# TEMPLE BETH EL



FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS

92nd Year September 2019 Elul 5779/Tishrei 5780 No. 1

### Regular Service Schedule

Morning Minyan (Monday & Thursday)	8:00	am
Friday Evening Services	5:30	pm
Shabbat Morning Services	10:00	am

#### SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER SPECIAL SERVICES AND EVENTS

#### SUNDAY AFTERNOON AT THE JEWISH MOVIES

Sunday, September 15th at 4:00 pm
"The Jazz Singer" - the original 1927 film with Al Jolson.
A very moving movie, and a perfect mood-setter for the Days of Awe!

#### **SELICHOT**

With Havdala: Saturday, September 21st at 7:30 pm at the Brown/Elber Home Please join us in Prayers of Repentence for the beginning of the Season of Awe and Introspection.

### PRE-HIGH HOLIDAY "BRUNCH & LEARN" WITH MR SHAI AFSAI

Sunday, September 22nd

Shacharit service (weekday morning prayer) at 9 am, followed by brunch and Mr. Afsai's talk "Benjamin Franklin's Influence on Jewish Thought and Practice" For more information about Mr. Afsai, please see page 5

#### **ROSH HASHANAH SERVICES**

First Day: Monday, September 30th
Shacharit Service at 9:00 am, Torah Service at 10:00 am
Tashlikh at 4:00 pm: Meet at The Cove Restaurant Parking Lot
Second Day: Tuesday, October 1st
Shacharit Service at 9:00 am, Torah Service at 10:00 am

#### COMMUNITY MEMORIAL SERVICE

Sunday, October 6th at 11:00 am at Temple Beth El Cemetery

#### YOM KIPPUR SERVICES

Kol Nidre: Tuesday, October 8th at 6:30 pm Morning Service: Wednesday, October 9th Shacharit Service at 9:00 am, Torah Service at 10:00 am (Includes Yizkor) Mincha/Ne'ilah/Maariv: 5:30 pm

#### **SUKKOT**

First Day: Monday, October 14th at 10:00 am Second Day: Tuesday, October 15th at 10:00 am

#### A message from our Spiritual Leader, Rabbi Mark Elber

#### "More Than Jews Have Kept Shabbat, Shabbat Has Kept The Jews"

The above quotation sounds like it could have come from the days of our sages from close to 2,000 years ago, but it actually comes from the pen of Ahad Ha'Am who lived from 1856-1927. Ahad Ha'Am was the pen-name of Asher Tzvi Ginsberg, the founder of Cultural Zionism. Ahad Ha'Am never perceived himself as a serious writer, so he published his work under this pen-name which means "one of the people."

On the eve of my trip to Israel, I'm thinking of the state of the Jewish people there and here. There were two major Zionist trends when the movement to return to our ancient homeland began in the late 1800s. One was Political Zionism and the other was Cultural Zionism. Both branches of the movement were concerned with the survival of the Jewish people. Political Zionism concerned itself, first and foremost, with our physical survival. From the days of exile from the Land of Israel by the Romans after the destruction of the Temple in 70 CE, our physical survival often felt in peril. Political Zionists saw the future of the Jewish people in our resettlement in the Land of Israel with the fulfillment of the messianic dream of our dispersed and exiled people all returning to the land of our origins. They believed, as one of their most famous slogans put it, that we would "build the land and be rebuilt by the land." In other words, returning to the land of Israel and having independence and sovereignty there would create a new kind of Jew.

Ahad Ha'Am, on the other hand, saw the Land of Israel as the future cultural center of the Jewish people. In other words, not every Jew would realistically return there, but the community that would be established there would be the source of a renewed Jewishness. Ahad Ha'Am was raised in a very traditional community in Russia and by his middle adolescence he was a recognized scholar of Talmud and Hassidic devotional texts. However, by his mid-twenties he had broken away from the strict religious observance of his childhood. Many, if not most, of the early Zionist pioneers and thinkers had a good background in the Jewish tradition, even if they ceased to practice it in the way their parents did. Nevertheless, their Jewish identity was formed with the wealth and richness of our tradition in their background.

I understand Ahad Ha'Am's quotation above to mean that "doing Jewish" (as Reb Zalman Schachter-Shalomi liked to call it), was essential to being Jewish. The way a person practices observing Shabbat may differ from person to person, but when Shabbat becomes like the other six days of the week, a fundamental part of being Jewish is lost. When we cease to be well-versed in the literature that formed the Jewish people and sustained it, another foundational element of Jewishness is lost. The early political Zionists felt

that the land and the Hebrew language were the two most important components of a people's identity, so they focused on encouraging the return to the land and the revival of the Hebrew language. Both of those components succeeded immensely. Israel is now home to the largest Jewish community in the world, and world-class literature has been written in modern Hebrew. Culturally, Israel is extremely vibrant. There are some people in Israel, possibly a significant percentage of the population, who worry about the soul of our people in Israel. The same issue that Ahad Ha'Am raised about Israel being a cultural center for Judaism in addition to Jewishness, underlies this concern. If we are not connected to our spiritual roots, that which nurtured our spirits for millennia, there is reason for concern about our soul as a nation and as a people. Strikingly, though there is an enormous amount of assimilation among American Jews, and the level of Jewish literacy among American Jews is a great challenge, there has also been a lot of innovation within the Jewish world and Judaism here in the United States.

For many people I have known in Israel, just living in the land and speaking the language is sufficient for their Jewish identity. In the Diaspora, obviously neither of those elements pertains. Without concrete Jewish elements in people's lives, it's hard to imagine what kind of Jewish identity can survive from generation to generation, especially in the Diaspora. As much as we may enjoy or feel nostalgic about Jewish foods (and I do), gastronomic Judaism alone will not sustain us as a people.

Most rabbis hope that the Jewish community will embrace Judaism and Jewish practice, see the value in observing Shabbat and holidays in some manner that makes them distinct from the other days of the week and distinctively Jewish, and that people will feel inspired to look to the classic literature of our tradition for meaning and wisdom. Exactly how we "do Jewish" may evolve and be modified over the centuries, but the effect of "doing Jewish" remains a central element in keeping and sustaining us. Here's another small example. Probably most of us are familiar with the blessing "Shehekheyanu" which literally expresses gratitude for our being alive, sustained, and able to experience what we're about to experience. That blessing is best known for being recited when we reach a holiday. We recite it at the evening Kiddush over wine or grape juice at the beginning of a holiday. However, it is also traditionally recited when you put on a new article of clothing or experience something special for the first time, or even eat a fruit for the first time that year (the year beginning on Rosh Hashana). If you see the Grand Canyon, for example, for the first time, making the "Shehekheyanu" blessing at that moment transforms what was already an amazing event into a distinctly Jewish way of expressing gratitude for being alive to experience it while also connecting this natural wonder to the spiritual component that underlies and unites all existence.

On behalf of Shoshana, Lev, and myself I would like to wish you all a Happy, Healthy, and Sweet New Year. Shana Tova U'metuka!!

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The first order of business as we head into our busy holiday season is to welcome our new board member, Mr. Jeffrey Weissman. As most of you know, Jeff has been president of Adas Israel and the Hebrew Cemetery for many years. Despite having a very difficult year, having to say goodbye to both his beloved wife Janet and his synagogue, he has committed to helping us lead our congregation into the future. We welcome his expertise and thank Jeff and our entire board for their time and commitment.

I am excited to announce that we will be hosting a special speaker on Sunday, November 3rd. Morton Dean (Dubitsky), a Fall River native, is an Emmy Award winning news correspondent, former television anchor for both ABC and CBS, and is best known for covering the US Space Program and Vietnam War. We will have more information in the October bulletin, but for now save the date and tell your friends!

Over the summer we lost five long-time members of our congregation. Hilda Reiser, Bernice Dubitsky, Barbara Kates, Mel Cohen and Sanford Goldstein all led remarkably long lives -- their average age was 95.6! With all those years come many wonderful memories, and the chance to watch their families grow and prosper. My sincere condolences to all who knew and loved them.

A special thank you to the family of Barbara Kates, who bequeathed a very generous gift to the Temple Beth El cemetery.

As we make final preparations for the High Holidays, I would like to invite anyone who would like to do an English reading or simply hold a Torah on Kol Nidre to please contact the office as soon as possible. The more people involved in our services, the better! I am once again looking for a few voluteers to be ushers for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. We have added a few new ushers over the past few years, but a few more would always be welcome!

Lastly, as I like to do this time every year, I want to thank our small but wonderful staff, Judy Morgenstern, Marie Twomey, George Haire and Carlton Smith. We have recently hired a new custodian, Matthew Botelho, whose main responsibility is cleaning. He has been an enthusiastic addition to our staff, and has started out by thoroughly cleaning the entire sanctuary in preparation for the holidays. If you notice an area that needs attention, please let the office know and we will put Matthew to work on it.

I wish you all a happy, healthy and prosperous-New Year. Shanah Tovah!

Steve Silverman

# Sisterhood President's Message

I can't believe that it's September, and we have now begun to lose daylight hours. At this time of year there is a lot of activity here at the Temple, as we begin to prepare for the High Holidays. I hope everyone had a safe and healthy summer. Myself, I'm hoping for a nice long fall. Beautiful weather and colorful flowers do much for lifting our spirits.

This summer Sisterhood celebrated our annual paid-up membership luncheon at the Old Grist Mill. It was a lively afternoon of good food and socialization. This is a good time for our ladies to get together and exchange ideas and opinions. The following people helped to make it a rousing success; Elaine Reback, Hannah Evans, Anita Bolski, Beverly Solup, Judy Morgenstern and Marie Twomey. Thank you again ladies.

Watch your emails and bulletins, as we have several events coming up in the upcoming weeks.

So until next month, keep well and stay safe.

Libby Cohen Sisterhood President

# Sisterhood Gift Shop

I have restocked the N.E. Patriots black suede kipot just in time for football season. If you have a friend or family member that is a Patriots fan, this is a great gift...and they are only \$15.

Come browse our selection of Judaica jewelry from pendants to chamsa bracelets. A mezuzah makes a wonderful gift for a new home or apartment...and for a sports fan, we have Red Sox and Patriots mezuzot. If there is something you might need but is not available in the gift shop, just give me a call or send me an email and we can look through my catalogs.

Shana tova,

Hannah R. Evans
Phone: 508-674-2505
Email: hannahbecky@comcast.net

#### HIGH HOLIDAY VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

Are you interested in doing an English reading or holding a Torah on Kol Nidre? How about being an usher on Rosh Hashanah or Yom Kippur? If so, please contact the office ASAP! Thanks!

#### SERVICE SCHEDULE

#### September 2019 Elul 5779/Tishrei 5780

Note: Please refer to the bulletin cover for details about the High Holiday and Selichot services.

Sunday, September 1 (1 Elul) Rosh Chodesh Elul

Friday, September 6 (6 Elul) Shabbat Service Candle Lighting	5:30 pm 6:52 pm
Saturday, September 7 (7 Elul) Weekly Portion: Shoftim	10:00 am
Friday, September 13 (13 Elul) Shabbat Service Candle Lighting	5:30 pm 6:40 pm
Saturday, September 14 (14 Elul) Weekly Portion: Ki Teitzei	10:00 am
Friday, September 20 (20 Elul) Shabbat Service Candle Lighting	5:30 pm 6:28 pm
Saturday, September 21 (21 Elul) Weekly Portion: Ki Tavo Selikhot	10:00 am
Friday, September 27 (27 Elul) Shabbat Service Candle Lighting	5:30 pm 6:16 pm
Saturday, September 28 (28 Elul) Weekly Portion: Nitzavim	10:00 am

Sunday, September 29 (29 Elul) Erev Rosh Hashanah

Monday, September 30 (1 Tishrei) Rosh Hashanah – First Day



# Save the Date!

Special Sunday Breakfast featuring Television News Correspondent and Anchor:

**Morton Dean** 

Sunday, November 3rd Bring your friends!

#### TEMPLE OFFICE

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#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday - Friday, 9 am to Noon

#### **OFFICE CLOSED:**

Monday, Sept. 2nd - Labor Day Monday, Sept. 30th - Rosh Hashanah 1st Day

#### WISH LIST REMINDER!

In June Rabbi Mark chose our current "Wish List" item, which is a set of new High Holiday Prayer Books. Each book costs \$50, and while we will happily accept any donation, those who donate \$50 or more will have a book plate printed in memory or in honor of a loved one. We hope to have raised enough funds to purchase at least 200 books for the holidays next year. So far we have enough for 18 books..182 to go! Thank you for considering making a special donation to our Wish List!

#### HIGH HOLIDAY SEAT FEES

Just a reminder that non-members are requested to send a donation of \$25 per person per holiday for the Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. We use the honor system - no tickets are required. We will also accept a letter from another synagogue stating that the guest is a member in good standing. Current Adas Israel members are welcome to attend at no charge.

#### IN MEMORIAM

HILDA REISER June 12, 2019 – 10 Sivan 5779

BERNICE DUBITSKY June 29, 2019 – 26 Sivan 5779

BARBARA KATES July 8, 2019 – 5 Tammuz 5779

MELVIN COHEN AUGUST 7, 2019 – 6 AV 5779

SANFORD GOLDSTEIN August 10, 2019 – 9 av 5779

MAY THEIR MEMORY BE FOR A BLESSING

#### TBE News & Notes

My "news and notes" are short this month. As to our summer activities, you can see from the enclosed photos that a group of us did enjoy a field trip to the South Dartmouth community's mosque, Masjid Al Ehsan, and a smaller group of us enjoyed two of our planned nature walks: one to Colt State Park, and the other to the beach at Round Pond in Little Compton. (Once again, the Allens Pond trip, scheduled for June, was rained out...we will try again in October!)

Some of the more important events for our preholiday season are noted on the front page of this bulletin – so please mark those on your calendars.

Here are a few of our regular monthly (or weekly) offerings:

**Monday morning Adult Ed. classes**: Please note that there will be no class on Labor Day. There may be other scheduling changes near the end of the month due to High Holiday preparation – TBD.

Sunday Afternoon at the Jewish Movies: Sept 15th, 4 PM: The original ground-breaking talking (and singing!) film, *The Jazz Singer* – a perfect mood-setter for the High Holidays – don't miss it!

**TBE Nature Walk:** Thursday, Sept. 19th. This month, we will try something different – a chunk of Newport's famous Cliff Walk (the distance will depend on the group's comfort level). Please meet in the Vestry at 9:15. Bring water, and money for snacks afterwards. (If you have questions about the weather, call the TBE office that day at 9 AM.)

That's all, folks...looking forward to seeing you all over the holidays!



Robin Fielding, Carole Cooper and Cantor Shoshana enjoyed a perfect summer day's walk to the beach near Round Pond in Little Compton in August.



#### SUNDAY AT THE JEWISH MOVIES

#### "The Jazz Singer"

This groundbreaking film from 1927 – one of the first "talkies" – features a classic conflict between father and son, Jewish heritage and the promise of America. Young Jakie Rabinowitz is the son of a cantor, and expected to follow in his footsteps. Instead, he wants to be a jazz singer. The tug of Jakie's dreams versus the pull of his love and sense of duty to his father (and muchloved mother) make a heart-wrenching plot very much in tune with the themes of the High Holidays.

# Pre-High Holiday Brunch and Learn with Mr. Shai Afsai, Sunday, September 22nd

Shai Afsai will speak on "Benjamin Franklin's Influence on Jewish Thought and Practice." The morning will begin with Shacharit (weekday morning prayer) at 9 am, followed by brunch, and Mr. Afsai's talk beginning at approximately 10:15 am.

How did a quintessentially American personality like Benjamin Franklin influence the Jewish ethical tradition of mussar (popular in the early 1800's)? Shai Afsai will discuss this surprising historical development, which Judaic scholars have often been confused about or uncomfortable acknowledging, and to which Franklin specialists have been largely oblivious.

Shai Afsai is a writer and librarian living in Providence. His recent research has focused on the writings of Thomas Paine, Jews and Freemasonry, the religious traditions of the Beta Yisrael Jewish community from Ethiopia, emerging Judaism in Nigeria, aliyah to Israel from Rhode Island, Jewish pilgrimage to Ukraine, and Jews and Irish literature. His work on Franklin and Judaism is made possible through funding support from the Rhode Island Council for the Humanities, and has been published in The Journal of the American Revolution and in The Review of Rabbinic Judaism.

### Thank you for your donations received through August 20, 2019

#### **YAHRZEITS**

For the vahrzeit of my beloved...

Father, David Appel Mother, Sadie Bachman Uncle, Joseph Bolski Father, William Bolski Father, William Bolski Father, Jacob Ellsas Husband, Allan Evans Grandmother, Bertha Feder Mother, Sarah Feldman Son, Matt Gale Mother, Julia Galitsky

Mother, Frances Goldman Parents, Betty & Joseph Greenberg Grandfather, Morris Grozen

Grandparents, Lilly & Morris

Grozen

Parents, Antoinette & Jack

Mother, Dorothy Gold

Hochberg

Father, grandfather, Harry Holtzman

Mother, Rose Horowitz **Father, Isidore Horvitz** 

Mother, Rose Juda Mother, Rose Karp Father, Joseph Kassler **Uncle, Samuel Kates** 

Parents, Rose & George Kessler

Father, Louis Krasnow Father, Bernard Kaufman Mother, Lillian Levin Mother, Evelyn Lowenstein Mother in law, Belle Lowenthal Cousin, Samuel Mednick Wife, Melba Meister Parents, Rose & Philip Ostroff Parents, Marjory & Henry Packer

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For the yahrzeit of my beloved grandmother, Lena

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#### **CAPITAL FUND**

In honor of Sumner Alpert celebrating a special birthday

Susan & Dick Wolfson

In honor of Aaron Lewis celebrating a birthday

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In honor of Dr. Harvey Reback for his service to our country

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In honor of Jill Feldman Rosen receiving her PHD

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In memory of Sandy David

In memory of Nathan Dondis

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For the vahrzeit of our beloved brother, Bert Udovin

Judith & Frank Kosofsky

#### BERNARD HOROWITZ BUILDING MAINTENANCE FUND

In honor of Sheila Horowitz celebrating a birthday In homor of Mark Saltzman celebrating a birthday In memory of Nathan David Dondis who, with his beloved sister, Annette Horowitz, laid the temple cornerstone in 1928

In memory of Pat & Bernie Herman

For the vahrzeit of Dr. Edward Hoffman

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In memory of Nathan Dondis

Sheila Horowitz

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In memory of beloved parents, Seymour & Gladys Packer Sugarman

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In memory of beloved sister, Jane E. Sugarman

Bahira Sugarman & Rabbi Sheldon, Shaya Isenberg

In memory if beloved, Jane E. Sugarman

Dr. Kenneth Caneva

In memory of beloved parents, Solomon & Mary Shapiro Isenberg

Rabbi Sheldon Shaya Isenberg & Bahira Sugarman

In memory of beloved grandparents, Shmuel & Chana Horvitz, David & Yenta Shapiro

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In memory of Rabbi Sam & Tillie Ruderman

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In honor of Jonathan Brickman celebrating a special birthday

In honor of Professor Les Cory

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In memory of Danny Golan

In memory of Dr. Bertram Howard

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In memory of Peter Sandler

Cindy & Prof. Mel Yoken

#### WISH LIST - HIGH HOLIDAY PRAYER BOOKS

In honor of Bill Chebot

Cheryl Crossley-Simmons

In honor of Fishy Sokoll celebrating a birthday

Judy Barry

Barbara Kaplan

In memory of Joy Field

Victor Field

In memory of Nathan Dondis

In memory of Florence (Pat) Herman

In memory of Marilyn Levine

In memory of Hilda Reiser

For the recovery of Fishy Sokoll

For the yahrzeit of my beloved brother, Cantor Paul Chebot Bill Chebot

In honor of Beverly Sokoll winning a Mah Jongg Tournament In memory of Sandy David

For the recovery of Bill Chebot

For the yahrzeit of my beloved parents, Paula & Sidney Fox

Suzanne Finkel

In memory of Rachel Shira Davis, granddaughter of Elayne Lowenthal

Jill & Tom Brown

Harriet Lowenthal

In honor of my remarkable family

In honor of Sumner Alpert celebrating a special birthday

In honor of Charlie Stampler, a generous and kind gentleman

In memory of Bernice Dubitsky

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June Adult Ed. "field trip" to the Islamic Society of Massachusetts' mosque, Masjid Al Ehsan, where we were taught about Islam, the Koran, and the life of the mosque by Mr. Martin Bentz.

#### Sisterhood Book Club

#### A New Year-A Renewed Book Club

Come meet once a month to share your thoughts and feelings about a group-selected book. Choose fiction, non-fiction, biography or history.

Our first meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 16th in the Temple Library at 10:30 am.

If you would like to participate, please email me at chalah@aol.com and put BOOK CLUB in the subject line. For contact convenience, include your name, email address, and cell number.

Also, please include your 3 suggested readings.



I will pick the majority top choice, and let you know in time for our first meeting.

There's lots of room at the table. Please join us!

#### Temple Family

- Congratulations to Eric & Melissa (Skolny)
   Cohen on the birth of their baby girl, Vivian
   Ruby Cohen, on July 24th, and congratula tions to Vivian's bubbe and zayde, too...Bar bara Nelson and Fred Cohen!
- Our deepest condolences to the families of Hilda Reiser, Bernice Dubitsky, Barbara Kates, Melvin Cohen, Sanford Goldstein, Florence "Pat" Herman and Nathan Dondis.
- Our deepest condolences to Elayne Lowenthal on the loss of her granddaughter, Rachel Shira Davis.



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# Fall River United Jewish Appeal Greetings for the New Year, 5780

Rosh Hashanah is a time of beginning and Jews look forward to an opportunity to start again. In so doing, we also take stock of what we have accomplished. We have rescued Jews from distressed lands, resettling them in Israel and America. We care for the vulnerable here in our Fall River community, in Israel and around the world. We revitalize Jewish life throughout our global Jewish community. We take on the obligation of Tikkun Olam – trying to repair the world.

For the New Year - a new beginning - we must intensify our efforts. We are part of a sacred Jewish trust to continue to build, strengthen and care for our Jewish people around the world. Let's keep that trust.

In this spirit, the Fall River United Jewish Appeal Officers, Directors, and Campaign Officers wish everyone a healthful, joyous, and peaceful New Year. L'Shanah Tovah.

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shana, updated service schedules and upcoming events. You can also see the bulletin there first, especially if you live outside the greater Fall River area! Go to www.frtemplebethel.org

# YAHRZEITS

9/3/2019 3 Elul 5779 Anna Lepes Albert Benjamin Yoken David Zalkind

9/4/2019 4 Elul 5779 Lillian Jill Jeanne Lawson

9/5/2019 5 Elul 5779 Maynard Freedman Fannie Lechan

9/6/2019 6 Elul 5779 Bertram Yaffe

9/7/2019 7 Elul 5779 Natalie Shuman

9/9/2019 9 Elul 5779 Belle Freedman

9/10/2019 10 Elul 5779 Minnie Lifrak Jeanette Weiss

9/12/2019 12 Elul 5779 Jeannette Silverman

9/13/2019 13 Elul 5779 Philip Goltz

9/14/2019 14 Elul 5779 Sally Triedman

9/15/2019 15 Elul 5779 Bernard Horowitz Lillian Kay

9/16/2019 16 Elul 5779 Stanley Margolies

9/18/2019 18 Elul 5779 Sylvia Leibowitz Dr. William Levy Esther Meyerson Esther Thaler Carol D. Zalkind

9/19/2019 19 Elul 5779 Lillian E. Silverman Alpert Louis J. Cohen Dr. N. Kenneth Shand

9/20/2019 20 Elul 5779 Toby Helfenbein Weiser Isabelle Horowitz Hyman Laudon Priscilla Shuman

22 Elul 5779 9/22/2019 Evelyn Kublin

9/23/2019 23 Elul 5779 Harry Cohen Philip Dondis Helen Horvitz Gerhard Lowenstein

9/25/2019 25 Elul 5779 Celia Soorkis Sherman Weiss

9/26/2019 26 Elul 5779 Celia Levine Dora Wagner

9/27/2019 27 Elul 5779 Lillian Horvitz Lester Schwartz Elsie Udovin

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9/29/2019 29 Elul 5779 Marion Greer John Silverman Charles S. Zalkind



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