

Congregation Agudas Achim - Ezrath Israel

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☆ NOVEMBER – DECEMBER 2016 ☆ BULLETIN ☆ CHESHVAN 5777 – KISLEV 5777 ☆

President's Greetings

Dear Friends,

Congratulations on a job well done! Our High Holiday Services were a tremendous success by all accounts. It was so gratifying to see our sanctuary filled with old members, new members, older people, younger people – you came and participated, and the best part – you then came back! We kind of knew you would, but it was still great to see. Our sexton, Wayne Freedman, did a fabulous job not only with his chanting, but also with his very inspiring d'var torah. Phyllis Werlin, our cantorial soloist, chanted so beautifully and truly brought to life the prayers for forgiveness and redemption. And what can I say about Michael Simons, Barbara Weiner, and Don Weiner? There are no words to thank them adequately for their contributions to our services. Things went smoothly, professionally, and most of all – comfortable! That was the adjective used most by our congregants with whom I spoke. Everyone felt very comfortable with our lay leaders – didn't you love when Dave Posner bounded up to the bimah to ask people to help with Bingo? This is the atmosphere that your board and I want to convey to all of you – to feel comfortable in your temple; to experience no barriers between you and the ones who are leading the service. Now all I ask is to be sure to send in your High Holiday pledges. The building still needs to be repaired; old electrical equipment has to be replaced; costs of heating and air conditioning aren't going down! Please help us make this year a banner year for contributions – not only monetary, but also participating in events – minyanim, bingo, Friday night services – oh, and did I mention your High Holiday pledge.

My thanks to you all for the confidence you've placed in my officers and me. We'll do our best to live up to your high expectations.

Paula

Building Fund Donations

To: Cheryl Rivers, In honor of the birth of her great granddaughter, Scarlet
From: Katrina & David Posner

To: Arlene & Herb Baron, In honor of their 60th anniversary
From: Katrina & David Posner

To: Walkin Family, In memory of Esther
From: Katrina & David Posner

To: Jack Zimmerman, get well
From: Mickey Levine

To: Mr. & Mrs. Harly Ramelson, In memory of father
From: Sandy & Eddie Swerdlick

To: Ralph & Ellen Spiegel, In honor of their daughter, Sarah's recent marriage
From: Dina Fox & Family

To: Larry Levine, get well
From: Sheila Green

Religious committee

Join us on Saturdays for Shabbat services. The services are good, the company is great, and the Kiddush is excellent. Try it, you will like it. A list of some special dates to remember for the year follows:

Veterans Service	Friday, November 11, 7:30 pm
Tu B'Shevat	Saturday, February 11, 9:30 am, Sabbath services
Purim	Sunday, March 12, 9:30 am, Megillah reading, Continental breakfast
Passover	Monday, April 10, First Seder Tuesday, April 11, Second Seder
Yizkor	Monday, April 17, 7:30 pm
Yom Hashoah	Sunday, April 23
Shavuot-Yizkor	Wednesday, May 31, 7:30 pm

Ritual chairman Philip

WELCOME TO OUR NEW CONGREGATION MEMBERS!!!!

Melvin & Elaine Leeds
Edward Morris
Edward & Sandra Swerdlick
Marjorie & Lois Werlan
Charles & Lilly Schultz

DUES DUES DUES!!!

If you have not paid your Congregation Dues, please do so ASAP. We really need your cooperation. Your dues bills have been sent out and it would be appreciated if you would remit payment. Thanks in advance!!!!

CANCELLATIONS OF SERVICES, ETC. FOR ANY REASON, WEATHER ESPECIALLY, WILL BE PUT ON TV CHANNELS 4, 5, AND 7.

Recycle

Recycle your Ink Jet cartridges, dispose of your cartridges in the marked box in the Temple office. Not only are you recycling, we will be getting back a donation that will be used for office supplies.

The Tree of Life

The TREE OF LIFE is on the wall in the lobby at the entrance. Not only does this enhance the beauty of our Temple, but the purchase of a Leaf is a way to permanently commemorate a joyous occasion, a special day or a Memorial. Please consider the purchase of a Leaf on our Tree of Life.

CONTRIBUTION - \$200.00

For more information, inquire at the Temple Office (781) 322-7205

***** DO YOU NEED A RIDE TO A CONGREGATION FUNCTION OR SERVICE? ******

Call Don Weiner at (781) 324-0108. He will try to arrange transportation for you.

Do you have a Simcha coming soon? Let us help you celebrate such Happy Occasions. Sponsor an Oneg or Kiddush and enjoy with Family and Friends. Call Marilyn Masters (781) 322-2035.

Have you given your E-mail address to the office for our TEI Lifeline? We are trying to keep everyone updated on all important Temple news electronically. So, if you want to be included on this listing, please leave your information with Dina in the office at (781) 322-7205 or send to Laraine Alpert at Lja609@aol.com.

Adult Education

We are planning film nights and Sunday mornings with a short discussion after. Watch your mailboxes for a flyer with dates and movie names. As always, if you have movie names or other ideas for your enjoyment and education. Call me with ideas Elaine at 781-223-8501

Neal Sherman Youth Fund

Our fund is still a viable fund providing fun our children on various occasions. The Fund sponsors the Chanukah Arts and Crafts for our youth. When Purim or Simchat Torah is celebrated, the Fund supplies the goodies for all to enjoy. We are an active affiliate of our Temple.

**** TEI Cemetary ****

Please note that the Ezrath Israel Cemetery is now in the hands of John Ross & Son, who have been its custodian for many years. Any questions, please call them at 978-774-0139.

Don and I have retired after over 25 yrs. Thank you, Barbara

Oneg/Kiddush Sponsors

Please consider full or partial sponsorship of an Oneg Shabbat (Friday night after services), a Kiddush (Saturday morning after services) or even a Friday Night Dinner in honor of a simcha in your life, in memory of a loved one, or just because you want to. Call the shul office at 781-322-7205 for details.

******Saturday Minyans******

We are in need of YOU, our members, to attend Saturday Morning Services as often as you can (Men & Women). Services begin at 9:30 am, followed by Kiddush.

Come and enjoy the services and friendship of our weekly "Minyannaires."
Hope to see you soon!

****** Kaddish ******

You can now arrange for Kaddish to be said for a loved family member or friend at our weekly Shabbat Services. Call the shul office at 781-322-7205 for details.

Bingo News

Bingo is one of our Temple livelihoods; think of this as giving a few hours a month as a nice donation to the Temple. PLEASE HELP!!! -- If anyone would like to lend a hand on Tuesday nights -- please get in touch with us. We especially need sellers on the floor for the first half.....for as long as you can stay...maybe 1 – 2 hours, once or twice a month.

We would like to have some volunteers to help sell strips out front (for backup) – we seem to be shorthanded on Tuesday nights - because someone is sick, has some kind of problem and can't make it for some other reason. It's from 5:00 – 6:45. Just leave your name and phone number at the temple.

We would also like some volunteers to call back numbers from the floor when bingos are called. It is not a hard job - it can be taught in a few minutes. Leave your names & phone numbers in the office.

Brotherhood News

Brothers,

By now we as a nation have voted for another President to lead us. Hopefully, we as an enlightened people have made the right choice.

Speaking of which, it looks like the Brotherhood is stuck with me for another term. As part of my campaign promises, we will be more active with fundraisers. A Kosher meat raffle is in our future, along with one more wing-ding event. I'll try to keep you informed. Our next meeting is temporarily penciled-in for November 27. Watch your mailbox for a confirmation postcard.

I guess that's all the news that's fit to print. If you only come to one meeting, come to this one. Besides the usual nasheri and coffee, we'll show a movie and talk about our future.

Leslie Lerman, President

Sisterhood News

Hello ladies!

We have just had our fabulous Membership Luncheon on October 30th. Due to a previously scheduled engagement, I was unable to attend, but I have heard from many reliable sources that it was a wonderful afternoon. From the tasty fish dinner to meeting the brand new members and watching enjoyable entertainment, it was a day of pleasure for everyone attending. Barbara Weiner and Cheryl Rivers should be commended for running the Luncheon and of course, Marilyn Masters and her kitchen committee for the delectable meal. Another successful Sisterhood event!

For our November breakfast meeting November 20, 2016, we are planning a book review with a twist. I hope you will come and join us because I know it will be a great morning. December 18, 2016 is our annual Chanukah Party, chaired by Ilyssa McCarthy. We are planning a delicious brunch and festive entertainment. We had a delicious brunch last year and I'm sure this year's will be equally yummy. I am looking forward to seeing you as we munch our way through the scrumptious latkes and sofgyiot!

The entire year of 2016 has proved to be a wonderfully productive one. I am sure 2017 will be equally productive. We have had fabulous entertainment along with financially successful fundraisers. And best of all we had a lot of fun doing them. Together. Sure we enjoy ourselves at every meeting, function and fundraiser, but that enjoyment is shared. We are working as a team known as Sisterhood. And as your President, I am honored and proud of all of us!

Enjoy Thanksgiving and Chanukah! After our November meeting and Chanukah Party, we have all of our 2017 to look forward to. Below are all the dates in our upcoming calendar. Call me if you need a ride to any meeting 781-223-8501.

Elaine

Officers of Sisterhood Congregation Agudas Achim-Ezrath Israel (2015-2017)

President	Elaine Lerman	(781) 223-8501
First Vice President	Ilysa McCarthy	(781) 321-0042
Second Vice President	Amanda Alpert	(781) 775-0174
Treasurer	Marilyn Masters	(781) 322-2035
Financial Secretary	Bobbi Epstein	(781) 324-7562
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Corresponding Secretary (Board)	Dottie Scott	(781) 324-1145
Corresponding Secretary (Body)	Dina Fox	(781) 321-2528

Sisterhood Calendar

Sunday, November 20, 2016, Regular Breakfast meeting, book review.

Monday, December 12, 2016, Chanukah Board meeting

Sunday, December 19, 2016, Sisterhood Chanukah Party brunch

Sunday, February 5, 2017, winter brunch get-together

Monday, March 6, 2017, Board meeting, Nominating report

Sunday, March 12, 2017, Regular Purim meeting

Monday, April 3, 2017, Board meeting

Monday, April 24, 2017, Donor meeting and elections

Monday, May 8, 2017, Board meeting

Sunday, May 21, 2017, Donor Luncheon

Monday, June 5, 2017, Board meeting

Friday, June 9, 2017, Sisterhood Shabbat

Sisterhood Contacts

Club-o-Grams:

Club-o-Gram cards are sent out for any and all occasions. Cost is \$3 each.
Sent by chairs Barbara Weiner - (781) 324-0108 or Phyllis Werlin - (781) 321-0238.

Kitchen Fund:

Donations can be made to support the Sisterhood kitchen – contact Kitchen Fund chair Beverly Visnick at (781) 388-6995.

Kitchen Committee:

The Sisterhood Kitchen Committee can always use assistance for Kiddushes, Temple Functions, and Sisterhood meetings and dinners. If you can offer some help, either in food preparation or setting tables, contact Marilyn Masters at (781) 322-2035.

Judaica Shop:

Holidays are quickly approaching and if you are looking for a hostess gift or just something for yourself, check us first.

Special sale on "Quest Mezuzahs." Now only \$25.00 each and are on display in the Judaica Shop window.

All 3-D Wall Hanging are also on sale, some are on display in the front lobby.

If interested in any above mentioned, contact Laraine Alpert at 781-231-1140 or email lja609@aol.com

Kitchen Fund Donations

To: Mr. & Mrs. David White, in memory of beloved Brother-in-Law of Flora Lee Meltzer and Uncle of Susan Gordon, Marcia Meltzer, Ben & Alison Meltzer

From: Flo Meltzer, Marcia Meltzer, Rick & Susan Gordon

Hostess Fund

Hi,

It is my privilege to report birthdays, anniversaries and other mitzvahs for our Sisterhood bulletin. This is a very busy time of year. And since this report will take us to the end of the year, I would like to wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving and a very happy, healthy and fun filled Chanukah.

Again, if you have a special date which you would like to recognize in the Sisterhood bulletin, please contact me at cmel5@aol.com or (617) 389-1447.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

Elaine Porter 11/5
Jeff Caputi 11/6
Ernie Brown 11/6
Vicki Hamburg 11/13
Ilysa McCarthy 11/20
Lois Werlan 11/22
Nadia Rivers-Gonzalez 11/26
Gabiella DePrimeo 11/30

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARY:
Roberta and Richard Giller 11/27

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:
Sharon Arnofsky 12/3
Lena Wickham 12/8
Elaine Lerman 12/10
Sean Falta 12/15
Amanda Falta 12/15
Barbara Weiner 12/21
Roselyn Arnofsky 12/23
Jared Wickham 12/26

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARY:
Sandra and Edward Swerdlick 12/27

MARRIAGE:
Jill and Jared Arnofsky 10/8/16

Wishing everyone all the best. Please keep the Hostess Fund in mind for your mitzvahs

Cheryl Rivers
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(617) 389-1447

Sisterhood Club-O-Grams

Club-O-Grams (Barbara Weiner@781-324-0108 or Phyllis Werlin@781-321-0238)

CONGRATULATIONS

To: Arlene & Herb Baron, in honor of 60th Wedding anniversary
From: Celia Brown, Barbara & Don Weiner

To: Barry & Sharen Arnofsky, in honor of wedding anniversary
From: John & Regina Kaufman

To: Barry & Sharen Arnofsky, in honor of son Jared's marriage to Jill Romano
From: Sisterhood, John & Regina Kaufman

To: Rosalyn & Iris Arnofsky, in honor of grandson & nephew Jared's marriage to Jill Romano
From: Sisterhood, John & Regina Kaufman

GET WELL

To: Jack Zimmerman
From: Carol & Alan Sugeran, Claire Moretti, Celia Brown, Cong. AA-EI

To: Brian McCarthy
From: Celia Brown

To: Bobbi Epstein
From: Celia Brown, Sisterhood, Cong. AA-EI

To: Gary Parker
From: Celia Brown

To: Eddie Cohen
From: Celia Brown

To: Lee Goldman
From: Cong., Sisterhood AA-EI, Barbara & Don Weiner, Dina Fox, Bobbi Epstein, Marilyn Masters, Sheila Kipnis, Celia Brown, Paula Sack, Carol & Alan Sugerman, Cheryl Rivers, Sylvia & Hy Sandler, Dottie & Bob Scott, Dvora & Jack Zimmerman, Bobbi Giller, Bella & David Westerman, Arlene & Herb Baron

CONDOLENCES

To: Judy Linick, in memory of husband, Alan
From: Sisterhood AA-EI, Elaine & Leslie Lerman

To: Mr. & Mrs. Spencer Linick, in memory of father, Alan
From: Elaine & Leslie Lerman

To: Cynthia Lutch, in memory of sister Phyllis Barruw
From: Celia Brown

To: Brian Triber, in memory of father, Louis
From: Elaine & Leslie Lerman

To: Nancy & William Hoar, in memory of father & grandfather, Louis
From: Elaine & Leslie Lerman



JF&CS Family Table Helping Those in Need

Congregation Agudas Achim - Ezrath Israel has partnered with JF&CS Family Table and will be collecting food for their monthly distributions.

Jewish Family & Children's Services Family Table provides low-income families, isolated seniors, disabled adults, unemployed, working poor and Waltham residents with emergency or monthly groceries.

JF&CS has grown dramatically since its inception, and have gone from assisting 40 families in 1993 to assisting over 400 families in Greater Boston today. With the donations of food from 48 collection sites, JF&CS Family Table currently provides kosher food, fresh produce, dairy products, meats, and Jewish ritual and holiday items each month.

We have been asked to make a commitment to collect 1 lb boxes or bags of rice or raisins every month. Our goal is to collect ten of each item before delivering them for distribution. We hope you will help us reach our goal.

Next time you purchase your family groceries; won't you please add one of these items to your shopping cart and bring it with you to the temple? Please help us fulfill our responsibility to provide the corners of our field for the poor and needy. Help us make a difference and help feed the hungry in our community.

A collection bin has been set up in the Temple office.

Thank you,

**Phyllis Werlin
Family Table Site Coordinator for AAEL**