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SHABBAT SERVICES

Shabbat Services are held on the first Friday of the month, 7:30 PM at the Federated Church, Main Street, Orleans, followed by an *Oneg Shabbat*. Please bring refreshments for the *Oneg Shabbat*. Wine, *challah*, and beverages are supplied by *Am HaYam*.

Services are led by members of the *Havurah* and each service is different depending on the leader's orientation. If you wish to lead *Shabbat* services, please contact Judy Keller at jkelle47@verizon.net.

Service leaders for November 3:
Sherrill Stott, Service
Judy Underberg, *D'var Torah*



If you see someone enter the service that you do not recognize, please introduce yourself and welcome him/her to services and to *Am HaYam*.

The Federated Church is fully handicap accessible with plenty of parking, with both regular and handicap spaces.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

On behalf of the Board of Directors of *Am HaYam Havurah*, I want to thank all who made contributions of volunteer effort, effort that made our High Holy Day Services so beautiful, spiritual and welcoming. I am also grateful for those who responded to our High Holy Day appeals and contributed financial support, support that enables us to continue to provide the wonderful programs and activities that we offer during the year. Your generosity of time and effort and of financial support makes you an integral part of *Am HaYam's* continuing Jewish presence on Cape Cod.

Many individuals were responsible for making the *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur* services so meaningful. We owe special acknowledgement to Cantorial Soloist Elizabeth Anker, Cantor Norm Rubin, and Judy Keller, Chair of the Ritual Committee; also, much gratitude to Stephan Berrick and the

High Holy Days Logistics Committee who had the responsibility of preparing the sanctuary of the Federated Church for our services and who transported the prayer books and the ark; to Richard Dill and the members of the Usher Committee; to Carol and Stephen Roth for chairing the *Havurah's* Annual Food Drive; to Mim Selig and the *Zamarei HaYam* Choir; to all those who chanted and read *Torah* and *Haftorah* and to those who recited the many readings that enhanced our services; and to those who made the Annual High Holy Day Appeal speeches.

And finally, to all those that were not specifically listed by name: know that without all your assistance and gracious volunteering, our High Holy Day observances could not have been so rewarding for all who were present.

Ira Wolfson

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Am HaYam Havurah Board Meeting
Monday, November 20, 7 PM
Fellowship Room
Federated Church of Orleans
All are welcome to attend

MISHKAN HANEFESH FOR PURCHASE

A number of members have inquired about purchasing copies of the new *machzor* for their personal use. The easiest way to do that is to order on Amazon. It is the same price as ordering from the Reform movement's publishing division. The price is \$42.00 for regular size hard cover (two volumes), \$100 for large print paperback (three volumes*) and \$9.99 per volume for the kindle editions (total 19.98 for both volumes). *The Yom Kippur service is divided into two volumes.

INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The annual Nauset Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, this year on Sunday, November 19th at 2 PM at St. Joan of Arc Roman Catholic Church in Orleans, will have as its theme President Abraham Lincoln's call, in establishing Thanksgiving as a national holiday, to: "*heal the wounds of the nation consistent with God's purposes....*" A brief message will be given by The Rev. Wesley Williams and two young people on this theme. Worship leaders will include Jews, Christians, Unitarian/Universalists, Muslims and Wampanoags and an interfaith choir. The offering will support NIA's ministry with "at risk" youth on the lower/outer Cape and refugees and immigrants on the Cape and in Massachusetts. For more information please contact Fr. Ken Campbell at 413-478-5719 or ksbcampbell@verizon.net.

ZAMAREI HAYAM - SINGERS OF THE SEA

The upcoming *B'not Mitzvah* of four wonderful women will take place on the auspicious date and time of 11/11 at 11:00! *Zamarei HaYam* is honored to be part of this ceremony by supporting the *B'not Mitzvah* and the congregation musically. This is really our role - supporting and enabling the congregation to sing the melodies with more confidence. We are looking forward to being in the congregation for this wonderful occasion.

Mim Selig (pandmselig@hotmail.com)

SUNDAY TORAH STUDY WITH RABBI DEANNA DOUGLAS (2017-2018)

Sunday Torah Study meets at the Brewster Ladies Library, 10:30 AM - 12 Noon:

November 5
December 3
January 7 (2018)
February 4
March 4
April 8
May 6
June 3

Beverages are provided by *Am HaYam*. We appreciate your donations of pastries, fruit and baked goods.

MEN'S TORAH STUDY

Men's Torah Study will resume in the Spring.

GETTING TO KNOW MEMBERS OF THE AM HAYAM COMMUNITY

Member profile: Mim Selig

Mim Selig grew up in New Haven, Connecticut. When her high school principal learned that she was going to attend Boston University, he recommended that she join an activity that would offer a smaller community within the large school. Mim took his advice and joined the B.U. Glee Club. There she found a love of singing in chorales and choirs that continues as she sings in several groups on the Cape including the Chatham Chorale, The NoteAbles, the choir at First Parish Brewster Unitarian Church; and she also brings her talent and experience to leading *Zamarei*, the *Am HaYam* choir that sings at High Holy Day services and supports the singing at other services.



Mim went on to study at the Forsyth School for Dental Hygienists and worked as a dental hygienist for 15 years. In the early 1970s, Mim earned a Master's Degree in Education from Framingham State College and taught remedial reading in Grafton, MA for 25 years. Retiring in 1998, Mim moved full time to Cape Cod. She is a member of a book discussion group, which was originally a Nauset Newcomers group, participates in the Women's Torah Study sessions, and helps "as needed" in *Am HaYam* activities. It surprises her, how important *Am HaYam* has become in her life, offering a wonderful connection to the Jewish Cape Cod community.

Mim and her husband, Peter, have been married for 58 years. After raising their children in Framingham, MA, they have lived in Chatham for the last 20 years where they welcome their family of three children and four grandchildren.

Marsha DuBeau, Membership Committee

ROSH CHODESH WOMEN

The next meeting of *Rosh Chodesh* will be on Thursday, November 16th at 7:00* PM at the home of Jessica Dill, 35 Sands Road in Eastham.

The program is the film *A Jewish Girl in Shanghai*. It is a 2010 Chinese animated family film written by Wu Lin and based on his graphic novel of the same name. It is directed by Wang Genfa and Zhang Zhenhul and voiced by Cui Jie, Zhao Jing and Ma Shaghua.

This is the first Chinese film to portray the Holocaust and the destruction of European Jewry. *A Jewish Girl in Shanghai* tackles many difficult topics as it tells the story of a Jewish girl named Rena who along with her brother, Mishalli, seeks refuge in Shanghai after escaping from Europe. While awaiting the arrival of their parents, Rena meets a young Chinese boy, A-gen, and immediately the two forge a friendship. They share their cultures with one another and help one another to ease the burdens of everyday living in a war-torn world where poverty, loss and conflict are their realities.

RSVP to Jessica Dill at: 508-255-7771 or jrdill1@comcast.net. Please carpool if you can. Thank you.

Bernice Simon-Wolfson, Chair

*Note: The time was changed from 7:30 to 7:00 because of the length of the film and for a discussion which will follow.

2017-2018 SCHEDULE

DATE	TOPIC	HOST	FACILITATOR
NOVEMBER 16	Film: <i>A Jewish Girl in Shanghai</i>	Jessica Dill	Jessica Dill
DECEMBER 21	Jewish Children's Literature	Marsha DuBeau	Marsha DuBeau
JANUARY 18	Folk Dancing	Federated Church	Susan Rosenberg
FEBRUARY 15	Jewish Liturgical Music: Origins and Evolution	Judi Sitkin	Judi Sitkin Sherrill Stott
MARCH 15	Jewish Guilt	Elaine Karp Naomi Zack	Elaine Karp Arline Lowenthal
APRIL 19	Women of Hungary During the Holocaust	Sharon Leder	Sharon Leder
MAY 17	Book Discussion: <i>All the Rivers</i> by Dorit Rabinyan	Bernice Simon- Wolfson	Bernice Simon- Wolfson
JUNE 21	Discussion and Potluck based on recipes from <i>In Memories Kitchen: A Legacy From the Women of Terezin</i>	TBA	Elly Alford

THE PLAY READING GROUP

Our next meeting will be on Monday, November 6th at 12:30 PM (to *nosh* and *schmooze*). The official start of the reading of the play will be at 1:00 and will run until 3:00 (winter hours). Our hosts will be David and Shira Sands at 45 Captain Bellamy Road in Wellfleet.

We will continue reading Act II of *The Piano Lesson* by August Wilson.

If time allows, we will begin reading *Desire Under the Elms* by Eugene O'Neill.

About the play: Eben Cabot's life seemed assured when his mother, on her deathbed, secured her husband's word that he would leave his fortune to her son. Ephraim gave his word, but the promise came at a price. Two sons from a previous marriage were cut out, making life in the Cabot household miserable. Eben's step brothers finally departed, leaving him to contemplate his long awaited inheritance. But then, new surprises and challenges arise.

About the Playwright: Eugene O'Neill, the quintessential American playwright, was among the first to introduce realism into the American theater. He also wrote poetry, became a journalist and befriended many individuals in New York literary circles. As a playwright, his first effort, *Bound East for Cardiff*, was read at the Provincetown Playhouse in 1913. By 1936, he had received four Pulitzer Prizes as well as the Nobel Prize for Literature.

ALL MEN AND WOMEN ARE WELCOME! NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY! Please check the Clams Library System for the play's availability or you can purchase the play inexpensively at amazon.com, abebooks.com or powell.com.

RSVP to Shira Sands at: 508-349-1784 or e-mail her at: shira77@bc.edu. Please carpool if you can. Thank you.

Bernice Simon-Wolfson, Chair

Play Reading Schedule 2017-2018			
Date	Play	Playwright	Host
11/6/2017	<i>Desire Under The Elms</i>	Eugene O'Neill	Shira Sands
12/4/2017	<i>Watch On The Rhine</i>	Lillian Hellman	Elaine Skoler
1/8/2018	<i>The Sisters Rosensweig</i>	Wendy Wasserstein	Sandy Chernick
2/5/2018	<i>Abie's Irish Rose</i>	Ann Nichols	Judi Sitkin
3/5/2018	<i>Counsellor at Law</i>	Elmer Rice	Bernice Simon
4/2/2018	<i>Conversations With My Father</i>	Herb Gardner	Arline Lowenthal
5/7/2018	<i>Jake's Women</i>	Neil Simon	Elaine Karp
6/4/2018	<i>A Memory of Two Mondays</i>	Arthur Miller	TBA

MEMBERSHIP

A member is anyone who participates in *Am HaYam* religious services, programs, and events or who wishes to be on the email mailing list. There are no membership dues. *Am HaYam* is solely dependent on the generous donations of those who attend our events or who make donations to mark special occasions or to remember loved ones. Mail donations to: Am HaYam, Box 1235, Brewster, MA 02631. If you wish to have a card sent announcing your donation, please include the name and address of the person for whom you are making the donation.

DONATIONS

Many of our *Shabbat* prayer books are still available for dedicatory bookplates, and virtually your entire donation supports the wonderful programs and services provided by *Am HaYam*. Please don't overlook this opportunity for performing a true *mitzvah*.

To mark celebratory events, honor or remember loved ones or friends with bookplates in our prayer books, please send a check for \$18 (per bookplate) payable to Am HaYam to: AHY, Box 1235, Brewster, MA 02631.

AM HAYAM DIRECTORY

The *Am HaYam* Directory is constantly being updated and is mailed to everyone in the Directory in January. If you are in the Directory, but any of your contact information has changed (name, address, telephone, email), please email Jessica Dill with the new information. If you are not currently in the Directory and would like to be so that you will receive one, simply send in your name or names, address(es), telephone number, and email address to jrdill1@comcast.net. The *Am HaYam* Directory is a convenience for members to locate people in your area and contact each other. It is not to be used for mass mailing or solicitations or any other commercial purposes.

HINENI OUTREACH GROUP

The meaning of *Hineni* is "Here I Am." The members of our group are here to help during times of sickness and bereavement. We want to reach out when someone needs help and wants help. If you are in need of assistance please "reach in" for our help. If you know someone in you might benefit from our help, let us know and will ask them if they would like some assistance.

Ruth Shapiro and Margi Eckhouse are coordinating the *Hineni* efforts. Please don't hesitate to call Ruth at 508-896-3573 or Margi at 508-694-7996 if you have any questions, wish to be a *Hineni* volunteer, or need help. We are here...*HINENI!*

Often people are reluctant to ask for assistance. If you know of someone who may be in need, please call Ruth or Margi. We want to help.

ADULT B'NOT MITZVAH



With pride and joy, we invite you to worship and celebrate with us as Sandy Chernick, Jessica Dill, Linda Pearson, and Carol Roth are called to the Torah as *B'not Mitzvah* on November 11, 2017 at 11:00 am at the Federated Church, Main Street, Orleans. Buffet luncheon to follow.

If you plan to attend, rsvp to Jessica Dill at jrdill1@comcast.net by October 31. Thanks.

WOMEN'S TORAH STUDY

The Women's Torah Study group meets monthly year-round on the fourth Tuesday of each month, 2-4 PM, at members' homes. We are currently studying *Exodus*. Our goal is to study with more depth, using additional sources from various commentaries to podcasts and internet research. Our main source is the *The Jewish Study Bible*, but any Jewish Bible in English may be used.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, November 28, at the home of Mim Selig in Chatham.

If you wish to be added to the WTS email list, contact me at rebecabolmes@comcast.net.

Rebecca B. Holmes, Facilitator

RITUAL COMMITTEE - HELP WANTED

Am HaYam needs you! The Ritual Committee is looking for more members to lead *Shabbat* Services. Members of the committee will assist you with planning. We have guidelines for *Shabbat* services and ideas for alternative creative services to share with you. Services can be led by individuals or by groups. We have services in 2017 in need of leaders. Please email Judy Keller at jkelle47@verizon.net and reserve your date!!!

LOCAL (Lower Cape Lunch)

Am HaYam, as a member of the Nauset Interfaith Association, participates in LOCAL, which provides one free lunch and one free dinner weekly to neighbors in need of sustenance and social interaction. *AHY* provides volunteers on the second Tuesday and fourth Thursday of the month, and we could use more help. Please consider volunteering or serving as backup for one of these shifts, just 1 1/2 to 2 hours a month. No special cooking ability or heavy lifting is required. You work as part of a team with a coordinator on site. *Am HaYam* is the only Jewish organization in the Nauset Interfaith Association, and we are committed to participating fully. It's a *mitzvah* and each volunteer leaves with a good feeling for having given back to our wonderful community. Here are the options:

Second Tuesday Lunch

Cooking and Prep 9:30-11:30; Serving and Clean-up 11:30-1:00

Fourth Thursday Dinner

Cooking and Prep 3:30-5:30; Serving and Clean-up 5:30-7:00

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Jessica Dill at or 508-255-7771 or jrdill1@comcast.net.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, November 3	<i>Shabbat</i> Service	7:30 PM
Sunday, November 5	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS	
	Torah Study w/Rabbi Douglas	10:30 AM
Monday, November 6	Play Reading Group	12:30 PM
Friday, November 10	<i>Shabbat</i> in P-Town	6:30 PM
	VETERANS DAY OBSERVED	
Saturday, November 11	Adult <i>B'not Mitzvah</i>	11:00 AM
Monday, November 13	Ritual Committee	10:00 AM
Thursday, November 16	<i>Rosh Chodesh</i> Women	*7:00 AM
Sunday, November 19	Interfaith Thanksgiving Service	2:00 PM
Monday, November 20	Board of Directors	7:00 PM
Thursday, November 23	THANKSGIVING DAY	
Friday, November 24	<i>Shabbat</i> in P-Town	6:30 PM
Tuesday, November 28	Women's Torah Study	2:00 PM

*Note change of time from the usual 7:30 PM.

LOOKING AHEAD TO DECEMBER:

- *Shabbat* Service, December 1
- Torah Study w/Rabbi Douglas, December 3
- Play Reading, December 4
- *Shabbat* in P-Town, December 8
- First Night of *Hanukkah*, December 12
- *Shabbat/Hanukkah* Potluck, December 15
- Board of Directors, December 18
- *Rosh Chodesh* Women, December 21
- *Shabbat* in P-Town, December 22
- Legal Holiday, December 25
- Women's Torah Study, December 26
- New Year's Eve, December 31

MILESTONES

Refuah Shleimah to

Arlene Cohen
Rabbi Deanna Douglas
Bruce Wolf
Jay Bloom

Condolences to

Ira Wolfson on the loss of his beloved sister, Ann Wolfson

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Iris and Bill Leigh
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In appreciation of Am HaYam

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In memory of

Ann Wolfson, beloved sister of Ira Wolfson

Nancy & Elliot Nelson

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David & Shira Sands

In appreciation of

Milly Beer for her extraordinary kindness and generosity

Rebecca B. Holmes

Rabbi Deanna Douglas

Bruce and Becca Sher

In honor of

The marriage of James and Cassandra Kugler

Lois and Peter Kugler

Jane Dimantrina

Cheryl Whitman

High Holy Day Volunteers

Tim & Andrea Reed

Our daughter, Ruthanna Emrys on the publication of her book, *Winter Tide*

Robert & Linda Gordon

B'not Mitzvah

Judy & Steve Underberg

Ira and Bernice Simon-Wolfson for their leadership

Paula Brody & Merrill Hassenfeld

Our children and grandchildren

Art and Florence Green

Helen and Saul Meyers

Susan Chandler

Bat Mitzvah of Jessica Dill

Naomi Nadelberg

Bat Mitzvah of Carol Roth

Naomi Nadelberg

My wonderful family and the marriage of my son

Sheila Mennell

Rabbi Douglas

Roy Stillerman

Judy Keller for all your hard work putting together the High Holiday services

Arlene Cohen

Liz Anker for your hard work putting together the High Holiday services

Arlene Cohen

Refuah Shleimah to

Rabbi Deanna Douglas

Rebecca B. Holmes

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