

Agudath Achim Congregation  
Altoona, PA



# SHOFAR

April / May / June (5781)

**Friday Evening Services - via Zoom**  
**Saturday Morning Services - via Zoom**  
**Spiritual Leader - Hazzan Benjamin Matis**

**Dr. Michael Kline, President**

**Cantor's Hours**  
**\*By Appointment**  
**Office Hours**

**8:00 am to Noon - Monday thru Friday**

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We are very excited about the great response that we've gotten so far for our Cemetery Fund Campaign. Our goal is to raise \$150,000 to make much needed improvements in our Cemetery. We are making great progress but still are not at our goal.

Please remember your friends, your family, and your history.

Act now to take advantage of the generous matching grants that we can receive. **The deadline is approaching on April 30th**



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Lag Ba'omer** - Friday, April 30

**Shavuot** - Sunday & Monday, May 16 & 17

**Tisha B'Av** - Saturday & Sunday, July 17 & 18

**Erev Rosh Hashanah** - Monday, September 6

**Rosh Hashanah** - Tuesday & Wednesday, September 7 & 8

**Kol Nidre & Yom Kippur** - Wednesday & Thursday, September 15 & 16

**Erev Sukkot** - Monday, September 20

**First day Sukkot** - Tuesday, September 21

**Second day Sukkot** - Wednesday, September 22

**Yizkor** - Night of Monday, September 27

**Simchat Torah** - Night of Tuesday, September 28, day of September 29

**Erev Hanukkah & Hanukkah** - Sunday November 28 to December 3

**Executive Board Meeting** - May 5, 7PM

**Annual Meeting** - Sunday, May 16

Have you sold all your Raffle Tickets ? More are available at the office ! Return your tickets by May 1

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### **Upcoming B'Nai Mitzvah:**

**Will Wallen - August 7, 2021**

**Connor & Grant Okonak - June 26, 2022**

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## The Cantor's Corner

Passover is a time-warp holiday that speaks of an ancient past of slavery in Egypt, hints at a later time of Roman oppression, today's celebration, and finally hopes and prayers of a future time of total redemption of not only our own people but redemption of the world. It's also a time-warp because in its recitations and rituals, foods and symbols, as well as different plates and silverware (or plasticwear!). These things bring us back to our own memories of a past perhaps long gone, spent with Bubbes and Zaydes, of family long. It is a holiday laden with memory and emotion and recollection. Passover always takes me back to different times in my life, too. I remember the first time I tried (and failed) to recite the four questions. I remember the first time Shoshana recited the four questions too, perfectly, at the age of three. I remember my zayde falling asleep after drinking manishevitz extra-heavy Malaga wine. I remember how Zayde rushed through the Hebrew at light-speed. I also remember that Zayde was forever losing his fork, grabbing other people's forks, until all the forks were lost (at least that's my memory of it). I remember the heavenly smells of the foods. I remember my elderly uncles and aunts teasing each other over dinner. I remember the first time I led my own sederim. I remember my son asking for "maymonaise" for his turkey dinner and ketchup for the brisket. I remember friends and family at my table, with a feast before us that Stefanie had spent days and days preparing. The discussions about the Haggadah, the laughs as we drunkenly tried to sing the songs at the end of the seder. I remember sederim of years and years past from the nearly 51 years of my life.

And here we are with Passover by Zoom. We are separated from those we love, our family and our friends- for the second year in a row. Perhaps instead of saying "next year in Jerusalem!" tonight we can say "next year together!" wherever we may be. In this sense, Jewish time is cyclical- we are tied to the seasons. We are tied to the rhythms of nature, and with every year we repeat once again the cycles of reading Torah and celebrating holidays. Cyclical time is like a wheel, going round and round, but nothing much actually changes- repetition goes nowhere.

Yet we all know time is linear too. History passes and years pass- we don't stay the same age every year, alas. And just so, Jewish time, with its repeating patterns, is NOT static. Abraham's great leap from idolatry and spiritual slavery to the service of the one true God, Hashem, is no small event in history. There is the entrance to Egypt of a single family to the Exodus of millions; the procession of these millions to through the desert to the revelation at Sinai. What we have is no static sense of time but as Human beings a sense of not just a past but a distant past, a more recent past, the present, and just as importantly, the future. It's not a series of reoccurrences, even if history does in a sense repeat itself in a sense.

This future is not the same as it ever was- but a time of perfection under the Kingship of God.

This is the message given so strongly in our Haggadah: the distant past, the near past, our own time- and finally, a view of a great time of the World to Come under the Kingship of God. We move from a small family to a nation to a people in exile among the nations of the world but with a destination: that perfect, Messianic future. We have never been truly lost, because throughout our long and difficult history, God has cared for us and has ultimately saved us from the dustheap that is human history. History has forward motion.

So, while I remember the past and honor it- this year I'm even using my Great Grandparent's passover china- I look forward to the goal of history: not just more cycles but the coming of so much greater than ourselves. This year, we are stuck with Zoom seders: perhaps next year in the world as it should be, perfected in the time of the Messiah.

**B'shalom  
Cantor Ben**



## PRESIDENT, DR. MICHAEL KLINE

Dear Friends,

2021 has continued to be a very trying year for all of us. It has been very stressful both personally and as the synagogue president.

I understand the need for support and socialization that our synagogue can provide. It's a difficult balance between that and keeping our membership safe.

I do see a light at the end of the tunnel. However, sometimes it can be darkest before the dawn. But we will get there, I'm sure of it.

I would always keep in mind that our success comes directly from you. We are only as good as your participation and involvement. The more that you put in to it, the more that you will get out of it.

There are a lot of things that we can do socially, educationally, and for community service. We could do so much more with your help.

Stay positive

Mike Kline  
President



We are still collecting items for the Next-to-New sale. Our plan is to hold this sale in the Fall of 2021.

If you have items you'd like to donate, you can drop them off at the synagogue (Monday - Friday, 8AM - 12 Noon), or call Janet at the office and we will arrange to have your items picked up.

As spring cleaning season approaches, please be sure to remind your friends and family we are accepting all donations !!

## MI SHE BERAḤ LIST

All COVID-19 victims

All terror victims

All of the American and Israeli Soldiers injured in battle

Rey Altberg	Desiree Rosenthal
Paulette Updike	Ryan Parks
David Campbell	Frank Muhlbarer
Herman Gerwitz	Samuel Kaplan
Bennett William Thaler	Lilli Durante
Jeff Hunter	Sandra Halpern
Gerald Matis	Carol Hewitt
Al Roth	Nathan Scheinberg
Rose Karp	Cyndy Humphreys
Joy Susengill	Fay Schmitt
Norman Godfrey	Danny Noiman
Leroy Whipple	Mark Lipitz
Renee McCutchen	Lynn Fishbaine
Carol Lipitz	Phyllis Port
Jeff O'Fish	Nicole Lipitz
Wendy Siegel	Donna Medd
Rick Karp	Dave Dolinger
Genn Rockwell	Philip Stolzenberg
Illyse Conn	Shlomo Dotan
Dr Leonard Zimmerman	Kim Fornwalt
Florence Skiff	Remy Dicey

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**PLEASE CONTACT CANTOR MATIS OF ANY ILLNESSES, ANYONE FACING SURGERY OR IN THE HOSPITAL. PLEASE PROVIDE THE PERSON'S NAME AND PHONE NUMBER.**

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# BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

8 Philip & Colleen Devorris  
16 Michael & Andrea Cohen

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

2	Adam Seltzer	13	Scott Glass
5	Noah Scheinberg	19	David Halpern
5	Michele Schmidt	20	Jan Housman
5	Steve Seltzer	23	Gerald Bergstein
8	Leeanne Port	23	Phyllis Thaler
9	Joel Schocker	28	Jeffrey Blender
12	Ian Housman	30	Jean Dolinger
13	Alex Seltzer	30	Madelyn Greenberg
13	Alison Seltzer	30	Erica Schmidt

## MAY ANNIVERSARIES

6 Jeffrey & Sue Blender  
11 Clark & Kim Adelman  
25 Jack & Jan Housman

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

2	Robert Neidorff	9	Dr. Vicki Sommer
9	Ava Kline	18	Michael Seltzer
9	Kara Schmidt	21	Dr. Bruce Thaler
9	Dr. Jack Schocker	22	David Binus

## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

2 William & Carolyn Wallen  
11 Rick & Susan Karp  
17 Marvin & Judi Meisner  
25 Elliott & Kara Bilofsky

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1	Brenda Barr	18	Carol Cohn
2	Kim Adelman	20	Dr. Elliott Bilofsky
4	Allison Cohen	22	Kara Bilofsky
5	David Bergstein	27	Michael Dolinger
9	Carly Port	27	Dr. Stephen Schmidt
12	Lynn Fishbaine	27	Greg Werstil
16	Dr. Irvin Berger	28	Andrew Dolinger
18	Mitzi Bailing	30	David Rispoli

# Y A H R Z E I T S

## April 2021

2	William Greenberg	Father of Jeff Greenberg
3	Paul Bellina	Husband of Yvonne Bellina
3	Sara Epstein (T-1 R-20A)	Mother of Norman Epstein
3	Albert Faber (T-14 R-25B)	Grandfather of Steven Seltzer, Alex Seltzer, Alison Seltzer, Michael Seltzer
4	Yetta Seltzer (T-11 R-30A)	Grandmother of Steven Seltzer, Alex Seltzer, Alison Seltzer, Michael Seltzer
9	Anna Mazur	Mother of Rose Karp, Grandmother of Rick Karp
10	Hanna Krapin	Mother of Millicent Bailing
12	Joseph Cohen	Father of Lynn Fishbaine
15	Harry Crigger	Father of Sandra Singer
16	Ruth Karp (T-11 R-24B)	Mother of Ardie Karp
16	Zeida Karp	Grandmother of Rick Karp
17	Betty Strunk Merin (T-14 R-10A)	Mother of Melinda Eckard
18	Ida Schulman (T-15 R-33B)	Mother of Rebecca Cohen
19	Simon Adelman (T-14 R-16B)	Uncle of Clark Adelman, Ronald Adelman, Joy Susengill, Marlene Kiewe, Harry Rubin
19	Sanford Gould (T-9 R-3A)	Brother of Barry Gould
19	Bess Levine (T-13 R-30A)	Mother of Ida Levine, Nancy Siegel
20	Samuel Port (T-9 R-13A)	Father of Neil Port, Martin Port, Grandfather of Dr. Joshua Port
20	Hinda Schulman (T-6 R-14A)	Grandmother of Marlene Kiewe
22	Sarah Bergstein (T-1 R-23B)	Mother of Gerald Bergstein, Grandmother of David Bergstein
22	Rae Dolinger (T-13 R-4A)	Mother of David Dolinger
25	Coleman Swartz	Father of Susan Swartz
26	Rose Devorris (T-5 R-33B))	Grandmother of Andrea Cohen, Philip Devorris
26	JB Reverend Henderson (T-1 R-19B)	Grandfather of Robert Henderson, Susan Henderson-Brody
26	Dr William Thaler (T-16 R-10A)	Father of Amy Seltzer, Dr. Bruce Thaler, Eric Thaler, Dr. Jonathan Thaler, Matthew Thaler, Michael Thaler
27	Nevin Nederlander (T-15 R-10A)	Father of Renee Marks, Grandfather of Melissa Marks, Abby Marks, Uncle of Amy Seltzer, Eric Thaler
28	Deborah Sare (.T-8 R-3A)	Grandmother of David Dolinger
29	Martha Cohen	Mother of Lynn Fishbaine

## May 2021

1	Morris Kaplan (T-13 R-19B)	Father of Samuel Kaplan, Harold Kaplan
3	Fannie Berger (T-12 R-28B)	Mother of Dr. Irvin Berger
3	Molly Dolinger (T-1 R-4A)	Grandmother of David Dolinger
5	Sylvia Ruttenberg (T-14 R-32B)	Mother of Bernice Levinson
12	Aaron Krell	Father of Dorothy Kardon
12	Jerry Stein	Brother of Maxine Weinberg
15	Joan Seltzer (T-14 R-26B)	Mother of Steve Seltzer, Alison Seltzer, Alex Seltzer, Michael Seltzer
15	William Singer	Father of Philip Singer
16	Louis Kline (T-14 R-21B)	Brother of Ethel Fried, Uncle of Andrew Parish
17	Lucille Glickman	Mother of Kara Bilofsky
21	Selma Altberg (T-15 R-14B)	Mother of Dr. Reynold Altberg, Grandmother of Marla Altberg
22	Anne Golant (T-15 R-30B)	Mother of Debbie Badawi
23	Ruth Hollander	Aunt of Joel Hollander, Great Aunt of Nancy Caplan, Nicole Hollander, Rachel Sirner
24	Charles Kaplan	Brother of Samuel Kaplan, Harold Kaplan
25	Alice Kolb Saltzman T-5 R-7B)	Mother of Fay Schmitt
26	Lena Isenberg (T-11 R-7B)	Mother of Shirlee Roberts
28	Marilyn Hope Lynn	Sister of Rachelle Cohen
30	Suzanne B. Cohn	Mother of Sandra Halpern
30	Roy I. Schulman (T-10 R-20B)	Brother of Maureen Gordon

## June 2021

2	Phillip Sky (T-16 R-22A)	Husband of Rosalind Sky, Father of Tobi Rispoli, Israel Sky, Grandfather of Tyler Rispoli, Casey Rispoli, Amanda Sky, Samuel Sky
3	Jerome Wayne (T-16 R-4A)	Husband of Janet Wayne
7	Martin Kline (T-14 R-18A)	Father of Marlene Kiewe, Grandfather of Royal Duncan
8	Mark Giller (T-14 R-9B)	Father of Edward Giller, Grandfather of Phyllis Thaler
9	Jenn Levenson	Great Aunt of Ardie Karp
10	Selma Brande (T-10 R-31A)	Mother of Dr. Scott Brande
11	Lee Halpern (T-5 R-34B)	Son of David Halpern
14	Ruth Diamond (T-11 R-21B)	Aunt of Marlene Kiewe
15	Charles Brenner (T-4 R-26A)	Grandfather of Charles Kaminsky
15	Nathan Greenberg	Grandfather of Jeff Greenberg
17	Abe Kline (T-12 R-33B)	Father of Dr. Michael Kline, Lisa Jolles, Brother of Ethel Fried, Ann Kline
17	Dr. Joseph Lang (T-10 R-10A)	Uncle of Dr. Michael Kline
22	William Cohn	Father of Sandra Halpern
27	Ruth Hollander (T-14 R-5B)	Mother of Joel Hollander, Grandmother of Nicole Hollander, Nanci Caplan, Rachel Sirner
28	Morris Kaminsky (T-5 R-28A)	Father of Charles Kaminsky
29	Morris Freeman (T-1 R-26A)	Grandfather of Ardie Karp
30	Harry Adelman (T-13 R-17B)	Uncle of Clark Adelman, Ronald Adelman, Joy Susengill, Harry Rubin
30	Stan Olicker	Father of Leeanne Port

## DONATIONS

<i>FROM</i>	<i>FOR</i>	<i>FUND</i>
Rex Kaup	IMO Henry Weinberg	CT
Charles Berney	IMO Henry Weinberg	CT
Wayne - Berman Families	IMO Henry Weinberg	TOL
Martin & Barbara Port	IMO Louis Epstein	GF
Ida Levine & Nancy Siegel	IMO Morris Levine	GF
Lisa Jolles	IMO Abe & Pearl Kline	CT
Norman Wayne	IMO Sara Wayne	GF
Marlene Kiewe	IMO William Diamond, David Solomon, Bessie Solomon	GF
Mitzi Bailinger	IMO Jordan Bailinger	CT
Hy Antikol	IMO Chaim Antikol	GF
Marilyn Port	IMO Martin Freedman	ET
Marla Altberg & Philip Greiper	IMO Rose Altberg	GF
Maxine Weinberg	IMO Fred Imler	CT
Charles & Sandy Kaminsky	IMO Louis Epstein	CT
Moses Port	IMO Steve & Adam Port	CT
Dr Joshua & Leeanne Port	IMO Steve & Adam Port	CT
Port Family Foundation	For Cemetery Maintenance	CT
Hy Antikol	IHO Philip Devorris	CT
Ida Levine	IMO Ida Levine	GCF
Anita Hurwitz	IMO Fannie & Julue Krentzman	GCF
Joel & Barbara Hollander	IMO Lawrence Hollander, Morton Hollander	RBF



Neil & Mickey Port	IMO Rose Port & Sara Sussamn	GCF
Amy Seltzer	IMO Louis Burrows	GCF
Marla Altberg & Phil Greiper	IMO David Altberg	GCF
Martin & Barbara Port	IMO Moses Sky	GCF
Nancy Devorris	IMO David & Ruth Scott, Gertrude Green	GCF
Andrea Cohen	IMO David & Ruth Scott, Morris Devorris	GCF
Ethel Fried	IMO Gussie Kline	GCF
Dr Leonard Zimmerman	IMO Isadore Zimmerman	GCF
Ed & Kathy Henderson	TOL - IMO Henry Weinberg	TOL
Ed & Kathy Henderson	TOL - IMO Irving Seltzer	TOL
Alison Seltzer	IMO Yetta Seltzer, Albert Faber	GCF
Nancy Devorris	IMO Henry Weinberg	CT
Dr & Mrs Howard Black	IMO Henry Weinberg	CT
Fred & Judy Schott	IMO Henry Weinerg	CT
Stanton Brown	IMO Henry Weinberg	CT
Mark & Carol Liptz	IMO Henry Weinberg	CT
Dr Michael & Andrea Cohen	IMO Irving Seltzer	TOL
Philip & Colleen Devorris	IMO Irving Seltzer	TOL
Nancy Devorris	IMO Irving Seltzer	TOL
Roz Sky	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Marietta Weitz	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Mark & Carol Liptiz	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Mitzi Bailinger	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Josephine Nearhoff	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Ann & Bill Benzel	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Keller Engineers	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Improved Dwellings of Altoona	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Morley & Carol Cohn	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
John C Peters Jr	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Joel & Barbara Hollander	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Joel & Barbara Hollander	IMO Irving Seltzer	WF
Rex Kaup	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Justin & Alissa Wiley	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Dr Fred & Susan Khalouf	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Chantel Denan Ventura	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Bill & Judy Ward	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Mona Ferris	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Dr & Mrs Howard Black	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
North Star Services Inc	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
David & Tobi Rispoli	IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Marla Altberg & Philip Greiper	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Ken & Ellen Marowitz	Cemetery Trust Appeal IMO Henry Weinberg	CT
Amy Seltzer	Cemetery Trust Appeal IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Louis Silverman	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Nancy & David Bergstein	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT

Steve Seltzer & Cynthia Campbell	Cemetery Trust Appeal IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Elaine Wolkoff	Cemetery Trust Appeal IMO Henry Weinberg	CT
Tina Sheetz	Cemetery Trust Appeal IMO Henry Weinberg	CT
Hy Antikol	Cemetery Trust Appeal IMO Henry Weinberg	CT
Smith Funeral Home	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Kevin Wallen	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Dr Jack & Sandy Schocker	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Fred & Royal Duncan	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Gary & Mina Belenitsky	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Andrew Parish	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
David & Jean Dolinger	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
David & Sandra Halpern	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Janet Wayne	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Alex & Lisa Seltzer	Cemetery Trust Appeal IMO Irving Seltzer	CT
Joan & Gerald Bergstein	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Leroy Whipple	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Dr Rey Altberg & June Brozgal	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Dr & Mrs Donald Marks	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
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Barry & Cathie Gould	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Rick & Susan Karp	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Susan Rattner	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Mitzi Bailing	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Byron & Ronna Lasser	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Susan Cohen	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Rebecca Cohen	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Deborah Blanchard	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Clark & Kim Adelman	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Harry Rubin	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Rozzie Sky	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Marlene Kiewe	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Bill Wallen	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Reva Feldman	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Ron Adelman	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Martin & Barbara Port	Cemetery Trust Appeal	CT
Pamela Blackmon	Cemetery Trust Appeal IMO Nima Chorny	CT
Alison Seltzer	IMO Joan & Irv Seltzer	TOL
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### **FUND CODES:**

**RBF M. Rabbi Herbert Berger Memorial Scholarship Fund**

**GCF General Congregational Fund**

**HHP High Holiday Prayer Book**

**CT Cemetery Trust**

**ET Eternal Light Trust**

**TOL Tree of Life**

**SLD Spiritual Leader's Discretionary Fund**

**WF Window Fund**

**SPP Shabbat Prayer Book**

## GOLDEN BOOK DONATIONS

Andrea & Michael Cohen	Thank you for the Passover Flowers to Hy Antikol
Andrew Hollander	Mazel Tov to Jack & Sandy Schocker on new granddaughter, Lily Adele
Barbara & Joel Hollander	Speedy Recovery to Shlomo Dotan
Carol & Morley Cohn	In Memory of Larry Schwartz to Helenfae Zatcoff In Memory of Marc Green to Leemor, Reva, Andrea & Family
Clark & Kim Adelman	In Memory of Jean Lane to Jim Lane & Family In Memory of John F. Gority to Donna Gority & Family
Hy Antikol	Happy 74th Birthday to Steve Nader In Memory of Nima Chorny to Rabbi Chorny Family Speedy Recovery to Rick Karp
Izzy & Dana Sky	In Memory of Joe Saad to Bonnie Saad Stevens In Memory of Joe Saad to Michelle Saad Barnes & Family In Memory of John F. Gority to Donna Gority & Family In Memory of Paul Dixon to The Dixon Family In Memory of Steven Rose to The Pettinato Family
Jan & Jack Housman	In Memory of Barry Bergstein to Joan & Jerry Bergstein & Family In Memory of Falon Marie Morris to Greg & Shannon Morris & Family In Memory of Henry Weinberg to Maxine Weinberg & Family In Memory of Irv Seltzer to the Seltzer Family In Memory of Mildred Miller to her Family In Memory of Nima Chorny to Rabbi Chorny Family
Maxine Weinberg	Happy 75th Birthday to Dick Musante Happy 80th Birthday to Anne Thompson Happy Birthday to Sue Margolies In Memory of Donna Bronstein to M/M Jeff Lipson In Memory of Larry Schwartz to Helenfae Zatcoff In Memory of Marc Green to Leemor, Reva, Andrea & Family In Memory of Trudy Levine to Renee Cohen Jubelirer Speedy Recovery to Ray Malone
Nancy Devorris	In Memory of Jean Fockler to M/M Michael Scheinberg & Family
Phyllis Port	In Memory of Laura Gregory to Scott & Lisa Durbin
Ronna & Byron Lasser	Happy Birthday to Susie Stone Happy Birthday to Susie Stone In Memory of Jean Lane to Jim Lane & Family In Memory of Jesse M. Levy to Janet Levy & Family In Memory of Phyllis Mitchell to Roger Mitchell & Family In Memory of Saul Tocker to Mrs. Sandee Stein
Roz Sky	In Memory of Jean Lane to Jim Lane & Family In Memory of Joey Saad to Bonnie Saad & Family In Memory of Keith West to Glen West In Memory of Ronald Dandrea to Pat Dandrea & Family
Tobi & Dave Rispoli	In Memory of Frank Petrone, Sr. to his Family In Memory of Marlene Chamberlain to Wayne D. Arms Speedy Recovery to Jim O'Donnell
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AGUDATH ACHIM OFFERS MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS TO CONTRIBUTE TO OUR SYNAGOGUE THROUGH VARIOUS FUNDS. PLEASE CONSIDER A CONTRIBUTION TO AGUDATH ACHIM TO HONOR, REMEMBER, OR CONGRATULATE YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS. FOR YOUR REFERENCE, WE ARE HAPPY TO PROVIDE A LIST OF THE AREAS THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION:

**GOLDEN BOOK** - MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION OF **\$4.00** (EMAIL **KIM ADELMAN** [kagoldenbook@yahoo.com](mailto:kagoldenbook@yahoo.com))

**SISTERHOOD WINDOW FUND** (PLAQUE LOCATED IN SOCIAL HALL) - MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION OF **\$25.00**

**SPIRITUAL LEADERS DISCRETIONARY FUND** - OUR SPIRITUAL LEADER USES THESE FUNDS TO MAKE CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS ON BEHALF OF THE SYNAGOGUE AS WELL AS TO PURCHASE MUSIC, BOOKS AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL THAT BENEFIT THE SYNAGOGUE AND JEWISH COMMUNITY OF ALTOONA. DONOR'S DISCRETION

**TREE OF LIFE SCULPTURE** (MAIN LOBBY) - MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION PER LEAF OF **\$125.00**

**ETERNAL LIGHT FUND** (SCULPTURE IN MAIN LOBBY). CATEGORIES ON THE SCULPTURE INCLUDE CONTRIBUTIONS OF **\$1,000.00, \$2,500.00, \$5,000.00, 10,000.00 AND \$25,000.00.**

**SISTERHOOD PRAYER BOOK FUND** - MINIMUM **\$36.00**

**RABBI M. HERBERT BERGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND** - DONOR'S DISCRETION

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR GENERAL FUND** - FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR OPERATING BUDGET ARE WELCOME IN ANY AMOUNT.

*PARTICIPATION IN OUR TRUST FUNDS INCLUDE OUR ETERNAL LIGHT, PHYSICAL TRUST AND CEMETERY TRUST CAN INCLUDE YOUR GIFTS OF SECURITIES, CASH, OR INSURANCE BENEFITS. PLEASE CONTACT JOEL HOLLANDER OR CLARK ADELMAN TO DISCUSS YOUR INTEREST IN HELPING TO SECURE THE FUTURE OF OUR AGUDATH ACHIM SYNAGOGUE WITH YOUR KIND GENEROSITY.*

## [Yahrzeit Memorial Plaques](#)

Jewish tradition eternalizes our beloved departed by honoring their blessed memory with a Yahrzeit plaque as a permanent memorial. Our Yahrzeit plaques are displayed in our Chapel with the names of over 1000 members, family and friends who have passed away. When you visit our Chapel and read the names on our plaques, you actually feel the presence of our dearly departed. If you wish to honor the memory of a dear one, a most fitting, traditional and dignified remembrance is through a Yahrzeit Memorial Plaque. Each Memorial Plaque, bearing the name and yahrzeit date is mounted on the bronze tablets in our Chapel. It is lit prior to the Yahrzeit anniversary date and during the four festivals during the year when we recite the Yizkor Memorial Prayers.

*The cost is \$250.00 per plaque.* Please contact the synagogue office to order.

## [Honor, Cherish, Remember](#)

We are excited to announce that we just placed 50 additional leaves on our beautiful **Tree of Life** sculpture in our main lobby entrance. Our existing tree was full due to the overwhelming support of our membership and friends. Our **Tree of Life** holds the names of family members and friends who are remembered for various accomplishments including weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, Bar and Bat Mitzvah as well as sad occasions. This is another way for us to support our Synagogue while honoring our friends. *The cost to purchase one leaf is \$125.00.* Please consider this for your future gift purchases. Call the synagogue today at 814-944-5317 to order a leaf.

## [Cemetery Drive 2021](#)

We need your help to make sure that the cemetery stays beautiful for years to come and those who built our Jewish community should not be forgotten.

We have a significant drainage project to undertake this year as well as increased maintenance costs. Unfortunately our incoming funds are dwindling.

Please remember your loved ones and all of the people who worked incessantly to make sure our Jewish Community stays vibrant by making a contribution to our Cemetery Trust Fund.

Thank you for your support! Please send checks to the synagogue office payable to:  
Agudath Achim Congregation.

Michael Kline, President

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