

# Kol Kneseth Israel

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## The Joys of Camp...

Seven years ago I started my exhilarating journey to Camp CHUSY. I never would have thought that one place would have such a strong impact on my life. Throughout my first bus ride to camp I had many thoughts about the people I would meet and the activities I would participate in. Would I have fun? Would I meet new friends? What would the outcome of *maccabia* (camp Olympics) be? Now that my final year at camp has passed, I know all the answers. Yes, you will meet friends that will last you a lifetime. The friends I have made through USY are some of the best people I have ever known. We started out connected by only one thing: Judaism. Now we are connected through so much more. We have been through everything together and continue to watch each other grow. After my first *maccabia* games, I couldn't wait for the upcoming years and dreamt about being a *maccabia* captain. This year, on my seventh and final time at camp, I achieved my dream and was captain of the orange *maccabia* team. This was one of the greatest experiences ever – my team came in third but not last. No matter what the outcome, my team had so much spirit and heart for the game that I could not have asked for anything more. Camp CHUSY was my first regional event, but following that I continued on to *Kadima Kallah*, CHUSYfest, Leadership Training Institute, International Convention, *Kinnus*, and so much more. Each event was more fun than the next, but Camp CHUSY will always have its place in my heart as the first. For anyone who hasn't been to this amazing camp, I strongly suggest that you attend. It has meant so much to me, and I know others can experience the same happiness and joy that this camp has brought to me.

– Molly Rosenfeld



Camp CHUSY was the best camp I ever went to. It was so much fun I already convinced two of my friends to go there next year. I made so many friends that I can't wait to see next year. The services were fun to lead so they went by very fast. The activities were also fun, but the best activity was *Maccabia*. In *Maccabia* there were four teams. The Texas Orange team, the Kelly Green team, the Pacific Blue team, and the Sky Blue team. I was on Sky Blue and we won. In the middle of camp, at night we

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# A Message from Our President

My message this month is simple – a big thank you to everyone who helped make this past High Holidays a meaningful experience, not to mention run very smoothly! First of all, *Yasher Koach* to our Ritual Chairman, **Paul Glaser**, who oversaw and planned all aspects of the services including ensuring we once again had the services of Cantor Falk, came up with ticket takers (weren't those nice ladies!), filled all the necessary leadership roles and generally kept a close eye on services. I don't know if many of you realize the level of effort Paul put into this year's holiday services, but believe me, it was a major commitment of his time.

Thank you to **Joe Rosenfeld** and his able assistants who made certain *aliyot*

recipients were on the *bimah* at the proper time. This is no mean feat particularly when they have to deal with finding last minute substitutions.

A particular congratulations to **Sue Zemel** and the **CKI choir** for their superb performance at services. All of them spent every Sunday evening this past summer rehearsing, which showed in the quality of the final product. High Holidays would definitely not be the same without them.

To **Jerry Goozh** and his team of ushers for helping maintain the propriety of services. If you see an usher, thank him/her for giving their time.

To **Sisterhood** for providing a *kiddush* for *Erev Rosh Hashanah* and the wonderful Break-the-Fast we all enjoyed at the end of *Yom Kippur*. I think we

sometimes take it for granted the work these ladies perform, but take my word for it, it doesn't happen by chance.

To **Phyllis Lesser** for organizing and arranging for the annual printing of our Memorial Books. She is definitely one of the unsung heroes!

To **Cantor Falk** for his chanting and how well he worked with our choir.

Finally, to **Rabbi Kohn** for his meaningful and thought-provoking sermons. He always injects his messages with humor while, at the same time, making an important statement.

In short what a wonderful start to a new year!

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had a bonfire where people would play guitar (if they knew how.) At the bonfire we also made s'mores. The bonfire was held at the lake.

Camp CHUSY even got Israeli scouts to perform songs and dances for us. We also had a talent show where people performed the funniest things I have ever seen. All the counselors were also very nice, just like the kids there. The food was awesome. They even had a vegetarian dish for those who didn't eat meat. We had a fieldtrip, too. It was to Bond Falls. That place was amazing. All the waterfalls were beautiful. I used all my film taking pictures of Bond Falls. We also had lessons on how to help the environment by just switching light bulbs. At the end of camp, we all got awards. I got the "most energetic" award. When I got my award, I started jumping up and down screaming. It was so much fun. I want to go to Camp Chusy next year.

– **Ellie Kohn**



Camp CHUSY was out of this world! The food was great, from their "beagles" to their spaghetti. The people were so nice. The services seemed to just fly by, and I think the best thing was actually two things: *Maccabia* and the bonfire. In *maccabia* I was in the group Pacific Blue. There were also other teams under the names Texas Orange, Kelly Green, and Sky Blue. Sky Blue won. The canteen was also nice. You could buy everything from candy, soda, and popsicles to t-shirts and hats.

It was also amazing getting into kayaks. They also have a blob that is an inflatable water trampoline. On one end it has an inflatable catapult that has a purple spot on it that you sit on, and on the other side someone jumps on and sends you flying through the air, and then you hit the water. On the other side is a long inflatable log that you're suppose to try to run to the end. I never made it, but it's fun to try. Anyway, I hope I convinced other kids to come next year. It's a blast!

– **Riva Kohn**

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## Torah School News

**Arigato, Spasibo, Efaristo, Tack, Dhanyawaad, Asante, Shukran, Xie Xie, Mahalo, Danke, Merci, Wado, Grazie, Gracias, Todah, Thanks Mon.**

No matter how we say it, it still means "thank you."

I recently heard a discussion about whether or not we should have our children acknowledge gifts and such by writing a thank you note. Well, there seems to be some debate about this question. Who would have thought?

The discussion had people defending both sides of the "question." One mother said, "I'm a single mom, and I do not have the time to sit down with my kids so they can write thank you notes for things they receive. I'd rather read to them or play a game or watch a movie."

Hmmmmppppffff! Now it doesn't take much to come up with a response to that one.

Just take ten minutes out of your reading time or playing time or movie watching time and help them write a quick note. What's the problem with that? All the child has to do is write something like this: "Dear Grandma, Thanks for sending me the new puzzle. It's great! I love you, Bobby."

A "thank you" also applies to things that are not tangible, not wrapped with fancy paper and ribbon. We must guide our children to acknowledge those "things," too, and to understand that those are the "things" that will better their lives, give them a deeper understanding of themselves and others. These are the "things" that will help them survive. So why not say "thank you?"

In Torah School, we teach our children about all the things that make them Jewish – heritage, values, tradition, prayers, holidays. But I hope – no, I know – that we teach our children about *mitzvot* and how they will feel if they do little things that will help to make the lives of others better. We teach the miracle of *tikun olam* and *hesed*. And I would think that *hesed* embraces the use of appreciative words – those little

words that let someone else know that we are grateful for who they are and what they have done for us and the community.

Is it necessary to take the time to write an acknowledgement? Let the words of one of our most recent high school graduates and student aides answer that question. See what you feel like after you read this.

*Dear Members of CKI,*

*When I think of what CKI means to me, I always reflect on how our congregation not only provides our Jewish community with a physical place to worship together but a warm and intimate feeling of extended family as well. Knowing that I have such a loving, spiritual home to turn to has given me so much comfort over the years growing up. It has also ensured me that although I am leaving for college out of state, I will never lose touch with my beloved CKI and my Jewish faith.*

*Thank you all not only for being such a supportive and nurturing family but, also, for the invaluable Jewish education you have provided for me. Having studied Judaism and the Hebrew language since pre-school, I have come to realize that my instruction in Jewish heritage, customs, values and beliefs will not only guide me throughout my life but will continue to develop as I meet new people, have new life experiences, and ultimately have a family of my own. I owe this tremendous education to all the wonderful teachers and friends that have instructed and inspired me at CKI over the years. I especially want to thank Mr. Ron Raben and Mr. Marc Zemel for their spiritual guidance and friendship. They have taught me so much these past few years about the true meaning of mitzvah and how important it is to stay connected with your Jewish roots and give back to the members of your community.*

*Finally, I thank you so much for the Lillian Roth Scholarship. I am truly honored to accept this award – it is an incredibly generous gift and will be so helpful in paying for my college*

*education at the University of Iowa. This scholarship award motivates me even further to be a dedicated, hard-working student that both my family and CKI can be proud of. I look forward as well to being involved with other Jewish students in college through the Hillel organization on campus and representing my congregation with pride.*

*Thank you, again, for everything you have done for me – I am truly blessed to have Congregation Kneseth Israel in my life.*

Shalom,  
Emily Burker

Oh, my goodness. What wonderful words of appreciation and pride! What a great feeling to read them!

Just how important is it to say or to write, privately or publicly, those little, kind words – "thank you?"

CKI community – "arigato" (Japanese), "spasibo" (Russian), "efharisto" (Greek), "tack" (Swedish), "dhanyawaad" (Hindi), "asante" (Swahili), "shukran" (Arabic), "xie xie" (Mandarin), "mahalo" (Hawaiian), "danke" (German), "merci" (French), "wado" (Cherokee), "grazie" (Italian), "gracias" (Spanish), "todah" (Hebrew), "thanks mon" (Jive)...

Thank you for all your support, help, encouragement, laughter, and for just listening to me. And thank you, lovely Emily, for opening our eyes with your kind words from the heart. You have made the answer to the question vividly clear!

L'chaim,

## CKI to Honor New Congregation Members

**Special Family Shabbat Service  
Friday October 26th, 7:30 PM**

**Everyone is invited to celebrate our growing family. Take this opportunity to share our warmth and excitement in welcoming new friends. *Oneg* to follow services.**

**For more information contact Deborah Stone or Barbara Razowsky.**

## Sisterhood News

**C**hange. Change has been on my mind lately. Almost overnight, we went from a regular family to empty nesters, changing children's bedrooms into guest rooms and offices. Perry and I took our first vacation without children – it's been 23 years since we did that! I walked into ECC one late summer morning and walked out into a cold, rainy autumn a few hours later. The High Holy Days snuck up on us once again. Even though, intellectually, we knew when they started, it was a surprise when we started kicking into high gear in August. And here we are in October finishing celebrating *Sukkot* and *Simchat Torah*, planning a joint *Hanukkah* Bazaar and Corned Beef Lunch in November.

Some changes we look forward to with great anticipation, like a solo vacation; others we prepare for many years – raising, teaching, guiding our children from infancy to adulthood until they can stand on their own. Seasonal changes we expect and take for granted – like the High Holy Days and autumn. How each of us handles change is always interesting. Some of us roll with the punches, some never get used to it, others have to ponder for a while, and some revel in change.

The changes of this year coupled with the reflective nature of the holidays, have made me think about those things that are really important. I think family always tops the list. For me and my family, CKI is very high up there also. Having been an active volunteer for 20 years (yes, there was a time when I wasn't), I always got a kick from young women who would say they would wait till the children got older before volunteering – then they would have more time. Now having gone through the stages of raising children myself, I want to report: Don't wait. There will never be more time. I am probably busier now than I have ever been!

Sisterhood is a wonderful way to become involved in community life, to learn or enhance your knowledge of Judaism, to make lifelong friends in your Jewish community, to help CKI. Not that we don't love our men, but when they aren't around, we do learn

differently and use shorthand that they don't get! We have wonderful programs planned for the year, as well as old favorites. Join us – you won't regret it. Dues (\$36.00) can always be sent to **Adele Stein** and help support us as an organization.

Thank you to the following people: **Jana McFarlane** for the beautiful New Years greeting card, **Ed & Pearl Brody**, **Michael Finger and family**, and **Rose Marie Smith** for the beautiful High Holiday flowers, **Wendy Barrash**, **Kara Gauthier**, and **Nina Finn** for Break-the-Fast. We also appreciate those people who made contributions to Break-the-Fast – **Jana & Bill McFarlane and family**, **Joe & Maureen Rosenfeld and family**, and **Chuck & Nancy Zimmerman**. Thank you also to everyone who made contributions with their reservations.



– Rochelle Fosco & Wanda Pitzele  
Sisterhood Co-Presidents

## CKI Book Club



**Saturday, October 27  
at 2:30 p.m.**

at the home of **Shirley Simon**  
816 Murray Ave., Elgin  
Book to be discussed:

**“Suite Française”  
by Irène Némirovsky**

For directions, call **847-742-6333**.  
This well-written and revealing novel  
is set in France at the time of the  
German occupation in 1940.

## The Mazal Tov Corner...

Our hearty congratulations to...

**MATT WOLF**, son of Tina and Ed Wolf, who recently participated in the White Coat Ceremony to mark his entrance into pharmacy school at Drake University.

**KAREN and AL BENDER** on the marriage of their daughter Sara.

## Social Action

**T**hank you to everyone who supported both the *Torah* School food drive and who brought non-perishable food items for the *Kol Nidre* food drive. All items are donated to the Community Crisis Center's food pantry. Your on-going continued support of this project is extremely important. Unfortunately, there is a dire need; yes, there ARE hungry people in the Fox Valley. Donations can be brought to the CKI Food cupboard\*, which is located to your immediate right as you enter the synagogue through the parking lot entrance. Non-perishable food items, baby diapers and formula as well as hygiene products are always needed.

In our *Siddur Sim Shalom*, there is a reading by Edmund Fleg titled: “I am a Jew”. One line reads, “I am a Jew because wherever there is suffering, the Jew weeps”. In that spirit, on September 8th we welcomed **Nikoletta Antonakos**, of the Chicago Coalition to Save Darfur to our *Selichot* services. She shared her expertise and presented a multimedia presentation about the on-going crisis in the Sudan. **Rabbi Kohn** spoke about the role of the State of Israel. We have posted a list of resources on the CKI web site. Please visit the links.

Thanks again to the efforts of **Paul Glaser**, CKI is sponsoring its annual blood drive on the morning of November 18. Donors under age 16 need parental consent. Please plan to donate this life-sustaining gift.

– Sherry Wiesman, Fern Raben  
and Tina Wolf

\* Items are not accepted on Jewish holidays, including *Shabbat*.

## USY and Kadima News

Our programming year got off to a wonderful start last month.

USY hosted their annual Pancake Breakfast on the first Sunday of Torah School, and welcomed everyone back for the new school year. **Sara Gerlach, Jake Marshall, Lucy Marshall, Danielle Piraino, Ben Schillmoeller, Leah Schillmoeller, Joel Seigle, Jessica Shankman, Teddi Stanczak** and **Danielle Stone** cooked and served delicious pancakes and raised \$131.85 for our SATO (Social Action-Tikun Olam) fund.

*Kadima* went on an outing to Goebbert's Pumpkin Farm in Hampshire immediately following the "Hut Dog" lunch for *Sukkot*.

One member of our Executive Board attended the Regional Leadership Training Institute Weekend at the Daniel M. Soref Retreat Center in Wisconsin with other Chapter Board members from the greater Chicago Region.

Also, our USY Board met for the first time this year.

This month, *Kadima* and USY will hold a joint event – lunch and bowling at Elgin Lanes on Sunday, October 21, immediately following *Torah* school. Watch for a flyer about this program.

Looking ahead to November, CHUSYFEST will take place on the weekend of November 9-11. This is a regional program open to all paid USY members. Applications have been mailed, and registrations must be returned to Maureen Rosenfeld by Wednesday, October 17.

On Monday night, November 12, the USY Board will meet briefly here at CKI at 7pm, and then help Sisterhood with preparations for their annual Corned Beef Lunch fundraiser.

On Sunday, November 18, *Kadima* will hold *Maccabia* Games at CKI.

Finally, on Wednesday night November 21, BEANS Chapter (Congregation Beth El in Highland Park) will hold their annual Turkey Dance. There are actually two dances: one for *Kadima* and one for USY, held in separate locations in their building complex.

Please enjoy the articles starting on the front page of this bulletin, written by some of our students about their experiences this past summer at Camp CHUSY and Camp *Kadima*.

As ever, please be in touch with any questions or ideas.

– Maureen Rosenfeld, *Youth Chair*  
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## Knishes and WISHES!!

THANK YOU TO **MARC AND DEBORAH STONE** FOR THE GENEROUS DONATION OF TWO NEW 8-FOOT LONG TABLES FOR THE SOCIAL HALL. THEIR DONATION IS A THANK YOU TO CKI FOR ALL PEOPLE DID TO HELP WITH DANIELLE'S RECENT *BAT MITZVAH*.

THANKS, MARC AND DEBORAH! YOU HAVE STARTED US ON THE ROAD TO NEW TABLES!

Let's keep it going!!!

We keep wishing for...

- ✧ Six combination CD/Cassette players for the classrooms.
  - ✧ A new lectern for the social hall. The one we have now is old and quite dilapidated. It doesn't have to have a sound system; it just needs to be a durable and simple lectern.
  - ✧ More new lightweight tables for the social hall.
  - ✧ Two matching couches for the library.
- We appreciate anything you can do to help make these wishes come true. Thank you!

## The "CKI SENIORS"

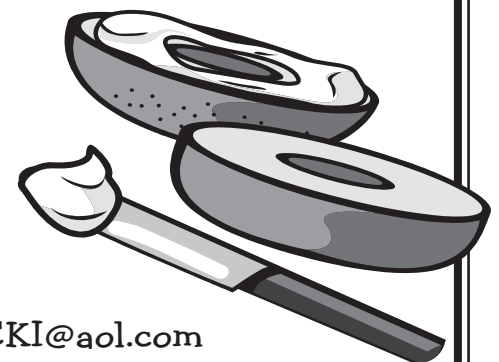
### Lox & Bagel Luncheon

Mark your calendar:  
**Tuesday, October 9**  
**12:00 noon at CKI**

RSVP to Phyllis Lesser  
(847) 741-8784 OR [phyllisCKI@aol.com](mailto:phyllisCKI@aol.com)

Please respond **DEFINITELY NO LATER THAN**  
**Thursday, October 4.**

Payment by cash or check at \$8.00 per person  
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## CKI Adult Education Program



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

On **Nov. 5 at 7 p.m. Rabbi Daniel C. Goldfarb**, Scholar-in-Residence for Midwest Region United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism for 2007, is our guest speaker.

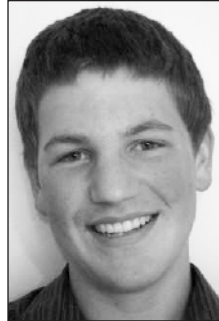
Rabbi Goldfarb is Director of the Conservative Yeshiva at the Fuchsberg Center for Conservative Judaism in Jerusalem. A graduate of Harvard College and Columbia Law School, he is member of both the Israel and New York Bar Associations. Rabbi Goldfarb received his M.H.L. and Rabbinic Ordination from the Jewish Theological Seminary. He worked for 25 years as an attorney for Israel's Ministries of Justice and Finance, and in private practice in Jerusalem before joining the Yeshiva in July 2000. A Boston native, Rabbi Goldfarb is on the Executive Committee of the Rabbinical Assembly and has served as a scholar-in-residence at synagogues throughout the world.

**Please plan to attend!** We would love to have Rabbi Goldfarb speak to a large group.

## Parashat HaShavu'a – Weekly Torah Portions

- October 4** 22 Tishrei *Shemini Atzeret / Yizkor*  
Deuteronomy 14:22-16:17  
*Maftir:* Numbers 29:35-30:1  
*Haftarah:* I Kings 8:54-66
- October 5** 23 Tishrei *Simchat Torah*  
Deuteronomy 33:1-17  
*Maftir:* Numbers 29:35-30:1  
*Haftarah:* Joshua 1:1-18
- October 6** 24 Tishrei *Bereshit – Genesis 1:1-2:3*  
*Haftarah:* Isaiah 42:5-43:10
- October 13** 1 Heshvan *Rosh Hodesh Heshvan*  
Noah – Genesis 6:9-8:14  
*Maftir:* Numbers 28:9-15  
*Haftarah:* Isaiah 66:1-24, 66:23
- October 20** 8 Heshvan *Lekh Lekha – Genesis 12:1-13:18*  
*Haftarah:* Isaiah 40:27-41:16
- October 27** 15 Heshvan *Vayera – Genesis 18:1-33*  
*Haftarah:* II Kings 4:1-37

## Bar Mitzvah



**Alex Guralnick** is to be called to the *Torah* as a *Bar Mitzvah* on **October 20th**. Alex is an 8th grade student at Geneva Middle School North.

He plays football for Geneva Middle School North and has his Jr. Black Belt in Hapkido. Alex loves music (his MP3 player is part of his body) and he loves to draw.

Sharing this special occasion with Alex are his parents William & Clarissa Guralnick and his sister Samantha. Also sharing in this wonderful day are his grandparents Dr. Henry & Sally Guralnick and James & Donna Curnock, along with many proud relatives and friends.

Something Alex has learned from his Jewish education: Through learning the origins of his Jewish faith, Alex has become more in touch with his heritage.

## Honorable Menschen: Todah Rabah to...

**ANITA HORNING, FERN RABEN, WENDY SHANKMAN, LIZA BACHRACH, JANA McFARLANE, LIZ FISHMAN, BARB SHARF, PAUL GLASER, BILL McFARLANE, SAUL MARIASIS, JOE ROSENFELD, JACK FISHMAN, PERRY PITZELE, HERB GROSS, SHAYNA STEIN, SOPHIA KOHN, RIVA KOHN, and MEN'S CLUB MEMBERS** for all your help at this year's picnic. You made it happen!

**USYers: SARA GERLACH, LISA GERLACH, JAKE MARSHALL, LUCY MARSHALL, BEN SCHILLMOELLER, JOEL SEIGLE, DANIELLE PIRAINO, LEAH SCHILLMOELLER, JESSICA SHANKMAN, TEDDI STANCZAK, DANIELLE STONE and MAUREEN & JOE ROSENFELD, ET SCHILLMOELLER, LIZA BACHRACH, and DEBORAH STONE** for another wonderful opening-of-school pancake breakfast! And thanks to **SHERI MUSSAR** for donating the bottle of sugar-free syrup!

**PAUL GLASER, CHERYL STANCZAK, SUE JOHNSON, PERRY PITZELE, MORGAN**

**STANCZAK, LEONARD KOFKIN, SAUL MARIASIS, DAN MARSHALL, BILL GURALNICK, JOE ROSENFELD** and the **USY KIDS** who helped to change over the sanctuary and social hall for the High Holidays.

**FERN RABEN, JENNIFER FOGEL, NIKA FOGEL, MORGAN STANCZAK, DANIELLE PIRAINO, and ROCHELLE FOSCO**, our "silver-polishing angels."

**SHERRY WIESMAN** for all the planning and arrangements with Save Darfur for *Selichot* services.

**LIZA BACHRACH** for her donation of a computer to the synagogue for the rabbi's use.

**RODDY FRANKEL** for a video research viewing station.

**ADELE STEIN & WANDA PITZELE** for conducting Youth Services for children Pre-K through 3rd.

*We invite you to share in our happiness at Shabbat Services on Saturday, October 20, 2007 as our son*

**Alex**

*becomes Bar Mitzvah*



*Please join us for Kiddush following services*



**Clarissa and Bill Guralnick**

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**Sisterhood Flower Fund** – Pulpit flowers

**Sisterhood Vision Fund** – Large-type *Siddur* \$50

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**USY/Kadima Youth Group** – Support for programs for our United Synagogue Youth

## October Birthdays

- 1 Lisa Kravis
- 3 Eva Galper
- 4 Stuart Kravis
- 5 Milton Wohl
- 5 Heidi Freeman
- 5 Karen Radest
- 6 Mark Rubin
- 8 Jeff Hymer
- 9 Stephen Newman
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- 20 Albert DiSilvestro
- 20 Sylvia Eagles
- 22 Nancy Cox
- 23 Judi Schweinler
- 24 Manfred Lindow
- 25 William McFarlane
- 26 Sue Johnson
- 27 Lucas Agins
- 28 Erica Hymen
- 30 Susan Goozh
- 30 Charles Evans
- 30 Eli Bush
- 30 Cheri Rubin

## October Anniversaries

- 7 Scott & Susan St. Pierre
- 9 Tim & Mia Fossa
- 10 Al & Karen Bender
- 10 Amy & Martin Kammerman
- 11 Perry & Wanda Pitzele
- 25 Shirley & Burt Friedman

# Yahrtzeiten

We recall with loving memory those whose *yahrtzeiten* 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 **October**. It is appropriate for members of their families to be present when these names are read.

Sept 29	Oct 1	Minnie Cohen*	Oct 6	Oct 9	Frieda Leibovitz Finston*	Oct 20	Oct 23	Janet Ellyn Eisner*
Sept 29	Oct 2	Norman M. Rubenstein*	Oct 6	Oct 9	Jules Libby*	Oct 20	Oct 25	Harrilet Poncher
Sept 29	Oct 3	Bradley Zeman*	Oct 6	Oct 9	Morris Bloomberg	Oct 20	Oct 25	Warren Rubnitz*
Sept 29	Oct 3	William A. Smith*	Oct 6	Oct 10	Robert Nitzberg	Oct 20	Oct 26	Lillian Rosengarden*
Sept 29	Oct 4	Lee Mary Miller*	Oct 6	Oct 11	Frank Rys	Oct 20	Oct 26	Barbara Ann Burstein*
Sept 29	Oct 4	Bertha Levin	Oct 6	Oct 11	Esther Harris*	Oct 20	Oct 26	Abraham Miller*
Sept 29	Oct 4	Irving Feldman	Oct 13	Oct 14	Clara Fishman*	Oct 27	Oct 28	Joseph Fischer*
Sept 29	Oct 4	Sam Brenner*	Oct 13	Oct 14	Morris Spector	Oct 27	Oct 28	Joseph Kreeger*
Sept 29	Oct 5	Sherwin I. Fischer*	Oct 13	Oct 15	Israel Brenner*	Oct 27	Oct 30	Louis Gold
Sept 29	Oct 5	Ignaciio M Sanchez	Oct 13	Oct 16	Charles Kreeger*	Oct 27	Oct 31	Sarah Loss
Oct 6	Oct 6	Ethel Lange	Oct 13	Oct 16	Milton Raff*	Oct 27	Oct 31	Sarah Gordon*
			Oct 13	Oct 17	Howard Gombiner*	Oct 27	Oct 31	Sylvia Fishman Wigodner*
			Oct 13	Oct 18	Jacob M. Rubnitz*	Oct 27	Oct 31	Sidney Julius Raffelson*
			Oct 13	Oct 19	Ned R. Ginsburg*	Oct 27	Nov 1	Joseph Fischer*
			Oct 13	Oct 19	Harry Rifken*	Oct 27	Nov 1	Iris Newman
			Oct 20	Oct 20	Jeanette Scholnick*	Oct 27	Nov 2	Harry Jacob Becker*
			Oct 20	Oct 22	Samuel Strickman*	Oct 27	Nov 2	Julius Kornstein*



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

## KINDLE THE SHABBAT CANDLES

October 5 .....6:08 PM  
 October 12.....5:56 PM  
 October 19.....5:45 PM  
 October 26.....5:35 PM

**NOTE: Shabbat ends one (1) hour after candlelighting time on Saturday night.**



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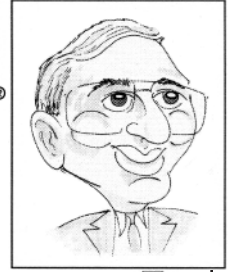
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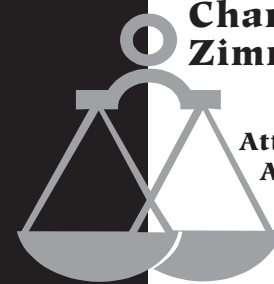
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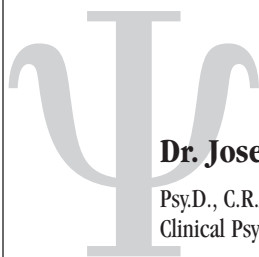
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**Saturday mornings 9:30 am**

1	Sukkot Day 5		14	<b>Sisterhood Opening Meeting &amp; Lunch</b>	12:30 pm
2	Sukkot Day 6 <b>CKI Board Meeting</b>	7:30 pm	15	Confirmation Class	6:30 pm
3	No School - <i>Hoshannah Rabah</i>		17	PICK UP FUNDABILITY CERTIFICATES	
4	<i>Shemini Atzeret / Yizkor</i> <b>Simhat Torah</b> – Office closed	8:00 am 7:00 pm	19	<i>Shabbat Service</i> <i>Oneg: Bill &amp; Clarissa Guralnick</i>	7:30 pm
5	<b>Simhat Torah</b> – Office closed <i>Shabbat service</i>	7:30 pm	20	<b>Bar Mitzvah: Alex Guralnick</b> <i>Kiddush: Bill &amp; Clarissa Guralnick</i>	9:30 am
7	Take down <i>Sukkah</i>		21	USY/ <i>Kadima</i> Lunch and Bowling	Noon
9	Senior Lox & Bagel Luncheon Sisterhood Board Meeting	Noon 7:00 pm	22	<i>Hadassah</i> Opening Board Meeting	
10	ORDER FUNDABILITY CERTIFICATES		26	<b>Family Services – Dalet Class</b> New Member <i>Shabbat</i>	7:30 pm
12	<i>Shabbat Service</i>	7:30 pm	28	<b>Mitzvah Day</b>	during school
13	<b>Junior Congregation</b>	9:30 am	29	Confirmation Class	6:30 pm

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Sunday mornings 10:00 AM