

AJ Gets Ready for a New Way Forward!

by the AJ New Way Forward Leadership Team

Congregation Adath Jeshurun is on the cusp of a new era in its venerable 160-year history.

We are entering a one-year period of transition during which many changes will occur. For the next twelve months, while **Hazzan Howard Glantz** maintains a full-time clerical presence at AJ, we will be welcoming **Rabbi Barry Kenter**, our new part-time, interim rabbi. By December, we will be engaged in a search for a new full-time rabbi.

Beyond the issue specific to members of the clergy, AJ finds itself at a crossroads with respect to the manner in which it will embrace the future and remain a vibrant and dynamic synagogue community as we go through the next decade of the twenty-first century and beyond. AJ is not alone in this landscape: The Conservative Movement and the other progressive denominations of organized Judaism face declining membership and involvement, both locally and nationally, and are challenged with devising creative ways of renewing interest and vitality.

This new era presents both a critical challenge and an unprecedented opportunity for our congregation. To meet the goal of ensuring that AJ emerges as a vibrant, self-sustaining and growing inter-generational Jewish community that meets the needs of our multi-faceted membership, in late winter AJ president **David Reibstein** asked AJ members **Skip and Naomi Atkins, Neil Wernick** and **Michele Rifkin** to spearhead a new initiative to take the congregation forward. Known as the "AJ New Way Forward," or AJNWF, its four leaders have been organizing a process which strives to offer a historically unique approach to synagogue planning. Unlike previous strategic planning efforts at AJ, at its core AJNWF is an entirely grassroots effort which will involve, from the outset, as many members of the AJ community as are willing to engage and do the work of change. The first phase identified core constituency groups that represent the gamut of the AJ community. Each of these constituency groups is led by one or two representative members and, along with the AJNWF leadership team, those individuals comprise the AJNWF Steering Committee.

The constituency groups and chairs are as follows:

GROUP	CHAIRPERSON(S)
Young marrieds, preschool families, members of less than 10 years, and teens older than 15 years old	Arielle Wernick and Cody Greenes
Families with school-age children (Hebrew school, b'nai mitzvot, and Confirmation ages)	Renee Winegrad and Michal Leventhal
Regular synagogue- and minyan-goers	Amy Russell and Al and Sandy Nadel
Havurah	Yaacov and Terry Sutton Kravitz
AJ Acts/social action/social justice	Scott Minkoff and Elissa Waldstein
AJ members, for 10–25 years	Rene Smith
AJ members, for more than 25 years	Sima Sussman and Steve Davidoff
Past and present leadership (AJ Men's Association, AJWA Sisterhood, Executive Committee, Board of Directors)	Bernie Dishler
Moed	Cody Greenes

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BELOW: The AJ New Way Forward Leadership Team, from left to right: Neil Wernick, Michele Rifkin, Naomi Atkins, and Skip Atkins



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SHABBAT PINHAS

July 6, 7, 2018 24 Tammuz 5778

Light Shabbat Candles.....8:14 PM

FRIDAY EVENING

- Kabbalat Shabbat6:15 PM

SATURDAY MORNING

- Chapel Service10:00 AM

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah8:20 PM

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ROSH HODESH AV

July 12, 13, 2018 1 Av 5778

FRIDAY MORNING

- Chapel Service7:00 AM

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SHABBAT MATTOT-MASEI

July 13, 14, 2018 2 Av 5778

Light Shabbat Candles.....8:11 PM

FRIDAY EVENING

- Kabbalat Shabbat6:15 PM

SATURDAY MORNING

- Chapel Service10:00 AM

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah8:20 PM

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EREV TISHA B'AV

SHABBAT DEVARIM-HAZON

July 20, 21, 2018 9 Av 5778

Light Shabbat Candles.....8:06 PM

FRIDAY EVENING

- Kabbalat Shabbat6:15 PM

SATURDAY MORNING

- Morning Service9:30 AM

(note special start time)

Bar Mitzvah of

JORDAN LIEBERMAN

Son of

Adam and Valerie Lieberman

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah at Beth Sholom

(no service at AJ)7:55 PM

- Tisha B'Av Service at Beth Sholom9:00 PM

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TISHA B'AV

July 21, 22, 2018 10 Av 5778

SUNDAY MORNING

- Chapel Service9:00 AM

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

- Special Minhah1:00 PM

SHABBAT VA'ETHANAN-NAHAMU

July 27, 28, 2018 16 Av 5778

Light Shabbat Candles.....8:01 PM

FRIDAY EVENING

- Devotion by the Ocean, in Ventnor, NJ6:00 PM

- Kabbalat Shabbat at AJ6:15 PM

SATURDAY MORNING

- Chapel Service10:00 AM

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah8:10 PM

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SHABBAT EKEV

August 3, 4, 2018 23 Av 5778

Light Shabbat Candles.....7:53 PM

FRIDAY EVENING

- Kabbalat Shabbat6:15 PM

SATURDAY MORNING

- Chapel Service10:00 AM

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah7:55 PM

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ROSH HODESH ELUL

SHABBAT RE'EH

August 10, 11, 2018 30 Av 5778

Light Shabbat Candles.....7:45 PM

FRIDAY EVENING

- Devotion by the Ocean, in Ventnor, NJ6:00 PM

- Kabbalat Shabbat at AJ6:15 PM

SATURDAY MORNING

- Chapel Service10:00 AM

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah7:50 PM

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ROSH HODESH ELUL

August 11, 12, 2018 31 Elul 5778

SUNDAY MORNING

- Chapel Service9:00 AM

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SHABBAT SHOFTIM

August 17, 18, 2018 7 Elul 5778

Light Shabbat Candles.....7:35 PM

FRIDAY EVENING

- Kabbalat Shabbat6:15 PM

SATURDAY MORNING

- Chapel Service10:00 AM

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah7:40 PM

SHABBAT KI TETZE

August 24, 25, 2018 14 Elul 5778

Light Shabbat Candles.....7:25 PM

FRIDAY EVENING

- Devotion by the Ocean, in Ventnor, NJ6:00 PM

- Kabbalat Shabbat at AJ6:15 PM

SATURDAY MORNING

- Chapel Service10:00 AM

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah7:30 PM

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SHABBAT KI TAVO

August 31, September 1, 2018 21 Elul 5778

Light Shabbat Candles.....7:14 PM

FRIDAY EVENING

- Kabbalat Shabbat6:15 PM

SATURDAY MORNING

- Chapel Service10:00 AM

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah7:15 PM

- Selihotdetails to come

The Havurah will meet periodically over the summer.

Please see the service schedule in the weekly email.

DAILY MINYAN MORNING SERVICES

Sunday9:00 AM

Monday and Thursday7:20 AM

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday7:30 AM

Rosh Hodesh Services (weekday)7:00 AM

EVENING SERVICES

Monday through Thursday7:00 PM

In the month of July, Monday through Thursday evening

services will be at AJ at 7:00 PM. In the month of August,

Monday through Thursday evening services will be at

Beth Sholom (BSC) at 7:00 PM.

SUNDAY EVENING MINYAN

In July at AJ at 7:00 PM

In August at Beth Sholom at 7:00 PM

In September at AJ at 7:00 PM

Many thanks to **Ann Kalmanor** for helping out in the synagogue office while we were waiting for our new administrative assistant, **Beryl Rosoff-Verbit** to begin. We welcome Beryl to AJ; stop into the office next time you're at AJ and say hello to her.



AJ's 160th Annual Meeting Report

By David L. Reibstein, President of Adath Jeshurun

Hello Everyone!

I want to share with you excerpts from my remarks at AJ's 160th Annual Meeting. It is a condensed version, because the original 11 pages would take up the entire newsletter!

We are celebrating the 160th anniversary of AJ and it's an extremely important time in our congregation's history. Our new normal acknowledges that we have different constituencies in our congregation and that we need to cater to all of them. What makes AJ special is that we are a diverse group of families that is open-minded and hamish and caring and thoughtful. We don't all express our Judaism in the same way. But we all care about the past, present, and future of AJ.

My belief is that AJ should provide value for what its different constituencies are looking for in a congregation. We need to acknowledge and recognize that there are enough common interests within those constituencies that AJ, as a whole, will be vibrant and integral.

Let's turn to some of the highlights of the last 12 months.

Beth Sholom

As you know, our two years of merger negotiations with Beth Sholom have ended. I want to thank all the primary participants; there are too many to mention. I want to thank them for their time, patience, diplomacy, meetings, phone calls, golf games, conference calls, sidebars, put-ups, put-downs, inconveniences, and anything else they may have dealt with.

And thank you to **Bruce Armon**. Bruce led these meetings and regardless of the result, whether we made the right decision or not, Bruce stewarded AJ through a difficult minefield. He is to be commended for all that he has done for AJ and I want to single him out with a very special thank you.

Balanced Budget

In the past year, for the first time in many years, we right-sized our budget. We have a balanced budget that projects an equal amount of revenue and expenses for the upcoming fiscal year. This is the first step to ensuring that AJ flourishes and thrives.

AJ Annual Fundraiser (SPEC)

On Sunday evening, June 3, we offered a thoughtful tribute to **Eddie and Shelia Chacker** and heard from the Stاپitol Ceps (Capitol Steps). It was an evening to remember. With 99% percent of the precincts reporting, we have raised more than \$100,000. This number is significantly important because it continues our run of netting more than \$100,000 for this fundraiser.

Let's talk about some present initiatives.

Clergy

On June 9, we had a special evening honoring **Rabbi Kobrin**. There are pictures and tributes that you can find on the AJ website as part of that celebration. Go to the website homepage (www.adathjeshurun.info) and click on the link at the end of the "Digital Scrapbook for Rabbi Kobrin" scrapbook, or go to the scrapbook directly at www.carrajoy.wixsite.com/rkscrapbook.

I am extremely excited to report to the congregation that **Rabbi Barry Kenter** and I have agreed to terms of a contract that will make him our part-time, interim rabbi. Rabbi Kenter is a part-time, interim rabbi because I feel that we have clergy to provide care and spirituality to AJ when Rabbi Kenter is not at AJ. Of course, I am talking about **Hazzan Glantz**, who is about to enter into his 15th year as our hazzan. In those 15 years, Hazzan has been a tremendous asset to the congregation, providing ritual, spiritual, and of course, musical excellence to our service and lives.

Federation Housing

Since last year, a small committee and I have been talking with Federation Housing, Inc. in an effort to secure a real estate transaction whereby the north side of our building will be removed and in its place, a 50-unit apartment building will be constructed that will be owned and operated by Federation Housing.

The key takeaways for now are as follows:

1. We have not entered into any permanent agreement and will not do so without hearing from the congregation.
2. The transaction in question calls for no change to either of our prayer spaces, i.e., the Strauss Chapel and the sanctuary. It will allow us to upgrade many of the building systems while retrofitting the balance of the building that we are left with.

3. In the part of the building that is left, we will be able to accommodate all of the current groups that operate out of our building on a daily basis including the preschool, KleinLife: Montgomery County, the havurah, JQuest, and everyone else.
4. The improvements to the building and campus will include an elevator to service the first and second floors as well as upgrades to the Orleans Auditorium and other areas of the building. Further, there will be an upgraded outdoor multi-purpose space that can be used for services and other community events.

The purpose of this transaction is to create an environment and building that recognizes AJ's true needs, as well as raises more than one million dollars for the congregation. Federation Housing has been an excellent partner in this transaction, and I view this potential development as a win for AJ and for the greater community.

Website

One of the things that we need to do in terms of infrastructure is much less physical than developing senior housing. And it won't take as long, either.

AJ is upgrading our website. Thanks to **Maxine Croul** who has spearheaded this effort, along with **Missy Ufberg** and **Marjorie Trager**, AJ will soon be unveiling a modern, sophisticated website that more closely reflects to the public and to our members, who we are and what are trying to accomplish at AJ.

In terms of what we are trying to accomplish at AJ, let's turn to the future:

Our 160th Year

As we start the 160th year at AJ, we cherish the honor and the privilege of the AJ Way that we have all taken part in. We have such a mosaic history, and a ruach that is truly special.

We will cherish that ruach in ways that have not been determined yet. Stay tuned for the next time you will hear from me on this bimah... Yes, the Kol Nidre appeal speech is in process and we'll use it to unveil the special ways in which we will celebrate 160 years, and, of course, raise funds for the congregation as well.

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The Teen Giving Project

The Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia shepherds a diverse group of goal-oriented (and fun-loving!) 9th and 10th graders from throughout Greater Philadelphia to raise and allocate funds to solve real community issues. Along the way, participants learn about Jewish values, and what it really means to be a leader.

The Teen Giving Project meets approximately eight Sundays between October and May. Applications are currently being accepted for the 2018–19 cohort. You can read more about this important initiative at <http://jewishphilly.org/teengivingproject>.

We are very proud of our AJ participants and feel privileged to have supported their efforts.

LEFT: From left to right: Ross Armon, Rory Glantz (Teen Leader) and Jacob Chase were honored for their work by Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia on May 22, as part of the Teen Giving Project.



ABOVE AND RIGHT: Dr. Carol Harris-Shapiro (Rabbi) presented a three-part Sunday morning program between March and May of this year examining the Jews of China. It was highly informative and attention-grabbing as well! Sincere and heartfelt thanks to Carol for her superb preparation of this program.

BELOW: The first-ever AJ Men's Association Shabbat Havdalah Program was held on Saturday, May 5. Pictured is Rabbi Kobrin with congregants at the end of havdalah which was preceded by minḥah, seudah shlishit, and ma'ariv. Great food and ruach experienced by everyone!



**It's time again for
Congregation Adath Jeshurun's blood drive.**

**AMERICAN RED CROSS
BLOOD DRIVE AT AJ**

**Wednesday, July 25,
2:30 PM to 7:30 PM**

It's an easy way to perform
a potentially life-saving mitzvah!

To schedule an appointment,
you can call Michele Rifkin at 215.264.6607
or go directly to www.redcrossblood.org

**GENERAL MEETING OF THE
ADATH JESHURUN MEN'S ASSOCIATION**

Wednesday, August 1, 7:00 PM

All men of the congregation welcome!

In the AJ library, ground floor;
Refreshments will be served.



Adath Jeshurun Men's Association

SCOUTING FOR FUTURE SCOUTS!

Boy Scout Troop 185 and Cub Pack 185 are looking for boys who are ready for adventure, fun, making new friends and learning new skills.

Boys ages 6–10, contact Dan Robbins at robbinsdb@gmail.com, or 215.782.8931; boys ages 11–17, contact Neil Schmerling at taxscout@aol.com or 215.742.1758.



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Devotion
by the **Ocean**

Kabbalat shabbat on the beach...
what could be better?

Three dates this summer:
July 27 and August 10 and 24.
The service begins
at 6:00 PM.

**Newport Avenue Beach
Ventnor, NJ 08406**

**LUNCH AND LEARN NOONTIME TORAH AT AJ
Tuesdays, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM**

The Rabbinical Assembly—Mid-Atlantic Region invites you to join us weekly at noon for the study of Torah. A rabbi and other like-minded individuals await you to engage in exciting discussion and thoughtful analysis of the weekly Torah portion or other stimulating topic. Each class is self-contained so you can plug in at any given week. Bring your lunch and a Bible; drinks will be provided. All are welcome. For more information or a list of other locations, call AJ at 215.635.6611.

ATTENTION: PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS!

Do you have adult children/grandchildren who live in the Philadelphia area? If so, please send us their contact information. We are planning events for young adults in the city and would love for them to participate! Thanks in advance.

**DOES YOUR WEEKLY SCHEDULE
NEED MORE FUN?**

**Come play Mah Jongg and
meet new friends!**

We meet Wednesday mornings from
9:00 AM—12:00 noon in Room 10.

**July dates: 11, 18 and 25
August dates: 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29**

ALL LEVELS WELCOME!

For more information, contact Judy Szekely
at 215.635.8812 or gszekely3@comcast.net.

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AJ New Way Forward

Naomi and Skip Atkins and **Michele Rifkin** and **Neil Wernick** will be the team leaders of the AJ New Way Forward initiative. (This section is intentionally abbreviated because there is a front-page article on this topic, that I hope you will have a chance to read.)

New Rabbi Search

The last topic that I want to touch on tonight is the search for a new rabbi.

We will be hiring a new rabbi in the late spring of next year. In order to do that, we will empower a new, as-of-yet unidentified group of individuals to be the rabbi search committee. It is premature to embark on that process because I want to the AJ New Way Forward Team to continue their process, prior to starting the search. Also, rabbi candidates have not been identified yet, so we have some time.

If you are interested in participating on the committee (or being considered for the rabbi position), please let me or one of the executive committee members know and we'll discuss it in the upcoming months.

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Once the constituency group chairs were secured, a series of parlor meetings was organized to provide an unfettered opportunity for members who identify with each specific group to express their thoughts and feelings about where AJ finds itself now, and their wishes and ideas for where it should be in the future. The parlor meetings, to be held throughout the summer and early fall, are to be led by the constituency group chairs, with one or more of the leadership team present to help facilitate an open, honest, and wide-ranging discussion.

The next phase of the AJNWF process will assemble the data obtained in the parlor meetings into a series of targeted questions as part of a synagogue-wide membership survey. The goal is to quantify the sentiments expressed in the parlor meetings. The findings will be presented to the congregation in a series of Town Hall meetings in late fall. Ultimately, AJNWF will compile the findings of the several months-long process and issue a report with recommendations to the Executive Committee and Board of Directors which will reflect the goals and ideas of the entire membership regarding AJ's future direction. The report will also inform the rabbi search committee so that its efforts will reflect the spirit and findings of AJNWF in selecting our next rabbi.

So tonight, we have touched on many topics. And I would be remiss in leaving the following unsaid. In the past year, since I have been acting as your president, I have come to rely tremendously on the support and help of a group of people that too often do not get enough of the credit for our success.

I want to acknowledge and sincerely thank all of those who are on staff at AJ. This congregation is effective in fulfilling its mission because of our professional team, from the rabbi to the custodial staff. As a congregation we ask a lot of the people we employ. And on behalf of the congregation, I want to say thank you and kol hakavod.

In conclusion, I want to express to you that I believe that our opportunity is in front of us. In short, all we have to do is offer value to all the constituencies that make up the fabric of AJ. And in that manner we will be living up to our belief at AJ that Judaism is deeply meaningful, compelling, and responsive to the needs and concerns of our people and our world.

Thank you very much. We are adjourned.

The key to the success of the AJNWF initiative will be membership-wide participation and complete transparency in the process, with ongoing communication among the steering committee, AJNWF participants, its leadership team, the Executive Committee and Board of Directors, and the rabbi search committee. This communication will take numerous forms, including email, synagogue mailings, a listserv, the *AJ News* and website. In addition, we have created a blog at www.AJNWF.blogspot.com to memorialize and archive chronologically all important project documents. Please visit the blog site and sign up for email notifications.

Now is the time for you to help. We need everyone's input, because we all care deeply about the future of AJ. Please contact us and become part of the process, part of the conversation, and an integral part of AJ's future.

AJNWF Leadership Team

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AJ Preschool & Infant Center

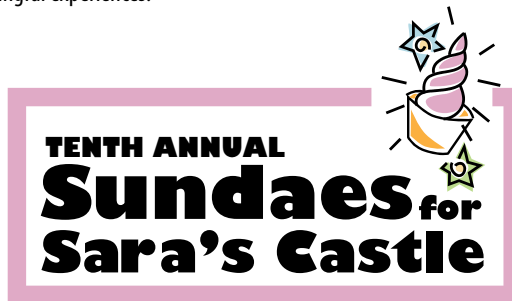
Michelle Bernstein, Early Education Director

We have had a successful spring here in the AJ Preschool & Infant Center! We had our annual fundraiser, ComedySportz, on April 21. We had an amazing raffle, silent auction and live auction, including BEAUTIFUL art work made by each of the classes. The night was full of laughs and great energy, resulting in the Preschool & Infant Center making over \$8,000! We appreciate all of you who supported us.

On June 3 we not only celebrated our successful school year, but we also held our annual Sundaes for Sara's Castle fundraiser. We made over \$700 — all of which is set aside to maintain the castle, ensuring years of play and memories for the children.

As we get ready to start our camp season, I want to personally thank everyone who continues to spread the word and support our amazing program here at AJ. We are so very fortunate to have an early learning community that truly helps build our children's future with many rich and meaningful experiences.

With gratitude, Michelle Bernstein 



COLLEGE CONNECTION

We Would Like To Connect With Your College Student!

Surprise your college student with a taste of home! College students enrolled in the **AJ College Connection Program** will receive the monthly *AJ News* and enjoy holiday packages sent to school. Children of member families only.

Please send the following information to **Sandra Goldberg** at saglpt@aol.com or call the synagogue office at 215.635.6611: Student Name, School Address, Student Email Address, Parent Email Address and Expected Year of Graduation.

This program is enthusiastically sponsored by AJWA Sisterhood. 

AJWA Sisterhood

Co-Presidents: Amy Blum and Robin Minkoff



Robyn Orodener Book Club

The Robyn Orodener Book Club, sponsored by the AJWA Sisterhood, has announced their reading list for the 5779 year! Here it is, so you can get a head start over the summer.

The Weight of Ink

by Rachel Kaddish
September 17, 2018*

My Promised Land

by Ari Shavit
October 29, 2018*

The Beauty Queen of Jerusalem

by Sarit Yishai-Levi
December 17, 2018*

One Book One Jewish Community Selection

To Be Announced
January 28, 2019*

We Were the Lucky Ones

by Georgia Hunter
February 25, 2019*

Stir: My Broken Brain and Meals That Brought Me Home

by Jessica Fechter
March 25, 2019*


Karolina's Twins

by Ronald H. Balson
May 6, 2019*

Book To Be Decided

June 3, 2019*

*All dates are subject to change, if they coincide with AJ's board meetings.

The Robyn Orodener Book Club meets on designated Monday nights at 7:45 PM in the AJ Library. If you are interested in or willing to lead a discussion, contact Liane Sher at 215.635.4613 or Judy Szekely at 215.635.8812. 



לזכר עולם In Remembrance

Anyone interested in perpetuating the memory of a loved one at AJ should contact the office for information at 215.635.6611. Yahrzeits of the following individuals will be observed as follows:

JULY 1, 2018 to JULY 7, 2018

18 Tammuz 5778 to 24 Tammuz 5778

To be read on Friday, July 6 and Saturday, July 7



Edwin Apothaker
Julia Arronson
Eve Bender
Julia B. Bernstein
Florence Bliss
Annie Blume
Rabbi Bernard Cantor
Rose Cluster
Perry David Cohn, MD
Harry Donsky
Abram Epstein
Rae Fisher
Professor Israel Friedlaender
Anna Geller
Dr. Milton S. Greenberg
Sophie Greenberg
George E. Helfand
Benjamin Hofberg
Eva Jacobs
Anna Jaffe
Isabel J. Jelinek
Albert Katz
Mindel C. Kleinbard
Melvin H. Koff
Julia Lerner

Dr. Philip M. Lessig
Louis Levin
Mina Loeb
Bryan Shane Marks
Adelaide Mitchell
Jennie Oswald
Jack Paller
Rosemary Post
William Reibstein
Marion Richman
Samuel Rothberg
Harry Rubenstein
Elsie U. Schwartz
Joseph Schwartz
Sarah Schwartz
Elizabeth Sher
Moses Sickles
Carrie E. Simon
Harriett Smerling
Max Smolever
Deborah Leah Steinberg
Benjamin Strauss
David L. Strauss
Hattie Tapper
Naomi G. Weinberg

JULY 8, 2018 to JULY 14, 2018

25 Tammuz 5778 to 2 Av 5778

To be read on Friday, July 13 and Saturday, July 14



Lazar Bachenheimer
Rae Beckett
Rosie Bender
Fannie Bolen
Samuel H. Brodsky
George David Brooks
Samuel Chosiad
Eugene Cohen
George Creed
Ethel Daroff
Harry Arthur Ellis
Rose Rothman Fein
Beatrice Ford
Ruth Frank
Rebecca Freed
Joseph Saul Freedman
Benjamin B. Friedman
Rev. Laib Isaac Gassel
Judith E. Glaymen
Jeannette Goldhammer
Johanna Gross
Rubin Hymovitz
Harry Jacobson
Louis Jacobson
Thelma S. Joseph
Dora S. Kabler
Jacob Kahn
Samuel Kalish
Reba Kogen
Julius L. Korson

Ida R. Kramer
Samuel Krupnick
William Morris Krupnick
Pearl R. Lamb
Chava Landau
George W. Lang
Jack J. Lashin
Harry Lavine
Alexander S. Layman
Rosetta Alkus Lederer
Max Levin
Barnett Levy
Evelyn Lichtman
Jean Liedman
Sophie F. Lipschutz
Joseph Nathaniel Lisman
Henry Love
Myer Aaron Margolis
Anna Markowitz
Rachel A. Mayer
Marie Mechanic
Rose Gertrud Orgiefsky
Harry Pasternack
Michael Pfeffer
Isadore H. Pinsky
Fannie Kahn Price
Nathan L. Rachmuel
Murray S. Rosen
Dvora Rosenber
Herbert William Rosenfeld

Samuel G. Sanders
Harry Sherman
Jean Shull
Cecilia Jeannette Simon
Louis Soffin
Maurice Staub

Nathan Stein
Lena Strauss
Benjamin Strouse
Jacob Wallfield
Louis Wellenbach
Rose Wisneski

JULY 15, 2018 to JULY 21, 2018

3 Av 5778 to 9 Av 5778

To be read on Friday, July 20 and Saturday, July 21



Sarah N. Aion
Harry Alloy
Yetta C. Apothaker
Abraham Beilan
Estelle Bekoff
Jennie Bless
Ida R. Caplan
Sidney S. Chilnick
Minnie Clair
Bertha Jacobs Cleaver
Ethel Cohen
Israel Ellis
Henry David Epstein
Stanton Bernard Felzer
Rhoda M. B. Frankel
Rose Friedman
Lena Ethel Fuller
Cora R. Gerson
Jacob H. Getzow
Josephine R. Gluck
Frank Gochin
Molly Gochin
Max Goldberg
Rose Goldstein

Oscar Guggenheim
Eva Heidelberger
Selma S. Hertz
Robert M. Katz
Joseph Kieserman
William Lyons
Milton Malish
Rose S. Maybaum
Elise Odenheimer
Sophie Oppenheimer
Garry Robert Parker
Anna Polin
Dorothy G. Polsky
Harry Polsky
Louis Pottash
Israel Reibstein
Helen Rosen
Abraham W. Saltzberg
Louise Schneideman
Herman Schwartz
Sigmund Sugarbread
Louis J. Tabby
Louis Tubis
Ethel Weller

JULY 22, 2018 to JULY 28, 2018

10 Av 5778 to 16 Av 5778

To be read on Friday, July 27 and Saturday, July 28



Henry Arnstein
Samuel A. Baron
Stanley L. Basche
Jerome Berg
Rose Berkowitz
Rose Shuman Bernstein
Raymond Blatt
Lester M. Bloch
Miriam Boorstein
Harry Brown
Ralph Caplin
Byrdie Cohn
Rose Domansky
Esther Felzer
Bernhard Fuhrmann
Harry A. Glashofer
Mildred Goldblatt
Rubin Goldfine
Sylvia R. Goldstein
Max Green
Rose Gruber
Lillian Shore Harzenstein
Lucille Hess
Fanny Binswanger Hoffman

Manuel Isser
Samuel Jawer
Charles Kahn
Hymen Kanoff
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JULY 29, 2018 to AUGUST 4, 2018

17 Av 5778 to 23 Av 5778

To be read on Friday, August 3 and Saturday, August 4



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AUGUST 5, 2018 to AUGUST 11, 2018

24 Av 5778 to 30 Av 5778

To be read on Friday, August 10 and Saturday, August 11



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AUGUST 12, 2018 to AUGUST 18, 2018

1 Elul 5778 to 7 Elul 5778

To be read on Friday, August 17 and Saturday, August 18



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AUGUST 19, 2018 to AUGUST 25, 2018

8 Elul 5778 to 14 Elul 5778

To be read on Friday, August 24 and Saturday, August 25



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AUGUST 26, 2018 to SEPTEMBER 1, 2018

15 Elul 5778 to 21 Elul 5778

To be read on Friday, August 31 and Saturday, Sept. 1



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If you have a topic that you think would be of interest to other congregants, let us know. We'll ask you to write a short article (emphasis on short!) about your experience for possible insertion into the *AJ News*. Provide pictures if relevant. Writing should be conversational in tone. If you mention other congregants in your article, please confirm their approval in advance. Contact Marjorie Trager at 215.635.6611 or mtrager@adathjeshurun.info if you would like to submit an article.

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The Seasons of Our Lives

Adath Jeshurun looks forward to acknowledging significant milestones in the lives of our members. Announcements for *The Seasons of Our Lives* should be sent to the synagogue office in writing or by email to brownj@adathjeshurun.info with the notation "Seasons of Our Lives" in the subject line. Information received by the first of the month will appear in the following month's issue. Please include your phone number.

Births

Jordana Lucy Seltzer, granddaughter of Shari and David Seltzer
April 24, 2018

Zoe Anne Brereton, great-granddaughter of Gladys Steinslofer
April 30, 2018

Ethan Leo Guthmann Steinfield, grandson of Dr. Paul and Sandra Steinfield
April 30, 2018



Simchat

Rebecca Boushee, granddaughter of Aileen and Mel Rothbard, became a bat mitzvah on April 21, 2018.

Riley Bagnato, grandson of Stephen Klein, became a bar mitzvah on June 30, 2018.

Engagements

Lori Nicole Buzgon, daughter of Susan and Howard Buzgon, became engaged to Steven Eric Sclarow.



Deaths

Samuel Shull, father of Lorna Rosenberg (Murray)
April 4, 2018

Sylvia Seltzer, mother of Dr. Marjorie Stanek
April 15, 2018

Norma Nancy Bernstein, mother of David Bernstein (Michelle)
April 28, 2018

Raleigh Rigler, mother of Rabbi Peter Rigler (Rabbi Stacy Rigler)
April 30, 2018

Robert Feld, husband of Anita
June 11, 2018

July Milestone Anniversaries

35 YEARS

• Steven and Tammy Zebovitz *July 31, 1983*

August Milestone Anniversaries

55 YEARS

• Allan and Vivian Marmon *August 4, 1963*

35 YEARS

• Michael and Barbara Levin *August 26, 1973*

In the April/May/June *AJ News*, we neglected to list **Leonard and Wendy Cooper** among the June Milestone Anniversaries. They were married on June 19, 1983 and celebrated their 35th anniversary this year. We apologize for the oversight.

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LEFT: On May 1, Hazzan Glantz and a number of AJers participated in the "Sing Hallelujah" Concert at Verizon Hall at the Kimmel Center. The photo at left shows the amazing Fred J. Cooper Memorial Organ in the hall. It is the largest mechanical-action concert hall organ in the United States and 47th largest in the world. (More trivia: Where is the world's largest fully functional pipe organ? Right here in Philadelphia. . . the Wanamaker Grand Court Organ in Macy's Center City!)

BELOW AND RIGHT: The AJMA Summer Spirits Event was held on June 14. A variety of kosher wines from countries including Israel, Australia, Italy, and the U.S. were offered for tasting and education by wine specialist, Robert Peters. Sumptuous meat and vegetable dishes accompanied the wine tasting activity. This Summer Spirits Event was arranged by Morey Smerling and made possible by the graciousness of Michael and Sandra Goldberg who made their lovely home available for this wonderful occasion.

