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## Ohav's Life and Legacy Society Off to a Great Start



We are very pleased to announce that since its launch on March 1, 2018, our congregation's Life and Legacy Society has made significant strides in reaching our early goals. To date, 22 congregants have submitted their Letters of Intent and represent the first wave of founding members for our synagogue. We are grateful to all those who have found it in their hearts to remember Ohav Shalom in their end-of-life giving, and also to the following people who have opted to share their names.

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## Welcome New Board Members!

Ohav Shalom is pleased to announce its newest members of the Board of Trustees following elections that occurred at the Congregational Meeting in May.

**Left to Right below: Jane Ginsburg, Esq., Dr. Brad Gornstein and Heather Rockwood** will each serve a 3-year term. We look forward to having them on the Board. At the same meeting the officers were re-elected.



**Jane Ginsburg** is an attorney by training and has been a non-profit organization specialist for more than 15 years. She received her J.D. from Temple University's Beasley School of Law in Philadelphia and her undergraduate

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MAZAL TOV! MAZAL TOV! MAZAL TOV! MAZAL TOV!

## Both Rabbis Renew their Ohav Contracts

We are thrilled to announce that our wonderful rabbinic team... Rabbi Ornstein and Rabbi Kieval... have renewed their contracts, and we can look forward to further benefitting from their wisdom, wit and *sechel* for the coming years!



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## Father's Day BBQ to Benefit Ohav's New Playground June 17 at 11:30 a.m.

Have fun, raise money and still spend time with Dad! A winning combination for all! Ohav is hosting a fundraising BBQ - hamburgers, hot dogs and the works including vegetarian choices. All profits will go toward meeting our goal of \$45,000.

We currently have a one-to-one matching challenge up to \$10,000. Any donation received will go toward the match. With YOUR help we can do it!!

**TICKETS** are \$10 adult, \$7 child 5-12, and \$36 Family (Under 5 is **free**)

Please call the office for more information or to RSVP at 518-489-4706



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Dear Friends,

Jewish Tradition teaches us that we must play an active role in the world. The concept of *tikun olam* - **repair the world** - expresses the value of volunteering in Judaism. The world may be imperfect, but we have not only the opportunity, but the obligation to help make it better; more whole.

In fact, the world really depends on people being active not only in our own lives, but also in our community's destiny. Volunteering is, in essence, holy work, and at Ohav we are blessed with a richness of volunteers. It is all of you who make us a caring community. Indeed, we would be a shell if not for the volunteers who make this a busy, crazy, creative, vibrant *shul*.

Whether you serve as a teacher or a student... support refugees or cook for the homeless... preserve the environment or make sure we have Torah readers and prayer leaders... come to morning minyan or to Shabbat services... clean the basement or the Torahs... greet people on Shabbat or clean up after an event... organize or help with an event or program... make sure the Torah procession is sweet for the kids or help celebrate on Purim... shop, visit, or serve on the Board or a on committee... and yes, even serve as President of our shul... the opportunities to get involved are endless. There is something for everyone at Ohav.

Ask any volunteer and they will tell you that they gain more than they give. They don't do it for recognition. They do it because they know volunteering helps change the world because it changes us. We Jews know this in our bones. Our community, our Ohav, could not exist for a day without our volunteers. They, YOU, are our lifeblood.

Rabbi Jonathan Sachs once said, "Community is society with a human face - the place where we know we are not alone." And that is the soul of Ohav and our culture of community and connection, which is fueled by our members, our volunteers.

As I begin my second term as your President, I encourage you to continue to give of your time and resources to continue to build our Ohav community. Please share your ideas and suggestions with me as well. And, thank you all for your patience and support. Have a great summer.

Shalom,  
Judy



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#### The DA'SH / ד"ש

DA'SH is a Hebrew acronym for  
*Derishat Shalom* (Greetings of Peace)

Co-Editors: Debbie Rausch & Terry Tyson

DA'SH appears 4 times annually. Articles and  
family news are welcome. Please send articles  
to Nancy@ohavshalom.com. **Deadlines are firm.**

All submissions for the 2018/2019 DA'SH  
are **due on the following Mondays:**

2018: July 23 (Fall), Nov. 5 (Winter)  
2019: Feb 18 (Spring); May 13 (Summer)

If you are interested in placing an ad in the  
DA'SH, please contact Nancy at the  
synagogue office, 518-489-4706 ext.10

# SERVICES

#### DAILY MINYAN

*Warm, friendly, inclusive, egalitarian*

- Sunday, 8:30 am
- Monday and Thursday, 6:45 am
- Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 7 am
- Federal Holidays, 8 am

*Please check our website for holiday times.*

#### FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

- Kabbalat Shabbat, 6:30 pm at  
Ohav Shalom Chapel

#### SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE

- Services begin at 9 am
- Torah reading begins at approximately  
10 am
- Kiddush follows services

#### SHORASHIM

##### PRE-SCHOOL - KINDERGARTEN

- 11:30 am in the chapel, beginning  
with the sanctuary Torah procession  
at about 11:15 am

**NOTE:** See below for information about additional Shabbat monthly and youth services.

## Shabbat Programs for Youth

### Teen Minyan

An interactive, high energy monthly Shabbat service for  
students in grades 5-8 . Kiddush provided. **10:30 am in the  
Kol Bo Room** in our school wing. Led by Ruth Malka. **Last  
program before summer is 6/9.** For more information,  
contact Ruth Malka at [teenminyan@ohavshalom.com](mailto:teenminyan@ohavshalom.com)



### Junior Congregation

A fun participatory service for students in grades K-6. **10:30-noon Shabbat  
mornings monthly** including prayers, songs, skits, Torah reading and  
snacks. For more information, please contact Jane Ginsburg at  
[juniorcongregation@ohavshalom.com](mailto:juniorcongregation@ohavshalom.com) or 518-301-1402 or Rabbi Kieval at the  
synagogue office. **Last class before summer is 6/9.**

## Graduate and Scholarship Shabbat - June 9

The graduates of 2018 along with the scholarship recipients have worked hard  
to reach their goals. Ohav will be recognizing and acknowledging their efforts  
at a special Graduate and Scholarship Shabbat on June 9. If your child is... or  
if YOU are... graduating this year, please let us know! We want to recognize  
as many graduates as possible! Everyone is welcome and encouraged to  
celebrate. Please call the office to let RSVP for this special Shabbat.

## Additional Shabbat Services

### Center Square Minyan in Downtown Albany

*Super Jewy. Kinda Jewy. Not so Jewy. Black. White. Brownish. Gay. Straight.  
All in between. Ashkenaz. Sephardi. Mizrahi. Afrofuturistic. Listening to  
Janelle Monae or Amy Winehouse. Let's Shabbat it up!*

At Trinity United Methodist Church, 235 Lark Street, Albany. (Please ring  
the bell on the Lancaster St. side of the building to enter), Minyan begins  
Fridays at **6 pm**. All are welcome, including kids. Contact Aaron Israel at  
[centersquareminyan@gmail.com](mailto:centersquareminyan@gmail.com) or call 518-565-0474 for more information.

**Please join us for: 6/1: Ice Cream Social**

**7/13: Shabbat on the Beach**

### Monthly Mindfulness and Mussar

Please join us on the third Shabbat of each month, about 30 minutes  
after the end of services. We will check in with ourselves and each other  
as we work with a monthly character trait - *middah* - such as generosity,  
dignity, and humility. All are welcome, as we share this sacred practice  
which feeds the soul as it strengthens heart and mind. Led by Lynna  
Schaefer and Rabbi Susan Gulack. Note: **The last session before sum-  
mer break is 6/16.**

# WORDS FROM RABBI ORNSTEIN

Rabbi Ornstein delivered this sermon for  
Torah portion Va-Yehi, 5778

"Happy families are all alike; every unhappy family is unhappy in its own way."

This famous sentence commences Leo Tolstoy's masterpiece, *Anna Karenina*, published by the Russian novelist in 1877 and considered by many to be his greatest book. As I have experienced before in reading 19<sup>th</sup> century Russian novels, I got so lost in the excruciating detail and multiple nicknames of the characters that I gave up reading *Anna Karenina* about half way through. However, Tolstoy's first line has stayed with me, as a mini-masterpiece of insight - howbeit a cynical one - about the human condition:

"Happy families are all alike; every unhappy family is unhappy in its own way."

Tolstoy might be saying that happy families are so conventional, there is not anything too interesting to say about them. Great stories come from the unhappy families, the varieties of whose miserable dysfunctions are the perverse spice of life and literature. The Torah's cycle of Joseph stories that we have been reading the last few weeks substantiates Tolstoy's insight, without saying it as explicitly or cynically as he did. The Torah never tells us that Jacob's favoritism destroyed his children's lives, that his family was a mess, that the siblings were vicious to each other, or that this family could have used serious psychotherapy. With deceptively simple, beautiful, often brutal language, the Torah simply tells us the often-unhappy story of Joseph and his brothers, leaving us to contemplate how this great biblical family was unhappy in its own way. Setting sentimental platitudes about family life aside, the Torah teaches, howbeit indirectly, that family members can be quite cruel to each other: blood is not always thicker than water, and at times, bloodshed is more the reality for some families than blood ties. As the philosopher, Leon Kass, remarks in his commentary on the Cain and Abel story, Genesis comes to teach us that, outside a framework of

covenant and social contract, "there are no natural impulses or passions that seek to unite brother with brother." Making the leap from shared genetic material to shared emotions of love and loyalty is not necessarily a given in families.

It is precisely on this point that the Torah distinguishes itself as a fine moral guide for family life and relationships, one that offers families hope and vision. All of Genesis, from Cain and Abel through the stories of Joseph and his brothers, shows us how jealousy, favoritism, sibling strife and divide-and-conquer parenting strategies can easily wreck families. However, Genesis also shows us how the hard but hopeful work of forgiveness and repentance, responsibility and reconciliation gives us the opportunity to find our way through the worst of the wreckage. The Joseph stories, in particular, demonstrate this without whitewashing the very real suffering that families often endure and that estranges family members. Recall

*"No family is perfect... we argue, we fight. We even stop talking to each other at times. But in the end, family is family... The love will always be there."*

that, in his position as second in command over Egypt, Joseph only reveals himself gradually to his brothers after twenty years of deep estrangement. Though the test that he puts them through can be read as his attempt to exact revenge, the more likely interpretation is that Joseph is testing to see if his brothers have grown. Faced with a situation similar to when they sold him into slavery then passed him off as dead, would they take responsibility for their youngest, least favorite brother, Benjamin, or would they not? Note that there is no indication in the story cycle as to whether older brother, Judah, loves Benjamin. That is, in some respects, irrelevant. What matters is whether Judah would stand up for



his brother in a time of crisis, regardless of how he felt about him: something that Judah as the ring leader had not done for Joseph decades before.

The capacity of people to salvage family - - if not necessarily good family feelings and love - - from the wreckage of unhappy family dysfunction is encapsulated in two short Torah verses. After twenty years of not seeing his father, Joseph takes his two sons to meet their aging grandfather for the first time:

**Now Israel's eyes were dim with age; he could not see. So Joseph brought them close to him, and he kissed them and embraced them. And Israel said to Joseph, "I never expected to see you again, and here God has let me see your children as well." (Genesis 48:10-11.)**

In two short verses, words related to seeing occur four times. Such frequent repetition alerts us to the importance of the idea of seeing at this point in our story. Jacob/Israel is too old to see well anymore. However, he recognizes what real seeing, real vision, is all about. He never expected to ever see his son again, for he assumed that he was dead; yet God saw him through all his family's suffering and repentance, so that he could experience what he never thought could be true: being able to see not only his son but his grandsons. His heartbreaking comment is an astute insight about what the true nature of healthy families often is: working very hard to see beyond differences and hurts - some quite profound - so that we cultivate a vision of what our family can turn out to be.

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I can't believe that June is right around the corner. It is great to be back outside with the children on a consistent basis, watching them grow and do things on the playground that they couldn't do in the fall. This past year we added Mr. Bob, who comes bi-monthly to do music with the kids as well as Andy the Music Man. Amazing Athletes continues to be a favorite and they will be returning for summer camp and next year's program. The kids love Coach Gregg and continue to learn so many new skills from him.

Our 4-year-olds who are now 5 are getting ready for graduation. The children are excited and apprehensive about Kindergarten. They are so mature now and feisty. Our three-year-olds are now ready to take on four-year-old responsibilities in the fall like experimenting with scissors, more intense dramatic play and different creative art experiences. The two-year-olds are starting to solve problems and are more aware of what is "fair" and the importance of sharing and playing together.



Our little cozy Ohav Family has accomplished so much this year. We have learned to respect friends and family, to give to friends in need through *tzedekah*, to be considerate of others and the world around them. We celebrated and learned about many Jewish traditions and holidays throughout the year. Coming together to celebrate Shabbat and Havdalah are the highlights of our week. Looking ahead to the summer and the fall, we are excited to see new faces and our returning students who will help mentor and welcome their new friends. All our amazing teachers will be returning and can't wait for fall 2018!

**Ohav members receive a 25% discount if you enroll our children in our Early Childhood Program.**

#### Extended Hours

Our extended hours will stay the same: 7:30 am to 5:30 pm Monday-Thursday. Fridays we close at 5 pm.

**Fall registration is ongoing. There is a discount for early registration before August 1.** Spots are filling up fast. Please call Sheryl at (518) 489-4894 or e-mail at [nsdirector@ohavshalom.com](mailto:nsdirector@ohavshalom.com) for more information or to schedule a tour!

#### Summer Camp



Our summer camp program begins **Monday, June 25 and runs through Friday, August 17.** Some of our weekly camp themes will be Animal Adventure, Art and Science Inside and Out, July

Winter Olympics, Super Hero Week and of course Carnival. Sprinkler fun and water play are staples of our summer camp program as well as in-camp and offsite field trips. Our counselors are certified teachers as well as young college students. **Camp registrations received by June 1 qualify for a \$50 discount.** ❄

# BAR & BAT ANNIVERSARIES

## Celebrate the Anniversary of Your Bar/Bat Mitzvah with Ohav

Can you still chant from the Torah portion or *haftarah* of your Bar/Bat Mitzvah day?

On the Shabbat of "your" *parsha*, mark the occasion by participating in a special way, by chanting for the congregation, leading *davening*, or taking an *aliyah* to the Torah.

We will not be handing out fountain pens, but will be glad to share a meaningful memory with you and help you keep up your skills. Teens and adults of all ages are welcome and encouraged!



## THE KOSHER CHOPPER



## NEEDS OUR INPUT AND SUPPORT

On May 11, 2018, the Vaad Hakashruth Board of Directors sent out a letter regarding a meeting with the store manager and members of the Kosher Department at Price Chopper. Excerpts from that letter follow below.

"The meeting was held to discuss several important issues including: 1) Last Passover review 2) Next Passover - products and service 3) The need to support the kosher store or face losing the store 4) Ways to raise the store's image in the Jewish community 5) Ways to market the kosher products and raise community awareness of the availability of prepared foods 6) Possibility of synagogues holding kosher nights 7) Creating coops in the synagogues, where bulk orders are placed and delivered to the synagogues for members convenience in picking up 8) Marketing pre-packaged and sealed kosher meat sandwiches to be sold and delivered to other neighborhood stores 9) Possible summer barbecues at the kosher store 10) Exploration of how to help families and seniors with food deliveries."

"...We believe there is a commitment to the Jewish community to serve "kosher needs" but without community support that commitment is unsustainable. The store manager asked that the community reach out with comments and suggestions by emailing [kosher224@pricechopper.com](mailto:kosher224@pricechopper.com).... With the active support of our community we can ask for more and better service. Without that active support we cannot expect kosher to be important to Price Chopper."

**Whether you shop at holidays or regularly, we all know the value of having a kosher market here. Please help us ensure that the region has a kosher market!** ❄

## Tisha B'Av Observance

*Tisha B'Av*, the 9th day of the Hebrew month of Av, is the day on which the first and second temples in Jerusalem were destroyed, followed by persecution and exile for the Jewish people. According to tradition, it is the day on which the expulsion of the Jews from Spain occurred in 1492. *Tisha B'Av* is a day of communal fasting, mourning, and remembering. It is also when, according to tradition, the messiah will be born, thus commencing our people's and the world's redemption from evil.

This year, *Tisha B'Av* services will be held at the following times at Ohav:

### Saturday Evening, July 21

**7:15 pm:** Shabbat afternoon service followed by third meal for Shabbat. (*Tisha B'Av* fast begins at 8:27 pm)

**9:17 pm:** Evening service followed by reading from the book of Lamentations.

In keeping with the spirit of *Tisha B'Av*, please consider wearing non-leather shoes during the service and reading of Lamentations. Please also consider bringing a flashlight, as we will be dimming the lights in keeping with the somber spirit of the evening.

### Sunday, July 22

**8:30 am:** *Tisha B'Av* morning services. We do NOT wear Tallit and Tefillin that morning.

**7:30 pm:** *Tisha B'Av* afternoon services. We DO wear Tallit and Tefillin that afternoon. (Fast ends at 8:59 pm)

**PLEASE JOIN US.**



## High Holy Day Honors Explained

The High Holy Days are just around the corner. Rosh Hashanah starts at sundown on Sunday, September 9. Full day services are on Monday, September 10 and Tuesday, September 11.

Kol Nidre begins on Tuesday evening, September 18, with full day Yom Kippur services on Wednesday, September 19.

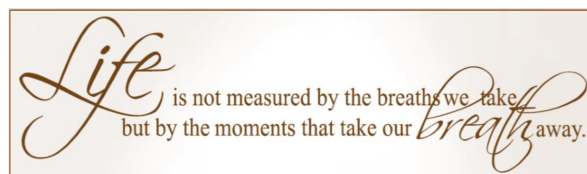
The High Holy Day Committee has been working tirelessly to ensure that our services are inspiring, meaningful and well-run. To accomplish all this, the Committee reaches out to and schedules congregants to lead various parts of the services, organizes floor *parnasim* coverage for all four days and distributes High Holy Day honors.

Several years ago, the Board of Trustees created an honors policy that calls for one third of the honors going to members of the Board of Trustees and Ohav Officers, one third to new members and one third to other congregants. In order to receive an honor, a member MUST be in good financial standing with the Synagogue. This means all obligations, including dues, *B'Yachad* (Hebrew school), Nursery School, etc., through May 31, 2018 (end of our 2017-18 fiscal year) must be paid in full and payments for the 2019 fiscal year must have been started.

Those given honors receive a letter with all pertinent information such as which honor on what day, approximate time and appropriate dress for going up on the *Bimah*. With about a thousand people at services, it is difficult for everything to run smoothly or on time, so we ask for your understanding about this as well as the fact that the *parnasim* on the floor may not know who you are. That's why it is so important for you to let us know that you've arrived and approximately where you'll be seated.

Our goal is to make the High Holy Days an enjoyable and spiritual experience for all of us. If you have any questions about the committee or about what we do, please e-mail Laurie Abelson at [laurie33154@gmail.com](mailto:laurie33154@gmail.com). Thank you.

The Ohav High Holy Day Committee (a Religious Life subcommittee) is comprised of Laurie Abelson (Chair), Wendy Kay Bates, Ellen Kattleman, Neil Piper, Libby Post, Jay Worona and Nina Kaplan. ❧



*Words from Rabbi Ornstein cont'd from Page 4*

I have spent many years in the rabbinate helping people through the traumas of failed marriages, broken friendships, and estrangements in which family members become distant or cut each other off. I have hopefully developed more humility by learning not to judge anyone quickly. At times, each family is truly unhappy in its own way; the decisions people make to remove themselves from the reach of certain relationships can be no less than *pikuach nefesh*, an act of saving life, one's own and those of others.

Yet, I have also learned that at other times, family members make decisions about relationships with extremely limited vision. A hurt or conflict that should have been allowed to heal is nursed with miscommunication and anger, then inflamed and stoked into family ruin. Rather than look carefully at what the hurt is about then developing a more helpful, hopeful vision of what could be, family members stay stuck where they are; they see only what they want to see or think they must see. They become to each other what Bruce Springsteen tragically called prisoners of love in chains.

The family stories of Genesis are, first and foremost, just that: stories meant to convey more than to convince. They recognize with great humility and compassion just how complicated family life can be, how unhappy in its own way a family can sometimes be. Yet these stories offer us something more than the sight of unhappiness. They offer us the chance to see things differently, to work hard for a different vision for families, one of love, reconciliation, forgiveness and redemption. ❧





Through the collaborative efforts of the Inclusion Committee (THANKS to Judy Avner and Sharon Lozman for great shopping prowess and making things happen!), Sheryl Welton, and Nancy Pandolfo, Ohav Shalom now has a Comfort Room. The Comfort Room is a therapeutic environment intended to assist people experiencing sensory overstimulation in their self-calming efforts, by affording them an environment conducive to relaxation. The Comfort Room is located near the administrative offices in the school wing and may be accessed by key. During Shabbat morning services, the *parnas* on the floor and the rabbis have access to the keys. The office will apprise appropriate individuals how to access the keys to the Comfort Room during other events such as a bar/bat mitzvah, etc.



Note: The Comfort Room should NOT be used as punishment or reward. Children in need of the room must be accompanied by a parent. Once calm, individuals previously over-stimulated by sensory input may return to the activity.

Thanks go to Sheryl Welton, Nursery School Director for her willingness to share this nursery school space with the Inclusion Committee. The room is collaboratively used as a breastfeeding space, and special education pullout space for students needing extra help.

Also, *mazal tov* to Melanie Hecker, co-chairperson of the Inclusion Committee. Melanie, a student at the University at Albany, was interviewed by a reporter for the Albany Student Press, the university's newspaper. See <http://www.albanystudentpress.net/overcoming-obstacles-advocate-students-disabilities/> for the entire article highlighting Melanie's experiences and insights as she develops her advocacy skills for others overcoming obstacles. ❧

Any time a large group of people gather together, sensitivity to conditions that affect others is crucial. Medical evidence suggests that strong fragrances can trigger asthma, migraines, nausea, headaches, COPD, seizures and other issues for people who have these conditions.



**We at Ohav Shalom ask that you please avoid using strongly scented products when you come to shul.**

*Thank you* for respecting other people's needs, because...

**We Share the Air  
And We Care!**



## Ohav is the Land of Opportunity!

Ohav is a busy place. Come into the building at almost any time and there is something going on. There are many opportunities to get involved. Our very small staff could use your help to support all of our programs, projects, activities. We depend on the volunteers to help.

Whether it is an hour occasionally, or being the point person coordinating a program, **we need you!** At Ohav, there is something for everyone. So, think:

- Can you help for an hour or two weekly in the office?
- Can you greet people when they come for Shabbat services?
- Can you help cook for a Shabbat dinner? Bake for or sponsor a *Kiddush*?
- Do you love retail—maybe a Sunday morning or Wednesday afternoon in the gift shop?
- Do you enjoy our social action projects?
- Can you teach or help coordinate educational programs?
- Interested in learning to lead services, chant Torah or give a *D'var Torah*?

These are just some of the ways you can be involved. It all counts. Please email Nancy at [nancy@ohavshalom.com](mailto:nancy@ohavshalom.com) and let her know what might interest you. Thank you.

## Shabbat Greeters

Are you going to Saturday morning services? Have you been invited to a Bar or Bat Mitzvah at Ohav? Have you ever gone to a different synagogue and felt a bit awkward walking in? Imagine how much better you might have felt if you arrived and were greeted by a friendly face at the door!



Consider being a Greeter at Ohav. It's a *mitzvah* that only takes a short time and you will make everyone smile as you say "Good Morning, Shabbat Shalom!"

Then stay for the service and enjoy a morning of song, psalms and prayers. What a fabulous way to begin your day and your week!

Need more info? Call the Office at 518-489-4706.



We are always grateful to members who generously sponsor our weekly *Kiddush*. If you have a special event, anniversary, birthday or commemoration on the horizon, or would just like to reciprocate the generosity of others by sponsoring or contributing to a *Kiddush*, please contact Nancy at [nosh@ohavshalom.com](mailto:nosh@ohavshalom.com).

**Todah Rabah!**



## Regional Food Bank Food Deliveries from Ohav Shalom



*"Hunger is not a problem. It is an obscenity. How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."*

Anne Frank

Hunger is an ongoing concern in our area. **We can help.**

On your way into Ohav (except on Shabbat or Yom Tov) drop off a non-perishable food item in the bins in the Administrative entrance. The contributions in the bin are delivered to the Regional Food Bank monthly.

Through this simple act, you'll be helping people right here in our community! **Thank You!**

## Like to Cook? Want to Join Us?

### Yad Yonatan:

Cook with friends in the Ohav kitchen to maintain our supply of meals for those who are bereaved or facing illness or other crisis. Or volunteer to deliver a meal, along with comfort and good cheer.

Contact Lynne Shatsoff at 518-439-4822, lshatsoff@gmail.com or Sandy Cohen at 518-569-1108, sandco1947@gmail.com.

### Kiddishe Mamas and Papas:

Enjoy baking, schmoozing and learning in the Ohav kitchen, as we bake goodies for *Shabbat Kiddush*.

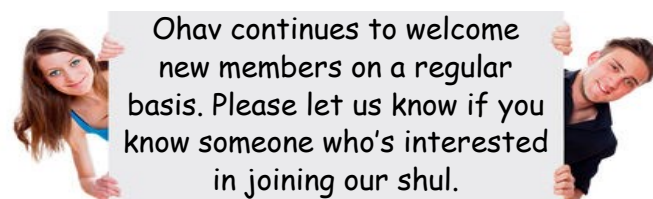
Contact Laurie Abelson at laurie33154@gmail.com.

### Nurturing the New Mom and Dad:

Support a new parent by preparing and/or delivering them a meal. Contact Julie Pollack at 518-437-1150 or bpollack@nycap.rr.com.

## Cooking for a Cause

Once a month we cook a delicious and nutritious meal for the residents of the Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless, a homeless shelter in downtown Albany. We prepare the dinner and cook at the shelter which provides us with the wonderful opportunity to interact with the staff and residents. Please contact Leona Kassoff 518-478-9662 if you are interested in joining our cooking crew.



**Food for Thought**



**Regional Food Bank**  
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### LAST CALL UNTIL SEPTEMBER!

You can help us nourish others and nourish your own soul by volunteering at the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York, 965 Albany-Shaker Road, Latham on **6/10** from **1 to 3 pm**. We help sort and re-pack food and other essential products for the needy in our community. This is the last time before our summer break, so we hope you will join us for this Ohav Social Action Committee project. We guarantee that you will gain satisfaction and pleasure. Questions, contact Sharon Berko at sharonleeberko@yahoo.com.

**SCHOLARSHIP**

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce we've awarded eleven general scholarships this year to support summer Jewish

enrichment programs for the children of our members. The committee wants to sincerely thank Rabbi Dan, Rabbi Rena, the daily Minyan participants, Men's Club, and Sisterhood for their continued support of this program. Their generosity allows us to continue distributing scholarships each year and provide monetary assistance to our Ohav Shalom children. In addition, donations made to the Scholarship Fund throughout the year support these awards.

The following students received \$500 scholarships this year:

Andrew and Hailey Altschule (Denise and Howard Altschule) attending Camp Ramah; Jason Black (Shelly & Johnny Black) attending Eden Village Camp; Max Carothers (Linda and Chris Carothers) attending Camp Young Judeaea; Maksim and Marah Gally (Lisa and Steve Gally) attending Camp Givah; Shore Goldberg (Howard and Jill Goldberg) attending Camp Yavneh; Jesse Levine (Carolyn and James Levine) attending Camp Ramah in Canada; Dalia Levy (Marc Galinkin and Steve Levy) attending Camp Ramah; Susan Lord (Cheryl and Andrew Salem) attending Camp Ramah; Lia Malka (Ruth and Jacob Malka) attending Camp Ramah.

Congratulations to our 2018 scholarship recipients.





## Celebrate Ohav Shalom's Greenness!

If you take a look around our building you will notice several small but important changes. We have added a recycling station when you first enter by the office to make it easy for visitors to recycle.. We have single stream recycling bins in all of the classrooms and new, energy-efficient windows. We have transitioned from plastic table cloths to cloth and will be changing to compostable plates and cups for kiddish and other events.



On **June 9**, Shomrei Adama will host a green *kiddush* (*Kiddush* for the Earth - A Zero Waste Shabbat Experience) to announce these exciting changes. We will kick off the compostable materials, explain our new recycling plan, offer local fresh food and provide lots of information about environmental issues. Please join us as we move toward more sustainable practices!

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degree from the University of Pittsburgh. Jane currently serves as Executive Director of the Alzheimer's Association, New York State Coalition. She is an active volunteer with Jewish Federation of NENY, the Albany Jewish Community Center, the Food Pantries of the Capital Region and has coordinated Ohav's Junior Congregation. Jane lives in Menands, NY, with her husband Lev and their two children, Max and Mira, who attend B'Yachad.

**Dr. Brad Gornstein** moved to the Albany area and joined Ohav in 2006. He is a pathologist at Ellis Hospital. Brad participated in Ohav's Project Lech Lecha long range planning committee, and enjoys learning about Jewish history. Brad lives in Slingerlands with his wife, Marla, and their two children, Leah and Zach, both of whom attended Ohav preschool, and currently attend B'Yachad Hebrew school. His favorite Jewish musicians include Andy Statman and Zion80.

**Heather Rockwood** is a freelance writer and public relations professional. She is an active volunteer with Hebrew Academy, where her children attend school, and is currently assisting with communications efforts on a state senate campaign. Heather resides in Rexford with her husband, Ken, and their children Mya and Shayna.

rabbinical representative to the northeast district council of United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, and is also a member of the Albany Law Enforcement Reconciliation Team and he volunteers his time and leadership at the New York State Labor Religion Coalition.

Rabbi Dan blogs at the Times of Israel and contributes essays at WAMC Northeast Public Radio. He has published poetry in the Jewish Forward and online at the Pine Hills Review and in the Jewish Literary Journal, as well as essays in the journal, Conservative Judaism. He writes for the multivolume Mesorah Matrix book series on Judaism from New Paradigm Matrix Publishing. He is currently writing a book about Cain and Abel, tentatively set to be published by the Jewish Publication Society.

We celebrate our extraordinary rabbinical team, and wish them continued success and *maza!* ❧

mark  your **Calendar**

## FALL HOLIDAY SERVICES

**9/1** - Joint **Selichot** service with Temple Israel and Agudat Achim - Saturday evening at Temple Israel.

**9/9-9/11** - Rosh Hashanah - Sunday evening through Tuesday

**9/16** - Opening Sunday Of B'Yachad Religious School

**9/16** - Ohav Sukkah Building And Decoration Sunday

**9/18-19** (Tuesday night and Wednesday) Kol Nidre and Yom Kippur Day

**9/23-10/2** - Sukkot: Sunday evening through Tuesday

## Shabbat Minchah/Maariv Schedule:

**June 2:** 8 pm,

**June 9:** 8:15 pm,

**June 16:** 8:15 pm

**June 23:** 8:15 pm,

**June 30:** 8:15 pm

**July 7:** 8:15 pm,

**July 14:** 8 pm

**July 21:** 7:15 pm

(Please note time change to prepare for Tisha B'Av)

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**July 28:** 7:45 pm

**August 4:** 7:45 pm,

**August 11:** 7:30 pm,

**August 18:** 7:15 pm

**August 25:** 7 pm

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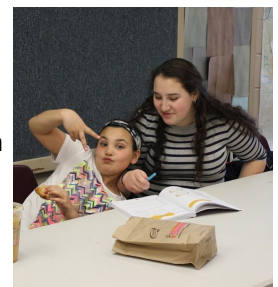
**Rabbi Rena** signed a contract in 2018 ensuring she will be with us for the next four years!

Rabbi Rena has served for many years as a spiritual, educational and pastoral leader at Congregation Ohav Shalom and in the wider Albany community. She was ordained in 2006 by the Academy for Jewish Religion in New York. Prior to her tenure at Ohav Shalom, Rabbi Kieval served for seven years as the staff Jewish chaplain at Albany Medical Center, where she received formal chaplaincy training. In her earlier professional life, Rabbi Kieval earned a Masters degree in Social Work from Boston University and worked in the field of mental health. She later served as Jewish Family Educator at Hebrew Academy of the Capital District, implementing programs there, at Ohav Shalom and at other area synagogues. She was especially involved in creating innovative worship services for adults and children and in founding Ohav's *hevra kadisha*, the traditional sacred burial society.



Rabbi Dan renewed his contract with Ohav in 2016, and has been with Congregation Ohav Shalom for nearly 23 years. He is proud to call Ohav his synagogue. He currently serves as the





It is hard to believe that the school year is over... it speeds by so quickly. As I write this, we are approaching Shavuot, the holiday where we celebrate the giving of the Torah. This holiday is particularly relevant to the experience of B'Yachad students in the past year as our students studied a great deal of Torah. The students were able to learn about and experience many facets of Judaism from learning prayers to cooking, to exploring the *parsha* to making videos to running a *Beit Kafe* (coffeehouse) in Hebrew for other students. These varied activities help the students to truly internalize our Torah and heritage as God intended when God gave the Torah to Moses at Mount Sinai.

Here are some of the highlights from the end of the school year:

#### **Seder Workshop**

Parents had the opportunity to see different *Haggadot*, brainstorm different ways of enhancing their seders and incorporate some relevant readings into their seders.

#### **B'Yachad Shabbat and Consecration**

Students led prayers, the 2nd graders were called up for a consecration ceremony and we sang our way through a family friendly *Kabbalat Shabbat* service. This was followed by a tasty dinner. Ohav was pleased to host this community-building event.

#### **Communal Yom Ha'atzmaut celebration**

We joined with the Gates of Heaven, Berith Shalom and Beth Emeth religious schools at Beth Emeth for a *ruach*-filled celebration of the holiday. Students had the opportunity to learn about Israel with other Jewish students in the area; were exposed to an inspiring Israeli artist; sang Israeli songs; and saw some beautiful Israeli dancing.

#### **8th Grade Graduation, Closing Assembly and Barbecue**

The 8th graders spoke beautifully about their mitzvah project raising money for and getting to know about a local immigrant Afghani family. During the closing assembly, our drama elective performed, the film elective presented a slide show, B'Yachad Etchem (Hebrew immersion

class) sang a fun Hebrew song and 7th graders presented their research projects about Jewish WWII partisans. This was all followed by a tasty barbecue. This program was a wonderful way to top off a year of Jewish learning and deepening Jewish identities.

We are already at work planning another phenomenal year. The first day of school will be **September 16th** at Ohav Shalom and we will have our Sukkot/Farm program on **September 23rd**.

We have wonderful, experienced faculty and candidates for positions for next year. Sally Goldberg, our inclusion coordinator, and I will be tweaking the curriculum over the summer.

Please visit our website, [www.byachad.org](http://www.byachad.org), for the calendar and registration forms. We will also put the updated curriculum there when complete. Register by **June 15th** to get the best price for tuition. Have a wonderful summer!

Rabbi Miriam



Congratulations to all the *Mifgash* graduates of 2018. We wish you well... Aaron Ashery, Hugh Smith, Ben Klamka, Lauren Heller, Evan Schaffer, Daphne Fleischer, Jackie Gold, Claire Filler, Ethan Filler, Emma Kranich and Jason Starkman.

## **TORAH CORPS PARTICIPANTS FOR 5778**

This year, Ohav began a new post-Bar and Bat Mitzvah Torah reading program known as Torah Corps. Torah Corps invites students after bar and bat mitzvah to continue reading Torah for the congregation.

For 5778 so far, the following students have read or will be reading Torah for us: **Jasmine Black, Susan Lord, Mya Malsan, Benny Pauli, Noa Wacholder, Maia Weinstein**

Our deepest thanks and appreciation to our students for continuing to read Torah for us. Our Torah Corps participants were present and honored on the first day of Shavuot, Sunday, May 20, during holiday services. At that time, members of our junior congregation chanted the Ten Commandments for our community after the regular Torah service and Torah reading.





Donations support the present and future of Ohav Shalom. They provide our congregation and members of the community an opportunity to honor or memorialize a loved one or friend. All contributions are acknowledged in the DASH and to individuals and family members. The following contributions are acknowledged as received from February 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018.

### **B'Yachad Fund**

#### **In memory of:**

- Walter Loeb from Miles Garfinkel and Evelyn Loeb
- Bernard Adler from Arnon and Julie Adler

### **Capital Campaign**

#### **In memory of:**

- Esther Sanders Levine from Ira and Sheila Lobel
- Miriam Newell Biskin from Ira and Sheila Lobel
- Boris Flisser from Joel and Julia Helfman
- Sylvia Fass from Stuart Fass
- Anne Fass from Stuart Fass
- William Scharf from Steven Scharf
- Walter Zenner from Linda Zenner
- Hertha Zenner from Linda Zenner

### **General Scholarship Fund**

#### **In memory of:**

- Esther Greenberg from Walter and Roberta Greenberg
- Israel Guberman from Audrey Sheingold
- Helen Klapper Getnick from Gregg and Jen Fox
- Anne Banner from Gregg and Jen Fox
- Myer Burack from Harold and Marcia Toppall

### **Kahn Fund**

#### **In memory of:**

- Lena Kohn from Bernard and Tema Isser

### **Krantman Fund**

#### **In memory of:**

- Jacqueline Obstgarten from Zvi and R. Beth Klopott
- Frances Cohen from David and Joan Cohen

### **Library Fund**

#### **In memory of:**

- Charlotte Zorn from Phyllis Ross
- Anne Banner from Alan and Margery Zucker
- Esther Bloom from Barry and Sara Lerner
- Charlotte Zorn from Alan and Margery Zucker
- Rose Greenblatt from Matthew and Sally Greenblatt
- Gladys Goldman from Josie Kivort

### **Marian Cohen Kiddush Fund**

#### **In honor of:**

- Ellen and Saul Kattleman's new granddaughter Julia Bessie from Sherrie and Lee Jacobs

#### **In Memory of:**

- Marian Cohen from Leonard and Laurence Cohen
- Marian Cohen from Eli and Len Cohen
- Miriam Biskin from Marci and Gus Penedo
- Miriam Biskin from Sherrie and Lee Jacobs

### **Marian Cohen Kitchen Fund**

#### **In memory of:**

- Marian Cohen from Leonard and Laurence Cohen
- Marian Cohen from Eli and Len Cohen
- Harvey Lozman from Michael and Sharon Lozman
- Irving Louis Diamond from Margery and Alan Zucker

### **Michael Banner Fund**

#### **In honor of:**

- Saul and Ellen Kattleman's new grandchild from Alan and Tobie Dorn
- Our mom Lita Katzer on the 20th anniversary of her service to Ohav in sending personalized condolence cards to support bereaved families on behalf of Yad Yonatan from Beth and Jane Katzer

#### **In memory of:**

- Anne Banner from The Trustees of the Hebrew Academy of the Capital District
- Linda Gellman's father from Howard and Gail Banner
- Helen Israel from Allen Israel
- Marcia Gingold's brother Jesse from Alan and Tobie Dorn

### **Nursery School Fund**

#### **In honor of:**

- The birth of Dalia Luz Weisz-Krell from Sol Goldstein and Pamela Smiler

#### **In memory of:**

- Solomon Sobel from Brad and Marla Gornstein
- The Goldslager family's mother and grandmother Paula from Stanley and Amy Solomon
- Elena Grogin's mother from Ohav Shalom Teachers and Staff

### **Playground Fund**

#### **In memory of:**

- Barbara Brodsky's mother, Anne Banner from Jeffrey and Bea Fox

### **Prayer Book Fund**

#### **In memory of:**

- Anne Banner from Robert and Dorothy Ganz
- Ruth Kunath from Claire Halpin
- Sylvia Kaplowitz from Jack and Ellen Kaplowitz
- Charles Goldberg from Phyllis Ross
- Milton Levine from Hannah Levine
- Morris Weintraub and Betty Hornick Weintraub from Richard and Beverly Magidson

### **Rabbi Ornstein Discretionary Fund**

Best wishes to everyone for a happy, sweet, and kosher Passover from Reeva Nowitz

#### **In honor of:**

- Rabbi Dan with appreciation from Stuart and Anne Heller
- Rabbi Dan Ornstein from Eric and Maxine Goldberg

- The birth of Saul and Ellen Kattleman's granddaughter Julia Bessie from Zvi and R. Beth Klopott
- Rabbi Dan Ornstein with appreciation from Carol Frank
- Rabbi Dan for his kindness at the time of the loss of my brother from Marcia Gingold

- Rabbi Dan from Joel and Claire Sigal

- Maya Kamenir's Bat Mitzvah from Steve and Elana Kamenir

- Our eighth graders and Kadima members from Daniel and Terry Tyson

- Rabbi Dan with appreciation from Stuart and Anne Heller for making Mya's simcha such an amazing experience for our entire family from Ken Malsan and Heather Rockwood

#### **In memory of:**

- Miriam Newell Biskin from Lawrence and Shelley Leibman
- Helen Klapper Getnick from Jeffrey and Bea Fox
- Dick Ganz from Robert and Dorothy Ganz
- Erich Isser from Bernard and Tema Isser
- Phil Sloan from Walter and Roberta Greenberg
- Miriam Biskin from Jennifer and Michael Stone
- Jesse Rosen from Joe and Helene Brown
- Adolph Fossner, Sarah Rosenthal and Fred Rubtchinsky from Joe and Helene Brown
- Nathan Erlbaum from Michelle Erlbaum
- Sandy Karpen from Steven Schoenhaus and Judith Karpen
- Rose Fishman from Louis and Linda Gilboord
- Martin Gally from Steven and Lisa Gally
- Morry Natal from Steven and Lisa Gally
- Anna Stanger from Jerry Stanger
- Frederick Rubtchinsky from Leona Cutler & Diane Sasscer
- Marcia Gilboord from Louis and Linda Gilboord
- Arline Winter from Stanley Winter
- Rosalie Sovitsky from Melvin Sovitsky
- Fay Sovitsky from Melvin Sovitsky
- Bess Simon from Barry and Julie Simon
- Daniel Eckhaus from Larry and Barbara Eckhaus
- Hyman Steinberg from Kenneth and Molly Getnick
- Helen Schrier Getnick from Kenneth and Molly Getnick
- Marcia Gilboord from Seth and Miriam Gilboord
- Samuel Wasserman from Addie Glazier

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### **Rabbi Kieval Discretionary Fund**

Best wishes to everyone for a happy, sweet, and kosher Passover from Reeve Nowitz  
**In honor of:**

- Rabbi Rena with appreciation from Kathleen A Poon Family
- Rabbi Rena for her kindness at the time of the loss of my brother from Marcia Gingold
- Maya Kamenir's Bat Mitzvah from Steve and Elana Kamenir
- Rabbi Rena with gratitude for making Mya's simcha such an amazing experience for our entire family from Ken Malsan and Heather Rockwood

#### **In memory of:**

- Charlotte Zorn from Marcia Zorn's friends in OGS
- Harry Applebaum from Stuart and Marlene Ellen Erner
- Corrine Ganz from Robert and Dorothy Ganz
- Frances Kohn from Bernard and Tema Isser
- Resa Piper from Neil and Shari Piper
- Morris Rosenthal, Samuel Rosenthal and Harris Rosenthal from Joe and Helene Brown
- Jesse Rosen from Joe and Helene Brown
- Adolph Fossner, Sarah Rosenthal and Fred Rubtchinsky from Joe and Helene Brown
- Nathan Erlbaum from Michelle Erlbaum
- Rose Fishman from Thelma Ikler
- Ruth Donay from Dorah Rosenzweig
- Frieda Ikler from Louis and Linda Gilboord
- Estelle Eckhaus from Larry and Barbara Eckhaus
- Jerome Kessler from Estelle Yarinsky
- Sandra Wulf from Marvin and Virgine Wulf
- Abraham Rosenblum from David and Nancy Rosenblum
- Minnie Alter from Gail Sacco

### **Romanoff Fund**

#### **In memory of:**

- David Scott Romanoff from Norman and Bronna Romanoff
- Sylvia Scher from Michael and Barbara Scher
- Estelle Romanoff from Norman and Bronna Romanoff
- Muriel Dryer from Norman and Bronna Romanoff
- David Romanoff from Allen Israel

### **Schreiber Fund**

#### **In memory of:**

- Isabel Schreiber from Ilene Hellman
- Ida Meislin from Stanley Winter and Marcia Gingold
- Julius Schreiber from Edward and Barbara Schreiber

### **Synagogue Fund**

#### **In honor of:**

- Sue and Bob Kaslovsky's new grandson, Riley Lucas Kaslovsky from Judith Avner
- The engagement of Ariel Schwartz and Matt Hochstein from Judith Avner

- Richard and Sandy Lipman's new grandchildren, Layla Faith and Mason Phillip from Judith Avner
- The birth of Dalia Luz Weisz-Krell from Judith Avner
- The birth of Saul and Ellen Kattelman's new granddaughter, Julia Bessie from Judith Avner
- Saul and Ellen Kattelman on becoming new grandparents to Julia Bessie from Jordan and Laura Green
- The birth of Saul and Ellen Kattelman's granddaughter, Julia Bessie from Daniel and Terry Tyson

#### **In memory of:**

- Hy Rosen from Elaine Rosen
- Solomon Sobel from Judith Avner
- Richard Goldsmith from Howard and Sharon Goldsmith
- Barbara Nordwind from Arnon and Julie Adler
- Lillian Rabinoff from Ken and Anita Rabinoff-Goldman
- Dr. George Goldstein from Leah Schenkel
- Anne Banner from Judith Avner
- Helen Klapper Getnick from Judith Avner
- Charlotte Zorn from Judith Avner
- Miriam Newell Biskin from Steve Eckert and Judy Avner
- Joseph Schuman from Geri and Neal Lipschitz
- Charlotte Zorn from Friends of Marcia Zorn/NYS DOL
- Harry Tyson from Daniel and Terry Tyson
- Jacob Glaser from John and Marlene Kimball
- Jesse Rosen from Judith Avner
- Walter Sturm from Leo and Deborah Rausch
- Jerry Diamond from Abbott and Judy Phillips
- Nancy Raphael from Dorice Brickman
- Foster Moulton from Bob and Carolyn Agel

### **Tabachneck Fund**

#### **In honor of:**

- Rich and Sandy Lipman's grandchildren, Layla Faith and Mason Phillip from Avrum and Rosemary Tabachneck

#### **In memory of:**

- Charlotte Zorn from Avrum and Rosemary Tabachneck
- Sara Pollack from Avrum and Rosemary Tabachneck

### **Yad Yonatan Fund**

#### **In memory of:**

- Risa Kassoff from Jordan and Leona Kassoff
- Tessie Stemerman from Stuart and Marlene Ellen Erner
- The Shaffer family's husband, father and grandfather, David from Stanley and Amy Solomon
- Solomon Saleem from Karl and Barbara Brodsky

- Anne Banner from Marilyn Sternklar
- Isidore Chick from Marilyn Sternklar
- Jay D. Fischer from Arthur and Judith Falk
- Henry Goldsmith from Anitta Burg
- Milton Lyon from Matthew and Sally Greenblatt
- Harold Bromberg from Scott and Cheryl Burack
- Edward Schupack from Paul and Lynne Shatsoff
- Gussie Goldberg from Larry and Barbara Eckhaus
- Alvin Rabinoff from Ken and Anita Rabinoff-Goldman
- Annamay Reilly from Beverly Cohen-Champagne and Robert Champagne
- Matthew Ponticello from Beverly Cohen-Champagne and Robert Champagne
- John Ramsey from Beverly Cohen-Champagne and Robert Champagne
- Anne Banner from Jeremy and Ruth Kassel



### ***Ohav announces the following:***

#### **Family Celebrations**

Richard and Sandy Lipman welcomed their grandchildren, Layla Faith and Mason Phillip, born to parents Adam and Stacey Lipman.

Ariel Schwartz, daughter of Doug and Patty Schwartz and Rachel Baum, was engaged to Matt Hochstein.

Bob and Sue Kaslovsky welcomed their new grandson, Riley Lucas Kaslovsky, son of Dan and Alex Kaslovsky and brother of big sister Kara.

#### **Condolences**

To Anne and Jeff Rothenberg and David Levine and their families upon the death of Anne's mother, Miriam Biskin

To the Zorn family upon the death of our longtime congregant, Charlotte Zorn.

To Ken and Molly Getnick and family upon the death of Ken's stepmother, Helen Klapper Getnick.

To Barbara and Karl Brodsky and family upon the death of Barbara's mother, Anne Banner





**June 1/18 Sivan**  
Shirley Freedman  
Bertha Lowy

**June 2- 19 Sivan**  
Sheldon Kay  
Harry Pollack

**June 3/20 Sivan**  
Clara Diamond

**June 4/21 Sivan**  
Ruth Blocker  
Samuel Gorfinkel  
Robert Honan  
Dorothy Waldman

**June 5/22 Sivan**  
Henry Bellin  
Constance Laine  
Beatrice Yanku

**June 6/23 Sivan**  
Barnett Lichman  
Steve Magier  
Sarah Steinberg  
Rae Tabachneck

**June 7/24 Sivan**  
Helen Hoffman

**June 8/25 Sivan**  
Sidney Butler  
Rudolf Frank  
Deb Ungerman  
Ronald Weiler

**June 9/26 Sivan**  
Mona Brickman  
Bertha Feder  
Pearl Polansky  
Max Romanoff

**June 10/27 Sivan**  
Albert Greenberg  
Shmuel Israel  
Augusta Kessler

**June 11/28 Sivan**  
Irving Jacobs  
Hyman Shapot  
Robert Straussman  
Jack Vogel

**June 12/29 Sivan**  
Gerard Bobersky  
Boris Indgin  
Kurt Meyers  
Sophie Orfitelli

**June 13/30 Sivan**  
George Schiff  
Joseph Shelofsky  
George Wladis

**June 14/1 Tammuz**  
James Kaplan  
Wolfe Kaufman  
Arthur Lefkovics  
Edward Rosenberg  
David Rubin  
Samuel Rubin  
Leah Schreiber  
Betty Sull

**June 15/2 Tammuz**  
Larry Cohen  
Ann Mozer  
Harriet Raus  
Adam Ruzow  
Frances Shabel  
Emanuel Weinstock

**June 16/3 Tammuz**  
Morton Diamond  
Hinda Ann Gordon  
Jennie Kline

Marvin Levine  
Diane Rosenbaum  
Lewis Rosenberg  
Martha Stagnitza-Saltz

**June 17/4 Tammuz**  
Julius Flax  
George S. Getnick  
Shirley Miller  
Lillyan Parnett

**June 18/5 Tammuz**  
Brenda Borzykowski  
Bernard Kredentser  
Mae Simon

**June 19/ 6 Tammuz**  
Max Dreyfuss  
Bernhard Drucker  
Seymour Harris  
Robert Ottemberg  
Renee Ruzow

**June 20/7 Tammuz**  
Joseph Brociner  
Norman Lerman  
Rabbi Michael Rosenblum  
Oscar Segal

**June 21/8 Tammuz**  
Howard Gruft  
Elsa Magier  
Morris Maurer  
Claire Novick  
Julius Rosenblum  
Rose Stein

**June 22 /9 Tammuz**  
Marcia Goldman  
Frieda Miller  
Andrew Persily

**June 23 /10 Tammuz**  
Sidney Avner  
Gertrude Bickweat  
Gerald Crowe  
Harry Hoffman  
Sarah Schwartz

**June 24 /11 Tammuz**  
Isaac Bloom  
Max Glinert  
Myra Wallach

**June 25/12 Tammuz**  
Philip Stein

**June 26 /13 Tammuz**  
Anne Friedman  
Harold Weinstein

**June 27/14 Tammuz**  
Anna Burack  
Talanker Etta  
Howard Helfgott

**June 29 /16 Tammuz**  
Edward Cutler  
Rashie Flax  
Robert Novick  
Samuel Price  
Robert Yood

**June 30/17 Tammuz**  
David Fox  
Klara Hornick  
Nathan Levine  
Ethel Sheppard  
Isidore Steinberg  
Phyllis Taub

**July 1/18 Tammuz**  
Irwin Teitelbaum

**July 2/19 Tammuz**  
Betty Kaplan Basen  
Murray Lax  
Arthur Martin  
Benjamin Oberlander

**July 3/20 Tammuz**  
H. Leo Davidoff  
William Gilenson  
Emma Langner  
Emilio Lida  
Emanuel Schiffer  
Nathan Tabachneck

**July 4/21 Tammuz**  
Frances Kaplan  
Edna Lagin  
Martha Schiffer  
Theodore Siegel  
Miriam Warshaw

**July 5/22 Tammuz**  
Rae Engel  
Howard Harrison  
Jacob Sacklow

**July 6/23 Tammuz**  
Alice Flax  
Harriet Lee Helfgott  
Herbert Isen

**July 7/24 Tammuz**  
Horace Adler  
Yetta Engleman  
Susan Murray

**July 8/25 Tammuz**  
Saul Ikler  
Lewis Kalasky  
Ruth Lewanda  
Kermit Obstgarten  
Eugene Weiss

**July 9/26 Tammuz**  
Faye Davidoff  
Bernice Kahn  
Shirley Levine  
Robert Scher  
Mae Silfen  
Flora Tabachneck  
Moshe Yerushalmi

**July 10/27 Tammuz**  
Marian Cohen  
Ben Farbstein  
Bertha Goldberg  
Thelma Maefsky

**July 11/28 Tammuz**  
Chana Kalichman  
Fayge Kalichman  
Kayla Kalichman  
Leah Kalichman

**July 12/19 Tammuz**  
Adina Back  
Albert Gellman  
Morris Schips

**July 13/1 Av**  
Elaine Glick  
Sadie Shapiro  
Barbara Wachs

**July 15/3 Av**  
Faye Kashuck  
Ruth Manja Morrison

**July 17/5 Av**  
Edwin Holcberg  
Alice Klein-Jacobs  
Marge Lazarovitz

**July 18/6 Av**  
Louis Bartfield  
Henry Grayman  
Mark Rosenbaum

**July 19/7 Av**  
George Bobersky  
Joy Eson  
Louis Herbach  
Celia Hoffman  
Lenore Klausner  
Irving Lippman  
Harry Novick  
Arthur Starkman

**July 20/8 Av**  
Barbara Gruft  
Marline Heller  
Esther Serman

**July 21/9 Av**  
Corinne Ribner  
Marcia Sebelowitz  
Esther Silverstein  
George Solomon

**July 22/10 Av**  
Isidore Birman  
Jessica Goldlust  
Esther Kieval  
Richard Marowitz  
Ellen Rothstein  
Gregg Stein

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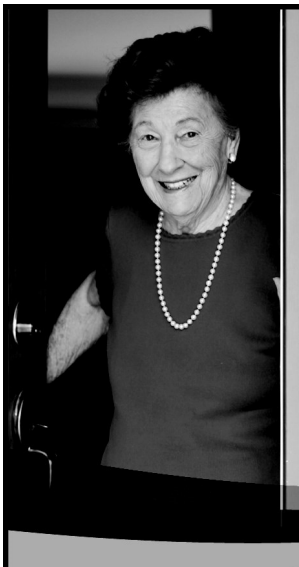
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Every member of Ohav can get involved in our Life and Legacy program. Life and Legacy™ is a 4-year partnership program of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation that assists communities across North America to promote after-lifetime giving to Jewish organizations of the donor's choice. Congregation Ohav Shalom is one of 11 organizations chosen to be a partner with our Jewish Federation of Northeastern NY, which will administer the program in our community. We are grateful to the Federation for its support. The goal of our Life and Legacy Society is to encourage members of Congregation Ohav Shalom to secure its future by including Ohav in their after-life legacies.



Please consider joining Ohav's Life and Legacy Society as a founding member. The program is structured so that everyone can participate! Sometime soon, Ohav's Life & Legacy Committee will be reaching out to all congregants to offer membership in the Life & Legacy Society. Simply signing a Letter of Intent provided by the office will enroll you. You will then have a year to formalize the commitment. We plan to acknowledge members of the Congregation Ohav Shalom Life and Legacy Society in a significant and meaningful manner. Your enrollment will make you a role model for other members of our Ohav community. If you wish to remain anonymous, you may indicate that on your letter of intent.

Ohav is our home. We hope we can count on your valued commitment to keeping our home strong for future generations. We will receive a significant financial incentive in this first year dependent on achieving our projected goal of having a minimum of twenty-five donors join the Life and Legacy Society in 2018. Our success is up to you.

Ask yourself how Ohav has impacted your life and the lives of your family members and friends. Then, please join us as one who loves Ohav and wants to safeguard its future. May your commitment to Ohav through our Life and Legacy Society always bring you happiness and pride in assuring Ohav Shalom's survival for future generations. Please call Nancy Pandolfo, our synagogue administrator, for further information or questions.

Thank you.