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CHRONICLE



Join us for our annual cantorial concert featuring the Argen-Cantors

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From the President

By Debby Joseph



During the past two years, when people learned that I was president of Adas Israel Congregation, they inevitably cracked a joke about feeling sorry for me. Never has that sentiment been further from the truth. I have relished serving in this role. I have met many people, shared many experiences, and the feelings that permeated all that has happened during my tenure make up one of the very special times in my life.

We have a large and embracing community of communities. Jewish values are evident in all we do. I am grateful to the members of the Board of Directors and the officers of the Executive Committee, Ross Eisenman, Vice President of Administration; Laurie Aladjem, Vice President of Development; Sandra Eskin, Vice President of Education and Youth; Steve Rabinowitz, Vice President of Membership; Ricki Gerger, Vice President of Ritual, Programs, and Adult Education; Janice Mostow, Secretary; Judy Bartnoff, Assistant Secretary; Alex Horowitz, Treasurer; Steve Himmelfarb, Assistant Treasurer; and Arnold Podgorsky, Immediate Past President. They were important liaisons to our committees and task forces and offered crucial support and advice. Trustees Rhoda Baruch, David Bickart, Alan Bubes, Leah Chanin, and Jeffrey Yablon were always generous with their wisdom and good counsel.

Planning and delivery of all the programs of the congregation occurs in committees, subcommittees, auxiliaries, and task forces.

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In my early years of learning meditation I studied with Rabbi David Zeller (z"l), at Yakar, a wonderful synagogue in the heart of Jerusalem. I would go to his classes once a week and listen with strong intention to try to understand the practice of meditation, a practice that was changing my everyday life. Rabbi Zeller would talk often about the concept of *devekut* (attachment to God) that the Hasidic masters had brought alive from teachings in the Zohar: "If you are already full, there is no room for God. Empty yourself like a vessel." I would try my hardest to understand what this meant, but I could not grasp how to embody this concept, how to make it true to my own experience. How do you empty yourself? What does that feel like?

For many years, in my own spiritual practice, I committed myself to learning meditation, sitting for 5, 10, 20, 30 minutes in silent meditation several times a week. When thoughts would arise during the meditation, I would seek to let them go, to free myself from emotionally attaching to particular thoughts in order to make space. What I began to realize through the experience of meditation was how full my mind was—at all times. In my personal meditations, I could see ideas floating through my mind, lists from my weekly responsibilities would dance around my head demanding center stage. I had to learn how to emotionally detach from the thoughts that would emerge during my weekly sittings.

In the Talmud, in *Masechet Brachot* 57b, the rabbis teach that dreams are 1/60th of prophecy. Why dreams? Because it is one of the only moments in life where we detach from holding onto total control of what is happening in our minds, our bodies, our inner life. It is one of the only moments we can empty just a little bit so that God, energy, and our inner life can emerge without our total control. Our tradition has a rich history of asking us to stop, to let in the unplanned, to let go and notice. *Shabbat* is a prime ritual example of this concept lived out in real time. The ritual is repeated weekly and the Torah is explicit with all of the ways we have to stop (39 *melachot*) so that we will actually do it. The effect of *Shabbat* on the psyche is a freeing from the pounding energy of the everyday. The control of work, time, the scheduled consistency of 9 to 5. It is a ritual that requires emptying. And in the emptiness we find expanse—space for conversations that simply cannot occur during the week, space for being, thinking creatively, singing, loving, sleeping.

I've learned in the years following that first meditation class what emptying means, what it feels like and, sometimes, how to invoke it in everyday life situations. What the tradition is asking of us is to live each day, to be fully engaged in our lives, in our work, in our relationships, but at the same time, to give up complete control. To allow ourselves to be present, but to let go of trying to be the ultimate determiners of every situation. When we learn to

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The Adas Fund 2017

Chaired by Alumni of the Ma'alot High School Israel Trip



Proudly Announcing our Adas Fund 2017 Chairs!

Alumni of the Ma'alot High School Israel Trip

Annabelle Friedman, age 16, Ethan Sorcher, age 18, Isaac Frumkin, age 16, Julia Kagan, age 18, Kalia Hoechstetter, age 18 and William Satloff, age 17

This year, we are particularly proud to announce that six incredible alumni of Adas Israel's annual Abe & Minnie Kay Israel Experience have volunteered to Chair the Adas Fund. They are Annabelle Friedman, Ethan Sorcher, Isaac Frumkin, Julia Kagan, Kalia Hoechstetter and William Satloff. These six remarkable "Adas Israel-ites" grew up in our community and are now working to ensure that future generations will have the same opportunities to grow and thrive within our remarkable congregation. The Adas Fund campaign is the congregation's only annual fundraising effort and is essential in ensuring that our congregation can function and thrive in the way so many of us have come to count on and deserve. We are honored and humbled by their incredible commitment, and we hope you will make every effort possible to help them achieve their goals for another successful campaign. We seek 100% participation, at any level of giving.

The Abe & Minnie Kay Israel Experience is a heavily subsidized two-week Tikkun Olam focused Israel trip for rising 11th graders in the Ma'alot High School program at Adas Israel. The students spend their 10th grade year studying and preparing for their journey to Israel, which for many, is truly a life changing experience. We are eternally grateful for the leadership, support and vision of the Kay family, who shared our belief that experiencing Israel with peers as the culmination of a lifelong Jewish education is the most meaningful way for our students to appreciate the Land of Israel and to foster a lasting Jewish identity. Annabelle, Ethan, Isaac, Julia, Kalia and William were fortunate enough to participate in this once in a lifetime journey, and are now proudly coming together to lead the next generation and beyond. They will need your support as they work to ensure the success of their congregational home. They know we cannot fulfill our obligations to our students, our elderly, and every Jewish person who seeks comfort

and community within our walls if we do not raise the funds necessary to keep our congregation alive.

We look forward to hearing their stories as the year progresses, and to celebrating their achievements over the High Holy Days. We hope you will join with them as we demonstrate our gratitude for the many personal and family journeys Adas Israel's members, clergy, and staff inspire.

The campaign will also be supported by a dedicated group of Adas Fund Champions, who will partner with these remarkable students to harness our congregation's vitality, growth, and strength through the campaign. We are appreciative of all contributions, no amount is too small, and we ask that everyone contribute something. These students, and the amazing synagogue they have grown up to love and now help lead, deserve everyone's support, at any level possible. Please share these incredible students' good example as we support this campaign, and together, build our spiritual home at Adas Israel. www.adasisrael.org/the-adas-fund.

Annabelle Friedman Annabelle Friedman is a junior at the Washington International School. She was a participant on the 2016 Ma'alot trip to Israel, and continues to be an active member of the Ma'alot Tuesday learning community. She enjoys hiking, reading and spending time with her siblings.

Ethan Sorcher Ethan Sorcher is a fourth-generation Adas member who attended Gan HaYeled all the way through the Ma'alot High School Program. He is finishing his freshman year at Boston University and is double majoring in International Relations & Middle Eastern and North African Studies. Ethan currently serves as the Political Liaison for Boston University Students for Israel, working closely with AIPAC to promote Israel on campus.

Isaac Frumkin Isaac Frumkin is a junior at Woodrow Wilson High School. He enjoys running track for his High School team. Isaac traveled to Israel last year with the 2016 Ma'alot class and will be returning to Israel this summer to compete in the Maccabiah Games for the Junior USA team.

Julia Kagan Julia Kagan is a senior at Bethesda Chevy-Chase High School. She is an activist for women's health, education and disability rights, and she enjoys embroidering and painting. This fall, she will be a freshman at Dickinson College, where she will be majoring in Health Studies.

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Annual Congregational Meeting & Open Board Dinner

With Yad Hakavod Award presented to Adas Member Jean Bernard

Wednesday, June 21 at 7:30pm

Register Online for The Open Board Dinner at 6:15 pm



The annual meeting is your chance to participate in the growth, health and vibrancy of your congregational community. Join together with family and friends as we plot a course for the next year of Jewish communal life in our remarkable congregation.

We are thrilled to honor Jean Bernard as this year's Yad

Kakavod Award recipient. This annual award honors congregants who have contributed significantly to the warmth, vibrancy and well being of our remarkable congregation. Jean is a very familiar face around Adas, whether she's working at the Ruth & Simon Albert Sisterhood Gift Shop, volunteering in our many social action projects, or playing with our youngest members in the Biran Beit Midrash. And for those who may not know it, she has been editing your Adas Israel monthly Chronicle newsletter since 1995—11 issues a year, for 22 years!

Although Jean likes to joke that she's around so often, she might as well sleep here, her relationship with the synagogue began in 1995, when her daughter Rachel started as a two-day Butterfly in the Gan. Jean served as secretary for the Gan Parents Association for two years, after which she took a several-year hiatus to recover from that experience. She says she hit the "big time" when she was invited to serve on the Sisterhood Board. She began as recording secretary and graduated to membership VP, as well as Sisterhood's representative to the Garden of the Righteous program. The Garden means a great deal to Jean because her mother survived both Auschwitz-Birkenau and Bergen-Belsen. Jean also served two terms on the synagogue Board of Directors, has been a chaver with the Bereavement Committee, and became an adult bat mitzvah at Adas in 1996.

In 1995, she became involved with the Chronicle when she asked then-editor Sylvia Fogelman if she could proofread the issues because of the many errors she found. Now, almost 22 years later, she's editing it, and, in her words, she'd "like to see one perfect issue with NO mistakes." She acknowledges, however, that "perfection is unlikely."

Jean says that her involvement with Adas expanded greatly when she began volunteering at the gift shop. Then Diane Keller and Helene Weingarten, who were managing the shop at the time, asked her to join the management team, and she was off and running. Somehow she was anointed computer guru, schedule keeper, and inventory maven. But she'll be the first to admit that selling is not her "strong suit."

A 51-year resident of the DC area, Jean graduated from George Washington University and stayed on, unwilling to leave the city. She

met her husband, Larry, here (they actually knew each other in high school in Highland Park, IL, but did not date then), and she insists that their serendipitous meeting was beshert. Larry and Jean have a daughter and son-in-law and an almost two-year-old grandson, Solomon, who live in New York City. Visiting them is the only thing that takes precedence over her Chronicle and gift shop duties.

Jean and Larry enjoy morning walks in their neighborhood, reading, cheering on the Nats, and taking trips to faraway places, including Israel, China, Scandinavia, Eastern Europe, Croatia, and Alaska. They are hoping to discover Vietnam next.

Jean says that her Judaism is based less on specific religious observance and more on tikkun olam. To this end, she participates in packing bags of food at Thanksgiving and Christmas at Peoples Congregational United Church of Christ and volunteers every Christmas at N Street Village. She considers Adas her home and can't imagine not having the congregation as a major part of her life. We look forward to celebrating Jean's honor with you at the Annual Meeting on June 21.

Proposed Slate of Officers, Trustees and Board Members

Annual Congregational Meeting on Wednesday, June 21 at 7:30 pm

In accordance with the Adas Israel By-Laws, and for the elections at the Annual Congregational Meeting on Wednesday, June 21 at 7:30 pm., the Nominating Committee (Margie Siegel and Renee Fendrich, Co -Chairs) has announced the following nominees for the Officers, Board of Directors and Trustees positions, Please Save the Date.

Officers

President Elect:	Ricki Gerger
VP, Administration:	Steve Himmelfarb
VP, Membership:	Michele Buzgon
VP, Programs, Religious Practices:	Alex Horowitz
VP, Development:	Laurie Aladjem
VP, Education and Youth:	Janice Mostow
Secretary:	Judy Bartnoff
Assistant Secretary:	Betsy Strauss
Treasurer:	Scott Levine
Assistant Treasurer:	Steve Rabinowitz

Board of Directors

Ross Eisenman, Sandy Eskin, Jay Sher, Michael Sloan, Harriet Isaack, Marcie Goldstein, Andrew Herman, Philip Henderson, Beth Heifetz, Jessika Wellisch, Julia Gordon, Sandy Bieber

Trustees

Alan Bubes, Leah Chanin 𐄂



Musical Moments

@ Adas Israel

Adas Israel Congregation Presents...

The Argen-Cantors

Latin American Jewish Music

starring Argentina's most talented cantors



The annual spring concert at Adas Israel

Presented by Cantor Arianne Brown & the Musical Moments Committee



Sunday, June 4, 2017 @ 7pm

Adas Israel Congregation
2850 Quebec St. NW
Washington DC 20008



Adas Israel's big music event of the year! You won't be able to wipe the smile from your face as you listen to the energetic arrangements, the Latin rhythms, and the fantastic voices of Argentinian cantors Gastón Bogomolni, Ari Litvak, and Elias Rosenberg. They will be joined by our own Cantor Arianne Brown, and Adas Israel's Flash Choir, for an engaging musical experience, followed by an ice cream sundae reception!

To Order Tickets:

AdasIsrael.org/MusicalMoments or call 202.362.4433

\$18 General Admission

\$36 Premier Seating

\$100 Sponsor (Premier Seating & Formal Acknowledgment)

Children under the age of B'nai Mitzvah are free!



Musical Moments

It is with great excitement that we invite you to our spring concert for this year. Our guest cantors will present a musical journey through Jewish Latin American music, featuring a wide variety of melodies composed by Jewish Latin composers, Israeli songs with Latin influence, and well-known songs arranged in a Latin style. This show will feature the energetic, charming and award-winning Argen-Cantors, Gastón Bogomolni, Ari Litvak, and Elías Rosenberg, joined by Adas Israel's Cantor Arianne Brown. In their own words, "When we sing together we express emotion, connect to our roots and build deeper relationships. We expose the audience to our Latin American identity, to our love of Israel, and to our rich musical and cultural Jewish heritage."

In addition to our Sunday night concert, we hope you will join us for *Shabbat* services on June 2 and 3. Cantor Ari Litvak of Mexico City will participate in our Friday night *Kabbalat Shabbat* service and our *Shabbat* morning Charles E. Smith Sanctuary service. Cantor Litvak, whose energetic and engaging style permeates all that he does, will weave a Latin American musical influence throughout our *Shabbat* prayers.

We look forward to sharing these musical moments with you!

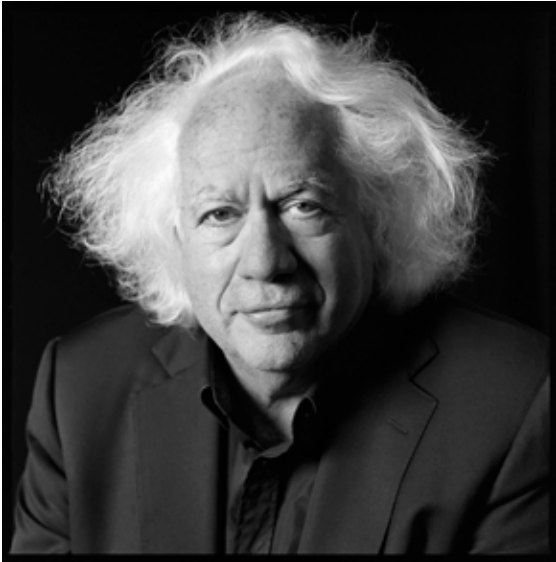
—Musical Moments Committee 🌟

Musical Shabbat & Concert

June 2, 6:00 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat B'Taam Latino* with guest Cantor Ari Litvak

June 3, 9:30 am: *Shabbat* morning in the Charles E. Smith Sanctuary *B'Taam Latino* with guest Cantor Ari Litvak and Adas clergy

June 4, 7:00 pm: Argen-Cantors concert followed by ice cream sundae reception; please register online at adasisrael.org/musicalmoments



The Duty of a Lifetime: An Encounter with Syrian Refugees A Discussion with Leon Wieseltier and Syrian Survivors Wednesday, June 7, 7:30 pm

The greatest evils of this dark time have been visited upon the Syrian people. In a war that has now lasted more than six years, half a million people have been killed, 11 million have been displaced, crimes against humanity have been committed, and millions of refugees rightfully make a claim on our consciences. In a wide-ranging conversation in which Syrian survivors and refugees will speak for themselves, Leon Wieseltier will introduce some remarkable men and women who will discuss what has happened and what can still be done. This will be a moving evening of memory and analysis. Leon Wieseltier is the author of *Kaddish* and is the Isaiah Berlin Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution in Washington, DC. In recent years he has been active in the cause of justice for Syria and Syrian refugees. 🌟



DC Pride @ Adas Equality, Justice and Inclusion for All

Contemporary Judaism is at a historic moment, in which inclusion, equality and celebration of the individual are becoming celebrated values in mainstream Jewish life. Be a part of that forward momentum and demonstrate Pride in our own community's achievements in fostering these essential human values: equality, justice, and inclusion for all. Join us for a weekend of dialogue, prayer, and action, as we participate in the LGBT Pride March, Saturday, June 10, and DC Pride Festival, Sunday, June 11. Hundreds of marchers and dozens of Jewish organizations will come together to represent the love, equality, and values for which the Jewish community stands.

"When we become judges of another person, we behave contrary to Torah law. When we foster dissonance between our insides and our outsides, we behave contrary to Torah law. When a member of our community is forced to the periphery, to the outskirts, we behave contrary to Torah law. Join and make the conversation."

Adas DC Pride Weekend Schedule

Friday, June 9

6:30 pm: Return Again *Shabbat* Service

8:00 pm: Community *Shabbat* Dinner

Saturday, June 10

9:30 am: *Shabbat* Morning Service: March in the DC Pride Parade (meet at Dupont Circle; exact time and location TBA)

Sunday, June 11

11:00 am–6:00 pm: DC Pride Festival on Penn Avenue; stop by the Adas Booth!

To volunteer to help staff the Adas Pride booth, or to support any other part of this weekend, please contact Courtney Tisch at Courtney.Tisch@adasisrael.org. 🌟



Welcome Darci Lewis! Gan HaYeled Assistant Director & Curriculum Specialist

We are excited to introduce our new Assistant Director & Curriculum Specialist for Gan Hayeled. As we look forward to another wonderful year in the Gan next year, we are thrilled to announce that Darci Lewis will be joining the Adas staff. Darci has an extensive background in early childhood education, with a particular emphasis on Pedagogy, school environment, administration, and professional development for Early Childhood Educators in progressive Jewish environments focusing on intentional, reflective practices. She has served the

Gan as a Professional Development Consultant over the past three years and she is excited to officially join the Gan community.

In her capacity at Adas she will focus on curriculum, staff development and community building. We are confident and excited that Darci's arrival and her portfolio will inspire, support and elevate the work of the Gan. Her warmth, passion and dedication are apparent to all who meet her and we are privileged to be able to welcome her and her expertise here to Adas and the Gan. Opportunities for the community to meet and get to know Darci will be announced soon, and we look forward to welcoming her to the Adas Israel family this coming summer! 🌟

Scenes from This Year's Garden of the Righteous Ceremony

Several hundred people gathered at Adas Israel on April 23 to commemorate *Yom HaShoah*, Holocaust Remembrance Day, for our annual Garden of the Righteous ceremony, honoring non-Jews who risked their lives to save Jews during the Holocaust. This year's honorees were the Veseli family from Albania, who sheltered Jewish families during World War II. 🌸





Parlor Concert in Van Ness with Cantor Arianne Brown Wednesday, June 14, 2:00 pm

Van Ness Room, Van Ness North
Apartments, 3001 Veazey Terrace, NW

Celebrate Flag Day and summertime
with Cantor Ari and your neighbors in Van
Ness on Wednesday, June 14, at 2:00 pm.

Cantor Ari will delight you with a variety
of songs, including Broadway show tunes,
operettas and Israeli music. After the mini-
concert, please join us for refreshments and
schmoozing with your neighbors.



Return Again to Shabbat with Rabbi Holtzblatt & Elie Greenberg June 9, 6:30 pm

Join us for the final "Return Again" service
of the year—the *Shabbat* experience you
cannot miss! Join us for a reflective journey
into the power of *Shabbat* featuring seasoned
musicians and a spiritual, personal excursion
into prayer and song. This original creation by
the Jewish Mindfulness Center of Washington
(JMCW) will be followed by a festive *Shabbat*
feast. Join as we dance, sing, and discover the
deep *Shabbat* within us all. ✨

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High Holy Day Seating 2017



Believe it or not, the High Holy
Days are right around the corner,
and packets with High Holy Day
information will arrive in your homes
soon. As usual, tickets for all members
of your household for services in the
Kay Hall, Gewirz *Beit Am*, Cohen Hall
(Family Service), or Biran *Beit Midrash*
will be sent automatically roughly 10
days before the holidays.

If you are a dedicated seat holder
in the Charles E. Smith Sanctuary, you will need to request how many of your
seats you intend to use for the coming holidays (two seats are included in
membership; additional seats will be charged to your account).

Members will also be able to reserve non-dedicated seats (with limited availability)
in the Charles E. Smith Sanctuary. These can be requested on your seat request
forms included with the High Holy Day booklet. Please note that this year, after the
sermons in the Charles E. Smith Sanctuary, a seat that has not been occupied will be
considered available. This applies to both dedicated and reserved seats.

Thank you. We look forward to celebrating the holidays with you this
coming fall. ✨

Volunteers Needed for High Holy Days!

Yes, you read that
correctly. The High
Holy Days are not
that far away! In
addition to our
clergy and staff
members, we look
to our community
members to help



us make *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur* a spiritual, enjoyable, meaningful,
stress-free experience for our 5,000 members.

Volunteering as a High Holy Day usher and/or greeter at Adas Israel can help
you fulfill the mitzvah of *hachnasat orchim* (welcoming guests). Not only do we
make sure that congregants and guests feel welcome, but we also play a role in
maintaining the security and the dignity of our services. We direct worshippers
to their seats, answer general questions, and distribute books, *kippot*, *tallitot*,
and other religious materials. Simply stated, your service observance would just
not be the same without the assistance of our greeters and ushers.

If you would like to do more this year, consider participating as a High Holy Day
volunteer. We need volunteers for all services, so no matter which service you attend,
we can use your help at a time that is convenient to you. The time commitment is
slight—two hours or less—and we have approximately 100 slots to fill.

If you're interested in learning more or volunteering, please contact Mark
Berlin, HHD Usher Coordinator at berlin.potomac@gmail.com or 301-294-9018.
We have also scheduled an orientation on Sunday, September 10, at 2:00 pm.
More information about volunteers will come later this summer. Thank you in
advance for your assistance. ✨



From the Director of Education

By Rabbi Kerrith Rosenbaum

Journeys come in all shapes and sizes, and trips to Israel are no exception. While our 10th graders are taking the country by storm, a group of families with young children won't be far behind. As we discussed what a trip for this cohort might look like, it was easy to imagine our children and families having adventures from the Negev to the North, making their own pizza

on the shores of the Kinneret, and greeting the sun on top of Masada. But no matter how special the planned experiences are, the magic is in coming together, each family with its own story and dynamic, with children of different ages, and with Adas as their shared touchstone. As we travel the country, we will be open to receiving the lessons and gifts of the land, and we also will be carrying with us the values, teachings, and history of our community at home. Wherever your journeys of the summer may take you, we hope that you find ways to share your gifts with the world and to be open to seeing what the world has to offer you. *Nesiyah tovah!* ✨

Abe & Minnie Kay Israel Experience

By Yoni Buckman



In only a few weeks, the 10th grade Ma'alot class will board a plane headed to Israel for our annual trip. Marcy Spiro and I, along with our incredible Israeli tour guide, are thrilled once again to guide our students through virtually the entire country, learning and growing together.

Walking through Israel, the fusion of the time-honored past and the burgeoning present are on display as the innovations of the modern state are built on a foundation of ancient stone. But the Ma'alot Israel Trip is more than a chance to witness the breadth of Jewish history and identity; it is an opportunity to look inward, to explore one's own connection to Judaism, and to discover one's own place in the Jewish community.

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June Calendar

Youth Shabbat Services

Netivot: June 3, 10, 17, 24

Tot Shabbat: June 3, 10, 17, 24

USY Spring Convention: June 26-29

As I prepare to embark on this incredible adventure, I eagerly await all the fun we're going to have on our trip: touring the Negev in a Jeep, rafting down the Jordan River, and surfing the waves of the Mediterranean. But most of all, I am looking forward to building the long-lasting relationships with our students and staff that only an immersive experience such as this can offer. ✨



Gan HaYeled

June has arrived and we say *L'hitraot* to our students leaving the Gan. We know they are well-prepared for their next steps and we wish them well. As we gear up for Sweet Summertime Camp, we want to be sure everyone knows that we have a few spots left, mostly for Sessions Three and Four. We'd love to have your 2-1/2- to 4-year-old join us for fun, water play, and so much more. New for this summer: we are offering extended care until 3:00 pm each day. Check the Gan website for registration information. ✨



Jewish Mindfulness Center of Washington @ Adas (JMCW)

The heart has a way of expanding all the time. Just when I think there's no more room, it expands. It seems that the heart is infinitely capable of loving another. When we stop to realize this, it is quite miraculous. Our potential for connection is infinite.

—Rabbi Lauren Holtzblatt

Jewish prayer invites us to start each morning with a moment of gratitude. *Modeh/Modah ani l'fanekha* reminds us to thank God for the miracle of life, our health, our body, our physical world, and our eyes, all of which we might easily take for granted. Similarly, this month at JMCW, we look back on an extraordinary year of growth and learning and we give thanks for the many ways in which our spiritual paths have crossed and were blessed with fantastic special guests and, above all, each one of you. Thank you for your continued support and participation and for the many ways in which your presence encouraged our efforts. Please join us for our Return Again *Shabbat* Service and weekly meditations, which will continue through June. Our regular JMCW programming will resume in September. May you have a joyful summer filled with moments of meaning and inspiration.

'Return Again' Service with Rabbi Holtzblatt and Elie Greenberg

Friday, June 9, 6:30 pm

This monthly service is an intergenerational favorite in our congregation! In the style of our innovative outdoor *Kol Nidre* Service, join our reflective journey into the power of *Shabbat* with seasoned musicians and a spiritual excursion into prayer and song. A festive Israeli tapas-style feast follows.

Weekly Tuesday Evening Meditation

7:30–8:45 pm

Join us on Tuesday evenings in June. After a summer break in July and August, meditation will resume on Tuesday, September 5.

Led by one of four rabbis, the sessions include a teaching, an exploration of Jewish meditation techniques, and a silent meditation sit. Beginners and experienced meditators alike are most welcome!

JMCW Yoga will be on summer break, June–August.

* Moving Meditation, Vinyasa Flow will resume on Wednesday, September 6, 7:30–8:45 pm.

* Moving Meditation, Yogic Flow will resume on Sunday, September 10, 11:00 am–12:15 pm.

As the seasons change and we move into the warm months of summer, we invite you to take your practice outside! Enjoy the warm months of July and August, and we look forward to resuming in September. ♣



JMCW Recommends . . .



See this *On Being* blog post on *The Relationship Between Happiness and Gratitude*, which includes a wonderful video by

Israeli illustrator Hanan Harchol: <https://onbeing.org/blog/the-relationship-between-happiness-and-gratitude/>.

On Being, with Krista Tippett, has several inspiring episodes on gratitude from different cultural perspectives. You can listen by streaming or download. Go to www.onbeing.org and enter "gratitude" in the search bar.

Explore the Adas Library for books on Jewish spirituality, meditation, and mindfulness. Some of these can be found under call number 175.01, or you can speak with Adas Librarian Robin Jacobson (librarian@adasisrael.org) for more information. ♣

The Jewish Mindfulness Center of Washington @ Adas (JMCW) offers services, programs, and workshops that help deepen contemplative practices as part of our individual and communal religious and spiritual lives. Watch this space each month to follow these JMCW offerings. Visit our Adas web page at www.adasisrael.org/jmcw/, where you can also subscribe to our e-newsletter. Visit our Adas web page at www.adasisrael.org/jmcw/, where you can also subscribe to our e-newsletter. Find us on Facebook—JMCW @ Adas Israel! ♣

There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle.

—Albert Einstein

life cycle

Milestones

Births

Simon Aaron, son of Tobie Whitman and Daniel Yates, born April 7.

Rebecca, daughter of Sarah Zekri, born April 15.

Edra Kensleigh, daughter of Lexi Light and Deb Hall, born April 15.

Tristan, son of Karla Montero and Yan Carriere-Swallow, born April 17.

Chase, son of Cory and Matthew Levine, born April 19.

Meyer Eli, son of Jeffrey & Suzanne Landsman, grandson of Susan Morchower Hargraves & Scott Hargraves, great-grandson of Annette & Adrian Morchower, born April 25.

We wish our newborns and their families strength, good health, and joy.

Wedding

Brian Lerner and Chelsea Heltai were married April 29.

We wish the newlyweds and their families a hearty mazal tov.

B'nai Mitzvah



Adina Claire Zalesne Siff, June 3

Adina, daughter of Kinney Zalesne and Scott Siff, is a graduating sixth-grader at the Jewish Primary Day School of the Nation's Capital. She celebrates her *bat mitzvah* with her brothers Matthew and Gideon, her grandparents, and many other relatives. Adina wishes to express her gratitude for her Jewish education by asking friends, family, and community members to

contribute to the JPDS-NC scholarship fund so that every Jewish child in the area can get the same exceptional education she is grateful to have received.



Marika Campbell-Blue, June 10

Marika, daughter of David Blue and A. J. Campbell, is a seventh grader at Takoma Park Middle School. She shares this *simcha* with her Bubbie Merle and Tzeda Bob. Her interests are art, specifically drawing, and Marika's *mitzvah* project is a public art project where she draws positive affirmations on the sidewalk so that passersby will be uplifted. Contributions for her

tzedakah project are being made to the Washington Animal Rescue league.



Jacob Tsvi Nicolson, June 17

Jacob, son of David and Tamar Nicolson, is a seventh grader at Westland Middle School. He began his Jewish education at the Ohr Kodesh Early Childhood Center and continued until graduation from the Jewish Primary Day School of the Nation's Capital. Jacob's *mitzvah* project is collecting children's books to donate to Children's Hospital, a program that

seeks to give each child who visits the ER a book to take home. Jacob, who shares this powerful milestone with his sisters, Eliana and Amalia, is looking forward to celebrating this event with his immediate family, grandparents Eli and Karen Yechezkel and Alice Nicolson, as well as other family and friends. The entire family remembers with love his late grandfather, Dan Nicolson (z"l), and his brother Chaim (z"l) on this special occasion.



Eian Katz, June 24

Eian, son of Susanna and Randy Katz, is a seventh grader at Alice Deal Middle School. He began his Jewish education at Gan HaYeled, and is a student at the Estelle &

Melvin Gelman Religious School. He celebrates his *bar mitzvah* with his younger siblings Evie and Nathan, his grandparents Gail and Steven Katz, and other family and friends. For his *mitzvah* project, he has been collecting donations for Green Door Behavioral Health in memory of his late grandfather, Earl Denton. At this special time, the family also remembers Eian's grandmother, Marion Denton.

In Memoriam

We mourn the loss of synagogue member:

Robert Mayer Goldberg

Trish Vradenburg

We note with sorrow and mourn the passing of:

Carol Lewis, sister of Norman Lewis

Carol Marcus, sister of Suzanne Stoll

Reubin Marcus, father of Paula Shoyer and uncle of Sharon Polansky

Paul Stern, husband of Corinne Stern

Life Cycle Information

When Death Occurs

When death occurs, please call the synagogue office, 202-362-4433, so that we may inform the clergy and be of assistance. During business hours, ask for Carole Klein. After business hours, a staff member on call may be reached by calling the synagogue office at the number above and pressing "2" to be connected automatically, or by calling the answering service, 301-421-5271, which will page the staff member on call. On *Yom Tov* and *Shabbat*, even though detailed funeral arrangements should not be made, a staff member on call can still be reached at 301-421-5271.

Bereavement Committee

The Bereavement Committee assists families with all of the arrangements surrounding the funeral and subsequent burial of loved ones. We welcome your interest and encourage your participation and assistance. We need you; please join us. If you have questions, or know of someone whom you think might be interested in participating in this important work, please feel free to call Edie Hessel (202-244-7189) or contact Toni Bickart (202-244-2747) regarding the *Tahara* Committee.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<div>11</div> <div>9:00 am Morning Minyan</div> <div>10:30 am JMCW Class: Wise Aging</div> <div>11:00 am Sisterhood Closing Event</div> <div>12:00 pm DC Pride Festival</div> <div>4:00 pm YP Jazz, Jews, and Booze</div> <div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div> <div>17 Sivan</div>	<div>12</div> <div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div> <div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div> <div>18 Sivan</div>	<div>13</div> <div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div> <div>9:15 am Morning Awakening w/ Rabbi Lauren</div> <div>12:00 pm Downtown Study Group (off-site)</div> <div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div> <div>7:30 pm JMCW Meditation Session</div> <div>19 Sivan</div>	<div>14</div> <div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div> <div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div> <div>20 Sivan</div>	<div>15</div> <div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div> <div>6:00 pm Evening Minyan</div> <div>21 Sivan</div>	<div>16</div> <div>7:30 am Morning Minyan</div> <div>6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat with Hazzan Goldsmith</div> <div>22 Sivan</div> <div>8:17 pm</div> <div></div>	<div>17</div> <div>8:30 am Boker Or Parashat Hashavuah Class</div> <div>9:30 am Shabbat Morning Service; Bar Mitzvah: Jacob Nicolson; Sermon by Rabbi Alexander with Blessing for JPDS Graduates</div> <div>9:30 am Traditional Egalitarian Minyan</div> <div>9:45 am Havurah Shabbat Service</div> <div>11:00 am Tot Shabbat</div> <div>11:00 am Netivot</div> <div>12:00 pm Congregational Kiddush</div> <div>23 Sivan</div> <div>12:30 pm Havurah Shabbat Kiddush</div> <div>1:00 pm Shabbat Mincha</div> <div>9:17 pm Havdalah</div>
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SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES: Please turn off cell phones and pagers before entering services.

Charles E. Smith Sanctuary: Join us for our Shabbat morning services in the renewed Charles E. Smith Sanctuary, the synagogue’s largest worship space, led by our inspiring Rabbi and Cantor. The service includes a D’var Torah and sermon by the Rabbi and often includes participation by members and B’nai Mitzvah.

Traditional Egalitarian Minyan (TEM): Every Shabbat morning at 9:30 am, with the Torah service around

10:30 am. Led by laypeople with the occasional assistance of Adas clergy, the TEM is a participatory service with a full P’sukei D’Zimrah (introductory Psalms), Shacharit, and Musaf, a complete reading of the weekly Torah portion, and a d’var Torah. For more information, e-mail traditionalminyan@adasisrael.org. Havurah Service: Lay-led, participatory service at 9:45 am. Rotating volunteers lead services, read Torah, and conduct an in-depth discussion of the weekly Torah portion. A kiddush follows the service. For additional information and to participate, e-mail havurah@adasisrael.org.

Youth Shabbat Services: Starting with Tot Shabbat for children ages 5 and under led by Menuhah Peters

or Rabbi Ben Shalva. Netivot, for students in grades K–3, is led by Linda Yitzchak or Allison Redisch. Junior Congregation, for grades 4–6, is led by Yoni Buckman and teenage madrichim.

‘Dial-in’ for Programs & Services: If you are unable to attend programs, lectures, or services, dial in to hear them. Call 202-686-8405.

Library Open on Shabbat: Our third-floor library is open on Shabbat following services. You may sign out materials using our “no-writing Shabbat method,” explained in signs on the check-out desks. For assistance during the week, contact our Director of Library Services, Robin Jacobson (lbrarian@adasisrael.org).

Ruth & Simon Albert Sisterhood Gift Shop



Gift Shop Summer Hours*:

**Tuesday, Wednesday,
and Friday**
10:00 am–12:00 noon

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summer by special appointment by
calling:**

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sisterhoodnews

Friendly reminder from Sisterhood's Co-Presidents, about the Torah Fund



*Sisterhood Co-Presidents, Miriam
Rosenthal and Marcy Feuerstein.*

As the Adas Israel 5777 Torah Fund campaign draws to a close on June 30, we encourage you to participate, and we thank those who have already given. Please send your gift to Torah Fund, c/o Adas Israel Sisterhood, 2850 Quebec St., NW, Washington, DC 20008. *Todah*—thank you!

The Torah Fund Campaign of Women's League for Conservative Judaism is the dedicated philanthropy of the membership of affiliated sisterhoods in Conservative/Masorti congregations. Torah Fund ensures the future of Conservative/Masorti Judaism around the world by supporting scholarships for clergy and other Judaic professional candidates at the five Conservative/Masorti seminaries and institutions in the U.S., Israel, Latin America, and Europe.

Weekday Torah with Sisterhood

Tuesday, June 20 at 10:00 am in the Biran Beit Midrash

Please join *Weekday Torah* with Sisterhood at 10:00 am on June 20, in the



*Rabbi Kenneth Cohen
to speak June 20.*

Biran Beit Midrash. Rabbi Ken Cohen will teach about the customs and practices of Karaite Jews, a group that originated in medieval Babylonia and is still going strong and attracting new adherents. Karaite Jews are deeply religious but reject the authority of the Talmud; as a result, their religious practices are very different from ours. Karaites eat milk and meat together, as long as they are from different species. They also don't celebrate *Hanukkah* because it's not mentioned in the Bible. In addition, Karaites are aghast that we light *Shabbat* candles because the

Bible says not to light flames on *Shabbat*—they think it is appalling that we rabbanite Jews compound our explicit transgression by saying a blessing thanking God for commanding such a desecration!

Rabbi Cohen, the spiritual leader of Beth Israel Congregation in Lexington Park, MD, wrote his rabbinic thesis at Leo Baeck College, London, on *The Personal Status of Karaism in Rabbanite Halacha*. He and his family are longtime members of Adas Israel.

Weekday Torah with Sisterhood is an engaging approach to traditional Hebrew text study that offers participants the opportunity to study and discuss challenging texts and ideas. This class is open to the entire Adas Israel community. Classes are monthly, except in the summer, and usually meet on the second or third Tuesday of the month. Students of all levels and backgrounds are welcome.

To RSVP and for more information, contact Marilyn Cooper at MarilynCCooper70@gmail.com



Mah Jongg Group Continues! **Now Every Thursday at 1:00 pm in Sisterhood Hall.**

Every Thursday Sisterhood plays mah jongg at 1:00 pm in Sisterhood Hall. Bring your National Mahjongg League card (\$8, nationalmahjonggleague.org). The cards come in large

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print for \$1 more.

For those new to the game, we'll teach you. This activity is not restricted to Sisterhood members. If there's enough interest, we can also form a Sunday and/or evening group. To express interest and to RSVP for the mah jongg group, contact Barbara Friedell, 702-630-5106 (C); 202-813-3781 (H); or bhfriedell@yahoo.com.



Sisterhood's Closing Event with Cantor Ari, Miriam Isaacs, and Vladimir Fridman, June 11, 11 am

The program for Sisterhood's closing event on June 11 is ***Yiddish Songs and Stories of World War II Russia with Miriam Isaacs and Vladimir Fridman***. The annual meeting will be part of the program, which begins at 11:00 am and includes a light brunch. Registration and cost TBA.

Cantor Ari will begin the event with a performance of selected Yiddish songs, followed by an extraordinary program of Yiddish poetry and music, ***Yiddish Songs and Stories of World War II Russia***, led by Sisterhood Board member and Yiddish scholar Miriam Isaacs and guitarist Vladimir Fridman.

An irony of history occurred when Russia sent Jews into Central Asia during World War II. What seemed like punishment turned out to save their lives. While they suffered hunger, illness, loneliness, and hard labor, they were beyond the reach of the Germans. In this lonely place, they turned to song and literature for comfort, solace, and courage.

Together, Vladimir Fridman and Miriam Isaacs will trace the wartime journeys of two Polish Jews into the vast steppes of Russia. Drawing from memoirs, Miriam Isaacs will read poems and stories she has translated from Yiddish, and Vladimir Fridman will perform songs in Yiddish and Russian from this historical period.

This will be Sisterhood's final meeting of the year, during which we will vote for our new Board members. Please join us!

A BOLD NEW OUTLOOK



WOMEN'S LEAGUE FOR
CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM
CONVENTION 2017

Women's League Biennial Convention

July 23–26, Crystal Gateway
Marriott, Arlington, VA

Adas Israel Sisterhood is proud to announce that our own Myra Promisel has been nominated to be Finance Committee chair of Women's League. She will be installed on Sunday, July 23, during the Women's League for Conservative Judaism Convention.

We hope you can join us at the WLCJ Convention, July 23–26 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott, where we will celebrate Women's 'centennial, *daven*, study with JTS Chancellor Dr. Arnold Eisen, shop at the Sunday Judaica/Crafts Fair, attend the Torah Fund Luncheon, and catch up with old friends and make new ones.

Please register today at <http://wlcj.org/womens-league-convention-2017/>. ❄

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Chaired by many capable members, these bodies are where we see our communities working and leadership developing, thereby securing Adas Israel's long-term success. During these last two years, I have been continually impressed with the number and diversity of our membership called into action by the myriad opportunities available. Our committees consist of extraordinarily caring and devoted congregants, and the results show in the attention shown internally and beyond our walls.

I must express boundless gratitude to the clergy and staff of Adas Israel. Our operations staff deserves our thanks for ensuring that our spaces are set up, cleaned, and rearranged for the multiple gatherings that occur throughout the building daily, weekly, and monthly. Our educational staff and teachers, under the guidance of Rabbi Rosenbaum, provide loving attention to our children, ensuring transmission of our Jewish values and practices from generation to generation. The administrative and communication staff manage finances and events, take phone calls and messages, manage our communiqués, and respond to our needs. The senior staff ensures that programs, services, ritual, and educational requirements are carried out reliably, meaningfully, and collaboratively. We have shared many moments of inspiration with our clergy, Rabbis Steinlauf, Holtzblatt, and Alexander and Cantor Brown. David Polonsky brings energy, attention, and dedication to his work, which ensures that everything at Adas Israel is coordinated and delivered as planned.

Our greatness lies in our members. I have become acquainted with many of you, heard about what you like and what can be improved, and witnessed your generosity with time, resources, and love to continue to support this wonderful *kehilla*. Thank you for placing your trust in me. It has been a privilege to have served as president of Adas Israel Congregation. May it continue to go from strength to strength. ❄

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DC Council to Honor Anne Frank House on Its 30th Anniversary

This year Anne Frank House is commemorating its 30th year of providing housing for formerly homeless Washingtonians. We



ANNE FRANK HOUSE

are grateful for our partnership with the Adas Israel community. It has helped make it possible for us to provide this continuing support to our clients.

News flash: The DC City Council has passed a resolution, sponsored by Councilmember Mary Cheh of Ward 3, recognizing and celebrating our 30th anniversary. Cheh will join the Adas Israel community at *Shabbat* services in the Charles E. Smith Sanctuary on Saturday, June 17, to present AFH with a copy of the Council's resolution and to present brief remarks. Please plan to join us on this occasion.

If you have any questions about AFH, or would like to become involved (we are looking for new board members and volunteers to spend time with our clients), please contact Sue Ducat at stansue@verizon.net or 301-986-6953.

As always, AFH relies on foundations—the Share Fund and three others that wish to remain anonymous—as well as our miniwalk co-sponsors and many, many individuals to do our work, and we appreciate every contribution we receive.

To contribute, you can mail a check to Anne Frank House c/o Adas Israel, or go online and make a contribution on the Adas Israel website. You can also make a donation on our website: <http://www.theannefrankhouse.org/>.

Thank you, and we hope to see you on June 17!

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breathe into the moment, there is a dance that emerges between us and the rhythm of life. When we empty ourselves and let go just a bit, the energy of the Divine, of life itself, can play a part in our experience of the everyday. Perhaps this is what our tradition meant when it taught that we receive an extra soul on *Shabbat*. That extra soul that whispers to us to slow down, to notice, to empty just a bit. May these summer months give you what you need to rejuvenate.

If you are interested in trying meditation, please join us at the Jewish Mindfulness Center of Washington (JMCW). 🌸

tikkunolam

Social Action Team Updates

Gun Violence Prevention Team

Gun violence in our neighborhoods is rampant and we cannot ignore it. The April 20 *Washington Post* article, "Did your father die?" made that terribly clear. Rabbi Alexander and chair Lois Fingerhut are working to find effective ways to make a difference. Toward that end Lois had meetings with Ryane Nickens, whom many heard speak at our MLK *Shabbat* dinner in January. Lois has been attending Women's Information Network (WIN)-sponsored house meetings and listening to DC residents affected by gun violence, one in late March at Brighter Day United Methodist Church and a second one in mid-April at Sasha Bruce House, a daytime facility for homeless youth.

At the Brighter Day house meeting, Ryane Nickens gathered parents of children injured and killed by gun violence in our city. After she told her story of losing two siblings three years apart to gun violence, each parent shared his or her story. Ryane was able to guide the conversation from grief to action, asking the parents what they thought could have changed the outcome. Their responses were what we all want and expect of our own neighborhoods: effective community policing where the officers get to know the people they serve, especially the young people, so the police are not always seen as the "bad guys" but as people with the same feelings, wants, and needs of other residents; safe schools where children are taught mediation and conflict-resolution skills; recreation centers; jobs for young people throughout the year (not just six weeks in the summer); revisiting school suspension programs so that those who are suspended don't only have the streets to turn to.

At the Sasha Bruce House, along with WIN organizers, we met with eight young people, most of whom try to find work during the day and who have a supportive place to go for meals and services at Sasha Bruce House but who sleep on the street. Their concerns were mostly about jobs and housing rather than violence. They want to work but are often stymied by not having a high school diploma and by finding transportation costs too high. They definitely want safer places to sleep.

As part of Lois's effort to better understand our police department and its policies and programs, she has also been attending the DC Metropolitan Police Department's Community Engagement Academy and has had the chance to hear from patrol officers in Wards 7 and 8. While the patrol officers and community activists want the same things for our city's youth, there is a discrepancy in what they each describe as available services and programs.

There are also many opportunities to get involved in national and statewide efforts to affect gun legislation. You can join the DC Chapter of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America. In addition, the DC GVP Interfaith Network has regular updates on phone bank opportunities.

The campaign that our team intends to build out of these early meetings, side by side with our brothers and sisters across the city, will be critical in moving DC toward a safer and more just city. We look forward to playing a significant role and encourage you to join us.

Please e-mail Lois directly (loisafingerhut@gmail.com) with questions or if you want updates on phone bank opportunities.

Refugee Response Team

Our family has arrived! In mid-April our family of five arrived from Syria, by way of several years in Jordan. We met them at National Airport late one evening (see photo) and drove them to their new apartment. Over the next

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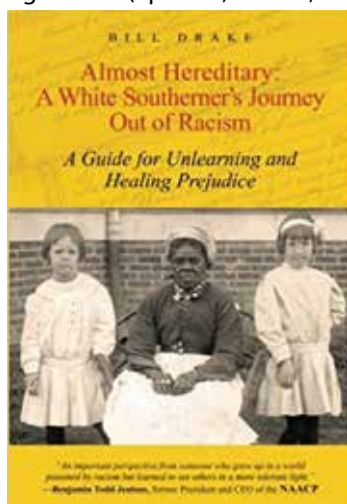
two weeks, the family began to become acclimated to the DC area. All of us who have met them have not only a deeper appreciation for all they have been through but also consider them great new friends. They're a wonderful family: smart, fun, full of love, and eager to embrace their new home and learn English! We thank all of you who have generously supported and will continue to support this amazing family with your time, donations, and love.

Adas Israel continues its partnership with HIAS to support refugees more broadly through letter writing, pro bono legal work, and translation and interpretation services. On Thursday, June 22, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, volunteers will gather at a convenient downtown DC location to offer compassion and solidarity to asylum seekers in detention through a formal letter-writing program with individuals who have requested correspondence, helping them to access hope and connection. See www.hias.org/events for details.

HIAS is also looking for licensed attorneys to provide pro bono legal assistance to HIAS clients pursuing asylum in the U.S. In addition, HIAS is seeking volunteers to provide translation and/or interpretation for HIAS legal cases (Spanish, French, and Russian are priority languages, but please let HIAS know if you have fluency in other languages). Contact Sara Beller (sarah.beller@hias.org) for more information on volunteering with HIAS.

Racial Justice Working Group

Join the Racial Justice Working Group as we discuss *Almost Hereditary: A White Southerner's Journey Out of Racism, A Guide for Unlearning and Healing Prejudice* by Bill Drake, a powerful transformational story of a man who grew up in a world of racism, passed down in his family from generation to generation. Date TBD. Please keep an eye out for updated information on adasisrael.org/tikkunolam. 🌸



Adas Israel Hesed Team Partners with Baked by Yael

On January 26, the Hesed Baskets Team ventured a few blocks south of Adas



Israel to Baked by Yael, across the street from the National Zoo. The adults and kids were on a mission to make cake pops for Hesed's member care packages.

The Hesed Baskets Team provides Adas members with a caring and welcoming surprise basket to mark special life moments. Gift bags of goodies are delivered to families celebrating the birth of new babies and to welcome those who have recently become members of our community.

Organized by Basket Team co-chairs Penina Alexander and Michael Fingerhut, the recent cake pop party saw Hesed members learn how to crumble Baked by Yael's homemade cake, mix it with frosting, roll it together, dip the cake balls in a candy coating, and decorate them.

Baked by Yael, owned by Adas member Yael Krigman, is a kosher and nut-free bakery specializing in cake pops. The cheerful shop on Connecticut Avenue also makes hand-rolled bagels, black-and-white cookies, rugelach, and other delicious treats. Customers normally pay to hold a personalized cake pop party in the bakery's kitchen for birthdays or get-togethers, but Yael donated the event to support Hesed's outreach. Yael also offers a 10% discount for all Adas Israel members and provides the Sunday morning cafe in the Biran *Beit Midrash*.

The Baskets Team is just one way Hesed performs Acts of Lovingkindness to help build community, celebrate with members in times of joy, and support members in times of need. To learn more and join us, visit adasisrael.org/hesed.



Adas Israel Study Group Celebrates Milestone

In the early 1970s, Rabbi Richard Yellin, now of Israel, but then associate rabbi at this synagogue, helped launch several study groups for the congregation's young adults. The purpose was to promote independent study of the foundational canon of our sacred texts. This past April 22, representatives of one such group were called to the Torah on the occasion of its 45th anniversary. Member Michael Stern chanted the portion for the aliyah while his wife Joyce, an Adas Board member, served as gabbai. Others present for the aliyah included Melvin and Barbara Gelman; Arnold and Mary Hammer; Gerald and Diane Rogell; Benzion Rosenblum and Jane Fidler-Rosenblum; Gerald and Kathy Sandler; and Jon Wilkenfeld and Suzanne Stutman. Kathy also chanted from the Torah for a different Aliyah.

Rabbi Lauren Holzblatt recognized the singular milestone of this anniversary. She expressed the congregation's gratitude for the many ways members of this study group drew upon their Jewish learning and their talents to strengthen the synagogue. Whether helping to found the Havurah, serving on the Board (including Stuart Fidler [z'l] as its president), teaching in its religious school, organizing adult Hebrew classes and leyning lessons, supporting Sisterhood's mission, or serving on numerous committees, members of this study group set the standard for active synagogue membership, Rabbi Holzblatt noted.

May this Adas study group go from strength to strength and may more such study groups follow in its footsteps. Mazel tov! ❀



Kol HaMayim

June 2017

Summer is upon us. Remember that wherever you may travel this season, a body of water with a tide or a flow is a real Mikvah! You can do this ritual

outdoors and yes, you can do it in your bathing suit! Here's how. Immerse yourself three times. After the first immersion, say Baruch Ata...Vetzivanu Al Hatevila and after the second immersion, say Shehechyanu. Immerse a third time and add your own blessing. That's it....have fun and tell us about it when you get back!

A beautiful letter that we received from a recent Mikvah visitor:

As a secular Jew and a feminist, I never imagined that I would ever go to the mikvah. I had attended an informational session at Adas Israel which intrigued me but not enough to make me want to go through the ritual myself. Questioning what occasion would make me want to perform the ritual, one of my daughters said that I would know when I was ready.

As my 70th birthday approached, I thought about it often and in the weeks preceding I somehow decided that, indeed, I was ready. I called and made an appointment for sundown of "my erev birthday."

I was weepy all that day and I didn't know exactly why, other than that I was participating in something almost ancient and that, with my daughters, probably my granddaughters in the future, my mother, my grandmothers, my great grandmothers, I would join them in the ritual.

Arriving at the mikvah, I told the attendant that I was there in honor of my 70th birthday and that it was a special event, not only in marking the year of my birth, but since it was the first time that I was coming to the mikvah.

After having gone through the pre-mikvah cleansing and then as I descended the seven steps, I sensed that this wasn't just warm water but somehow special water, womb water that broke before my daughters were born, earth-nourishing water that we waited for in the drought-prone farm community where I was raised, beauty-producing water that made possible the exquisite wild flowers on mountain hikes.

In hindsight, I know won't be going to the mikvah every week or every month or every year but having been once, I understand that I can go back for the emotionally rich experience that may set time apart, that may offer the comfort from pain or the expansion of joy.

I give my thanks to the Mikvah Guides who provide this unique and very Jewish opportunity to replenish souls. ❀



YP@AI had an amazing year filled with services, social action projects, learning, social gatherings, and creating community. Thank you to everyone who has joined us throughout the year. Don't worry, we're going to keep your summer calendar booked as well. Here are a few events that are happening in

June, and we'll be adding more throughout the summer. Make sure to keep checking adasisrael.org/YP for the most up-to-date information!

Jazz, Jews & Booze

Sunday, June 11, 4:00 pm

Come check out one of DC's best jazz bands (Capital Jazz Experience) at our annual summer BBQ. Join more than 300 young professionals at Adas Israel for an afternoon of good food, open bar, music, and company. Only \$12, or \$10 if you're an Adas Israel member. Price goes up to \$15 the day of.

Outdoor Kabbalat Shabbat Services at Meridian Hill Park

Friday, June 23, 7:00 pm

Join YP@AI for an outdoor Friday night service at Meridian Hill Park in Columbia Heights on Friday, June 23. If you're feeling nostalgic about summer camp, or you're just interested in enjoying a beautiful summer evening, come help us welcome *Shabbat*. Feel free to picnic with us after services; the potluck picnic will be kosher dairy.

YP Hike

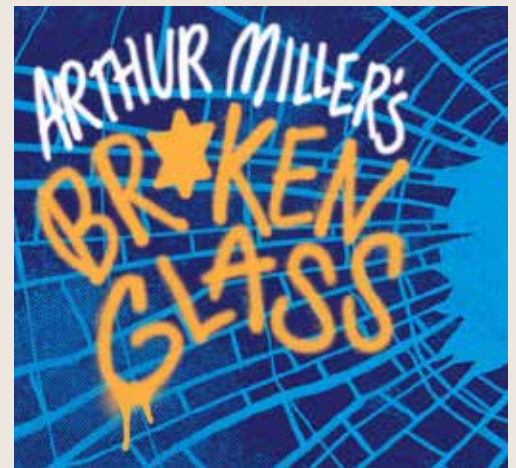
July 9 @ 10am

Join YP@AI for a hike in the urban wilds of Rock Creek Park! Meet at Adas at 10am. Hike is about 5 miles roundtrip and a little more strenuous than previous hikes. We will return to Adas around 12:30pm for refreshments. And just like you remember from summer camp: "Wear closed-toed shoes and a hat & bring a filled water bottle!" 🌻

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Kalia Hoechstetter Kalia is a senior at Woodrow Wilson High school in Washington D.C. This fall she plans to attend the University of Massachusetts Amherst where she will double major in Political Science & Legal Studies, and Spanish Language. Kalia has been an active member of Adas her entire life, most recently serving as USY chapter president for the 2016-2017 school year. In her free time, she enjoys practicing yoga, participating in Model United Nations, spending time outdoors, and drinking copious amounts of tea.

William Satloff William Satloff, a Gan graduate, is a rising senior at Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School and president of its Class of 2018. A professional potter and captain of the BCC Mock Trial Team, William also serves as the Tikkun Olam / Social Action Chair of Adas Israel's USY Chapter. He traveled to Israel in June 2016 with his Maalot class and loved learning about the diversity and richness of the country. 🌻



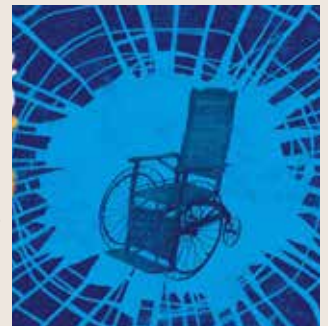
Adas Night Out at Theater J!

Broken Glass
by Arthur Miller

Directed by Aaron Posner

Thursday, June 29

Join other Adas theater lovers for a night out at Theater J for a riveting psychological drama from one of America's master playwrights,



Arthur Miller. Sylvia Gellburg has suddenly, mysteriously, become paralyzed from the waist down, and her husband, a self-denying Jew, can't figure out why. Set in Brooklyn during the rampage of Kristallnacht in 1938, this rare and gripping drama demands we confront our fears, our assumptions, and our anguish. Miller balances private and public morality in this astonishing and electrifying play about being American, being married, and coming to terms with one's own identity.

To purchase tickets, visit www.edcjcc.org. Use the coupon code ADAS to receive a \$5 discount. For Theater J subscribers who would like to move dates to attend with other Adas members on June 29, please call the Theater J Box Office at 202-777-3210. 🌻

Ma Tovv: Edie and Arthur Hessel

HONORING OUR LEADERS AND VOLUNTEERS

Interviewed by Marcy Spiro, Director of Membership Engagement

The Hessels have been members of Adas for over 30 years. And now your younger daughter, son-in-law, and granddaughter are new members. Why was synagogue membership important to you 30 years ago? Why did you choose Adas?

We were familiar with Adas because our daughters went to the Gan. We belonged to another congregation, but needed a place for Edie to say *kaddish* daily for her father who passed away in 1986, and we joined Adas.

Edie, you have been the chair of the Bereavement Committee for several years. And you have joked that nobody wants to talk about bereavement with you when you bring it up. Now nobody can walk away. Please tell us about the Bereavement Committee, all that you do for our community, and how others can get involved.

Marcy, thank you for asking. The Bereavement Committee was started by Sybil Wolin about the time that we joined Adas, but I didn't become involved until about five years later. I was asked to come to a meeting that I frankly thought was to learn about *tahara*, the ritual washing of the body. I was a nurse and had been thinking that *tahara* was something that I could do, but I am not sure I would have volunteered if I hadn't been asked. The meeting was at Sybil's home, and the women there were all familiar to me because they were active at the synagogue. They weren't there for *tahara* but to be *chaverim*, members of the community who go into the home, shortly after the time of death, to help the grieving family make funeral arrangements. The first thing I read at that meeting was this quote from Sybil: "The essential requirement for doing this work is neither a genius for detail, nor some special expertise about death and dying. What's needed is to be a *mensch*." How could I say that this wasn't what I signed up for? *Chaverim* go into a family's home, working from a detailed checklist, meeting people at perhaps their most vulnerable time. Other synagogues may have a *chevra kadisha*, or Bereavement Committee that performs *tahara*, provides *shomrim*, or helps serve as pallbearers, but as far as I know, we are the only ones who have people go into the home to assist with the funeral arrangements. We always welcome volunteers- for *chaverim*, for *tahara*, for *shomrim*, to be pallbearers, to introduce a new mourner to the daily *minyan*, to provide comfort through a Sisterhood/Hesed gift on the first *Shabbat* after the death. We believe that comforting the mourner is the responsibility of our whole community. There is some place in this for everyone. And, if you are reading this and have not been asked to join our committee, but think that you would be interested in taking this on, let's talk.

Art, those of us who are lucky enough to be friends with



you on Facebook love your daily postings. Whether it's political commentary, sculptures around the DC area, or just any little tidbit you want to share. Why did you choose to start this daily project? And what daily postings can we look forward to this summer?

Marcy, my Facebook postings simply divert me from the other things I am doing with my life. In the past, I have been a board member and officer at Adas, and a board member of the Jewish Primary Day School of the National Capital. I am currently the president of the Jewish Funeral Practices Committee of Greater Washington, a nonprofit with 50 area synagogues that are members. We have the contracts with Hines-Rinaldi and Cunningham Turch funeral homes to provide traditional Jewish funerals at a reasonable, below-market cost, and we sponsor educational programs and training. I am also vice president of the Foundation for Jewish Studies, which for more than 30 years has provided quality adult Jewish education to the Washington Jewish community, and I am on the Board of Directors of American Associates, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, an extraordinary Israeli educational institution that I hope everyone visits when they travel to Israel. These are the things that really keep me busy. But any Adas member who wants to be my Facebook friend . . . that's fine with me.

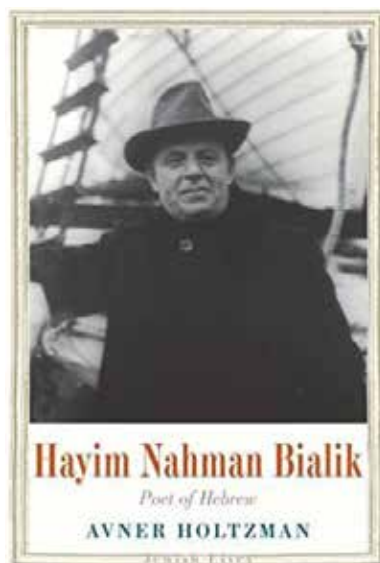
I'm fortunate to know both of your daughters. I worked with Hannah at Shakespeare Theatre Company and through her met Michelle with whom I now have a Kennedy Center subscription. Theatre is a very important part of all of your lives. How did you introduce Michelle and Hannah to the performing arts? What are some of your favorite theatre memories with them?

Good question, and one we often ask ourselves. I think with Michelle, it was our listening to a lot of Gilbert and Sullivan when she was young, and the discovery that she had an

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Questioning Justice: New Israeli Novels

By Robin Jacobson, Library & Literary Programs Director



If you're ever in Tel Aviv, consider a visit to the home of Hayim Bialik (1873–1934), revered as Israel's "National Poet." Minna, my Tel Aviv-residing daughter, introduced me to *Beit Bialik* on a personal tour of "her city." The house is an enchanting mix of Middle Eastern and European styles, a romantic setting for a writer. The irony is that Bialik seldom wrote in this house; he was too overwhelmed by visits from admirers and advice-seekers. Read about Bialik in a worthwhile new biography, *Hayim Nahman Bialik: Poet of Hebrew*, by Avner Holtzman, a professor of Hebrew literature at Tel Aviv University. Here is an overview.

The Making of a Poet

When Hayim Bialik was a lonely boy growing up in the Ukrainian city of Zhitomir, no one could have guessed that he would become a Zionist hero. Yet when he died, 100,000 people joined his funeral procession in Tel Aviv, where he lived for his last decade. Professor Holtzman traces the trajectory of Bialik's improbable life.

Bialik's father, an unsuccessful lumber merchant, died when Bialik was seven. Unable to support her children, Bialik's mother sent him to live with her husband's father, an austere, religious man. Bialik grew up without much affection or attention. His only education was in traditional Jewish texts. A gifted student, he left home at age 17 for a famous yeshiva in Lithuania.

There, Bialik's world expanded. He joined a Zionist organization, and he began reading secular books and writing Hebrew essays and poems. Frustrated with yeshiva studies, Bialik fled to Odessa, a vibrant hub for Zionism and Hebrew literature, where his first poem was published. Still, he felt obliged to return to Zhitomir; his grandfather arranged a marriage, and Bialik set to work as a lumber merchant, like his late father and new father-in-law. It is surprising that this career nurtured his poetry. Except for *Shabbat*, Bialik lived alone in the forest, which gave him time for writing.

A Voice for Zionism

Bialik's lumber business failed, and he became a Hebrew teacher, eventually moving back to Odessa. In 1901, he published his first volume of poems to critical acclaim. But Bialik's true breakthrough came after a Jewish fact-finding committee commissioned him to investigate the 1903 Kishinev pogrom.

Instead of a report, Bialik penned a searing poem, *In the City of the Slaughter*, which denounced the victims for letting the slaughter happen. Stunned, Russian Jews began forming self-defense groups. Another Bialik poem, *The Dead of the Wilderness*, based on a Talmudic legend about the Israelite generation that died in the desert, gave Zionists a rallying cry, "We are the last generation of enslavement, the first generation of freedom." Bialik was now the poet-prophet of Zionism, although his poetry actually encompassed a range of topics.

A Collector of Legends

Besides poetry, Bialik wrote fiction and essays, and he was also a publisher,

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children's author, literary translator, and editor. One classic work is the *Sefer Ha-Aggadah* (*Book of Legends*), a massive anthology of the legends and lore of the Talmud and *Midrash* edited by Bialik and his longtime collaborator, Yehoshua Ravnitzky. They devoted years to gathering and organizing this material, which they lyrically described as "a beautiful palace" in which "the spirit and soul of the Jews permanently dwelled."

For Bialik, preserving Judaism's rich civilization was essential. Speaking at the opening of Hebrew University in 1925, Bialik exhorted Jews to build their university on the "sound and beautiful stones" of Judaism's ancient heritage: "Let not the builders reject these stones . . . May those stones not be forgotten!" ❀

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exceptional singing voice. With Hannah, I think theater came about as a result of her looking for a way to direct her wide intellectual interests into a challenging field. We have many memories, including a childhood Michelle Peter Pan, and a childhood Hannah constable in a summer camp *Pirates of Penzance*.

In addition to being active at Adas, you both are involved with other Jewish organizations. What do you think makes the DC Jewish community special?

DC is privileged to have a large, active, engaged, and growing Jewish community, consisting of young and old, and an array of institutions that they support and that, in turn, support them. When we talk to friends in other parts of the country, where synagogues struggle to maintain membership, and children tend to move away, we realize how lucky we are in Washington.

Shavuot is this month! For this holiday we are supposed to stay up all night studying and eat dairy. What would be your dairy meal of choice for an all-night study session?

Maybe we are mixed up. Are you supposed to continue to eat dairy at night while you are studying? Does coffee count as dairy? If you drink it black? ❀

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