the solemn day of atonement, *Yom Kippur*. Between a new sound system and reorganized choir, the services should be very pleasant and something to look forward to.

Joseph Adamous

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SHABBAT SERVICES

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4

Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:45 PM
Candlelighting*.....8:09 PM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

Morning Services.....9:00 AM
KI KIDZ.....10:00 AM
Rabbi's Pirkei Avot Class.....7:05 PM
Mincha.....7:50 PM
Shabbat ends.....9:02 PM



FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:40 PM
Candlelighting*.....8:01 PM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

BLESSING OF THE NEW MONTH

Morning Services.....9:00 AM
Kids' Mensches & Minyans10:00 AM
Rabbi's Pirkei Avot Class.....6:55 PM
Mincha.....7:40 PM
Havdalah.....8:53 PM



FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:30 PM
Candlelighting*.....7:52 PM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

CHAI ANNIVERSARY KIDDUSH

Morning Services.....9:00 AM
Nin Jews.....10:00 AM
Rabbi's Pirkei Avot Class.....6:45 PM
Mincha.....7:30 PM
Havdalah.....8:42 PM



FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:25 PM
Candlelighting*.....7:42 PM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

BIRTHDAY KIDDUSH

Morning Services.....9:00 AM
Kids' Mensches & Minyans10:00 AM
Rabbi's Pirkei Avot Class.....6:35 PM
Mincha.....7:20 PM
Havdalah.....8:32 PM

*NO LATER THAN

**DEADLINE FOR THE SEPTEMBER
FOCAL POINT IS MONDAY,
AUGUST 7. WE APPRECIATE
YOUR COOPERATION.**

POLICY FOR ADMITTANCE TO HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES AT

KEHILATH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE 2023/5784

Participation in our High Holiday services is a privilege of membership. Our desire is to welcome all members to share in worship during our High Holiday services.

An adult member in good standing will receive a ticket, plus tickets requested for:

- dependent children (under 18 years of age do not need ticket); and
- out-of-town guests visiting for the holidays.

Undergraduate or graduate students are welcome to attend as our guests by showing their student IDs.

In addition, military personnel and residents who have moved to the K.C. area within the last 12 months and are not yet affiliated are welcome as our guests.

Because of security, you must have a ticket and your car must have a parking pass to attend High Holiday services.

If you have any questions or would like tickets for the High Holiday services, please contact the synagogue office at 913.642.1880.

ORDER YOUR *ETROG* & *LULAV* NOW!

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

ORDERS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY YOUR CHECK.

DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 1.

NO orders will be accepted after this date in order to ensure we receive the *lulav* and *etrog* in time for *SUKKOT*.

_____ *LULAV* & *ETROG* @ \$50 = \$ _____
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(Please print)

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Kehilath Israel Synagogue
Attn: Allegra Shanberg
10501 Conser
Overland Park, KS 66212

Kehilath Israel Synagogue's 24th Annual Allan Greenberg Memorial Golf Tournament in honor of the memory of Seymour Weiner

Kehilath Israel is so thankful for the generous sponsors, donors, and volunteers

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Evaristo Orozco

Allegra Shanberg

Karen Smith

We apology if we have missed any names not listed above.



- 4 Barbara & Ronald Bronstein (49)
- 5 Cathy & Craig Caplan (33)
Tracy & Frank Tankard (16)
- 8 Randa & Dr. Joel Feder (52)
- 11 Sue & Lewis Nerman (17)
- 13 Doris & Gregory Quinn (51)
- 14 Terri & Jay Herman (35)
Phyllis & Ronald Kogan (63)
- 15 Sydney & Matthew Greenberg (2)
Clara & Norman Levine (58)
Fani & William Schiffman (52)
- 16 Jamie & Jason Smartt (26)
- 18 Barbara & Rabbi Herbert Mandl (55)
Osa and Seth Mandl (21)
- 20 Marcie & Bruce Kaplan (45)
- 21 Betsy & Steve Waxman (24)
Jennifer & Richard Devinki (12)
- 23 Beverly & Barnett Alport (53)
Cindy & Sheldon Singer (42)
- 25 Karen & Steven Schwartz (38)
- 27 Beverly & Dr. Norman Burk (62)
- 29 Muriel & Gene Soloff (58)
- 30 Gerri & David Ruben (31)
- 31 Ruth & Sandy Levine (43)

תודה רבה

...to our office volunteers who assist in so many ways: **Jake Schulzinger**, and **Irene Blend**.

...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**, **Cristi Gillom**, **Rachel Lubowicz**, **Maureen Minoofar**, **Katie Rosenbaum**, **Janet Stone** and **Tracy Tankard** for fixing the *Shabbat Kiddushim*.

FRED DEVINKI K.I. RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

School is starting again on Sunday, August 30.
Enroll your child in our fabulous tuition-free school. The link is on our website:

<https://kisyn.org/religious-school/schedule-of-classes>

Contact the K.I. office, 913.642.1880, if you need additional information.

CONGREGANTS' AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

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

Mitchell Gold, Frank Friedman, Joshua Kolkin, Melvin Abend, Ida Kolkin, Shelley Rissien, Barbara Mandl, David Pool, Noah Rosenbloom, Amir Minoofar, Anna Cohen, Gerri Ruben, Mikhail Kats, David Betzer, Emanuel Winston, Harvey Schiffman, Simon Budnitskiy, Angie Fry, Lisa Kusnetzky, Michael Brock, Linda Goldstein, Michael Taraboulos, Susie Blackman, David Shanberg, Bradley Cotlar, Stephen Koffman, Lewis Nerman, Steve Sweet, Jasmine Kaplan, Seth Mandl, Deanna Rudd, Carole Sher, David Waxman, Susan Goodbinder, Isaac Gortenburg, David Kershner, Scott Fishman, Susie Gershon, Jacob Hjelmaas, Linda Kurz, Ira Neufeld, Joel Feder, Sue Nerman, Chilo Hayoun, Geoffrey Friedman, Nedra Rosen, Sylvia Partridge, Madeline Zolotor, Ronald Weiss.



AUGUST YOUTH BIRTHDAYS

Cameron Speier, Avi Fry, Ezra Grussgott, Jaden Cohavi, Joshua Farber, Charles Kass, Yedid Macek, Calder Smartt, Crosby Tankard, Eliezer Rich.

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OUR GRADUATES



The following names did not make it in the June/July *Focal Point*. We wish them and all a *mazal tov* on their endeavors!

...**Walter Waxman**, son of **Dr. Steve and Betsy Waxman**, graduated from Blue Valley Northwest High School. He will be majoring in Biology on a pre-med track at KU in the fall.

...**Evelyn Brand**, daughter of **Jasmine and Jonathan Kaplan** graduated from HBHA. She will be attending KU in the fall. She will be majoring in history with a plan on attending law school.

...**Avi Hammer**, son of **Sylvana and Daniel Hammer**, graduated from HBHA. He will be attending the University of Michigan.

...**Illiana Hammer**, daughter of **Sylvana and Daniel Hammer**, graduated from HBHA. She will be attending Tulane University.

מזל טוב

...to **Cara Krashin** on the engagement of her son Jesse Erinstein to Rena Auerbach in Israel.

...to **Madeline and Robert Schiffman** on the engagement of their grandson, Eli Schiffman to Xochitl Smola.

...to **Ro and Howard Jacobson**, on the birth of a great-granddaughter, Tova Yael Broduloey. Parents are Ariel and Shira Brudoley.

...to **Cathy and Craig Caplan** on their daughter, **Hannah**, a student doctor, on having received the American Osteopathic Foundation's Sterling Welch, DO, Scholars Grant in recognition of her outstanding academic achievement and leadership among her peers.

...to **Linda and Elliott Goldstein** on their granddaughter, Sarah Beatrice Unowsky's graduation from the University of Rochester, in Rochester, NY with honors and a degree in Psychology and Gender and Women's Studies. Sarah will be working with the Jewish Council on Urban Affairs in Chicago.

...to **Linda and Elliott Goldstein** on the *Bar Mitzvah* of their grandson, Jacob Goldstein. Jacob celebrated his *bar mitzvah* in June at the Western Wall in Israel. Along with Linda and Elliott, also making the trip were his parents, Amy Goldstein and Barry Dicker, his brother, and many additional extended family members.



WE WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE
OUR NEWEST MEMBERS WHO HAVE
JOINED SINCE JANUARY

ISAAC EASTMAN

DAVID BETZER,
and children: Laila, Ari

JACOB HJELMAAS & HANNAH KATZ
and daughter: Miriam

CARA KRASHIN

ALEX & RACHEL SIMON

LISA LANFRANCA

AMY STOLTZ

CORRECTION to the June/July Focal Point...the correct spelling of Debbie and Rick Geivett's grandson is Beau Allan Kobza.

SIMCHA TREE LEAF DEDICATIONS



IN HONOR OF
CAROL & ARNIE CAVIAR
55TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
06-09-2023
CLARA & NORMAN LEVINE
CAROLE & BERNARD ELLIS

K.I. FRED DEVINKI RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

I hope all of you are reading this article as you relax and enjoy watching the kids swimming and having a wonderful summer. Things at K.I. religious school are in full swing on many levels.

It is my goal to live up to the value and importance that **Fred Devinki**, of blessed memory, and the **Devinki family** have placed on Jewish education. So much so, that they have made religious school at K.I. a possibility for all children for free, K.I. members and any family in the community. The school grew last year, and I am looking forward to even more children this year.

When our students come back this year, the school area will look very different. It is our hope and intention that you, as K.I. parents, will pass the word around to your friends that this is quality education. The rooms have gotten a face lift, and hopefully when it is complete, the walls will be bright and decorated with new posters.

As Morah Becky and Morah Bridey have decided to devote their time to their families and new endeavors, they will not be teaching this year. No worries, as they are still involved in our school and activities at K.I. They are both so important to our growth in many areas of the synagogue and will remain active in other facets of our activities.

Morah Rebecca will remain a vital and integral part of our faculty. She has endeared herself to everyone in all areas of K.I., and I know this year will be a year of growth and excellence. She will, by choice, be the teacher again in the “Middles”.

I am also excited to introduce our two new teachers for the “Littles” and the “Bigs!”

Many of you have met **Amy Stoltz** at services and other events at KI. In a very short time, Amy has made herself an integral part of our *shul*. She is a seasoned teacher and has a great deal of experience with our youngest congregants. When I asked her to be in the class of our “Littles,” she said, “That is my favorite age! I can’t wait.” Neither can we.....

Many of you may recognize the name, **Carol Pfau**. Carol has taught in religious schools and is also the face of HBHA as you enter the school. I have worked with Carol in many educational settings and observed how she connects students with their Judaism through art and creativity and depth of conversation. Guiding our older students through Jewish life and history is her expertise. She is creative and knows how to stimulate our “Bigs” to self-reflection and connection with their Judaism.

Time wise, this is a difficult year for Sundays at religious school. Most of the early holidays will be on Sundays and the students will lose valuable learning time. Every Sunday will be critical, and every minute will be filled with teaching. We, at our school, are prepared and ready to meet this challenge.

More information and forms will be sent out mid-August to all our present school families. As always, the **Devinki family** has made it possible for any Jewish child can go to religious school free of charge. If you know of a family that would like to have their children learn the joys of Judaism in a nurturing and loving atmosphere, please pass the word or call me at 913.709.5023 or at srissien@ku.edu, or call the synagogue office at 913.642.1880.

Any parent should have no reservations that every child and family is surrounded by warmth, love, and a quality Jewish education. Being Jewish at the K.I. Fred Devinki Religious School creates a love for Judaism, K.I. and knowledge.



Kehilath Israel Fred Devinki Religious School ready for a New Year!

What you always wanted to know about K.I. Religious School and were getting ready to ask...

Who is the school director?

Her name is **Shelley Rissien**. She was the school director in the 1990’s, when there were over 350 students in our school. She is back at K.I. because she is devoted to this synagogue, loves the children, and is blessed to have involved K.I. parents who value Jewish education for their kids.

Who will be teaching these students?

The “Littles” (Pre-K - 5years): K.I. is ecstatic to welcome our new congregant, **Amy Stoltz**, to teach our 4–5-year-old students. Amy has taught many levels, but being with the youngest immediately puts a smile on her face. *Berucha Habaah* (welcome) Amy to K.I. - to the synagogue and the school!

The “Middles” (K-2 grades): **Rebecca Speier** can just not get enough of these students. For the past few years she enlightens them with a Jewish spirit that is undeniable. They put a smile on her face no matter what they are doing, but singing together is their favorite! I think she would even love to follow with them until the *Chuppah*!

THE “Bigs” (3-5 grades): These students are best buddies in class and especially recess! They love to learn in very abstract ways such as Hebrew yoga and any Jewish game. They are learning to sing and participate on the *Bimah* with **Cantor Hayoun** and love coming to K.I. on *Shabbat* mornings. A dear colleague who has taught for me in other settings, **Carol Pfau**, will be stimulating these young students with *Torah* text, Jewish values and practicing Jewish methods and ideas of solving Jewish issues and dilemmas through exciting discussion. This age group is Carol Pfau’s most exciting age to teach, and she loves a good challenge.

All three of these exemplary teachers are seasoned, excited, and can’t wait to light the flame so our K.I. students become engaged in their Jewish learning!

Sunday Morning Schedule

9:15-9:30	What's new with you?
9:30-9:45	Prayers in Common Room
9:45-10:15	Students in Class
10:15-10:30	Snack, Bracha & Recess
10:30-11:15	Students are back in class
11:15-11:30	Singing with Cantor Hayoun or Learning with Rabbi Grussgott

Calendar for School Year 2023-2024

*Please note that some dates may be changed or cancel due to community events We will do our best to give you notice as soon as we are informed of these activities.

Sunday Schedule:

August 27 - First Day	9:30 - 10:30 Family Day with breakfast and family activity. 10:30 - 11:30 Students go to class, Parents <i>Shmooze</i> class.
September 3	No School - Labor Day
September 10	School in Session
September 17 & 24	No School - <i>Rosh Hashanah</i> and <i>Erev Yom Kippur</i>
October 1 & 8	No School - <i>Sukkot</i> and <i>Simchat Torah</i>
October 15, 22, 29	School in Session
November 5, 12 & 19	School in Session
November 26	No School - Thanksgiving break
December 3, 10, 17	School in Session (Chanukah festivities)
December 24, 31	No School - Winter Break
January 7, 14, 21, 28.	School in Session
February 4, 11, 18, 25	School in Session (Jewish Teacher symposium date TBD)
March 3	School in Session
March 10, 17	Spring Break
March 24	No School – <i>Purim</i> Holiday
March 31	School in Session
April 7 and 14	School in Session – Passover Programming
April 21, 28	No School - Passover
May 5	Last Day of School

Wednesday Hebrew Classes: 4:30 - 5:45 pm

August 30	
September 6, 13, 20, 27	
October 4, 11, 18, 25	
November 1, 8, 15, 29	No Class 22 - Thanksgiving Break,
December 6, 13, 20	No Class 24 and 31 - Winter Break
January 10, 17, 24, 31	
February 7, 14, 21, 28	
March 6, 27	No Class March 13, 20 - Spring Break
April 3, 10, 17	24 No class - <i>Pesach</i>
May 1	Last Day of Class

Bill Kass, pointing to the picture of the late **Saul Kass**, his great-grandfather. Bill is the son of **Amelia** and **Simon Kass**.



Louis and Evelyn Perner standing next to the picture of their grandfather **Sheldon Singer**. Parents are **Sam** and **Megan Perner**.



**WE
NEED
YOU!**

**K.I. is holding a virtual,
ONLINE AUCTION
August 17-31**

The goal: Raise as much money as possible toward K.I.'s ongoing budgetary needs.

How you can help:

- We need more auction items.
 - We're looking for **high quality new items** or items that retain their value such as artwork. (This is not a garage sale.)
- We need **help soliciting items**.
 - The fundraising committee has been hard at work, but we could use some last-minute assistance soliciting additional donations from local businesses.

Can you help with solicitations?

Contact **Bill Greenberg** or **Frank Tankard** .

Bill: 913.547.0978 greenbergwilliam@hotmail.com

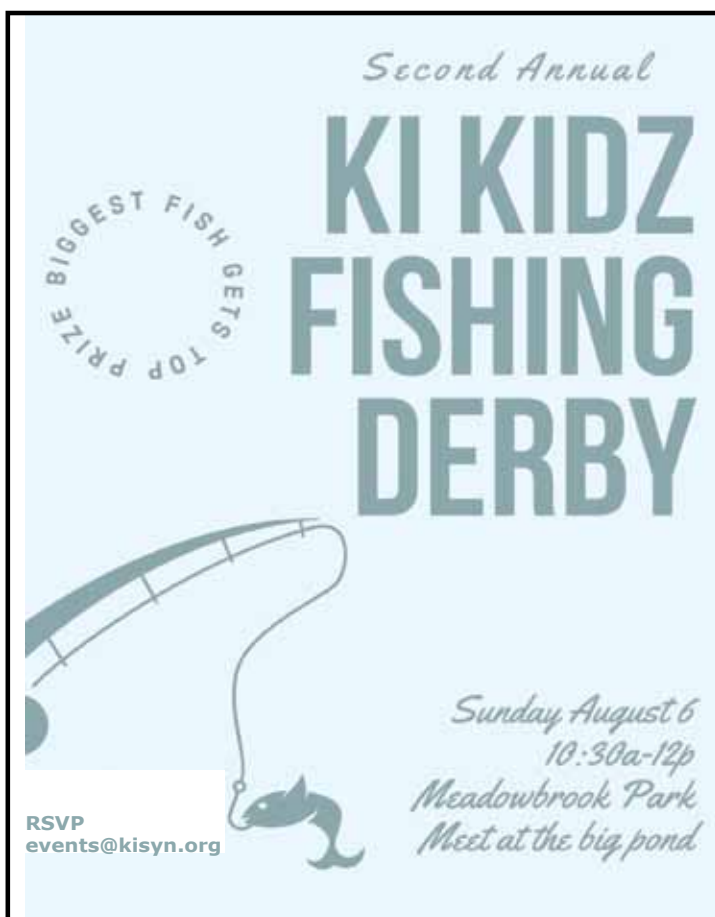
Frank: 913.620.1132 ftankard@gmail.com

Have items to donate?

Contact **Rebecca Speier** to arrange drop-off.

Rebecca: 913.709.4998 rebeccakatzjd@gmail.com

THANK YOU!



PLEASE LET US KNOW

Because we care.....we would like to be informed of any illness within the congregation family. If you are aware of any ill or home-bound members (or relatives of members), please call the synagogue office at 913.642.1880. Please do not assume we already know.

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:

DELIA JANE TANKARD
(Grandmother of Frank Tankard)

ELANA COHEN
(Sister-in-Law of Julie Shaffer)

MONUMENT UNVEILING

Friday, August 18
In Memory of Seymour Weiner
11:00 a.m.
K.I. Blue Ridge Cemetery

K.I. WOMEN'S CHOIR



Seated Rebecca Speier, Rebecca Nowack, Amy Stoltz. Standing Jeannie Frank, Cantor Hayoun, Natalie Cohen, Arthur Hayoun and Judy Elliott.



Grand Givers



MEMBERS OF THE CHOIR OF THE
GREAT SYNAGOGUE OF PARIS,
LA GRANDE SYNAGOGUE DE LA VICTOIRE,
WITH CANTOR HAYOUN
IN A LIVE PERFORMANCE AT K.I. SYNAGOGUE.

These professional vocalists also sing with the Paris Opera.



The concert will include a vast repertoire of music
– from Broadway favorites to Hebrew, Yiddish,
and French songs.

Light refreshments will follow the performance.

*Sunday
Nov 12*

3:00 pm at K.I.

Details will follow.



ESRIG-GOULD MEMORIAL ALCOVE

With Reverence We Record the Following Yahrzeits
MEMORIAL TABLETS

14 AV-AUGUST 1
REBECCA BAKER
HELEN CLUTZ
ALLAN DORFMAN
CHARLES ERNEST
JOCELYN KRINSKY
BEN NADLMAN
JOEL RUBIN

15 AV-AUGUST 2
PIROSKA ADLER
GERALD DALEN
HARRY DALEN
ROBERTA LEVINE
JOSEPH MASLAN
MAURICE RAVIS
LOUIS TOLTZIS

16 AV-AUGUST 3
LUCILLE COVENS
HELEN KLOPPER
FEIGA PODRITSKY
SAMUEL SCHULTZ
BENJAMIN SILVERMAN

17 AV-AUGUST 4
JULIUS BERMAN
HELEN LESKY
ALBERT MARGOLIN
MARTIN NEARENBERG
BECKY SARSER
TODROS SHANE
FANNYE STEIN
ROSE WALDNER

18 AV-AUGUST 5
GOLDIE BROWN
MARILYN GALLAS
SARAH RASHBAUM
HELEN SPECTOR

19 AV-AUGUST 6
J. CINNAMON
SARAH COHEN
ROSE EISBERG
JOE HENKIN
HARRY KAHN
BERTHA KANTER
HELEN KATZ
FESSEL LIPKIN

20 AV-AUGUST 7
SYLVIA FEDER
ISRAEL KLEIN
IDA LEVIN
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COMMUNITY-WIDE COURSE: "JUDAISM FOR CONVERSION CANDIDATES" BEGINS IN AUGUST

Do you know someone considering conversion to Judaism and seeking a comfortable forum to learn more about the fundamentals of Jewish thought and practice? Interested candidates are asked to contact the Rabbinical Association to learn how they can register to participate in this year's community-wide course, "Judaism for Conversion Candidates" which begins August 17.

The comprehensive year-long course is designed for adult individuals and taught on a rotating basis by rabbis from the Reform, Conservative, Orthodox and non-denominational movements. Classes are intended to acquaint those considering conversion to Judaism with what it means to live Jewishly. This program allows future Jews-by-choice the opportunity to meet one another and to learn not only about Judaism but also about the Kansas City Jewish community. Each student is required to secure a congregational rabbinic sponsor by November 15 and meet the conversion requirements developed by their rabbinic sponsor.

Classes will take place virtually via zoom on Thursday evenings from 7:00-9:00 p.m. and some sessions will be held in person and may rotate among the synagogues and Jewish Community Campus.

An orientation session is scheduled for August 10, 7:00-9:00 pm. Visit kcrabbi.org for information. To register, contact Annette Fish, Rabbinical Association Administrator/Program Director, by email at afprogram@aol.com or 913.327.8226.

Funding for this Rabbinical Association program is generously provided by the Menorah Heritage Foundation and the National Center to Encourage Judaism. This course is taught through a collaborative educational partnership with the Miller Introduction to Judaism Program of American Jewish University



'DAY OF DISCOVERY' 2023 TO KICK OFF YEAR OF JEWISH LEARNING ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

Mark your calendar and save the date for this year's annual "Day of Discovery – Explore the Joy of Jewish Learning in Kansas City" scheduled for **Sunday, August 20, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.**

Participants will have an opportunity to learn, study, and discover some of the community's finest Jewish educators, rabbis, and cantors, who will lead sessions on a wide range of topics. Nearly thirty classes will be offered throughout the day including a special lunch and discussion.

For information, visit kcrabbi.org or contact Annette Fish, Administrator/Program Director, Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City, by email at afprogram@aol.com or by phone at 913.327.8226

This program is co-sponsored by The Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City in partnership with The J KC, Jewish Federation of Greater Kansas City, Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy, Jewish Family Services, Village Shalom and area congregations.

GIFT SHOP HOURS FOR AUGUST

Wednesday, August 16 - 4:30-5:30 pm

Sunday, August 20 - 9:00-10:30 am

Sunday, August 27 - 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Wednesday, August 30 - 4:30-6:00 pm

We have new holiday items for *Rosh Hashanah* and *Sukkot* decorations. Also we are in the process of ordering new items for *Chanukah* so come and browse-- we would love to see you!

August 2023

14 Av 5783 - 14 Elul 5783

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
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► KIDZ Fishing Derby - 10:30 am to Noon										8:01		Ekev Isaiah 49: 14-51:3 Shabbos Ends: 9:02 KIDZ-10:00 am Rabbi Grussgott's Class-7:00 pm	
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Week of August 6 6:45 PM

Week of August 13 6:40 PM

Week of August 20 6:30 PM

Week of August 27 6:25 PM

IMPORTANT AUGUST DATES

ROSH CHODESH ELUL - Thursday, August 17

Friday, August 18



Rabbi Grussgott and family met up with Joe and Carolyn Goldwasser in Israel. Pictured are Joe and Carolyn Goldwasser; Becca Grussgott holding Manny, Rabbi Grussgott. Front row: Ezra and Ari Grussgott.