



## Jewels of Elul

(The month of Elul begins September 2 thru Erev Rosh Hashanah)

### Reflections of a Community

**E**xperience builds and shapes a community, and that experience doesn't just come from programmatic or expected moments. It comes from all the moments lived by its individual members. As we approach the 60th anniversary of our temple, we'd like to invite you to share some of the moments and experiences that have made your time here meaningful to you. Perhaps that was a life cycle event, or a fun night at a fundraiser, or maybe just a time when you needed to reach out to someone who was there.

You can send any of your stories, anecdotes, or just a line of thanks, and we'll put them together and send them out to our membership during month of Elul, the month that leads up to Rosh Hashanah. Don't worry about grammar or style. Rabbi Joseph and Cantor Weiss have asked me to give them a gentle edit so you'll look great in print.

Please send your entries to [execdir@shaaray.org](mailto:execdir@shaaray.org) any time up to July 24th. Please also include some biographical information such as your age, other family members, how long you've been with us, what town you live in, etc.

Thanks for sharing. We will come into our anniversary year the richer for it.

Warm regards,  
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Volunteer Reflections Editor.

*I'm saving my reflection to share with yours, but here's my bio: I'm a 10-year temple member who lives in Hingham and teaches at Hingham High School. My husband, Past President Scott Garland, and I represent the interfaith segment of the temple, as I'm Roman Catholic. We have two children: Jared, who's now graduated college, and Sammy, who's a rising college senior.*