



## That Was Lovely...Let's Do It Again - Soon.

For a small community, we have been blessed with many memorable moments in the past months. Let us review:

The community came together for the Bat Mitzvah of Bryana Griffin. And by "come together", I do not mean just sitting and listening as Bryana led a beautiful kabbalat shabbat service and spoke to us honestly and warmly about what it means to say "I Believe With complete Faith". But the community came together to implement a celebration all could partake in. It was lovely.

And we celebrated Thanksgiving - with a variety of families expressing their gratitude with and for each other. Some joined me in interfaith celebrations around the city, reminded that gratitude for life and family and food and faith can be something that unites us across cultural or religious divides.

There were smaller celebrations - such as the Michael and Arlene Margolis treating the community to kiddush on shabbat in honor of their wedding anniversary (mazal tov) - or Ruth Itzkowitz humbly and graciously celebrating her 97th birthday (mazal tov)!

...and there was a big celebration - I am nearly without words with which to thank Debi Steppach and her many helpers who created a truly beautiful museum/hall of memories in the synagogue and organized an inauguration on the first night of Chanukkah full of music, joy and food. Wow!

Along the way there have been smaller conversations. I want to personally appreciate the several congregants I have spoken with individually - healing private matters or planning for the future of the community. Your relationships matter to me and our mutual efforts matter. Thank you.

Yes, there have been many memorable moments. Might I suggest, though, that our goal is not simply to create memories of the past, but to let those memories be inspiration for our present and hope for our future. May we each:

- strive to capture the enthusiasm of Bryana and be open to exploring/articulating our faith; and
- not limit Thanksgiving to the fourth Thursday in November, but rather be thankful each and every day in our lives - aware of both our unique blessings and also those we share in common with others;

May we:

- acknowledge and celebrate milestones in our lives - anniversaries, birthdays, graduations and more - enjoying them not only privately, but also using them as wonderful reasons to bring life and joy into our synagogue; and
- embrace the history of our congregation and our congregants - remembering the people and events that have brought us this far and rededicating (literal meaning of Chanukkah) ourselves to creating more stories to be told.

And let us do this one conversation, one relationship at a time. Let us use each day to appreciate, to heal and to grow.

If I wanted at this point, I could wax rabbinic and mention the wisdom and beauty of Jewish tradition that tries to build these very concepts into our daily life. I could (and if anyone asks me, I will) point out examples of Thanksgiving, celebration of life, Chanukkah, relationship repair and even faith journey in the basic prayers we are encouraged to recite each and every day. If I were to do so, it would not be an attempt to make anyone "more religious". Rather, it would be an attempt to lovingly share a heritage of resources that might help any or all us achieve goals that we ourselves have set.

None of us are perfect and the road ahead has challenges. But let us not forget that we have indeed been blessed many times over. What remains is for us to channel those past blessings into present and future blessings through a Holy combination of memory, effort and faith. If we can push ourselves to do that individually and together, I believe there can be many more memorable moments ahead.

*Rabbi Kalman Winnick*

### Synagogue Office Hours (note change on Tue/Thu)

Mon, Wed & Fri 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
Tue & Thu now 11:00 PM - 3:00 PM

### Rabbi's Office Hours

Tue 2-4 PM, Wed 10-1:00 PM, Thu 2-4 PM  
Fri & other times by appt. Feel free to call  
Days off: Mon & the 2nd & 4th Sun of each month.

### Telephone

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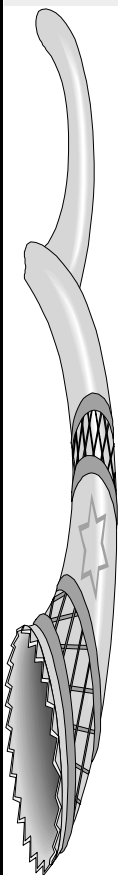
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# The Shofar



# COMMUNITY EVENTS

## PURIM BAKING BEGINS

Baking days are as follows:

Jan 17th, 24th & 31st

Feb 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th

9:00 AM each Sunday

Packing will be on March 20th.

## The Jewish War Veterans

Jan 12th & Feb 9th

2:00PM

JWV room at Synagogue.

## Tu B'Shevat

### Women's Luncheon

Sunday January 24th at Noon

Join us! RSVP to 225-1683 or  
office@LRsynagogue.org

## Special Meat Kiddush

Shabbat January 9th

Sponsored by

William & Monica Lulky

## Friday Night Services & Dinner

Friday February 19th

at 6:00 PM

RSVP to 225-1683 or office@LRsynagogue.org

Sponsored by Sisterhood

## Men's Club Breakfast

Sunday January 31st

Breakfast at 9:00AM

Followed by a presentation by

Michael Margolis,

"Frame Making: The Joy &  
Satisfaction in Improving the Home  
Environment of Others."

Open to the whole community.

## Kiddush

Shabbat January 16th

Sponsored by

Charles & Martha Alman

In Memory of Sol Alman

## SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016

FOR

MARVELOUS  
MAH JONGG MANIA!

## Save the Date

When you think it's Purim, but it's not...

PURIM KATAN (See page 8)

Monday February 22nd

PARTY for Young Adults (20's & 30's)

More details coming soon!

## Congregation Agudath Achim Board of Directors

President	Karen Mackey
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	Sue Weinstein
	Steve Koenig
	Toni Roosth
	Leonard Hasson
	Vikki Girone

## Mazel Tov

Brett & Mike Gotlib (parents)

on the birth of Sunny Gabrielle Gotlib

10-30-2015

Ellen Lowitz (Grandmother)

&

Heather & Avi Rasowsky (Parents)

on the birth of Shayla Natanya Rasowsky

12-10-2015

Chuck & Jennifer Kaufman (Grandparents)

## THANK YOU

### Debi Steppach

In the creation of the beautiful and meaningful  
Museum & Memorial Hall Exhibits.

Thank you for your dedication and hard work &  
thank you to all of those who helped & encouraged  
Debi along the way!

## Presidents Message...Karen Mackey

### Celebrating Life...

December came in with the passion of life and flew out with the passion of those lives that have passed on. The Opening of the Museum of Congregational Life was truly a spectacular evening. It was an evening of song and dance and reminiscing and seeing smiles on people's faces as they lingered for hours just looking at the displays of past and present. Pictures of family members and friends, people that were recognized right away to pictures that were perplexing and harder to figure out, all gracing the hallways and bringing life and conversation to not only those that attended that evening but to those that will come to our synagogue for years in the future.

**Thank you, Debi Steppach**, for putting your heart and artistic talent together to beautify the walls and memorialize the events of our congregants.

As we closed out the month of December and 2015, we also have to celebrate the lives of 2 of our dear congregants that have passed on.

**Leaine Cohen**, whom I have known since I moved here at the age of 7, as the mother, mother-in-law and grandmother of my very dear friends. Your warm smile, energy, positive attitude, Sisterhood work, work throughout the Jewish and secular community will be missed by all of us.

**Ben Schwartz**, a kind and caring man, he was essential to the backbone of our community and will be greatly missed. His volunteer work with the Jewish War Veterans and many years as Treasurer of our synagogue were just a few things to thank him for. He was a good friend to many, including my husband, Mark.

As we move into the year 2016, may we celebrate their lives and all those around us.

*Wishing all of you a Happy and Healthy New Year.*

*From my family to yours,*

**Karen Mackey**

## Sisterhood Co-Presidents... Esther Biton & Cecilia Ryan

Sisterhood would like to send a special thanks to Gayle Mink, Karen Mackey's sister, for teaching us about scrapbooking. It was a well-attended event that for some helped stimulate our creative juices. Everyone seemed to have a good time. Also, we would like to thank all those who helped out with the food for that event. It was delish!

### ***Other upcoming events in the coming months are as follows:***

Hamantaschen baking will begin on Sunday, January 17 at 9 a.m.

January 24th is Tu B'Shevat. We are planning on having women's lunch in the Shul that day at Noon.

Weather permitting, we will have a Friday Night Services and dinner on February 19 at 6:00PM.

Packing for Purim will begin at 9:00 a.m. at the Shul, and we look forward to seeing you there.

**Esther Biton & Cecilia Ryan**

### **Condolences to:**

Susie (Sandy) Kaddish & Melanie (Steve) Rosenberg on the loss of their mother **Evelyn Bernhard**

Jerry Sherman and Marc (Terri), Karen (Irving) and Keith (Melanie) on the loss of their wife and mother **Hildegard Sherman**

Paul Greenberg & family on the loss of his sister **Lillian Rothkopf**

Jerry (Susan), Terri (Marc) and Perry (Jana) on the loss of their mother **Leaine Cohen**

Rose Schwartz and Gordon, Cheryl Lynn and Sandy on the loss of their husband and father **Ben Schwartz**

***May they rest in Eternal Peace and may the families be comforted.***

**The World Rests on Three Foundations (Pirkei Avot 1:2) על שלשה דברים העולם עומד**

**On the Study of Torah**  
על התורה

On prayer worship  
ועל העבודה

And on acts of loving kindness  
ועל גמילות חסדים

***Agudath Achim and Jewniversity***

***Midweek***

***Bible-plus Class*** *It's our Bible (too) – let's get to know it*

**Thursday nights 6:30 – 7:45pm** at Agudath Achim

Each week we will explore the structure and content of the Jewish Bible – the Prophets, the Psalms, the Writings with the goal of understanding our roots and applying them to our present lives. No Fee. All are welcome to come any week they are available. For more calendar information go to [www.LRsynagogue.org](http://www.LRsynagogue.org) click on events.

***Shabbat Afternoons***

***Pirkei Avot / Havdalah*** – Saturdays afternoons one hour before the end of Shabbat (see weekly announcements for the time each week). Home of Rabbi and Shoshana Winnick 812 Legato Dr. Little Rock 72205 .

Pirkei Avot (Ethics of the Fathers) is a compilation of brief, yet deep teachings from the early rabbis intended to help us engage in a more thoughtful life. Havdalah is the short and sweet ceremony to mark the end of Shabbat. Free to all.

***Whenever is good for you***

**Individual Study** – Study is Holy by yourself or with the rabbi or with another partner (chevrutah); at your home or at the synagogue. Whatever topic interests you: history or Bible or literature or Jewish movies or current events or ...It is all good. Rabbi Winnick is happy to help set up a personal study plan that is right for you.

***Jewniversity***

*Jewniversity is an outgrowth of the Global Day of Jewish Learning 2010, answering the call by the community at large for more Jewish Learning Opportunities at all levels. Past multi-week topics have included Talmud, Midrash, Women's Midrash, Hebrew Poetry, the Siddur and An Overview of Judaism and have been taught by rabbis and lay people, men and woman, traditional and liberal. Anyone and everyone interested in learning and growing is welcomed – no strings attached. (Tzitzit allowed ☺). More learning coming soon....*

**Bakers needed for the  
Jewish Food Festival!**

Group bakes are a blast. Great time with new & old friends and learn to bake the classics. No experience necessary. We plan to start these around January. Let us know if you might be interested and we'll send you the details when it gets closer.

Nancy Kahn & Silvana Berlinski, Baking Booth Chairs

Contact Silvana by email at [silvanab65@yahoo.com](mailto:silvanab65@yahoo.com) or (501) 412-6759.

**THANK YOU**

*Michael & Arlene Margolis  
for the new Challah Board & Knife  
In Memory of  
Sonny & Leaine Cohen*

***Last Day to Order***

**Misholach Manot will be  
MARCH 11th**



**Remember if you have moved recently,**

Please make sure the office has your **current** information:

**Mailing address email address**

**Telephone—Home, Work, Cell**

**If a birthday, anniversary or yahrzeit is missing or listed incorrectly or if you have any questions or comments please call 225-1683 or email [LRsynagogue.org](http://LRsynagogue.org) Thank you.**

**Event Notification**

*If you need to be notified by telephone of events or changes of events because you do not have an email address, please contact the office at 225-1683.*

**The World Rests on Three Foundations (Pirkei Avot 1:2) על שלשה דברים העולם עומד**

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**Shabbat Mornings at Agudath Achim**

**Prayer - Torah Reading and Study – Light Kiddush Lunch**  
**9:00 - 11:45AM**

Please join us each Shabbat morning for traditional services and torah service. All are welcome as we utilize the Holy Sabbath to nourish our spirits, our minds and our bellies.

**Prayers for the Sick:** Shabbat is healthy for us as individuals and a great way to spend time in community. In addition we take time to say a prayer for any person in need of healing.

**Sponsor Kiddush:** It is a lovely way to honor family events – Birthdays, Anniversaries, Yahrzeits, achievements, etc...., or just to participate and treat our community and our friends.

**All Welcome:** Whether your background is extensive or limited, whether you prefer English or Hebrew, whether you are male or female, there are ways for all to participate.

Contact Rabbi Winnick to discuss how we can enhance our Shabbat Morning experience and how you would like to be included.

**שבת שלום**

***Havdalah***

**5 Beautiful minutes to end the Sabbath  
and  
Begin a New Week**  
All are welcome!

Rabbi Winnick's home at 812 Legato Dr., LR  
each week at the close of the Sabbath  
for this short & sweet ceremony.  
Check the time the shabbat ends  
on the calendar.

**TORAH PLUS CLASS**

**January 7th at 7:30PM**

**Will met in Russellville.**

(contact Rabbi for more information)

***Weekday Minyanim in honor of  
Yahrzeits***

As a *smaller* community, we are not able to assemble a minyan every day. But as a *caring* community we are really good at coming together for specific occasions such as to be able to recite *kaddish* on the *yahrzeit* of a relative and it is our honor to do so. Please contact Rabbi Winnick if you have questions about the proper day or time for a minyan. You may need to help make a few phone calls, but the answers you will get are more likely to be yes than no.

And the Men's Club hopes to re-introduce morning prayers on the occasional Sunday – even without a particular *yahrzeit*. They know Sunday mornings are sometimes hard so Prayers will be accompanied by **breakfast**. We hope the response will be yes at that time as well.

***New - Friday Night Lite - Meditative Style***

**Friday January 15th 6:00-6:45pm**

**&**

**Friday February 12th 6:00-6:45pm**

At this innovative 45 minute experience, we will give the normal prayer books the night off - accessing the beauty of shabbat, relaxation and prayer through our own words, thoughts and familiar melodies. Members, friends and guests are **all welcome** as we try this open approach within our traditional community.

# January 2016

20 Tevet 5776 - 21 Shevat 5776

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 B.Mary Louise Cohn B.Elisa Towbin-Jones Y.Arnold Mayersohn	4 B.Phill Kaplan Y.Sol Alman Y.Nathan Steinberg B.Arik Shalom <b>Rabbi Off</b>	5	6 B.Shandra Dicker Y.Sam Stortzh	7 7:30PM Torah Plus Class in Russellville	8 ii:4:57PM	9 B.Mark Mackey <b>9:00AM Shabbat Services Sponsored by William &amp; Monica Luky</b>
10 <b>Rabbi Off</b>	11 <b>ROSH HODESH Numbers</b> B.Diane Butturff Y.Yitzchak Binstock Y.Roy Dumont <b>Rabbi Off</b>	12 2:00PM JWW Meeting	13 Y.Birdie Tenenbaum	14 B.Ira Stone	15 Y.Albert Weisbly <b>6:00-6:48PM Friday Night Lite-Meditative Style</b>	16 <b>Bo</b> B.Polly Greenbaum A.Sam & Suzanne Klimberg Stortzh Y.Celia Bress Radin <b>9:00AM Shabbat Services Sponsored by Charles &amp; Martha Alman</b>
17 Y.Blanche Schlosberg Alman <b>9:00AM Purim Baking BEGINS</b>	18 <b>Rabbi Off</b>	19 B.Judy Greenbaum Y.Robbie Goldin Y.Benjamin Geller	20 B.Benjamin Krain Y.Ben Kluglose	21 B.Catherine Dicker-Schwob	22 Y.Mordechai Brieir	23 <b>Beeshalah</b> B.Daniel Baskin B.John Mumford Y.Jenny Haltzman <b>9:00AM Shabbat Services</b>
24 B.Doris Krain B.Barbara Vogt <b>Rabbi Off</b> <b>9:00AM Purim Baking Noon - Sisterhood Tu, B' Shevat Women's Luncheon</b>	25 B.Sade Stortzh <b>TU BSHEVAT</b> <b>Rabbi Off</b>	26 B.Yvette Hoos B.Barnsie Marcus-Seidler B.Joe William Simon <b>7:00PM Board Meeting</b>	27	28 B.Nancy Pearlstein	29 A.Joshua & Anna Marks Epstein A.Arick & Sami Shalom	30 Y.Eric Nussbaum <b>9:00AM Shabbat Services</b>
31 B.Abram Greenbaum <b>9:00AM Purim Baking</b> <b>9:00AM Men's Club Breakfast w/Presentation by Michael Margolis(Open to the whole community)</b>	14 Shevat	15 Shevat	16 Shevat	17 Shevat	18 Shevat	19 Shevat
21 Shevat	22 Tevet	23 Tevet	24 Tevet	25 Tevet	26 Tevet	27 Tevet
28 Tevet	29 Tevet	30 Tevet	31 Tevet	1 Shevat	2 Shevat	3 Shevat
4 Shevat	5 Shevat	6 Shevat	7 Shevat	8 Shevat	9 Shevat	10 Shevat
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25 Shevat	26 Shevat	27 Shevat	28 Shevat	29 Shevat	30 Shevat	31 Shevat

# February 2016

22 Shevat 5776 - 20 Adar I 5776

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 B.Nicholas Towbin-Jones Y.Selma Koenig <b>9:00AM Purim Baking</b>	1 B.Sandi Gordon Y.Anna Warhaftig Gans Y.Jean Margolis Y.Rose Brown <b>Rabbi Off</b>	2 B.Ruth Frenkel B.Tziporah Miles Y.Millie Heifer Y.Rose Besser	3 Y.Rose Kossover Kosten Y.Adele Sanders	4 B.Bonnie Nickol Y.Sarah Lulky	5 B.Charles Alman B.Bruce Greenberg B.Sam Nickol	6 <b>Mishpatim</b> B.Julie Kaplan B.Jennifer Kaufman Y.Edmund Frenkel Y.Rebbitzin Esther G. Parczwski <b>9:00AM Shabbat Services</b>
8 Y.Sarah Sklar Y.Hyman Koenig <b>Rabbi Off</b>	9 <b>ROSH HODESH I Numbers</b> B.Martha Alman B.Alicia Prager Y.Myer Lulky <b>2:00PM JWV Meeting</b>	10 <b>ROSH HODESH II Numbers</b> Y.Carrie L. Dosch Y.Falek Lulky	11 Y.Joseph A. Gordon	12 Y.Joseph Kosten Y.Abraham Zeno Y.Chester Miller Y.Rebecca Sanders <b>6:00-8:45PM Friday Night Lite-Meditative Style</b>	13 <b>Terumah</b> Y.Gussie Alman <b>9:00AM Shabbat Services</b>	14 B.Annie Bauman <b>Rabbi Off</b> <b>9:00AM Purim Baking</b>
14 B.Elynn Polsky B.Lynn Goodman <b>9:00AM Purim Baking</b>	15 Y.Louis Rhein <b>Rabbi Off</b>	16 B.Perry Cohen	17 B.Charlie Cohen	18 B.Kay Geller B.Eva Zeno	19 <b>6:00PM Friday Night Services &amp; Dinner Sponsored by Sisterhood</b>	20 <b>Tetzaveh</b> B.Jacob Brown B.Andrea Cohen B.Rabbi Katie Bauman <b>9:00AM Shabbat Services</b>
21 B.Elynn Polsky B.Lynn Goodman <b>9:00AM Purim Baking</b>	22 B.Nicolette Niksefat <b>Rabbi Off</b> <b>PURIM KATAN - Fun party for Young Adults (20's &amp; 30's) more detail soon!</b>	23 B.Jill Bauman <b>PURIM KATAN I</b> <b>7:00PM Board Meeting</b>	24 <b>PURIM KATAN II</b> B.Dan Girone A.Richard & Debi Steppach Y.Jennie Loket	25 A.Clive & Janet Zent	26 Y.Nathan Steppach Y.Dr. Gilbert Rubin	27 <b>Ke'e Tissa</b> <b>9:00AM Shabbat Services</b>
28 B.Marc Sherman <b>Rabbi Off</b> <b>9:00AM Purim Baking</b>	29 <b>Rabbi Off</b>	30 Shevat	1 Adar I	2 Adar I	3 Adar I	4 Adar I
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ii Candle Lighting, \$Shabbat (or Holy Day) Ends, Y=Yahrzeit, A=Anniversary, B=Birthday

## Did you know?

### Tu B'Shvat

**Tu B'Shvat** means the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Shevat - this year January 24-25. It is also called "Rosh HaShanah La'ilanot" = "New Year of the Trees." In contemporary Israel, the day is celebrated as an ecological awareness day, and trees are planted in celebration.

Tu B'Shvat appears in the Mishnah in Tractate Rosh Hashanah as one of the four new years in the Jewish calendar. The discussion of when the New Year occurs was a source of debate among the rabbis: "And there are four new year dates: – The first of Nisan – new year for kings and festivals – The first of Elul – new year for animal tithes. Rabbi Elazar and Rabbi Shimon say: – The first of Tishrei– new year for calculation of the calendar, sabbatical years and jubilees, for planting and sowing – The first of Shvat, according to the school of Shamai; The school of Hillel says: the fifteenth of Shvat" (Rosh Hashana:2a). The rabbis of the Talmud ruled in favor of Hillel on this issue.

Thus the 15th of Shvat became the date for calculating the beginning of the agricultural cycle for the purpose of Biblical tithes:

- Orlah - refers to a biblical prohibition (Leviticus 19:23) on eating the fruit of trees produced during the first three years after they are planted.
- Neta Reva'i - refers to the biblical commandment (Leviticus 19:24) to bring fourth-year fruit crops to Jerusalem as a tithe.[5]
- Maaser Sheni/Maaser Ani was a tithe which was eaten in Jerusalem and was a tithe given to the poor (Deuteronomy 14:22–29).

All these were calculated by whether the fruit ripened before or after Tu B'Shvat.

In the Middle Ages, Tu B'Shvat was celebrated with a feast of fruits in keeping with the Mishnaic description of the holiday as a "New Year." In the 16th century, the kabbalist Rabbi Yitzchak Luria of Safed and his disciples instituted a Tu B'Shvat seder in which the fruits and trees of the Land of Israel were given symbolic meaning. The main idea was that eating ten specific fruits and drinking four cups of wine in a specific order while reciting the appropriate blessings would bring human beings, and the world, closer to spiritual perfection.

In many communities, the kabbalistic Tu B'Shvat seder has been revived, and is now celebrated by many Jews, religious and secular. Special haggadot have been written for this purpose.

On Tu B'Shvat 1890, Rabbi Ze'ev Yavetz, one of the founders of the Mizrahi movement, took his students to plant trees in the agricultural colony of Zichron Yaakov. This custom was adopted in 1908 by the Jewish Teachers Union and later by the Jewish National Fund (Keren HaKayemet L'Israel), established in 1901 to oversee land reclamation and afforestation of the Land of Israel. In the early 20th century, the Jewish National Fund devoted the day to planting eucalyptus trees to stop the plague of malaria in the Hula Valley; today the Fund schedules major tree-planting events in large forests every Tu B'Shvat. In keeping with the idea of Tu B'Shvat marking the revival of nature, many of Israel's major institutions have chosen this day for their inauguration. The cornerstone-laying of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem took place on Tu BiShvat 1918; the Technion in Haifa, on Tu BiShvat 1925; and the Knesset, on Tu BiShvat 1949.

### Purim Katan

During leap years on the Hebrew calendar (which have 13 months instead of 12), Purim is celebrated in the second month of Adar. The 14th of the first Adar is then called Purim Katan ("Little Purim") and the 15th is Shushan Purim Katan. There are no set observances, but these days have a minor holiday and celebratory aspect to them. Therefore, certain prayers like Tachanun and Lam'nazteach (Psalm 20) are omitted during the service if they fall midweek and Av Harachamim is omitted on shabbat. Fasting is prohibited and some communities even arrange a pre-Purim type party with plentiful food and flowing drink.



# MISHOLACH MANOT

Sisterhood will once again be offering Mishloach Manot to be sent to family and friends as part of our Purim observance. Traditionally, trays or baskets of edible foods are delivered to friends in the spirit of the Purim holiday.

This year we will again be happy to ship your Misholach Manot gift baskets to friends or family members out of town. **In order to do this we must have all orders by March 11th, 2016**

The cost is \$7.50 for each person locally you would like to receive your gift. A card will be enclosed with each basket bearing the names of all those who donated in that person's name. Out of town baskets are \$20.00 each.

## THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR SISTERHOOD!!!

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PLEASE CUT & RETURN THIS PORTION TO THE SYNAGOGUE OR CALL OR EMAIL TO:

Valerie Steinberg 225-5579 [valeriesteinberg72@gmail.com](mailto:valeriesteinberg72@gmail.com)

Or to the Synagogue office at [office@LRsynagogue.org](mailto:office@LRsynagogue.org)

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YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

RECIPIENTS: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$7.50

\_\_\_\_\_ @ \$7.50

\_\_\_\_\_ @ \$7.50

\_\_\_\_\_ @ \$7.50

Out of Town Names \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00

EACH \_\_\_\_\_ @

(Please be sure to include full address) \_\_\_\_\_ @

(USE ADDITIONAL SHEET IF NECESSARY)

TOTAL ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO AGUDATH ACHIM SISTERHOOD

THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!



# Yahrzeit - יָאָרְצִיט

TEVET	JANUARY	
20	1	Miriam Goodman
22	3	Arnold Mayersohn
23	4	Sol Alman
23	4	Nathan Steinberg
25	6	Sam Storthz
SHEVAT	JANUARY	
1	11	Yitzchak Binshtock
1	11	Roy Dumont
3	13	Birdie Tenenbaum
5	15	Albert Weisbly
6	16	Celia Bress Radin
7	17	Blanche Schlosberg Alman
9	19	Robbie Goldin
9	19	Benjamin Geller
10	20	Ben Kluglose
12	22	Mordechai Brier
13	23	Jenny Haltzman
20	30	Eric Nussbaum
SHEVAT	FEBRUARY	
22	1	Anna Warhaftig Gans
22	1	Jean Margolis
22	1	Rose Brown
23	2	Rose Besser
23	2	Millie Hefler
24	3	Rose Kossover Kosten
24	3	Adele Sanders
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27	6	Edmund Frenkel
27	6	Rebitzin Esther G. Parczewski
28	7	Selma Koenig
29	8	Sarah Sklar
29	8	Hyman Koenig
30	9	Myer Lulky
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1	10	Carrie L. Dosch
1	10	Falek Lulky
2	11	Joseph A. Gordon
3	12	Chester Miller
3	12	Rebecca Sanders
3	12	Joseph Kosten
3	12	Abraham Zeno
4	13	Gussie Alman
6	15	Louis Rhein
15	24	Jennie Loket
17	26	Nathan Steppach
17	26	Dr. Gilbert Rubin

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 Ruth Itzkowitz  
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 William & Monica Lulky  
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 Paula Kaplan  
 Helma Besser  
 Paula Kaplan  
 All her loved ones who perished  
 Eva Zeno

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 Elfreda Friedman  
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 69th Wedding Anniversary  
 12/24/2015  
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 Dr. Michael & Anna Fraiss

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## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

<b><i>Thu Jan 7th 7:30PM</i></b>	<b><i>Torah Plus Class (In Russellville, see Rabbi for more details)</i></b>
<b><i>Sat Jan 9th</i></b>	<b><i>Meat Kiddush Sponsored by William &amp; Monica Lulky</i></b>
<b><i>Tue Jan 12th, 2:00PM</i></b>	<b><i>JWV Meeting</i></b>
<b><i>Fri Jan 15th, 6:00-6:45PM</i></b>	<b><i>Friday Night Lite - MEDITATIVE Style</i></b>
<b><i>Sat Jan 16th</i></b>	<b><i>Kiddush Sponsored Charles &amp; Martha Alman</i></b>
<b><i>Sun Jan 17th, 9:00AM</i></b>	<b><i>Purim Baking Begins (see page 2 for schedule times)</i></b>
<b><i>Sun Jan 24th, Noon</i></b>	<b><i>Sisterhood Tu B' Shevat Women's Luncheon</i></b>
<b><i>Sun Jan 31st, 9:00AM</i></b>	<b><i>Men's Club Breakfast (Open to the whole community)</i></b>
<b><i>Tue Feb 9th, 2:00PM</i></b>	<b><i>JWV Meeting</i></b>
<b><i>Fri Feb 12th, 6:00-6:45PM</i></b>	<b><i>Friday Night Lite - MEDITATIVE Style</i></b>
<b><i>Fri Feb 19th, 6:00PM</i></b>	<b><i>Friday Night Services and Dinner Sponsored by Sisterhood</i></b>