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## Message from Rabbi Aft

Dear Friends,

Recently, I spoke about miracles at Shabbat Shira, the Sabbath of Song. I began my remarks by repeating the words of the mishebarch/healing prayer, written by Debbie Friedman.



"Mi shebeirach avoteinu  
M'kor hab'racha l'imoteinu  
May the source of strength,  
Who blessed the ones before us,  
Help us find the courage to make our lives a blessing,  
and let us say, Amen.

Mi shebeirach imoteinu  
M'kor hab'racha l'avoteinu

Bless those in need of healing with r'fuah sh'leimah,  
The renewal of body, the renewal of spirit,  
And let us say, Amen"

One of the most poignant moments of our recent trip to Israel was when individuals shared their thoughts about our experiences in Israel at our final Shabbat dinner. It was apparent to me that each of us was inspired by something special that could help us to change something significant in our lives. Sometime in the near future, there will be a forum at which those who have gone to Israel in the past few years will come together to discuss what their experiences meant to them. Please watch the Chai Lites and the Blasts for details.

As we celebrate Tu B'shvat, the New Year of the Trees, we are reminded that each of us has an obligation to plant for our children as our parents planted for us. We need to provide opportunities for future generations to share in the blessings that have been bestowed upon us. One of the most significant ways in which we at Adat Reyim are celebrating the New Year of the Trees, is through our refurbishment of our sanctuary and lobby with the motif of our holy space as a tree of life. I hope that all of us will join in our efforts to strengthen our roots, and extend our branches in new and creative ways in order to continue to provide a loving home for generations to come to celebrate together.



As we put away the Torah, we join the prayer that it is a tree of life to them that hold fast to it and all of its supporters are happy. May we rejoice in our opportunities to strengthen our spiritual connections and create sacred ways to make our lives a blessing.



B'shalom,

Rabbi Bruce Aft

## Message from the President

A letter from your President of Congregation Adat Reyim:

So the journey begins, as this coming year for me will be a new journey.

I have been a member of Congregation Adat Reyim since 2004. Members join for many different reasons, we originally joined Adat Reyim for convenient location. I became actively involved on various committees almost immediately. I am married to Jacki Berkowitz and we have two children Andrew and Erica. Andrew graduated from VA Tech two years ago with a Double Major in Business IT and Management Consulting. Andrew is currently working with a start-up company located in Crystal City, VA. Erica is a sophomore at James Madison University working on a Degree in Social Work.

Since graduating in 1985 from George Mason University, I have been employed in the Sales field for my entire career. I had been with one company for the past 18 ½ years before moving on due to a reorganization and now have the opportunity to explore a new path. During my 18 ½ years, I had earned various awards and recognition because I was passionate, highly driven, focused on relationship building with our customers and I took pride in my work. I bring these same skill sets to my new role as your President of Congregation Adat Reyim.

I only hope I can live up to the expectations of this position for this coming term. Adat Reyim is not just a building but a community of people with various Jewish experiences. We need to tap into our members and engage them so they will support our programs. We need our members and community to see us for what we really are: A Community of Friends, A Community of Caring, A Community of Acceptance, A Community of Hope, A Community that allows you to worship as you deem fit and A Community whose religious beliefs and history will be carried on from one generation to the next.

As my first action as president I nominate all of you to be our membership ambassadors. If we all spread the word about what Adat Reyim means to us, I know we can grow our membership.

By the way, as you might be aware, I called every member from A – Z just to thank everyone for being members of Congregation Adat Reyim. If you did not hear from me, please check your answering machine/voicemail. Maybe I did not have a good phone number. Please send the office a message updating your main contact #, especially in case of an emergency.

I want all of you to join me on this journey because this is not about me but about US. I can tell you this adventure will have moments of questioning decisions made or not made, moments of joy and moments of celebrations. However, rest assured my intention is to make Adat Reyim and its members my number one priority.

David Berkowitz  
President  
Congregation Adat Reyim



## Message from the Executive Director



Dear Friends,

I have come to realize that we are always busy here at Congregation Adat Reyim. It doesn't seem to matter what holiday is coming or has passed we never seem to slow down. Right now more than ever I am excited by the possibilities of our future. The new board that was installed in January is moving forward with so much excitement and so many ideas, the preschool is growing and thriving, our security and lighting is going to be upgraded and our sanctuary and lobby are about to embark on a makeover!

At the Congregational Meeting in December I announced that we have been awarded a \$75,000 grant from Homeland Security to upgrade the security of our building. I have been applying for this grant for the past three years and finally my persistence paid off. The grant is specifically designed to provide secure access through technology. Therefore the monies will be used to install cameras and improve lighting inside and outside the building. In addition biometric access points, panic buttons and viewing monitors will be installed. Most of you won't notice the difference but know that these improvements provide for a safer and more secure environment.

As our building becomes more secure our Sanctuary and Lobby will begin to get a facelift. All the dreaming is finally becoming a reality. I started this dream in 2012 when I was President and with Andrea Cates leadership as interiors committee chair and the dedication of the interiors team and support of our congregants we now have a plan of action. Most recently Larry Kugler and Errol Siegel have agreed to lead the fundraising effort to bring us to the level we need to complete the plans. Please be sure to turn to pages 10 & 11 to learn more about the rejuvenation and fundraising plans.

And, of course I can't write an article without talking about the upcoming Purim and Passover events, there are plenty! This entire Quarterly Kol is filled with events so be sure to read it and save the events to your calendars. We have planned for all age groups from ritual to story telling to interactive Seders and activities. The Purim carnival is always a hit and gets better each year. The silent auction items will amaze you! The parking lot fills up so be sure to come early and hear the Megillah Reading Lite at 10:00am and stay for the carnival 11:00am-2:00pm, you won't want to miss it.

Hope to see you soon!

B'Shalom,

Elizabeth Bayer

Executive Director

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## News from our preschool:

### **PRESCHOOL and SUMMER CAMP UPDATES:**

Registration is now open for the 2017-2018 school year and for our June, July and August summer camps.

Members of Adat Reyim receive priority registration when registering for preschool but the school is already half full. If you are interested in learning more about the program, having a tour or bringing your child on a visit, please contact [adpr\\_school@adatreyim.org](mailto:adpr_school@adatreyim.org) or call 703-455-7529

Registration information can be found at [www.arpreschool.com](http://www.arpreschool.com)

Summer camp is offered for children 2 years old through rising second graders. Early bird registration ends May 1. Registration information can be found at [www.arpreschool.com](http://www.arpreschool.com)



### **ANNUAL PURIM CARNIVAL:**

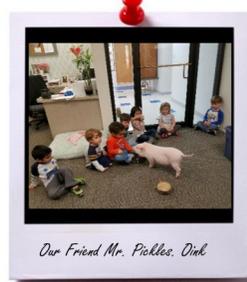
It's almost time for the annual Purim carnival. Join us Sunday March 12 from 11:00 am – 2:00 for fabulous raffle and silent auction items, carnival games and prizes, pizza and hamentashen, our Lego building zone and a petting zoo featuring our very own Mr. Pickles. This year we will have a face painter, balloon artist and caricaturist as well as henna tattoos and personalized bracelets. There are lots of crafts and games for children of all ages. Come in costume!



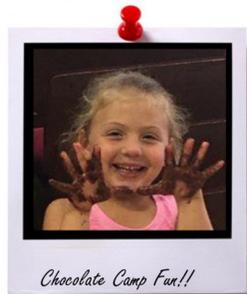
*David's Storytime!*



*Tie Dye Camp Week*



*Our Friend Mr. Pickles. Dial*



*Chocolate Camp Fun!!*



*Spy Camp*



*Cowboy Camp*

## Message From Rabbi Weiner, Rabbi Educator



Welcome Aboard to Ellen Glaser, our Religious School Education Committee Chair!

We began this school year by re-examining our Mission Statement. We discovered, that it was outdated and too long. After much deliberation and editing, we arrived at the following **Updated Mission Statement**:

The Adat Reyim Religious School provides opportunities for our students to learn in an inclusive environment that employs innovative teaching. Our curriculum blends the arts with academics, as well as experiential and traditional learning.

Our goals:

- Encouraging life-long learning
- Creating Jewish identity
- Celebrating the joy of Jewish tradition
- Fostering a connection with community and Israel

We feel that the utmost concern of our school is for our students to grow together as a community and establish a life-long love of Judaism. Since we pride ourselves on being inclusive, our students are treated as individuals and their educational needs are met in both individual and class settings whichever is most appropriate for that student. We also incorporate that concern into each program that we create allowing for different modalities of learning and integration of material to be infused into our teaching methods. For that reason, we are trying some new and innovative programming this spring. To begin with, our students will have the opportunity to experience Purim on the actual day of Purim this year. On March 12<sup>th</sup>, we will gather for a **family-friendly Megillat Esther** reading that will have interactive parts as well as movement and music. All those attending in costume will receive a special prize. The Annual Purim Carnival will immediately follow the reading and **Purim Schpiel**.

On April 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Religious School will have a **Passover Program** and a social action project for Good Deeds Day. Our Passover Program this year will be a Journey through the Seder. Our students will be moving around the sanctuary during different parts of the Seder. No boring sit and zone out program this year! Our students will actually become part of the Seder. If this program sounds interesting to you, please volunteer and become a part of it.

For **Good Deeds Day**, we will join with Adat Reyim's Social Action Committee to pack back packs of food for school children and families in need. For that reason, we NEED your help! Each grade will be assigned a type a food to bring in **between now and April 2<sup>nd</sup>\*. While half the school is participating in the Passover Program, the other half of the school population will pack the bags and then the groups will switch. In this manner, our students will acquire hands on experiential learning along with a kinesthetic component of incorporating our congregation's values into their lives. Learning, doing, and acting on the teachings all at the same time.**

Our **Parent Learning opportunities** continue in the spring with a representative from JSSA coming to discuss the topic "Parenting in the Real World and Our Values" and Jewish Family 2017: Possibilities. Both these discussion sessions will afford the participants to learn about different means of integrating Judaism into our family lives. These programs are also a wonderful means of hearing from others in our community encountering many of the same challenges on a daily basis as you may be experiencing.

As we continue our journey as a community, we thank all our teachers, madrichim and madrichot, and volunteers for helping us create an incredible religious school! Thank you, parents for entrusting us with your students!

L'dor v'dor...From Generation to Generation...

L'Shalom-

Rabbi Jennifer Weiner

# What it Takes to Split the Sea

FEBRUARY 8, 2017 BY [RABBI JENNIFER WEINER](#)

*This week's Torah portion is Beshelach, Exodus 13:17 – 17:16.*

Growing up, I learned the words to Mi Chamocha as a prayer in the prayer book. It was not until I learned Torah that I discovered those words came from this week's Torah portion.

The words of the prayer are found in the section known as Shirat HaYam, the Song of the Sea, in Exodus 15:1-18. It is followed by Miriam's Song in Exodus 15:20-21. The words mi chamocha mean, "Who is like You God!" According to some commentators, unlike in our prayer books that end the verse with a question mark, it is actually a declaration of our faith in God.

The way that this song is written in the Torah is very unusual. It is not written as a regular column. Rather, there are spaces in between the verses in the song. Through studying this passage with colleagues, I have decided that it looks very much like stepping stones along the journey that the Children of Israel are taking. They have left the land of Egypt where they were enslaved for 400 years. They are now crossing through the Red Sea (also known as the Reed Sea) and sticking their toes and then their whole bodies into the future.

Yet, it was not that simple. The Children of Israel needed to learn to trust God and to establish a relationship with God as a free people. The midrash relates that when the Children of Israel arrived at the shores of the sea, no one wanted to walk into the water. So, God told Moses to hold up his staff and that the waters would part.

But nothing happened. The people started to complain and panic as the Egyptian army approached. They cried out to be saved. And then one individual by the name of Nachshon ben Aminadav stepped into the sea.

Again, nothing happened. So, Nachshon took another step and then another step and then another step until the water was up to his nose. At that point Nachshon cried out, "I believe!" and the waters parted.

It took Nachshon to demonstrate his belief in a greater spirit that could not be seen for the entire community to be saved. In our lives we have had many Nachshons to show us the way.

The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. marched to raise the consciousness of others and to bring awareness of those not being granted their civil rights.

Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel marched with King and taught that one should "pray with his legs."

When I was born, women were not ordained rabbis. That changed in America in 1972 with Rabbi Sally J.

Priesand, who was ordained at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. She went on to teach about equality in religion and leadership.

They are just three of our modern day Nachshons. They took those steps and helped our community and our world evolve.

## Questions to consider

How can you be like Nachshon ben Aminadav?

What actions can you take to make others feel heard in our community?

If you were to choose a social action project to do with your family and/or friends, what would it be? n

*Rabbi Jennifer Weiner is rabbi educator at Congregation Adat Reyim in Springfield.*

## Hello Friends,

My name is Shantel Davis and this is my third year as the Program Coordinator here at Congregation Adat Reyim. This position has been such an amazing blessing for myself and my family. I work with my best friend and an amazing staff that have become friends over the past three years. I also love to see all of the great families and kids everyday attending the preschool or camps offered here at Adat Reyim.

My family is more than excited that I have a job that offers such flexibility and always puts family first. I am married to my High School Sweetheart and we have two amazing kids. Our son Graham is seven years old and is the mirror image of his daddy. They both share a love for videogames and Graham can't get enough of his favorite superhero, Spiderman. Our daughter, Gracie, is twelve and has amazing artistic abilities and recently discovered a love for dance. Along with our two kiddos, we have three pets, a hedgehog named "Sugar Buns", a beagle named "Brick", and our newest addition, "Mr. Pickles" the pig. Yes, I know it might sound a bit strange to have such an interesting group of pets, but we wouldn't have it any other way. Our sweet pets have actually become quite the spectacle here at Adat Reyim. The preschool kids are more than excited to have weekly visits from Sugar, Brick and Mr. Pickles.

If we haven't already met, please stop by and introduce yourself. You might just catch me on a "bring your pet" to work day. 😊

**Hope to see you soon!**





**Percolate, Caffeinate, Participate**  
**February 26th, 2017 at 9:15am**

The membership committee is hosting a meeting to get your ideas on how we can spread the word about what makes Adat Reyim such a special Community of Friends.

Meet us in the Rabbi's office to share your ideas about outreach, connecting, and maintaining a rich and diverse membership at Adat Reyim.

Get involved in any or all of the sub-groups forming to enrich our Synagogue community.

## **Ledo Pizza FUNdraiser & Family Night**

**March 5, 2017**

**5:30-9:30pm**

**(with balloon animals and face painting by HUGS from 5:30-7:30)**

**West Springfield Ledo Pizza  
8324 Old Keene Mill Rd,  
West Springfield, VA 22152**

**Adat Reyim receives 20% of ALL dine-in sales and 20% of pick-up orders when you mention Adat Reyim.**

**Come dine with us or call ahead and place an order for pick-up!**

**703-451-5336**

**[www.ledopizza.com](http://www.ledopizza.com) for the menu**



*Sisterhood*  
Invites you to...

## The Great Purim Hamentashen Bakeoff



- Who: Adat Reyim Sisterhood
- What: Learn how to make dairy Hamentashen  
Taught by Rebecca Gibson
- Where: Home of Sue Kalmon
- When: Sunday, March 5, 2017 1 - 4 PM

**Must RSVP by March 1st**

[SMK1411@comcast.net](mailto:SMK1411@comcast.net)

For directions & planning for baking supplies

\$5 for Adat Reyim members  
\$10 for non-members

Nosh & drinks will be provided so we can nosh & kibitz while Hamentashen are baking!

Take home some Hamentashen to celebrate Purim!  
We will make enough so Caring Committee can share with our members who may be recovering from a illness or in the hospital.

# Women's Seder

**Sunday, March 26, 3 p.m.**

**Our interactive, fun, next-gen Seder is BACK –  
And it gets bigger and better every year!**

Get to know other women in the congregation!  
Enjoy dynamic discussions, special readings, and singing.

**Share your special dish at our pot-luck dairy dinner of Passover foods!**  
Bring your friends, your mothers, your daughters age 13+



**FREE and open to the community**

**Watch the weekly Chai Lights  
for more details!**

# Interiors Committee Update

*\* Inclusive, welcoming, warm, comforting, home-y \**

*\* Connecting to community, friends, family, children \**

*\* Nature, real (vs. artificial), plants, light \**

Nourishing Our Tree of Life:

Rejuvenating Our Interiors for Today and Tomorrow

Dear Friends,

As I sit, collecting my thoughts, it is difficult to contain my excitement. The rejuvenation of our sanctuary and lobby is going to happen! We have moved from talking to dreaming to clarifying to conversations to concepts to contracts. Our primary funding is almost in place – a plan that was agreed to at a special General Membership meeting last winter. Most recently, Larry Kugler and Errol Siegel have stepped forward to create and help implement a strategy for raising the funds necessary to to complete the vision. The following have also taken place in recent weeks:

We have confirmed The Korth Companies Inc. of Gaithersburg, MD as our general contractor.

We have hired both a structural engineering firm and a mechanical/electrical engineering firm to review and evaluate our current structure and systems in preparation for the creation of construction drawings.

We have met with a local sound engineering firm to discuss improvements to our sound system.

Liz Bayer and our design firm, Interplan Inc., are working with Dominion Power to help ensure we receive a financial rebate when we replace our current light fixtures with LED energy-efficient fixtures.

We are expecting wood samples from Washington State that will allow us to choose finishes for both the railings on the bimah and the bimah furniture.

We continue to openly and frequently discuss many items -- newly-introduced products, cost-saving options, durability of materials – with Interplan Inc.

We have chosen the first full week in June as the beginning of construction!

The Interiors Committee will be meeting soon to discuss many things, among them wallcoverings for the new movable walls in the sanctuary and proposals for bimah furniture and sanctuary seating. It is all very exciting! This time, next year, Congregation Adat Reyim will have a new look and feel to help us better express our values as a sacred community –

inclusive and welcoming

fosters connections among family and community

connects us to nature

I hope you will join my family and those who have already donated or pledged financial support of this very important rejuvenation project. Thank you all for your part in helping transform the dreams of our congregation into reality!

B'shalom,

Andrea Cate, Chair

Interiors Committee

## **Making our Rejuvenation a Reality!**

The efforts at designing and completing our rejuvenation of the sanctuary and lobby are now underway. This exciting and very necessary project will help propel Adat Reyim into the future for us and those who follow.

This is a big task and one that a few are not doing for the many, but rather that the many need to be involved in for all. The Rejuvenation needs your support and the Fundraising Committee especially needs everyone's help.

Our fundraising efforts are off to a great start, but we need to build on this success. We need help with many phases of fundraising including solicitations of individuals, reaching out to families and friends, fun(d)raising events, social media outreach, researching grants, and pursuing business connections, among others. The more help you provide, the easier each task can be. We DO need your help....this involvement can be gratifying for you and for the whole congregation.

Please let Co-chairs Larry Kugler ([lbkugler@aol.com](mailto:lbkugler@aol.com)) and Errol Segall ([errols5697@yahoo.com](mailto:errols5697@yahoo.com)) know of your interest in helping at any level, big or small.

## **FROM THIS:**



## **TO THIS:**



## Men's Club Breakfast February 26th

"How Asia Sees America and How America Should See Asia: A Perspective from a Veteran Foreign Correspondent."

Guest speaker;

Steve Herman is VOA's Senior Diplomatic Correspondent. The veteran journalist spent 26 years in Asia, including reporting from Japan and subsequently as a VOA correspondent and bureau chief in India, Korea and Thailand before returning to the U.S. in mid-2016.



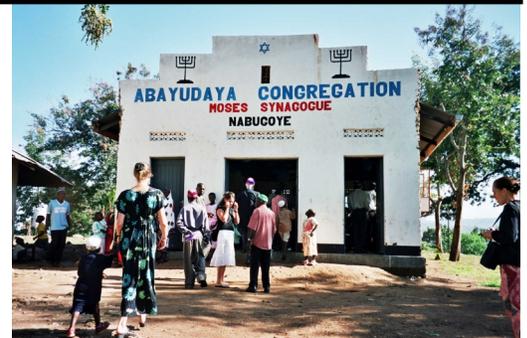
During his time in Asia he covered wars, coups, other conflicts and various major natural disasters. He has met with various heads of states and is frequently called on to provide on-air live analysis for other media outlets including -- in recent years -- ABC World News Weekend, BBC, the CBS Evening News, CNN, John Batchelor Show (WABC Radio New York) and various cable news networks in India.

Steve was elected for five consecutive years to serve as Chairman of The Foreign Press in Japan after completing a one-year term as President of the Foreign Correspondents' Club of Japan. He also served a one-year term as President of the Seoul Foreign Correspondents' Club and for several years in Tokyo was vice president of the Jewish Community of Japan and created the first database of the Jewish section of the Yokohama Foreigners' Cemetery.

Steve is currently a Governor of the Overseas Press Club of America. He is also On the governing board of the American Foreign Service Association, which represents more than 31,000 active and retired Foreign Service employees.

As one of the most prolific correspondents on the Twitter social media platform

## **Abayudaya: The Jews of Uganda February 22nd, 6pm**



DESCRIPTION: This is an update on their current situation. Learn about our Jewish brothers and sisters in East Africa supplemented by pictures. The origin of Ugandan Jews, their struggles to practice Judaism and maintain their identity and faith will be discussed.

SPEAKER: Martin Mould, CAR Member and multiple visitor to Uganda

DETAILS: 6 pm pizza; 6:30 - 7:30 pm program; Education Wing



Purim is a wonderful celebration of the Story of Esther. It is full of fun: storytelling, noise makers, costumes, and singing. This year Purim starts on the evening of Saturday, March 11. We have a lot of events coming up centered around the celebration of Purim. Look for more details about these events coming soon.

**Sunday, March 5:** Sisterhood Hamentashen Baking 2:00pm

**Wednesday, March 8:** Adult Education with Dr. Mizrahi 8:00pm  
(following the Minyan service at 7:30)

**Saturday, March 11:**

Lunch and Learn with Dr. Mizrahi following Shabbat services

Family Mediterranean Dinner 5:00pm (Details to Follow)

Megillah Reading at 6:00pm – Please come in costume and join the fun.

**Sunday, March 12:**

Family Purim Stories/Megillah 10:00am

Purim Carnival from 11:00am-2:00pm

If you would like to get involved or get more information about any of these events please contact the office or Rebecca Gibson at [religiouspractices@adatreyim.org](mailto:religiouspractices@adatreyim.org).

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# PURIM CARNIVAL

SUNDAY MARCH 12TH 11AM-2PM

CONGREGATION ADAT REYIM

6500 WESTBURY OAKS COURT, SPRINGFIELD, VA

SILENT AUCTION

RAFFLE PRIZES

GAMES

FOOD

LEGO ZONE

FACE PAINTING

BALLOONS

CARICATURES



**Come in costume!**

**Megillat Esther and Purim Schpiel at 10am.**

For more information and event updates follow us on  
Facebook: [www.facebook.com/ARpreschool](http://www.facebook.com/ARpreschool)

# HAPPY PURIM!!!



## MISHLOACH MANOT FOR PURIM

The exchange of Mishloach Manot boxes with neighbors and friends is a Purim tradition, meant to ensure that everyone can have a festive Purim meal and to foster friendship. Every Religious School child, teacher, madrich/madricha, and administrator will receive one of these festive boxes.



We are asking each family to donate \$10.00 for each child enrolled at the religious school (maximum \$20.00 per family, so if you have more than 2 children we are still asking for \$20.00) so that your children's names will be included on the greeting cards attached to the gift boxes for each recipient. If you would like to donate more feel free to do so! This fundraiser supports the Religious School.

If you would like to help the school by ordering boxes for your own use we are asking for a donation of \$10 per box. You may pick up your box(es) at the synagogue on March 5th.

### ANY QUESTIONS?

Contact  
Ellen Glaser  
[ellen\\_glaser@yahoo.com](mailto:ellen_glaser@yahoo.com)

Please See Attached Order  
Form

# Mishloach Manot Order

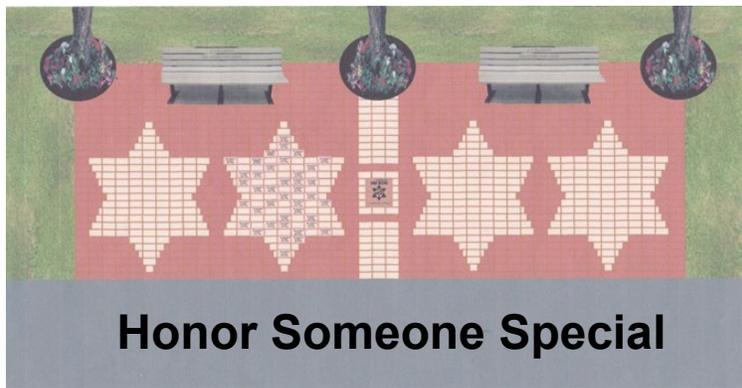


Please fill out the order form below and attach a check payable to Congregation Adat Reyim Religious School. Please return the order form and check to your child's teacher by February 26<sup>th</sup>. The boxes will be distributed in the classrooms on Sunday March 1.

I am including \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (suggested donation is \$10.00 for each of your children enrolled in the religious school, with a \$20.00 maximum per family). Please make checks payable to Congregation Adat Reyim Religious School.

I am including \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (suggested donation is \$10.00 per box) for pick up at the synagogue on March 5<sup>th</sup>.

	Child's Name
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## Honor Someone Special

Celebrate, honor, and recognize loved ones and members of Congregation Adat Reyim by purchasing a brick today and help ensure we meet our goal of having this lovely outdoor honor area completed for us to enjoy by the High Holidays! Have your brick inscribed for someone honoring:

- a good deed
- a birth/birthday
- a marriage or wedding anniversary
- a bar or bat mitzvah
- a graduation
- or any other special event

You can also purchase a memorial honor brick in memory of a loved one. The area adjacent to the right of the parking lot (where the wooden benches are currently located) will be converted into four brilliant Stars of David made from the bricks you are inscribing. A personalized brick costs \$118. If you buy more than one, each additional brick will only cost \$100!

## Simchas



- Neal Goldman celebrated a milestone birthday--75!!
- The Gechters have a new grandson--Erez Uriel
- The Paiges have a new granddaughter--Ellie Cayla
- Daniel Klayton recently married Angela Cross
- The Hills have a new son, Marc Andrew
- Carolyn Kaplan-Solomond's son, Jason recently married Rejina Stallings
- Mark Packler was recently promoted to Colonel
- The Oppenheims have a new grandson--Evan Reid



Passover is around the corner. We will be publishing some helpful tips and reminders soon. One of the mitzvot associated with Passover is inviting a stranger to join you at the Seder. If you have space to host a stranger (or friend) or two at your family seder, please call the office and let us know. We will try to match you up with someone in need. If you don't have space at your seder table, consider sponsoring a stranger at the community seder by making a donation. In the same line of thinking, if you don't have a place to go for seder or can't afford it, let us know and we will help. We are, after all, Adat Reyim; A Community of Friends.

Any time before Peasch: "sell" your chumatz (not Kosher for Passover) stuff to Adat Reyim

**Sunday, March 26:** Women's Seder 3:00pm

**Thursday, April 6:** Kashering of the Kitchen for Passover

**Sunday, April 9:** Siyyum Service

**Tuesday, April 11:**

Passover services 9:30am

Congregational Seder 5:00pm (see details on following page)

**Tuesday, April 18:**

Passover Services 9:30am

Yiskor 11:30am

If you would like to get involved or get more information about any of these events please contact the office or Rebecca Gibson at [religiouspractices@adatreyim.org](mailto:religiouspractices@adatreyim.org).

Congregation Adat Reyim Community

PASSOVER

SEDER



Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 6:00pm

Enjoy our traditions, foods, desserts, and favorite songs!  
Reservations and payment MUST be received by  
Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Adult Members – \$45 each

Adult Nonmembers – \$60 each

Children Members – \$25 each

Children Nonmembers – \$35 each

ALL children under five years old are free!



Name(s) of attendee(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Prefer to be seated with: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

# of adult members: \_\_\_\_\_ # of adult nonmembers: \_\_\_\_\_ # of children under 5: \_\_\_\_\_

# of children members: \_\_\_\_\_ # of children nonmembers: \_\_\_\_\_ # of veggie meals: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be willing to help with setup and/or cleanup? \_\_\_\_\_

Please return completed form along with a check made out to Congregation Adat Reyim to the office by Friday, March 31st. For planning purposes, late reservations will NOT be accepted. If you have any questions, please call the office at (703) 569-7577.

## Create A Jewish Legacy

The Congregation Adat Reyim Steve and Valerie Schwartz Legacy Fund has received its first substantial donation from Bob and Patt Kaplan. The Program's purpose is primarily to receive bequests through member wills, 401K, life insurance, and other programs. However, the Program can grow even more rapidly with donations from members who are willing to contribute while they are alive.

Thank you very much Bob and Patt for helping to ensure the future of Congregation Adat Reyim.

For more information on how to become part of the Legacy Society please contact Executive Director, Liz Bayer, [execdirector@adatreyim.org](mailto:execdirector@adatreyim.org) or (703)569-7577.



### Congregation Adat Reyim

#### Dinner Club

- 2/18/17 Namaste (Indian)
- 3/18/17 Bonefish Grill (Seafood)
- 4/8/17 Guapo's (Mexican)
- 5/20/17 Genghis Grill (Mongolian BBQ)
- 6/17/17 Afghan Kabob

Dinner is at 6:30pm. All events are for adults over 18 only.

If you plan to attend send a reply to [cdkahn@hotmail.com](mailto:cdkahn@hotmail.com) by noon on the Friday before the event. So that reservations can be made to accommodate the group size.



## SOCIAL ACTION IN THE COMMUNITY!

### Good Deeds Day

Save the date for International Good Deeds Day (GDD)! On **April 2**, you will be invited to participate in activities for Tikkun Olam, or repair the world. During religious school we will be packing bags to distribute nonperishable food to homeless families, as well as cleaning up our Adat Reyim outside environment. In the afternoon we will be participating in the community-wide activities taking place at Gesher Jewish Day School. More details to come.

\*Please bring in the following food items for Good Deeds Day starting now until April 2nd. Items are to be left in white cabinets in lobby vestibule.

**Pre-K/K (9 students):**

Macaroni and cheese  
Non-perishable milk cartons

**1st Grade (9 students):**

Fruit snacks  
Cans of Tuna

**2nd Grade (15 students):**

Lunch kits  
Dried fruit, raisins

**3rd Grade (10 students):**

Oatmeal, grits, cereal packages  
Granola bars

**4th Grade (6 students):**

Single serving ravioli, etc.  
One gallon Ziploc (or any brand) plastic bags

**5th Grade (10 students):**

Soup  
Juice boxes

**6th Grade (11 students):**

Peanut butter crackers  
Nuts

### Passover Pantry

Watch for news about collecting food and household items when you are cleaning out your home for spring/Passover. We will be gathering and distributing these items to ECHO (Ecumenical Community Helping Others.)

### Providing Rides to those Aging in Place

Do you have time during the week to help transport older people to doctor's appointments? This is a great need in our community and a few options for you to get involved.

Call the Shepherd's Center of Annandale-Springfield at 703 941-1419 ([shepherdscenter-annandale.org](http://shepherdscenter-annandale.org)). They will interview you and have you fill out an application and conduct a Virginia state criminal background check and a DMV safe driver check. Once clear, you will receive a login to their online system in which you can view all the needed rides. Just select the one that is convenient to you, and you will be providing a much appreciated service.

Call the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke at 703 323-4788 ([www.scfbva.org](http://www.scfbva.org)). They will process you and then all of their rides are managed through phone calls.

Both organizations provide services based on where their clients live. Hopefully these services will be around when you need them yourself! For more information call Susan Bigman, 703 862 8323.

# ESCAPE TO THE MOUNTAINS!

## ADAT REYIM FAMILIES AND FRIENDS

### Cacapon Resort State Park, West Virginia

### May 19-21, 2017

Join us for tons of fun activities and bond with new and old friends and family.

You can participate in a multitude of activities such as singing, hiking, horseback riding (extra cost), games, eating, praying, learning, schmoozing, or just enjoy some quiet relaxation in a beautiful setting.

Cacapon is less than a two-hour drive from Adat Reyim.

Tap into your wilderness side and leave your stress at home.



We are bringing back an Adat Reyim Tradition.

#### Cost:

Adults 18 and over:	\$150 per person
Teens 12-17:	\$75 per person
Children 4-12:	\$50 per person
Children under 4	free

Price includes food, lodging and most activities.

**Registration and full payment must be received by March 01, 2017.**

Payment is non-refundable. Book early, as space is limited.

Most rooms have single or double beds, and share a bathroom with one other room.

If there are sufficient requests, older children may stay together in a cabin that is chaperoned. If interested, please indicate this on the registration form.

For more information please contact Joan Mizrahi at [jmizrahi@cox.net](mailto:jmizrahi@cox.net)

***The following Yahrzeits occur during the months of March, April, & May. The Congregation extends its sympathies to the loved one of the deceased. May their memories be for a blessing.***

<b>Deceased Name</b>	<b>Next Date</b>	<b>Mourner</b>
Dorata Bukmiri	3/1/2017	Mother of Liliana Wainless
Dora Bassman Seidler	3/1/2017	Aunt of Mitchell Bassman
Abe Gurvin	3/2/2017	Grandfather of Andrea Cate
Abraham Pearlman	3/2/2017	Maternal Grandfather of Linda Hill
Sol Nash	3/2/2017	Uncle of Robert Nash
Lily Rosenberg	3/2/2017	Grandmother of Robbi Lynn Watnik
Anita Bublely Greenspan	3/3/2017	Mother of Marian Greenspan
Michael Adler	3/3/2017	Grandfather of Craig Adler
Iris Lieberman	3/3/2017	Mother of Andrea Sobel
Sidney Gelfand	3/4/2017	Father of Elise Lestz
David Nathan	3/4/2017	Father of Stacy Vogle-Panuzio
Mark Eackloff	3/4/2017	Husband of Janet Eackloff
Malcolm Novins	3/4/2017	Father of Jan Moshinsky
Leonard Suls	3/4/2017	Father of Rhonda Suls
Mollie Siegel	3/6/2017	Mother of Debra Siegel
Ludy Rayman	3/7/2017	Wife of Russell Rayman
Ludy Rayman	3/7/2017	Mother of Ariel Rayman
Samuel Weller	3/7/2017	Father of Harlan Weller
Bertram Berger	3/8/2017	Father of Arlene Movit
Arthur Schwartz	3/9/2017	Father of Larry Schwartz
Larry Russell	3/9/2017	Uncle of Susan Kalmon
Stephen Moses	3/9/2017	Cousin of Fred Kraus
Ann Kamel	3/10/2017	Grandmother of Elizabeth Bayer
Samuel Kahane	3/11/2017	Grandfather of Glenn Sherman
Ryan Dillion	3/12/2017	Son of Donald Dillon, Son of Hallie Dillon
Sarah List	3/12/2017	Grandmother of Janet Eackloff
Grace Edith Berkowitz Priceman "Gishie"	3/12/2017	Mother of Joanie Hunn, sister of Dorothy Maneri
Lilian Kain	3/12/2017	Mother of Carl Kain
Harry Solomon	3/12/2017	Father-in-law of Hazel Solomon
Murray Glago	3/13/2017	Father of Mark Glago
Richard Suls	3/13/2017	Brother of Rhonda Suls
Samuel Steier	3/13/2017	Father of Renee Levitz
Irving Milman	3/13/2017	Father of Robin Muse
Harold Rome	3/14/2017	Father of Douglas Rome
Sam Schneider	3/14/2017	Father-in-law of Ethel Schneider
Josephine Knoedler	3/14/2017	Mother of Alice Nerenstone
Gloria Braver- Kalmon	3/15/2017	StepMother of Susan Kalmon
Meyer Hunger	3/15/2017	Father of Marilyn Kraus
Ray Solomon	3/15/2017	Husband of Hazel Solomon

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Jacob Ponczak	3/16/2017	Father of Samuel Ponczak
George Hebert	3/16/2017	Father of Charles Hebert
Ida Silver	3/17/2017	Mother of Marilyn Silver
Edward Korth	3/17/2017	Father of William Korth
Bertha Weiler	3/17/2017	Grandmother of Susan Zuckerman Attas
Jeffrey Mark Sipkoff	3/17/2017	Cousin of Lauryn Beltz
Annette Locketz	3/18/2017	Grandmother of Elizabeth Bayer
Shirley Buckingham	3/18/2017	Mother of Jane Klinger
Morris Kaufman	3/18/2017	Father of Lawrence Kaufman
Frieda Steckman	3/19/2017	Mother of Carol Eisenberg, Grandmother of Alan Eisenberg
Edward Weisberg	3/19/2017	Cousin of Marjorie Somers
Arnold Daxe	3/20/2017	Father of Arnold Daxe, Jr
Vernon Kraus	3/20/2017	Father of Fred Kraus
Leah Movit	3/20/2017	Mother of Chuck Movit
Oscar Ferber	3/20/2017	Father of Doris Wolf
Simon Bassman	3/21/2017	Paternal Grandfather of Mitchell Bassman
Martin Trencher	3/21/2017	Uncle of Marjorie Bassman
Albert Mizrahi	3/21/2017	Father of Maurice Mizrahi
Lucy Greenfield	3/22/2017	Grandmother of Lilith O'Connell
Marilyn Edelstein	3/23/2017	Mother of Andrea Edelstein
Rose DiStaso	3/23/2017	Mother of Stephen DiStaso
Louis Knoedler	3/23/2017	Father of Alice Nerenstone
Irene Zussman	3/23/2017	Mother of Hank Zussman
Molly Stein	3/25/2017	Mother of Debbie Tollin
Herbert Lieberman	3/26/2017	Father of Andrea Sobel
Helen Zuberman	3/27/2017	Mother of , Mother of Ruth Krat
Dorothy Freedenthal	3/28/2017	Mother of Chester Freedenthal
Rosina (Rosie) Bergmann	3/28/2017	Great-Aunt of Debra Zagalak
Ruth Segall	3/29/2017	Aunt of William Korth
David Kay	3/30/2017	Brother of Hinda Sacks
Sandra Schwartz	3/30/2017	Mother of Lorraine Daxe
Carolyn Kadet	3/31/2017	Mother of Jeanne Kadet
Max Rosenberg	3/31/2017	Maternal Grandfather of Zelda Wiener
Edith Lester	4/2/2017	Aunt of David M. Rohde
Victoria Mizrahi	4/2/2017	Mother of Maurice Mizrahi
Nathan Forstein	4/3/2017	Uncle of Susan Kalmon
Ruth Cooper	4/4/2017	Aunt of Stephen Schwartz
Selma Anspach	4/4/2017	Grandmother of Renie Hollander
Yolanda Bryan	4/4/2017	Grandmother of Debra Zagalak
David Alan Kurash	4/4/2017	Father of Aviva Kurash Meinstein

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Dorota "Debbie" Lev	4/4/2017	Mother of Nurit AnderSon
Milton Gross	4/5/2017	Grandfather of Amy JosephSon
Natalie Kerwith	4/5/2017	Aunt of Rabbi Bruce Aft
Toby Snurman	4/6/2017	Cousin of Sue Aft
William Horowitz	4/7/2017	Uncle of Debra Zagalak
Les Waas	4/7/2017	Father of Sherri Shunfenthal
Sol Suls	4/8/2017	Grandfather of Rhonda Suls
James Thomas Lindsay	4/8/2017	Father of Jacob Lindsay
William Hamby	4/10/2017	Father-In-Law of Robin Hamby
Eugene Horvath	4/10/2017	Father of Stephen Horvath
Irving Malenky	4/10/2017	Uncle of Patricia Kaplan
Stella Malenky	4/10/2017	Aunt of Patricia Kaplan
Aziz Daghig	4/12/2017	Father of Shawn Daghig
Annie Suls	4/12/2017	Grandmother of Rhonda Suls
Janet Korth	4/13/2017	Mother of William Korth
Hilma Schoenbrun	4/13/2017	Aunt of Fred Kraus
Philamae Mendelsohn	4/13/2017	Mother of Myles Mendelsohn
Benjamin Shunfenthal	4/14/2017	Father of Michael Shunfenthal
Doug Schwartz	4/15/2017	Brother of Lorraine Daxe
Harvey Priceman	4/15/2017	Father of Joanie Hunn
Daniel Sherman	4/16/2017	Father of Glenn Sherman
Dorothy Hebert	4/17/2017	Mother of Charles Hebert
Rose Lowy	4/18/2017	Aunt of Philip Gulak
Morris Levine	4/18/2017	Uncle of Barry Hollander
Edmond Zetouri	4/18/2017	Brother-in-Law of Maurice Mizrahi
Sarah Kuklinsky	4/19/2017	Grandmother of Donna Stoker
Meyer Levin	4/20/2017	Grandfather of Andrea Cate
Irma Gottschalk	4/20/2017	Aunt of Renie Hollander
Louis Yellin	4/20/2017	Father of Cheryl Hyder
Charlotte LevinSon	4/21/2017	Grandmother of Laurie Rosen
Harry Grant	4/22/2017	Uncle of Susan Cleverdon
Eugene Sklarow	4/22/2017	Father of Mark Sklarow
Sidney Gross	4/23/2017	Father of Roberta Katz
Maureen Stoker	4/23/2017	Sister of Edward Stoker
Dr. Norma Rolnick	4/23/2017	Aunt of Robert Nash
Albert Kaschok	4/24/2017	Father of Karen Ehrlich
Abraham Dobkin	4/24/2017	Father of Sally Goldman
Phyllis Horvath	4/24/2017	Mother of Stephen Horvath
Esther Kalchman	4/24/2017	Mother of Hazel Solomon
Reuven Allen	4/25/2017	Grandfather of Eileen Kugler

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William Porter	4/25/2017	Uncle of Mary Zussman
Mario Posocco	4/25/2017	Grandfather of Lisa Ruhl
Beatrice Rosenberg	4/26/2017	Aunt of Joanie Hunn, Sister of Dorothy Maneri
George Miller	4/27/2017	Father of Harris Miller
Ruth Shames	4/29/2017	Sister of Marjorie Bertman
Ted Zitelli	4/29/2017	Uncle of Edward Stoker
Lillian Tietmejer	4/29/2017	Aunt of Michael Tannen
Herbert Schwartz	4/30/2017	Brother of Lorraine Daxe
Rose Bonn	5/1/2017	Grandmother of Cindy Kahn
Jerrold Packler	5/1/2017	Father of Marc Packler
Abraham Segall	5/2/2017	Father of Errol Segall
Ethel Mae BernSon	5/2/2017	GodMother of Mitchell Bassman
Ruby Porter	5/2/2017	Aunt of Mary Zussman
Ilse Gammal	5/2/2017	Mother of Yvonne Trilling
Matilda Felcher	5/3/2017	Mother of Sally Freedenthal
Jack Gallon	5/4/2017	husband of Kathryn Gallon
Joseph Marc Hamill	5/4/2017	Grandfather of Maryiha Lindsay
Evelyn Loew	5/5/2017	Mother of Murray Loew
Victor Sager	5/5/2017	Father of Jinny Marsh
Dinah Frankenstein	5/5/2017	Grandmother of
Florence Kaufman	5/6/2017	Aunt of Roberta Katz
Eleanor Parker	5/6/2017	Mother of Jill Landsman
Albert Rogers	5/6/2017	Father of Marjorie Somers
Joseph Tudor	5/6/2017	Father of Sharon Lippert
Max Shulman	5/7/2017	Father of Audrey Nachbar
Christopher Waters	5/9/2017	StepBrother of Cindy Kahn
Rae Spivak	5/9/2017	Mother of Patricia Kaplan
Pearl RafilSon	5/9/2017	Grandmother of Maurie Negrin
Esther Rubin	5/9/2017	Mother of Ellen Rubin
Riva Needleman Bassman	5/10/2017	Paternal Grandmother of Mitchell Bassman
Harriet Fuerst	5/10/2017	Mother of Paula Nichols
Cecile Grodner	5/11/2017	Mother of Teena Grodner
Sidney Brodsky	5/12/2017	Father of Maurisa Versel
Emanuel Newman	5/12/2017	Father of Barry Newman
Max Kamel	5/13/2017	Grandfather of Elizabeth Bayer
Kay Greisman	5/13/2017	sister-in-law of Ethel Schneider
Ashraf Daghigh	5/13/2017	Mother of Shawn Daghigh
Robert Felcher	5/13/2017	Brother of Sally Freedenthal
Abraham Leiss	5/14/2017	Father of Wayne Leiss
Haim Potashov	5/14/2017	Grandfather of Gina Volynsky

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Sandy Meinstein	5/14/2017	Mother of Larry Meinstein
Walter Schwartz	5/16/2017	Brother of Stephen Schwartz
Brian Loveland	5/16/2017	Brother of Beryl Loveland-Ebert
Mark Versel	5/16/2017	Father of David Versel
Natalie Garvin	5/17/2017	Mother of Lee J. Garvin
Albert Kaplan	5/17/2017	Uncle of Bruce Kaplan
Bessie Goldstein	5/18/2017	Grandmother of Beth Gormley
Aaron Kempler	5/18/2017	Father of Avi Kempler
Lilian Grant	5/21/2017	Mother of Susan Cleverdon
Henrietta Nachbar	5/22/2017	Grandmother of Caroline Goldstrom
Herbert Levitt	5/22/2017	Uncle of Mitchell Bassman
Henrietta Nachbar	5/22/2017	Mother of Arthur Nachbar
Meyer Bookbinder	5/23/2017	Father of Marc Bookbinder
Ruth Levin	5/23/2017	Mother of Randi Mendelsohn
Abraham Kalmon	5/24/2017	Father of Susan Kalmon
Albert Rosenthal	5/24/2017	Father of Muriel Marcus
Thurston Klayton	5/25/2017	Father of Barry Klayton
Barry Lawrence	5/25/2017	Son of Allen Lawrence, Son of Louise Lawrence
Donald Edward Graham	5/28/2017	Father of Sarah Emmett
Victoria Negrin	5/28/2017	Sister of Arthur Negrin
Ruth Bloomfield	5/29/2017	Aunt of Valerie Schwartz
Morris Nerenstone	5/29/2017	Father of Marc Nerenstone
Charles Freudenthal	5/30/2017	Father of Chester Freudenthal
Seymour Glasner	5/31/2017	Brother-In-Law of Burnette Dinkin