



2018

HIGH HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

5779

Selichot

Saturday, Sept. 1

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| Minha | 12:30pm |
| Ma'ariv/Havdalah | 8:15pm |
| <i>The Band's Visit (pt 2)</i> | 8:30pm |
| Collation | 9:15pm |
| Service | 9:45pm |

Erev Rosh Hashanah

Sunday, Sept. 9

7:00pm

Rosh Hashanah

Monday, Sept. 10

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| Morning Service | 8:30am |
| Contemporary Service | 10:00am |
| Rabbi's Sermon | 10:45am |
| Tashlich | 6:30pm |
| Minha (following Tashlich) | 7:00pm |
| Ma'ariv | 8:00pm |

Tuesday, Sept. 11

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| Morning Service | 8:30am |
| Contemporary Service | 10:00am |
| Rabbi's Sermon | 10:45am |

Tzom Gedaliah

Wednesday, Sept. 12

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| Fast of Gedaliah | 7:00am |
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Shabbat Shuva

Friday, Sept. 14

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| Minha/Ma'ariv | 7:00pm |
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Saturday, Sept. 15

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| Morning Service | 9:30am |
| Minha/Ma'ariv/Havdalah | 6:15pm |

Erev Yom Kippur

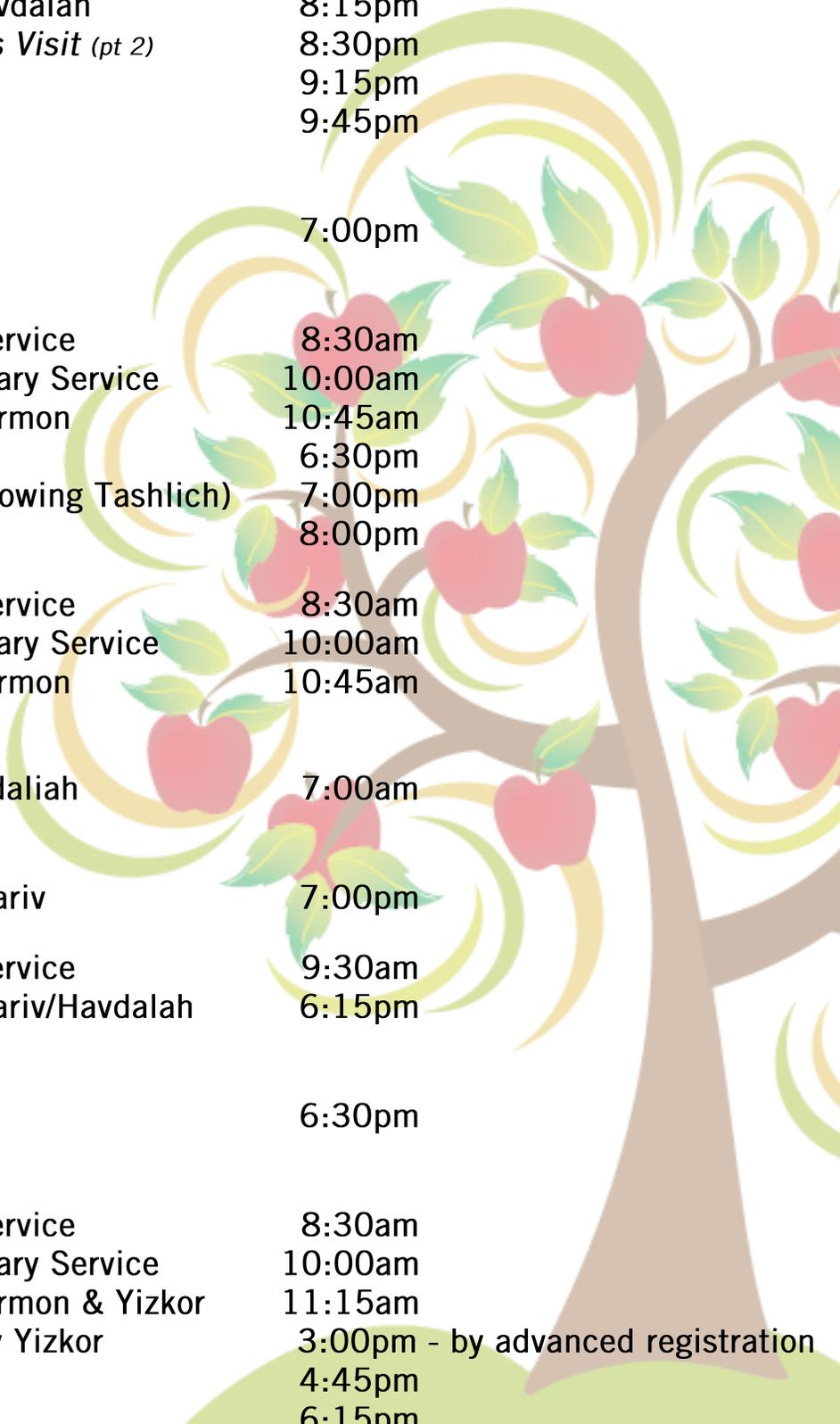
Tuesday, Sept. 18

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| Kol Nidre | 6:30pm |
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Yom Kippur

Wednesday, Sept. 19

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| Morning Service | 8:30am |
| Contemporary Service | 10:00am |
| Rabbi's Sermon & Yizkor | 11:15am |
| Community Yizkor | 3:00pm - by advanced registration |
| Minha | 4:45pm |
| Neilah | 6:15pm |
| Final Shofar/Fast Ends | 7:45pm |



Our Torah Members

These generous individuals have voluntarily chosen to support our Synagogue at a higher level of dues than is required, in order to help other Jews who are less fortunate and in need of assistance.

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These members provide financial assistance and synagogue membership for families who are enduring financial hardship, as well as a full religious education for their children.

Anonymous
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“Offerings of the Heart”

*The names of our
Torah Members
are inscribed on the
sculpture in our
Community Room.*

Joni Rosen
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Sheila Scherl
Michael & Sally Seymour
Marcia Sherman
Norm & Florence Silverberg
Barry & Barbara Sussman
Mordechai & Suzanne Warshavsky
Charlotte Winter

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2016 *President's Council* 2017

The President's Council was established to recognize and honor our "**Leadership Donors**" who contribute \$1,250 or more to our *Kol Nidre Annual Fund*. These generous individuals are the "**Financial Guardians**" of our synagogue.

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HIGH HOLIDAYS 5779



Over the course of these upcoming holidays (not just the High Holidays, but Sukkot as well), I am going to ask you to give me – and really give yourselves – some time.

The coming of a new year, presents us with opportunities we never had before. There are 8,760 hours in the new year, and I am asking you for a maximum of five hours in which to experience new and spiritual opportunities. (And no, I'm not asking you right now to attend our daily minyan, even though sustaining it is very important not just to me, but to our shul community).

I know that I am asking you a lot, even though it's only a few hours, because time is our most precious commodity, and we don't know how much of it we have left.

A Rabbi told his students, "Repent one day before you die." And his students asked him, "But how do you know which day is the day before your death?" And the master replied, "That's exactly the point: since we don't know which day will be our last, we have to repent every day."

The above rabbinic exchange serves two purposes: it gives you a mini sermon germane to the High Holiday season, and it also illustrates how little control we have over time.

We waste time, we can spend time, we may save time... but we can't bank time. (Oh, sure, you may be able to accumulate sick days or vacation days, but if you don't live to cash those days out, you have squandered time).

I want to ask you for a few, precious extra hours of service time that I feel certain will be worth your while. Caveat: in both cases, I am probably asking you to delay your gastronomical satisfaction – in one case lunch, and in the other case, breaking the fast.

There are many moments in the services that take on heightened meaning. None of us want to miss *Kol Nidre*, or *Yizkor*, or the *Shofar* blowing – and many of us scurry out as soon as *U'netaneh Tokef* or *Aleinu* on our knees is over. (And some of you who leave early have no idea what the last two items are, even though they are quite important elements of the service).

What I am asking you to do is to stay longer: to stay for and witness and participate in the beautiful moments when the *Kohanim* (priests, descendants of Aaron) ask for God's blessings on our entire community *in love*. I'll have more to say to you about that on the first morning of Rosh Hashanah, but for now, please note that of the 7 holidays mornings, we will have the opportunity to be a part of *Birkat Kohanim* or *Duchening* on 6 of the 7. (We won't *Duchen* on *Simhat Torah*).



And there is also one other special hour that stands out (actually, it's about 1¼ hours), and that is the hour of *Ne'ila*, the final service of Yom Kippur day, the service that brings the holiest day of the year to a dramatic close.

According to tradition, *Ne'ila* is the time when the gates of heaven are closing and the final judgment for our destiny is being made.

Unfortunately, the timing of the *Ne'ila* service is not very convenient. It comes late in the day when our stomachs are empty, our heads are light, our throats are parched, and our thoughts have turned to how much time is left and to the family and friends who are coming over to break-the-fast with us. I know that in many homes when the final judgment is being made, so to speak, the bagels and lox are already being devoured.

I know that I'm asking a lot. I know that I'm asking many of you to change what has been your years'-long "custom" and to spend that final hour of Yom Kippur in shul with the Cantor and me – and with an ever-growing number of people who have come to find special meaning and significance in the waning moments of our most sacred day.

We will do our best to make sure that our *Ne'ila* is unsurpassed, but you are also part of the "secret sauce" in making this service inspiring and uplifting, even as its spiritual importance etches itself on your soul.

We began Yom Kippur together, standing, and asking to pray with others "who have transgressed." As we

conclude, we also stand – for the entire *Ne'ila* service if we are able. Having spent Yom Kippur together, we will be standing, this time “cleansed”, and as a united congregation, *aguda achat* – one bundle – one family.

Please trust me, and give me this hour. And please bring your friends and family, along. I don't think that

I will have to ask you – or them – to come again next year. You'll come on your own.

May this be the year of goodness (*to vah*), blessing (*b'racha*), joy and unity for each of you, your families, our shul, Israel, and the world.

SIMCHAT TORAH HONOREES

The Ritual Committee is pleased to announce its selection of the congregation's honorees for 5778/ 5779

REGINA FRIEDMAN & EVELYN BAER

Regina Freidman and Evelyn Baer are our two deserving Simhat Torah honorees - the Ritual Committee's unanimous and obvious choice!

Known affectionately as the “Rabbi's Brain Trust”, they have stepped up to distribute honors each Shabbat and holiday morning with warmth, dignity and discernment.

Evelyn is a trustee of the Sisterhood, attends the Sisterhood Book Club and the Rabbi's Talmud class, and Regina serves as a trustee of the Congregation and is a regular attendee at morning and evening minyanim.

Together they make a wonderful team, and our shul is the better for their presence and for their dedication. Please join the Congregation in honoring them on Monday evening, October 1 & Tuesday morning, October 2.



LULAV AND ETROG

We encourage everyone to purchase their own set of Lulav and Etrog for use in their Sukkah, at home, or to be brought into the shul for Hallel and to participate in the Hoshanot procession.

We hope that many will continue with their observance of this tradition, and that others will be inspired to either start or resume their participation. Sets can be ordered through the

Synagogue office:

Regular set(s) at \$40 each,
deluxe set(s) at \$45 each.

Deadline is: September 17, 2018

OUR NEW SIDDIR



Come join us on Shabbat and explore our new Siddur. You can dedicate one or more volumes in memory of a loved one, in honor of someone or recognizing a special occasion. Please contact the office. Donations are accepted at \$54 per Siddur.

THE PATH TO REAL CHANGE

During the Rosh Hashanah service we stand alongside the congregation and contemplate the year that has passed and what is to come. Every year it seems we come up against the same inner conflict.

How do I decide what to change? Did I do any of the things I promised to do? I do this every year, I promise to change the things I can, but do I? I don't want to be selfish, can I make a difference in this crazy world? Is it enough to do something locally, or do I have to change the world? Can I do something to affect my family for good? How about just me? How can I demonstrate how grateful I am for the life I already have? This entire struggle goes on while those around me are seemingly content.

I know Rosh Hashanah is meant for introspection, but not a conflict of such internal turmoil. Something that might help to calm the inner dialogue is to think of Hashem as a Father. Thinking this way helps give a direction for our thinking, for our parenting, and provides a focus to the inner questioning.

Do we give our children opportunities to grow and change? Or do we look at a situation and make a determination about how it will turn out? We probably rush to judgment a lot sooner than we think. Whether it is a grade brought home or a forgotten chore at home, we sometimes jump to conclusions rather than take a breath and look for alternatives. At the same time, a rush to punishment is not really what we want to do. It is our absolute last resort, when there seems to be no other choice. We want to find a good reason, to be understanding, to judge them favorably – to believe in their ability to do the right thing next time.

Hashem is far more compassionate than we are, He sees way beyond what we are capable of. He sees options and opportunities we couldn't possibly conceive of. He gives us an almost infinite number of chances. We just need to appreciate and take advantage of them.

Also, what do we expect of our children? Certainly not perfection. We only want them to try their best, that they give it their all. We can't ask for more than they are capable of.

Hashem's expectations are not higher than ours. He knows better what we are capable of than we are and may, on occasion, push us to achieve our potential. Our only grade is for effort. So ultimately, our only job is to do our best in every area of life. This seems to answer so many questions. However, it turns out that doing our best isn't easy either.

The ultimate answer comes after digging a little deeper. We understand that we must forgive as we are forgiven. The lessons of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur give insight not only to us, but also to our lives as parents, and as citizens of the world.

Hebrew School Resumes



*Sunday,
September 16th*

JOIN THE MINIONS!

SUPPORT CONGREGATION GESHER SHALOM'S DAILY MINYAN



Morning:

Mond - Fri at 7:00 am

Evening:

Sun - Thurs at 7:45 pm



SOME THOUGHTS ANTICIPATING THE HIGH HOLIDAYS



The heat of the summer is fading. Autumn is near as we prepare for a new season. This is the time of year when Rabbis and Cantors alike, engage in intensive preparation, both personally and professionally. It's also the time of year when we find ourselves searching within our souls

for the meaning of our religion, and how it relates to the complexity of our every day lives. The music of the synagogue is supposed to soothe our souls, our neshomah, and tries to help us to link our way of life to the will of God.



As I write this article, it's almost one month to the High Holy Days, and I find myself opening the Machzor. I am beginning to direct my thoughts away from the lazy days of summer towards the arduous preparations of the impending Yamim Nora'im (Days of Awe). As I grow older, I realize and appreciate how deeply my father instilled in me a love and devotion for Jewish music and Judaism in general. He, more than anyone else in my own life, imbued me with a special love for liturgical music so that I am able to carry on the wonderful tradition (Midor L'dor) from generation to generation.

For 23 years I've served here, as part of our High Holy Day services. I have always tried to encourage participation in those services. After a recent Yom Kippur, one of our members approached me and asked if my part in the services has become routine after so many years. I immediately responded "No," that each year the "Hinneni" prayer (which is known to be a most expressive prayer for cantorial inspiration) takes on more meaning. When I'm representing the congregation in prayer and speaking for the congregation, the responsibility is tremendous. I also said that I never walk to the pulpit on the Yamim Noraim without being mindful of that responsibility. There are so many prayers that we sing on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, as a congregation; the most popular of which is the stirring Kol Nidre. Near the end of Kol Nidre, I always signal to the congregation to join me.

The powerful Unetaneh Tokef is the quintessential

prayer of the Days of Awe, that paints a picture of God's creatures passing before the divine throne on the annual day of Judgment:

"Who shall live and who shall die; who shall fulfill the limit of his days, and who shall not? Who shall perish by fire, and who by water, who by sword, and who by wild beast? Who by earthquake, and who by plague? Who shall be at peace and who shall be tormented..."

The liturgical poet proclaims that "But repentance - T'shuvah, prayer - Tefillah, and acts of righteousness - Tzedakah, can avert the severity of the decree."

For the past few years, I've been singing a melody "B'rosh Hashanah" written by my colleague Meir Finkelstein. Since that time it has become a congregational favorite. Seeing and hearing this poignant text and glorious melody, sung by Jamie Obstbaum Leonhart, has been a very uplifting experience.

Another favorite of our congregation is Avinu Malkeinu. Our hearts plead with God to have mercy upon us, to save us, even as God saved the remnant of our people through the ages. During my years with you, how could we ever forget our late beloved member Martin Winter, how he sang the last stanza of Avinu Malkeinu with such emotion and fervor.

To all of you who join us, who sing and pray with spirit and passion, and bring the warmth of community and family for all of us, I offer this prayer:

May God inscribe us all for a New Year 5779 of health, happiness and peace!



NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

Franco & Francis Aguilar
Naomi Altschul
Joan Alter
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Evelyn Baer
Peter & Ann Bloch
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David & Ethel Chesen
Mercy Cohen
Iris Coleman
Milton & Doryne Davis
Gloria Deutsch
Andrea & Lior Elrom
Hyla Epstein
Harvey & Barbara Fishman
Carol Franklin
Rita Frazer
Regina Friedman
Hilda Froelke
Carol Garvin
Israel Gerstein

Eileen Goff
Jerome Goldfischer &
Lilah Mordoh
Stuart Goldsmith &
Jeffrey Gordon
Joyce Gottlieb
Sylvia Gosberg
Solomon & Kathy Grazian
David Grazian, Meredith
Broussard & Nate
Hugh Gilenson & Amy Rosen
Alice & Arnold Grodman
Marc & Karen Halpern
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Sandra Jonas
Alma & Bill Katz
Yakov & Vera Kishinevsky
Marvin & Shirley Kochansky
Ruth Korn
Anita Krauss
Joseph Lempel
William & Phyllis Lowe

Ruth Lowenstein
Tobey & John Lyden
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Jerome & Barbara Margolin
Stephen & Merilee Obstbaum
Hennie Ostrower
Helene Polinsky
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Shifra Ruda & Family
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Sylvia Waskover
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Burt & Wendy Woda
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It is not too late for your New Years Greeting. Your name will appear in the October Messenger

May our synagogue be your home away
 from home to those seeking a deeper
 understanding of our
 traditions this coming year.

Rabbi Kenneth A. Stern, Dr. Suzi Rose,
Izzi, Zach & Rinat Stern

Shanah Tovah!
 Our best wishes for health and happiness
 to all of you from all of us.

Cantor Paul & Roz Zim
& Family

We wish you all a
Shanah Tovah U'Metukah
 - A good and sweet New Year

Rabbi Emeritus Irving &
Selma Spielman & Family

We wish everyone good health and
 happiness in 5779.

Shanah Tovah
Mark Altschul & Family

Sukkot Celebration

Thursday, September 27, 2018, 6:30pm

Please join us for supper in honor of Sukkot and spend a spiritual and social evening.

Sisterhood Members \$20 ~ Guests \$22 (men & women)
Reservations close **Monday, September 17, 2018**

Program Coordinator, *Kathy Grazian* (201) 592-0463



I would like to thank all our congregants and Sisterhood members who contributed so generously to this year's **New Year's Greetings** project. A special thank you to chairperson **Evelyn Baer**.

5779 Torah Fund Pin 2018-19



Atid

Plan to be a part of the wonderful cause that is raising money for the seminaries of the Conservative/Masorti Movement through the Torah Fund campaign of Women's League for Conservative Judaism.

As we celebrate Women's League's 100th Birthday, we look to the **future (Atid)**, which is the theme for this year's benefactor Torah Fund pin.

You may purchase your pin through Sisterhood. Please contact our chairperson, **Ella Effros at 201-224-7908** to get one for yourself or as a gift for someone special. The cost is \$180. You may pay in installments.

Sisterhood Torah Fund Cards for "Glad and Sad" occasions may be purchased through Sisterhood. One for \$5 or three for \$10. Call **Kathy Grazian 201-592-0463**

The Sisterhood Executive Board has always had an excellent relationship with the members of our synagogue staff. So, it is a pleasure for me, as President, to welcome our new **Office Manager, Barbara Starr**.

Sisterhood is once again shifting into high gear for a new year of challenging programs.

Join Sisterhood, Energize Yourself, Help Us Run.

As the High Holidays approach, on behalf of myself, my family and my second family, Sisterhood's Executive Board, I would like to wish all of you health, peace and happiness in the coming year.

Sisterhood Book Club

Tuesday, October 23rd - 1:00 pm

"Waking Lions"

By Ayelet Gundar-Goshen

Refreshments served

Chairpersons

Kathy Grazian & Naomi Altschul

THANK YOU TO OUR SYNAGOGUE CONTRIBUTORS

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Aliyah
 Alfred Strauss' Birthday
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 Alice & Arnold Grodman's Anniversary
 Richard Schiff's Birthday
 Cantor Zim's Birthday
 Zachary Stern's Wedding
 Charlene & Alan Stern's Granddaughter
 Aliyot
 Charlene & Alan Stern's Granddaughter
 Iris Coleman's Grandson
 Arnold Grodman
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IN MEMORY OF

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Zachary Stern's Wedding
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Jeff Adler's Birthday
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 Norm Silverberg's Birthday
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 Wendy Woda's Birthday
 Iris Coleman's Grandson
 Laurie & Ira Smilovitz's Anniversary
 Marianne Wolff's 90th Birthday
 Joe Hyman's Birthday
 Carol Franklin's Birthday

IN MEMORY OF

Shirley Bernstein
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 Ted Smith

Our condolences to . . .

BONNIE WEISNER

On the loss of her beloved father.

ALVIN WEISNER

DONORS

Doryne, Milt, Jordan,
 Alana and Mikey Davis

IN HONOR OF

Richard Schiff's Birthday
 Madelyn Danoff's Birthday
 Phyllis & Milton Breit's Anniversary
 Alice & Arnold Grodman's Anniversary
 Phyllis Breit's Birthday
 Susan Davis & Fred Wolodiger's Anniversary
 Shirley & Marvin Kochansky's Birthdays
 Israel Gerstein's Birthday



Donations listed were received in May, June & July

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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| 1 | Kathy Grazian | 11 | Arnold Grodman | 22 | Lori Wasserman |
| 2 | Gerald Koszer | 13 | Joseph Lempel | 23 | Mia Wasserman |
| 3 | Suzette Kolitch | 14 | Phyllis Lowe | 23 | Melanie Josif |
| 5 | Anita Krauss | 16 | Leonard Kraut | 25 | Florence Schechter |
| 6 | Harvey Fishman | 17 | Mary Rettig | 26 | Roberta Mathes |
| 6 | Trudi Mohl | 17 | Stephanie Stern-Protz | 28 | Mark Altschul |
| 7 | Alex Jakoby | 18 | Renee Gruenspecht | 29 | Rhea Hess |
| 7 | Karl Sudakoff | 19 | Sandra Ebinger | 29 | Emma Barnett |
| 8 | Ariella Fein | 19 | Miranda Stern | | |
| 9 | Jacob Kindler | 20 | Andrea Elrom | | |
| 11 | Aidan Kern | 20 | Robert Perlis | | |

*Happy
Birthday!*

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| 1 | Eve Kohut & Daniel Kraut |
| 3 | Madelyn & Richard Danoff |
| 3 | Nancy & Gregory Vorbach |
| 5 | Charlene & Alan Stern |
| 7 | Phyllis & Seligman Rosenberg |
| 7 | Ariella & Evan Fein |
| 7 | Yetta & Bernard Maidenberg |
| 27 | Beth Johnson & Eyal Gabay |



*If your birthday/anniversary is not listed, please call the
Synagogue office and we will
update our records. 201-947-1735*

SAVE THE DATES!

The JCC of Fort Lee & CSI Scholar Fund Presents

VISITING SCHOLAR JANET DINARDO WHITE

November 15th, 29th and December 6th

Lecture Series Topic - *"The War of 1812"*

Refreshments at 12:30 pm followed by speaker at 1:00 pm

OUR B'NAI MITZVAH

Marc Isaac Levi . . . October 20, 2018



Marc Isaac Levi, son of Stephanie & Arie Levi and brother to Ryan Lucas, will become a Bar Mitzvah on October 20, 2018. He is the grandson of Lenore & Edward Silver of Fair Lawn, and Rosy & Jorge Levi of Boca Raton, Florida. Marc is a 7th grade student at Lewis F. Cole Middle School in Fort Lee. He plays the saxophone in the school band and was selected for the All City Band in 5th and 6th grade. Marc was a BOKS trainer in the 6th grade where he assisted younger children in extracurricular activities. He received an award for providing outstanding assistance. Marc also plays tennis in Fort Lee.

Marc's Torah portion is Lech Lecha. In this portion Abram enters a covenant with God. He travels from his home with God's assurance that he will be provided for. Marc enjoys celebrating the Jewish holidays with the congregation and his family. He recognizes the importance of the shared history of the Jewish people. Marc is interested in science, and his future goal would be to work in a field using scientific skills to improve the well-being of others. Marc would like to thank his parents for reminding him to practice for his bar mitzvah, even while he was at camp. He would like to thank Rabbi Stern, Cantor Zim, Morahs Myra & Zeeva and all of his Hebrew School teachers for fostering his love of learning. He would also like to thank his tutor, Amichai Margolis, for his positive attitude and guidance.

Aidan Kern . . . October 27, 2018



Aidan Kern, son of Deborah Kern and Matthew & Gia Kern, and brother to Daniel, will become a Bar Mitzvah on October 27, 2018. He is the grandson of Audrey Model of Fort Lee and Jeffrey Model of Highland Beach, Florida and the late Alberta & David Kern of Sunrise, Florida and Huntington, New York. Aidan is a 7th grade student at Lewis F. Cole Middle School. He plays the trombone in the school band and is a black belt in Taekwondo.

Aidan plays basketball for Fort Lee and is extremely passionate about the game. Aidan's goals for the future are to strive to be the best person he can be and to help those that are less fortunate. Aidan's Torah portion is Vayera, it discusses the importance of future generations and the miracle of children. Its message is about the value of human life and how children are so very important to their parents, placing the love of family above all and not sacrificing the ones we love. Aidan feels that our long Jewish history, culture and traditions are extremely important. He would like to continue these traditions with his family during the holidays. Traditions and Jewish holidays are incredibly important to him because they helped form his Jewish identity. Aidan would like to thank his mother for all of her love, support, guidance and encouragement throughout this process. He would also like to thank his father, stepmother and brother Daniel for their love and support. Aidan would like to thank his Hebrew School teachers, his tutor Amichai Margolis, Rabbi Stern and Cantor Zim for their teaching and support. Last but not least, he would like to thank his family and friends for joining him at his bar mitzvah.

Sukkot 2018 / 5779

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| Sunday evening, September 23 (<i>Erev Sukkot</i>) | |
| Evening Service | 6:30 pm |
| <i>First Day</i> : Monday, September 24 | |
| Morning Service | 9:00 am |
| Minha after Kiddush | 12:30 pm |
| <i>Ma'ariv</i> for the 2 nd Day | 7:45 pm |
| <i>Second Day</i> : Tuesday, September 25 | |
| Morning Service | 9:00 am |
| Minha after Kiddush | 12:30 pm |
| <i>Ma'ariv</i> for the 2 nd Day | 7:45 pm |
| <u><i>Chol HaMoed</i></u> (Intermediate days) | |
| Wed., Sept 26, Thurs., Sept 27 & Fri., Sept. 28 | |
| Morning Service | 6:45 am |
| Evening Service | 7:45 pm |
| Friday Evening Service | 7:15 pm |
| <u><i>Shabbat Chol HaMoed</i></u> : Friday, September 28 | |
| Shabbat service | 7:00 pm |
| Saturday, September 29 | |
| Morning Service | 9:00 am |
| Minha, S'uda in the Sukkah, <i>Ma'ariv</i> , Havdalah | 6:00 pm |
| <i>Hoshannah Rabba</i> : Sunday, September 30 | |
| Morning Service | 9:00 am |
| <u><i>Shmini Atzeret</i></u> : Sunday evening, September 30 | |
| <u>Evening Service, Yizkor & Hallel</u> | 7:45 pm |
| Monday, October 1 — NO Early Yizkor service | |
| Sanctuary Service & Yizkor | 9:00 am |
| Minha after Kiddush | 12:30 pm |
| <u><i>Simhat Torah</i></u> : Monday evening, October 1 | |
| Evening Service and Hakafot | 7:15 pm |
| Tuesday, October 2 | |
| Morning Service | 9:00 am |
| Minha after Kiddush | 12:30 pm |
| <i>Ma'ariv</i> | 7:45 pm |

***Important Notice Regarding Yizkor:** The Ritual Committee has decided to explore holding Yizkor services for those who must work in the evening, rather than early in the morning. It will be held on *Erev Shmini Atzeret*, Sunday evening, September 30 at 7:45pm. This change will have no impact on the regularly scheduled Sanctuary Yizkor service on Monday morning, October 1.

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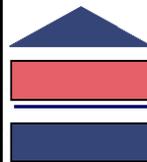
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 Friday 7:00am & 6:30pm
 Saturday 9:30am & Minchah
 Sunday 9:00am & 7:45pm

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|---|--|--|--|---|---|
| | | | | | | 1 21 Elul Selichot Program MINCHAH 12:30PM KI TAVO |
| 2 22 Elul | 3 23 Elul Office Closed LABOR DAY | 4 24 Elul Sisterhood Board Meeting 1pm | 5 25 Elul | 6 26 Elul | 7 27 Elul 7:00PM | 8 28 Elul Service 9:30 am MINCHAH 6:30PM NITZAVIM |
| 9 29 Elul Evening Service 7:00 pm | 10 1 Tishrei See service schedule on the cover | 11 2 Tishrei See service schedule on the cover | 12 3 Tishrei | 13 4 Tishrei | 14 5 Tishrei Bible Study 11:30 am 6:47PM | 15 6 Tishrei Service 9:30 am MINCHAH 6:15PM VAYELECH |
| EREV ROSH HASHANAH | ROSH HASHANAH | | | | | |
| 16 7 Tishrei HEBREW SCHOOL RESUMES | 17 8 Tishrei | 18 9 Tishrei Kol Nidre 6:30 pm KOL NIDRE | 19 10 Tishrei See service schedule on the cover YOM KIPPUR | 20 11 Tishrei | 21 12 Tishrei Bible Study 11:30 am 6:36PM | 22 13 Tishrei Birthday & Anniversary Service 9:30 am MINCHAH 6:00PM HA'AZINU |
| 23 14 Tishrei | 24 15 Tishrei See service schedule on page 13 | 25 16 Tishrei See service schedule on page 13 | 26 17 Tishrei | 27 18 Tishrei Sisterhood Sukkot Supper 6:30pm | 28 19 Tishrei Bible Study 11:30 am 6:24PM | 29 20 Tishrei Service 9:00 am MINCHAH 6:00PM CHOL HAMOED SUKKOT |
| EREV SUKKOT | SUKKOT | SUKKOT | | | | |
| 30 21 Tishrei Special Yizkor Service 7:45pm EREV SHEMINI ATZERET | | | | | | |

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