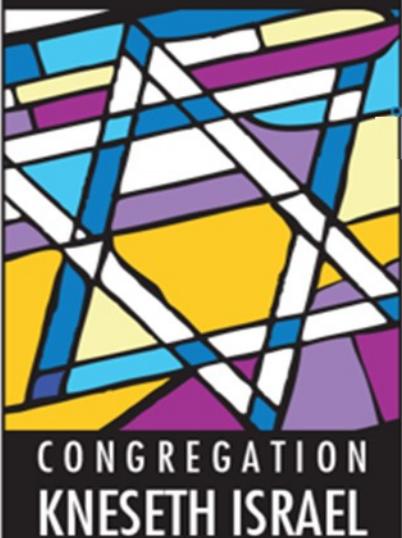


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From the Rabbi's Study

Congregation Kneseth Israel is in high gear preparing for the High Holy Days. Choir is rehearsing. Ken Jacoby will be blowing shofar. Stephanie will be joining us via Zoom. Your ritual team is hard at work at assigning honors. There are order forms for challah, Lox Box Break-the-Fast, Memorial Book and New Year's Greeting card. Heather and I have been working on school plans and family programming. School will start September 12. Registration materials are online. We

welcome Jeanette Pacanowski to be our preschool teacher.

We are excited to welcome you back to CKI in person and on Zoom. The key to this year is flexibility.

Why do so many people participate in the High Holy Days? People participate in the Jewish community for a number of reasons. For some it is a connection to their past. Sometimes out of a sense of obligation or out of a sense of meaning. For some the music

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President's Message

I truly believe that there is a time for everything. It is now time for us to be joyous and to build up! Don't get scared, I'm not asking for money (we wouldn't turn it down, however!) I'm asking for something maybe more precious—I'm asking you for your time. I am looking to all of you to volunteer and build up our committees. Volunteering is not only fulfilling, it's fun to work with others on something that you enjoy. I personally look forward to meeting Jerry Sunday mornings to work on the Community Garden. It's an opportunity for kibbitzing while we tend the garden or harvest the fruits of our efforts.

Right now, as we plan future steps in regathering, we REALLY need volunteers for the kitchen. You don't need to know how to cook or how to run a kosher kitchen to volunteer, although it could be an opportunity to learn if you are interested.

To start with, we need people to organize the kitchen so that we can rededicate it with the wonderful "kitchen shower" gifts that many of you donated. Not interested in the kitchen? That's OK, we have something for everyone. We need volunteers to help with fundraising, outreach to our shut-ins, work on safety/security and you are

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From the Rabbi's Study...

is evocative. For some it is the words of the prayers. For some it is the teaching and learning. For others it is the sense of community and belonging.

Those are reflective of our vision statement: lifelong learning, meaningful observance, building community and embracing diversity. That diversity is perhaps the hardest part. What is meaningful to me may not be to you and visa versa. However, taken all together, there will be opportunities throughout the chaggim (holidays) for meaningful observance, lifelong learning and building community. There is something for everyone.

The High Holy Days require preparation. It could be what you are serving for dinner. Maybe you are making your own challah or gefilte fish. Or it could be something special you read. Peg Lehman reads *This is Real* and *You are Totally Unprepared*. Gene Lindow focuses on Psalm 27. I like a book about Psalm 27, *Opening Your Heart with Psalm 27: A Spiritual Practice for the New Year*. Perhaps you have a book or other tradition of how you prepare. Let us know.

This year as part of the preparation we are going to try a new project. Rabbi Sharon Brous, the founder of IKAR, one of the top rabbis in the country, has her congregation write on some topic that we explore during the holidays. This year we will be doing the same thing. I have chosen the poem, "Summer Day" by Mary Oliver, to get you thinking, or writing, or painting. The poem asks the question, "What will you do with your one wild and precious life?" It seems like the perfect High Holy Day question. Coming out of this pandemic, where people have reflected on priorities, what will YOU do? We will bundle all our answers

together and write our own book, which will then be our gift to you as we head into the holidays. Look for a detailed email elsewhere.

This year, like last, will be like no other. Be vigilant. Be safe. Be happy. And be flexible.

A Time For Everything:

This year's study topic, at Robin Coyne's suggestion, is from Ecclesiastes, Kohelet, There is a time for everything. You may know it from the Byrds' song, "Turn, Turn, Turn." It is the reading for Sukkot.

What does it mean that there is a time for everything? I wrestle with a line from our morning service: Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu Melech Ha'olam, Yotzer Or, who forms light, U'vorei Chosech, and creates darkness, Oseh Shalom, who makes peace, U'vorei et Hakol, who creates everything. Everything? What about mosquitoes? COVID-19? Murderers? Rapists? Is there really a time for those things?

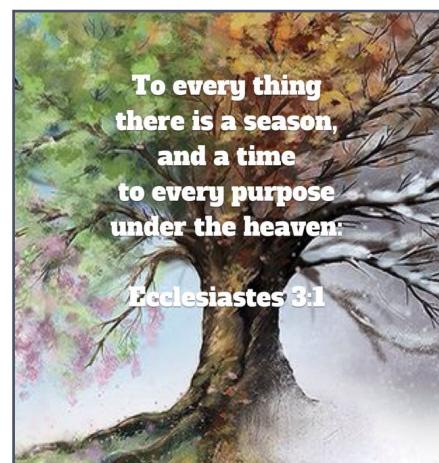
While not specific to these brief eight verses, August is a time for sitting outside and enjoying summer. One way we do that is by participating in National Night Out. Our celebration, together with the Elgin Police Department, Kingdom Advancement Center and Holy Trinity will be August 3 from 5-8. The idea behind National Night Out is to make our communities safer. Promoting the idea that if we know our neighbors, if we sit on our porches—or mingle in the streets at a giant block party, eating hot dogs—we are safer. I hear echoes of two Biblical verses-- "Love your neighbor as yourself" (Lev. 19) and Isaiah's vision that everyone should sit under their vine and fig tree, and none shall make them afraid. The very words of hope that

George Washington offered to the Hebrew congregation of Newport, RI.

Our block party will include hot dogs, chips, fruit, icee pops, a bouncy house, a vaccine clinic, visits by the Gail Borden Public Library Book Mobile, police cars, fire trucks, entertainment. It is like a giant open house. Bring your friends to see what CKI is all about. Consider volunteering. We need YOU!

There was a time to be in our houses—and there is a time to come back together. Come join us.

—Rabbi Margaret Frisch Klein



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To contact, call CKI at 847-741-5656

President's Message...

always welcome to join Jerry and me with the garden. Right now, we need help with National Night Out, August 3. CKI is providing hot dogs, so we need "grillers" and folks to serve.

Talking about a time for everything, there is a time for the CKI staff to work, to sleep and to have a cup of coffee. Unless you have an emergency, please don't call before 9:00 am (everyone should be able to get a cup of coffee and brush their teeth in the morning) and please don't call after 9:00 pm, sleep is important. Please remember, Peg's hours are 10:30 am – 3:30 pm, Monday – Friday.

—Robin Coyne



CKI Office Hours

The CKI building is now open,
Peg is back in the building.
If you need to reach the office,
please call 847-741-5656 during
office hours, which are:

Monday—Friday:
10:30 AM – 3:30 PM

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Java and Jews

Have you wondered about Judaism?

Have a question you need answered?
Like to learn a little of the weekly *Torah* portion?
Curious about Jewish responses to issues of the day?
Join Rabbi Margaret Frisch Klein for a cup of joe (or other beverage or snack).



Tuesday: August 3 @ 9:00 am Hybrid

Good conversation, good coffee, good community.

Soup Kettle News

A huge thank you to:

Sue and Dick Johnson

Cathy and Raul Aron

Stew Levin

Kara, James, Elijah and Ezra Morgan who planned on coming but then lightning hit James and their plans changed. Luckily, James is fine and is now considered good luck by all who know him!

Our next soup kettle is August 31.

Volunteers for that soup kettle are:

Stew Levin

Robin Coyne

Risa Cohen

Helen Lindow

Kara, James, Elijah and Ezra Morgan

We need volunteers for November 30.

We also need someone or co-someones to take over meal planning and supervising for January, March and May.

I can still co-ordinate volunteers by email. It's an easy job and you'll have lots of help! —Barb Razowsky

Declaration of Jewish Empathy

(Created by Al & Karen Bender & Peg Lehman at a JCFS Care Ambassador Training Session)

We hope you feel connected to the community.

You are not alone.

We are here to listen and help in whatever way we can.

We care about you and support you in the struggles you're facing.

We understand life can be difficult and some days are better than others.

Let's remind each other that we are resilient and resourceful, and we are here to help each other.

Our faith sustains us through it all.

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In gratitude to all our outgoing and incoming officers for your dedication to leading CKI

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In honor of Rachel Greenberg's Bat Mitzvah

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To Sam Friedman in honor of your Bar Mitzvah

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In honor of Gale Jacoby's stirring Hadassah presentation

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Special Funds

The following funds are available to receive your generous donations:

- Clara Wechter Education Fund – Supports Torah School and Adult Ed
- General Fund – For multi-purpose use
- Jerome & Lillian Roth Scholarship Fund See the President.
- Memorial Plaques – \$300
- CKI Youth Fund – Supports programs for our synagogue youth
- Prayer Book Fund – Siddur is \$36; Chumash is \$60
- Rabbi's Discretionary Fund – Needs decided by Rabbi
- Seltzer Music & Cultural Arts Endowment Fund – Jewish cultural enrichment programs
- Simon C. & Ruth L. Kaplan Torah Fund Repair of Torah scrolls
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- Sisterhood Flower Fund – Pulpit flowers
- Sisterhood Vision Fund – Large-type Siddur is \$50
- Tree of Life – Leaf \$125; Rock \$1,250
- Major Gifts – \$5,000 and up. See the President.

Parashat HaShavu'a: Weekly Torah Portions

Aug 7 <i>29 Av</i>	<i>Re'eh</i> — Deuteronomy 11: 26 - 16:17
Aug 14 <i>6 Elul</i>	<i>Shoftim</i> — Deuteronomy 16: 18 -21:9
Aug 21 <i>13 Elul</i>	<i>Ki Teitzei</i> — Deuteronomy 21: 10 – 25:19
Aug 28 <i>20 Elul</i>	<i>Ki Tavo</i> — Deuteronomy 26: 1 – 29:8

August Birthdays

Stewart Levin	Aug 1
Matt Trygar	Aug 2
Shaun Bonner	Aug 3
Barbara Maring	Aug 4
Ethan Finn	Aug 4
Leah Schillmoeller	Aug 6
Shane Bonner	Aug 8
David Schillmoeller	Aug 9
Norma Hass	Aug 9
Rachel Schillmoeller	Aug 9
Lacretia Schwartz	Aug 12
Rob Klein	Aug 12
Ilana Marczak	Aug 13
Stephen Tremmel	Aug 16
Aiden Rockwood	Aug 20
Jana McFarlane	Aug 20
Zach Schwartz	Aug 21
Dan Modes	Aug 22
Raviv Klionsky	Aug 22
Simon Klein	Aug 24
Larry Rosenbaum	Aug 25
Michelle Gomberg	Aug 27
Paul Miller	Aug 28
Amy Klein	Aug 30
Keenan Newby	Aug 31

August Anniversaries

Jason & Miryoung Wenz	Aug 1
Edward & Tina Wolf	Aug 7
Cindy & Rich Placko	Aug 13
Heather & Dave Weiser	Aug 14
Myrna & Larry Rosenbaum	Aug 15
Judy Rubenstein & Michael Gantz	Aug 17
Matthew & Deanna Phelan Smith	Aug 21
Eric-Jan M. Ginder & Lisa Wohl	Aug 23
Henry & Ethel Schillmoeller	Aug 30



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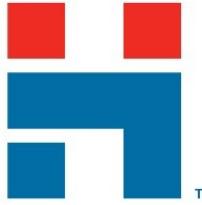
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Two Hadassah Physicians and One's Son Save a Neighbor

Hadassah Hospital Ein Kerem physician Marc Gotkine was enjoying an evening meal with his family in the backyard of their country home 45 minutes south of Jerusalem. A message pinged on his son

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Asaf's phone, alerting Asaf that his 15-year-old neighbor, Jonathan, was having a severe asthma attack.

Asaf, a volunteer with the Magen David Adom ambulance rescue service, raced to the scene. Jonathan's skin was blue, his lips were black and he had no pulse. Asaf began resuscitating him and told a bystander to call Hadassah physician Baruch Batzofin, chief resident in the Department of Anesthesiology and Critical Care, who also lived in the neighborhood. When Dr. Batzofin arrived, the two worked together to try to stabilize the boy's condition. The boy's pulse returned.

"When I could hear cries from the other side of our moshav, I realized it was pretty serious," says Dr. Gotkine, who heads Hadassah's ALS and Motor

Neuron Disease Clinic. "I got there about a minute after Dr. Batzofin. I think it was because of Asaf's initial efforts that Jonathan's pulse came back."

Nine minutes later, the paramedics arrived. "By then, Jonathan was intubated," Dr. Gotkine recalls. "But then he lost his pulse again, so Asaf began chest compressions once more."

The ambulance team transported Jonathan to Hadassah Ein Kerem's Pediatric Intensive Care Unit, where surgeons performed a procedure to stop the spasms in his lungs.

Jonathan has made a full recovery. Asaf relates, "Jonathan came to synagogue on Shabbat to say birkat hagomel," the prayer of thanks for recovery from a life-threatening situation. "This is the most serious case I've attended where the patient was completely fine afterwards," Asaf says. "It was very emotional for me, and I felt a mix of thankfulness and pride in having helped."

It was also the first time that Jonathan, who has had asthma since he was a child, had a life-threatening attack. Asaf is hoping to follow in his father's footsteps by becoming a doctor, too. He is preparing for the entrance exams to study medicine in the Tzameret

program, run by the Israel Defense Forces and the Hadassah Medical Organization.

"Growing up with a doctor in the



house, I was exposed to the world of medicine," he says. "I see what it means when neighbors come to ask medical questions, and I watch my father on phone calls as he gives advice to junior doctors."

The value of saving life runs deep in Asaf's family. One of his sisters is also an ambulance volunteer, and another is about to join the service. Asaf believes it's crucial for the average person to learn basic life-saving techniques. "While we always hope we're not going to have to use the knowledge, we never know when we may need it. Having that knowledge can mean the difference between life and death, maybe for your neighbor."

ELGIN CHAPTER HADASSAH

"DRIVING WEST ROGERS PARK"

Tuesday, August 10, 2021, 7 pm via Zoom

REGISTER BY AUGUST 8 - \$10 Event Fee www.hadassah.org/midwest

Please join us for a virtual screening and discussion of the film, "**Driving West Rogers Park: Chicago's Once and Future Jewish Neighborhood**," a spirited romp through the "golden age" of Devon Avenue and subsequent neighborhood transformations, as West Rogers Park emerged as the longest standing Jewish community Chicago's history.

Award-winning filmmaker Beverly Siegel will introduce the 25-minute film, providing behind the-scenes insights. She will share with us the history of West Rogers Park. While it became a thriving Jewish neighborhood and business district in the decades following WWII, it also declined as the next generation moved on to newer communities. In the last decade, the Jewish community of West Rogers Park has started growing again, and community leaders and activists have made great strides refurbishing and enhancing the neighborhood.

To Register: [CLICK HERE](http://www.hadassah.org/midwest)

Yahrzeits

We recall with loving memory those whose yahrzeits are commemorated during the coming weeks, and those whose names are read in the Synagogue at Friday evening and Saturday morning Shabbat services during the month of August. **It is appropriate for members of their families to be present when these names are read.**

Rose Marks*	Aug 8	Aug 6 & 7	Elias Aron	Aug 22	Aug 20 & 21
Kate Pondel	Aug 8	Aug 6 & 7	Irwin Chinskey	Aug 22	Aug 20 & 21
Fania Chitman	Aug 9	Aug 6 & 7	Dr. Nathan S. Fox*	Aug 22	Aug 20 & 21
Dora Mariasis*	Aug 9	Aug 6 & 7	Dan Gombiner*	Aug 22	Aug 20 & 21
Sharon Mehr	Aug 9	Aug 6 & 7	Arnie Krisolofsky	Aug 22	Aug 20 & 21
Maureen (Renie) Popper*	Aug 9	Aug 6 & 7	Victor Marsala	Aug 22	Aug 20 & 21
Rubin Raskin	Aug 9	Aug 6 & 7	William Joseph Gordon*	Aug 23	Aug 20 & 21
Claire Robbins	Aug 9	Aug 6 & 7	Dan Wohl Mayshar*	Aug 23	Aug 20 & 21
Leo Schaffner*	Aug 10	Aug 6 & 7	Moses Miller	Aug 23	Aug 20 & 21
Esther Popper*	Aug 11	Aug 6 & 7	Gishe Beila Sherman	Aug 23	Aug 20 & 21
Myrl Cohen	Aug 12	Aug 6 & 7	Ida Gross	Aug 24	Aug 20 & 21
Rachel Rosenberg	Aug 12	Aug 6 & 7	Harold Eagels	Aug 25	Aug 20 & 21
Myron Zuckerman	Aug 12	Aug 6 & 7	Macey Gordon	Aug 25	Aug 20 & 21
Charles Theodore Levin	Aug 14	Aug 13 & 14	Florence Miller	Aug 25	Aug 20 & 21
Herman Loeb*	Aug 14	Aug 13 & 14	John (Jack) Marshall	Aug 26	Aug 20 & 21
Michael Meyerhoff	Aug 14	Aug 13 & 14	Lou Raphaelson	Aug 26	Aug 20 & 21
Pierce Richberg*	Aug 14	Aug 13 & 14	Sarah Hold Klein*	Aug 27	Aug 20 & 21
Miriam Zuckerman	Aug 14	Aug 13 & 14	Bertha Fox*	Aug 28	Aug 27 & 28
Esther Raben	Aug 16	Aug 13 & 14	Morris Hayden*	Aug 28	Aug 27 & 28
Eve Rosenfeld*	Aug 16	Aug 13 & 14	Will Inesco	Aug 28	Aug 27 & 28
Louis Kaplan*	Aug 18	Aug 13 & 14	Shelley Mickervice	Aug 28	Aug 27 & 28
Dora Eisner Mittledorf*	Aug 18	Aug 13 & 14	Pearle Brody*	Aug 29	Aug 27 & 28
Henry Lipofsky*	Aug 19	Aug 13 & 14	Marjorie Durchslag*	Aug 29	Aug 27 & 28
Werner Tuteur*	Aug 19	Aug 13 & 14	Sol Haft	Aug 29	Aug 27 & 28
Bessie Lipofsky*	Aug 20	Aug 13 & 14	Esther Levine*	Aug 29	Aug 27 & 28
Sara B. Meyers*	Aug 20	Aug 13 & 14	Morris Rubenstein	Aug 29	Aug 27 & 28
Gussie Tempkin Wohl*	Aug 20	Aug 13 & 14	Nathan Fishman	Aug 30	Aug 27 & 28
Dinah Fishman	Aug 21	Aug 20 & 21	Faye Rose	Aug 30	Aug 27 & 28
Morris Silins*	Aug 21	Aug 20 & 21	Sheldon Burstein*	Sep 1	Aug 27 & 28
Yetta Wolfinson	Aug 21	Aug 20 & 21	Irwin Gilbert	Sep 2	Aug 27 & 28

There are two dates listed above on our *yahrzeit* list. The **first** is the **actual date of the yahrzeit, and memorial candles should be lit on the preceding evening.** The **second** are the days of the services at which the name is **read.** An asterisk after a name indicates that a plaque is affixed to the Memorial Tablet.

Kindle the Shabbat Candles		and HAVDALAH Candles	
Fri Aug 6	7:47 pm	Sat. Aug 7	8:54 pm
Fri Aug 13	7:37 pm	Sat Aug 14	8:44 pm
Fri Aug 20	7:27 pm	Sat Aug 21	8:34 pm
Fri Aug 27	7:16 pm	Sat Aug 28	8:23 pm

NOTE: Shabbat ends 50 minutes after candle lighting time on Saturday night

Ritually Speaking

Where has this year gone? Our social activities may have been modified, but time did not slow down. We are going to enter the last month of the Hebrew calendar—Elul. That means we are in countdown to the High Holidays.

By receiving this Ha Kol, you have survived the Covid-19 pandemic and are probably more than ready to go back to what you feel would bring your life back to past comforts. YET, the past is one of our greatest sources of knowledge and enlightenment.

Starting in the Hebrew month of Elul (Evening of August 8–August 9) there is an additional reading in our daily services: Psalm 27, which helps me start the process of the year in review and gets me consciously thinking to begin the process of mentally getting ready for the upcoming High Holy Days.

It causes us to look at the many situations which make our life challenging: war, slander, loss of loved ones, obstacles of all kinds. Yet it ends with several messages of hope, faith & courage:

"Hope in the Lord and be strong. Take courage and hope in the Lord." (Psalm 27)

Here is a more popular ending to a prayer that we recite more often throughout the year.

"I place my spirit in His care, when I wake and when I sleep. God is with me, I shall not fear, body and spirit in His keep." (Adon Olam)

Speaking for myself, life is definitely full of challenges—every day. We can use/do everything that is in our personal tool chest of knowledge to overcome them, but still we may fail or be disappointed in the end result. The true power within all of us is how we handle those outcomes that don't meet our expectations. YES, it hurts and we question why—but what has transpired is the past. We have the choice to find the hidden positive message and make the best out of the situation. **It's much easier said than always done.**

May we be ready to receive the courage and be strong all the days of our lives and be strong for each other.

Gene Lindow
CKI Ritual Chair
cki.ritual@gmail.com



Dear CKI members:

The High Holy Days are just around the corner and we would love to have your participation. Many honors are available. Do you have a favorite? Would you please consider an honor?

As of right now, you can participate in Zoom or in person! We will do our best to accommodate your requests. But please note that you can expect a call from someone from the HHHC (High Holiday Honor Committee). The sooner you share your preference, the better the odds to get your chosen honor.

Thank you,
Gene Lindow

"The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?
the Lord is the strength of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?"

— Psalm 27:1

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EPD's

National Night Out 2021

**TUESDAY
AUGUST 3, 2021
6:00PM - 8:00 PM**

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT IS A YEARLY COMMUNITY CELEBRATION FULL OF ACTIVITIES AND FUN. IF YOU DONT HAVE A NNO BLOCK PARTY IN YOUR AREA, WE INVITE YOU TO VISIT YOUR NEARBY OFFICER HOSTED PARTY.

THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO MEET OUR EPD OFFICERS, AND LEARN ABOUT RESOURCES IN OUR COMMUNITY.



Be Part of the Annual Rosh Hashanah (New Year) Greeting Card



Do you enjoy receiving mail that isn't just a bill or advertising? Most of us do. It's an annual tradition for CKI to mail New Year's cards to members for just that reason!

Right now, you have the chance to participate in our fundraiser by adding your name(s) to our greeting card. It will save you time, effort and money to join in our congregation's New Year's card and support CKI. That's what we call a *Win-Win!*

For a small donation, we'll print your name(s) inside the card. Please support our CKI community by helping us continue with this yearly tradition.

Complete the form and return to CKI, with donation, by Monday, August 16.

Select your signature format: How it will appear on the card:

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From the Torah School

In Pirkei Avot Chapter 5 Mishna 18 we learn that "There are four types of students (lit., among those who sit before the Sages) — a sponge, a funnel, a strainer, and a sifter. The sponge absorbs everything. The funnel brings in on this [side] and brings out on the other. The strainer lets out the wine and retains the lees. The sieve lets out the flour dust and retains the fine flour."

As teachers we discussed this and what it means in our classrooms and in our school. Do you see differences in your children?

We are so excited that Torah School will return on Sunday, September 12th from 9 am-11am. Did you register yet? We have on-line registration available. We can also email you the old-fashioned paper registration. We will be following COVID protocols from ISBE and from U-46. So, with everything that continues to change, stay posted for more information!

Do you have a 3-5-year-old preschool student? I am happy to announce that Jeanette Pacanowski will be joining our CKI teaching staff to teach preschool every Sunday from 9-11.

Do you have a younger child who isn't yet ready to go to Torah School alone? Bagels and Blocks will be offered 2 times a month for younger children and a parent from 9:30-10:30. Come learn about the holidays and Shabbat as your child experiences hands-on, play-based activities!

Jeanette will be joining our returning staff of Jordana Letizia, Sam Steinberg, Lila Chavez, and Earl Sternfeld. We are preparing for our overarching theme: A Time for Everything.

Of course, please reach out to Heather if you have any questions!

Hope to see you at National Night Out on Tuesday, August 3rd!

Heather

ACTS OF CHESED

This is a new section to acknowledge and thank those of you who have pitched in to make CKI warm and welcoming (and safe). Oftentimes things are done very quietly and anonymously, so if you did something that isn't acknowledged on this list, please know that your deed was greatly appreciated, we were just unaware of what you did for CKI.

Charlene Goldman - Planting Tu B'Shevat seeds and donating the plants. The tomatoes and parsley are thriving!

Simon Klein - Pitching in whenever we need an extra set of hands and eyes and always having Rabbi's back!

Dan Marshall - Arranging to have the masonry on the Division Street side repaired. It looks great!

Jana McFarlane - Delivering a case of toilet bowl cleaner. A definite necessity!

The Morgan Family - Hosting a lovely Shabbat Zimrah, complete with Kona Shaved ice at their home and cleaning up after Elijah's beautiful Bar Mitzvah and donating several cases of water. It was a joyful weekend!

Jerry Niederman - Donating dirt, pepper plants and precious time to make the Community Garden thrive!

Robin Seigle - Putting the sheet protectors on the sheet music in the binders for Shabbat Zimrah and helping with the landscaping. Grass is looking good!

Nancy Zimmerman - Planting Tu B'Shevat seeds and donating the plants. The tomatoes and parsley are thriving!

Robin Coyne & Peg Lehman - Daily watering grass seed during a hot, dry spell in the spot where a dead tree was removed. Because of their diligence, the new grass has flourished!

Barb Razowsky, Robin Coyne & Nancy Zimmerman - Kitchen reorganization and cleaning.

Awesome start to a big job!

Memorial Booklet



On Yom Kippur, we remember our dear departed in prayer and pledge charitable offerings in their honor.

It has been the tradition in our congregation to publish a Memorial Booklet which is distributed on Yom Kippur at the time of the Yizkor Service. In this booklet, we list the names of our departed loved ones as a tribute to their memory.

We hope that you will take this opportunity to memorialize your loved ones by including their names in the Memorial Booklet.

All members should have received either a *blank form or a form listing your names from last year*. Please *return the form to CKI* as soon as possible, **but no later than Friday, August 13th**. Your enclosed offering, which will provide much needed help to maintain the Synagogue and Religious School, is greatly appreciated. If you need a form or have any questions, please call/text Karen Bender at 847-651-3209 or email: akbender1@gmail.com

The Elgin Chapter of Hadassah is sponsoring its
Annual Sale of Kosher One-Pound Round Challahs (plain or raisin) for the New Year!

ALL ORDERS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

Your order will be available for pick-up at CKI on:
Thursday, August 26, between 5 pm and 7 pm;
Friday, August 27, between 10 am and 2 pm;
or at other times by arrangement.

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Please mail your orders to HADASSAH, c/o Charles Zimmerman, P.O. Box 5866, Elgin, IL 60121.

Payment must be received by Thursday, August 19. Any questions? Please call Nancy at 847.828.6090 or send an email to nanzim@foxvalley.net. Checks should be made out to HADASSAH.

I would like to order: _____ Plain challah(s) @ \$6.50 each = _____

_____ Raisin challah(s) @ \$7.50 each = _____

TOTAL = _____



Name _____

Phone _____

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NEED NEW YEAR'S CARDS FOR 2021?

For those who would like to pick up New Year's cards at the same time they purchase Challah(s) from Elgin Chapter, the new HADASSAH design for 2021 will be available for \$2.50 per card by pre-order and pre-payment together with your Challah order. The same deadlines apply. Checks to Hadassah may include payment for both in the same check. (Should you wish a card sent FOR you, please place a phone request (847.828.6090) with payment included in your Challah order. Cost will be \$3.25 each, including postage, and will be sent by the Corresponding Secretary. If orders exceed 2021 supplies, substitution of previous years' designs will be made.)

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Sun City/ Huntley orders will be available as of 1 PM on **Thursday, August 26** at

Judy Meyerhoff Huggins, 14045 Moraine Hills in Sun City.

Edgewater/Elgin orders will be available between 1 and 5 pm on **Thursday, August 26** at

Anita Hornung Burker, 599 Cardinal Cove Ct. in Edgewater.

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A Time for Everything

High Holy Day Schedule 5782

Congregation Kneseth Israel

Selichot: A Time to Prepare

August 28th, 7:30 PM with Congregation Beth Sholom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMtcuCurzIpE9bHjXsAYGOCxOrdx44Jr2LF>

Rosh Hashanah

Erev Rosh Hashanah: A Time to Build and Rebuild

September 6, 5:30 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcodu2opz0pGdQjfQT1S5mZo3zKygxGhrTL>

Rosh Hashanah Morning, Day One: A Time to Be Born

September 7, 9:30 AM

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMkduGtaZliGdOejiU_Id2LehUDrvZz0FMC

Tashlich and Family Picnic

September 7, 5:00 PM

Rosh Hashanah Morning Day Two: A Time to Rejoice and a Time to Mourn, Our New Normal

September 8, 9:30 AM

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEerde-trT0tGdLKCoSVDrP_Xv3oYaZtVPg

Shabbat Shuvah,

September 10, 5:30 PM, A Time for Honor: Reflections on 9/11

September 11, 9:30 AM, A Time for Returning and Remembering

First Morning of Torah School at CKI

September 12, 9 AM-11:00 AM

Kever Avot at Bluff City Cemetery:

September 12, 12:00 PM



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Congregation Kneseth Israel

Yom Kippur

Kol Nidre: A Time for Resilience, What is Our New Normal
September 15, 6:30 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlvce6pqD4qGtcqqf3QvJ5CBOjMGptCT3qa>

Yom Kippur Morning: A Time to Plant and a Time to Reap
September 16, 9:30 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMtf-GvrDgiGNcO79CyWXAr2BPFYR91evZ>

Yizkor
September 16, 12:00 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMtf-GvrDgiGNcO79CyWXAr2BPFYR91evZ>

Afternoon Study Session, A Time for Everything, the Book of Ecclesiastes
September 16: 4:00 PM

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAofumtpzgvH9a7_8pz-OV3HI7aj7hX4IHU

Afternoon Service and Neilah
September 16, 5:30 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tz0tdO2rrTsvH9UfxL2MaYYfuQJACDFiz5U>

Break-the-fast
September 16, 7:34PM

The Tradition Continues: Break the Fast with a CKI Lox Box!

Order & Pay by August 26, 2021

New! Only pick up if you do NOT want to do Break the Fast after services on Thursday.

Pick up Tuesday, Sept. 14, 5 - 7 pm or Wednesday, Sept. 15, 10 am – noon

Fill out a form for each box ordered Box # _____ of my order

And for \$25.00 (donations above this cost are gratefully accepted)

Your LOX BOX will include:

- 4 bagels (indicate: plain, onion, rye or gluten free for each box ordered)
- 8 oz cream cheese
- two 3 oz pkgs of lox
- tomato
- cucumber
- 2 pkges of cookies (indicate gluten free or regular)



Important:

I will pick up my Lox Box Tuesday or Wednesday

Keep my lox box and I will Break the Fast at CKI

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

of Lox Boxes _____

Total paid _____

Make check out to *Congregation Kneseth Israel* or
Use PayPal online and indicate that your payment is for Lox Box
Please mail form and check to Barb Razowsky, 3862 Kingsmill Dr., Elgin, IL 60124
Questions? Contact Barb at 847-778-4388, barbrazowsky@gmail.com

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August 2021

Shabbat Services: Fridays @ 5:30 PM, Saturdays @ 9:30 AM

Aug 3	Java & Jews in person & Zoom	9:00 AM	Aug 13	Shabbat Service registered in person & Zoom	5:30 PM
	National Night Out	6:00 PM	Aug 14	Shabbat Service registered in person & Zoom	9:30 AM
Aug 4	Adult Intermediate Hebrew Zoom	5:30 PM	Aug 15	Ha Kol Submissions Due	
Aug 5	Torah Study Zoom	4:00 PM	Aug 18	Adult Intermediate Hebrew Zoom	5:30 PM
	Ritual Committee Zoom	7:00 PM	Aug 19	Torah Study Zoom	4:00 PM
Aug 6	Shabbat Service registered in person & Zoom	5:30 PM	Aug 20	Musical Shabbat registered in person & Zoom	5:30 PM
Aug 7	Shabbat Service registered in person & Zoom	9:30 AM	Aug 21	Shabbat Service registered in person & Zoom	9:30 AM
Aug 10	Hadassah "Driving West Rogers Park" Zoom	7:00 PM	Aug 27	Shabbat Service registered in person & Zoom	5:30 PM
Aug 11	Adult Intermediate Hebrew Zoom	5:30 PM	Aug 28	Shabbat Service registered in person & Zoom	9:30 AM
Aug 12	Torah Study Zoom	4:00 PM		Selichot Service Zoom	7:00 PM
	CKI Board Meeting Zoom	7:00 PM			