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MEN'S CLUB ELECTS NEW OFFICERS, SETS AMBITIOUS FALL CALENDAR

CKI Men's Club has elected a new slate of officers:

President: Chuck Miller
Vice-President: Richard Kruth
Secretary: Ira Fosco
Treasurer: Joe Rosenfeld
Education Chairman: Paul Glaser
Tzedakah Chairman: Herb Gross
Social Chairman: Arthur Shankman

Men's Club is planning an action-packed fall. Programs include:

Saturday, September 20: Men's Club Shabbat. Plan to attend this special *Shabbat* service led entirely by members of Men's Club. This year, CKI will be hosting the **Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs' Sefer Haftorah**, a hand-written parchment scroll presenting the various *Haftorot* read during the year. The scroll, which travels throughout the Midwest Region, will be here from **Wednesday, Sept. 17 to Tuesday, Sept 23**, and will be available for viewing during that time.

Sunday October 12: Join in as **Men's Club builds the CKI Sukkah!** We're starting at 9:00 a.m.

Saturday October 18: Café/Cinema CKI presents "Ushpizin," the noted heartwarming and humorous Israeli film. Free admission! For all ages! More details to follow.

Our next meeting is **Wednesday, September 10, at 6:30 pm** at La Quebrada (Mexican Restaurant) 50 N. Spring St, Elgin. RSVP to Rich Kruth (phone number below).

Men's Club membership letters were mailed to the congregation last month. If you haven't already done so, join today! Contact **Richard Kruth**, 847.767.1938 for more information.

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From the Rabbi's Study...

Holy Days

I remember walking home from services once when I was a boy. It must have been on the High Holidays, because I told my father that I was experiencing a special exalted feeling of holiness that was almost physical, as if I were in a different world from everyone else and everything ordinary was unreal. "I know that feeling," said my Dad. "Don't think too much of it. It comes from spending a lot of time doing things and listening to a language that you don't understand."

Well, darned if he wasn't right. That otherworldly feeling was strange and appealing but cheap and transient. I remember it fondly, but it passed and

left not much behind. Over time, though, as the prayer services became more familiar, I began to see what genuine holiness is. I now relate that to a different experience from my childhood that happened back when I first learned to play chess.

**"This is not a game.
This is not a movie.
This is real."**

When I had learned the rules of chess but still knew nothing about the strategy of the game, I found it perfectly baffling. "How in the world," I thought, "am I

supposed to capture my opponent's king?" Sometimes I would move pieces at random, making what I called "everyday" moves, hoping that I would get lucky and fall into a victory. Other times I would simply copy my opponent's moves, oblivious of any trap

that my predictability invited him to set. Whatever I seemed to be playing in those days, it wasn't chess. With chess, every move counts.

I was not happy to realize that every move counts, but eventually the insight forced me to play real chess. And that's what holiness is: the insight that forces us to live real lives. It's the awareness that every move counts, of the absolute, unavoidable importance of everything we do.

A friend of mine claims to have experienced religious revelation once in her life, and the message of her revelation, when translated into words, was, "This is not a game. This is not a movie. This is real."

Holiness raises the stakes. It tells us that, to paraphrase Henry David Thoreau, we cannot kill time without injuring eternity; that it is vital for us, in

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A Message from Our President

Recently, I attended a family reunion where I met, among other "new" relatives, two distant cousins from Cracow, Poland visiting the United States for the first time. Hearing their stories, experiences and what their lives were like, was fascinating and made me realize how little I really knew about my own family. In many ways, that weekend was exactly like getting acquainted with my family for the first time.

Actually, the reunion was really the culmination of efforts by a couple of members of my family: a cousin in New York and my own brother Keith, both of whom have shared an increasing interest in learning about our family history. I have to say I was surprised and impressed with my brother's fascination in tracing our family tree, an interest that has even led him to acquiring genealogy software. During that weekend, he handed out copies of personalized reports showing everyone's own family tree going all the way back to 1730! Also, different family

members in attendance provided old photos, letters, census records and other documents. In many ways, the weekend wasn't just an opportunity to connect with my living relatives but, also, those who have passed on.

Later on, thinking about that wonderful reunion brought to mind another type of reunion—one that takes place every year around this time. I'm referring to the High Holidays when our sanctuary and social hall are filled with congregants and their family members, many of whom we only see this time of year. By the way, this is not another article to promote service attendance—been there and done that enough times. Actually, I'm talking about the feeling I have when I see all these people and am reminded of the larger Jewish community we are all a part of. Whether your personal reason for being there is spiritual, social, religious, or simply an opportunity to spend time with your extended or immediate family, I sense a common bond that we're all there for one basic reason—we

are all Jews. As obvious as this seems, I wonder how many people during quiet moments during the services (if they're not nodding off) contemplate this essential fact.

High Holidays also represent to me another facet. Throughout the year we collect the emotional baggage from

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Ha Kol Information

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Make checks payable to CKI.

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All material for the October issue is due NO LATER than September 10, PLEASE.

All items should be emailed to ronrazowsky@gmail.com

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Torah School News

Definition of a school:

A unit dedicated to efficiently impart skills and knowledge to students from teachers.

Definition of teacher:

Anyone or anything that assists in the acquisition of knowledge to students.

Definition of a student:

One who studies, an attentive or observer.

Philosophy of education (John Dewey):

To shape an individual's powers and saturate his consciousness. Forming his habits, training his ideas, arousing his feeling and emotions.

Let us all support our school, teachers, and students so that our school is a comfortable place to maximize the

teaching and learning process for our students to be as great a spiritual experience as possible.

Shalom,

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So "By The Way..."

First day of Hebrew School –

September 3rd – 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm.

First day of Sunday School –

September 7th – 9:00 am to Noon

We will continue with our Bagel Breakfast. If you would like to feed your children before class, please be at CKI early enough to do so. Bagels will be out by 8:30 am.

First day of school will include:

- The **Annual Pancake Breakfast** (USY Event)

\$3.00 per person or \$10.00 per family
– from 10:00 to 11:00 am

- **Torah School Parent Meeting** –
11:00 am – in Sanctuary

First day of Confirmation Class –
September 8th – 6:30 to 8:00 pm.

B'nai Mitzvah Parent Meeting –
September 14th – 10:00 am.

Top Ten Reasons to Host an Oneg or Kiddush

10. Where else would you be on a Friday night or Saturday morning?
9. You've always wanted to learn your way around CKI's kitchen.
8. You've been meaning to get to know Anita better.
7. Your Hebrew School student needs to accumulate stars on a chart.
6. Your daughter has to check out her BBF's latest outfit.
5. Your son is dying to put on business casual or a suit.
4. Paul Glaser will be so happy you read his letter.
3. What a great way to celebrate *simchas*, birthdays, or anniversaries with your CKI family.
2. What an appropriate way to remember a loved one.
1. Wanda Pitzele needs a new job now that she's not Sisterhood President!

Seriously, hosting an *oneg* or *kiddush* is a great way to celebrate and remember with your CKI family. When you host, your friends come and celebrate with you and help make a *minyan*. It's not hard, and I hope to make it an easy, enjoyable experience. Sisterhood will put together the *oneg* or *kiddush* for you, or as always, you may do it yourself, with advice if you need it. Call me to schedule your *oneg* or *kiddush*. If you see me walking around CKI with my clipboard, come up and volunteer!

– Wanda Pitzele
Oneg/ Kiddush Chair
630.289.3349



From Our President

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dealing with the challenges and associated stress that accompanies the trials that life throws at us. I know that this year in particular has been a particularly difficult time for many of our congregants. I know this because I talk to them one-on-one and hear about problems such as loss of jobs, foreclosure of their homes, family and personal illness, not to mention the challenge of raising a family in today's economy. Couple this with events occurring around the world including the Middle-East, Darfur and more recently, warfare in the Georgia republic, and sometimes it seems life is overwhelming.

Yet certainly this is not the only point in history where we have faced multiple challenges. I suspect, many of my relatives, both living and dead could attest to that having lived through major events such as the Depression and the Holocaust. Somehow, people during those times had to find a way to draw on a reservoir of inner strength in order to continue.

I would submit that one major source to "replenish" our own reservoirs can be found in the walls of our synagogue. Through prayer and the "critical mass" we attain by coming together during these High Holidays as a community, we can draw on each other and, yes, even by our own connection to God gain a kind of spiritual renewal. It is my hope that all of you are able to use your time in *shul* to gain some measure of *shalom*, peace.

I would offer one prayer to all of you: May we all continue to go from strength to strength throughout the coming year.

From my family to yours,
L'shanah Tovah

Perry Pitzele
President

Sisterhood News

As I write this article for September's *HaKol*, I look at my calendar and notice it is approximately seven weeks before the High Holidays. It seems like we have time to prepare, but as always, time just flies, and High Holiday services will be here very soon.

I look back to my childhood. This was the last month of summer vacation. School started the day after Labor Day. My mother reminded my sister and me that before the High Holidays, we needed to reflect on how we behaved the past year. Were we good? Did we respect our parents and other adults? Were we truthful all the time? Did we hurt anyone's feelings? Did we do good deeds? Did we give charity? These foundations for life were important to my parents. My mother told us that a higher supreme being was judging us. She told us a group of angels in heaven were going through The Book of Life that was sealed last *Yom Kippur*. Our fate, she told us, was based upon how well we behave and the strength of our faith. I always believed my mother. Year after year, especially in August, I was the best I could be. I was good throughout the year, but I was really, really good in August.

In August, parents are busy buying clothes and school supplies. College

kids are off to their various campuses, some for the first time. However, for me, August is the time to reflect on my past behavior and those "traditional" questions my mother asked in my childhood. With these "traditions," I often felt that anything that went awry was my fault. In fact, sometimes I still do believe that. When I think hard, I realize that even though I think I am the center of my world, I don't think I rate that high with the people who actually do the judging!!!! But just in case, I try not to hurt anyone's feelings, I try to respect my elders and those younger than me, and I try to give charity to those less fortunate. All of these foundations should be a part of all our lives. Treat others as we want others to treat us. Give charity to those less fortunate. Be truthful. These may be small deeds, but they really do not go unnoticed.

Please look to *HaKol* each month for an update on all Sisterhood activities. Our Program Vice President, Susan Robbins, has many exciting programs lined up for us throughout the coming year. Our **opening luncheon is September 14, 2008**. We will have lunch and a speaker on *Kabbalah*. This should be very enlightening and informative. Please contact Susan with your reservation.

ALWAYS Wishin' and a-Hopin' For....

We're still wishing for...

✧ **New lightweight 8-foot long tables for the social hall.**

(We purchase them at Sam's. Prices: 8' long tables are \$70.00 each. 60" round tables are \$100.00 each. We are tax exempt.)

✧ **A new video setup (camera, etc.) in the sanctuary that will record DVDs.**

✧ **New 3- or 6-foot long bookshelf (with 3 shelves) for the library on which we can house our growing Dr. Daniel and Lisa Schulman Young Adult Library acquisitions.** (Check out the one we have in the library. It isn't tall, because it stands in front of the windows.)

Wishes are good. Granting them is even better! We are truly grateful!

We are also providing **babysitting** in the synagogue this year for the **first day of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur**. If you need babysitting for the second day of *Rosh Hashanah*, we can also arrange that. (See enclosed flyer.) We will, as always, Break-the-Fast together after *Yom Kippur* services.

Remember, our Sisterhood meetings are open to all. Please make joining Sisterhood one of your things to do this year.

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Break-the-Fast Dairy Dinner

CKI Sisterhood is asking for your participation to help us get an accurate number of people who will attend our Break-the-Fast. This will help guide us to better plan this event.

To defray the costs, which only Sisterhood sponsors, we are asking for a **suggested minimum donation of \$5 per person** to be submitted with your reservation. As always, *no one will be turned away*, but your reservation and donation help us to continue this tradition with accuracy. **Please make check out to: CKI Sisterhood.**



Thank you.

YES! We are coming to the Break-the-Fast and we'd like to help defray the cost!!

Family name: _____ Number attending: _____

Amt enclosed: \$ _____

Please check send to: Wendy Barrash

622 Brookdale

Schaumburg, IL 60194

USY and Kadima News

As I write this article, 17 kids are getting ready for Camp *Kadima* and Camp CHUSY! We hope they have a great time. We are lucky to be sending two wonderful staffers along with them: **Morgan Stanczak** and **Michelle Piraino**.

Don't forget to eat **Pancakes on Sunday, September 7** at 10 am at CKI. USY will be cooking, serving, and cleaning. All proceeds will go to the USY Social Action/*Tikkun Olam* fund. We need all USYers to be at CKI at 8:30 am to help. Please RSVP to Liza Bachrach at Archbroch@sbcglobal.net.

USY & Kadima Membership forms were sent in the mail in July. Membership applications can be downloaded from the website at www.CKIElgin.org on the Youth Group page. Membership entitles your children to discounts on programs and allows them to attend regional events.

Donations – Please consider USY & Kadima when making donations to CKI. It will enable us to enhance our youth activities.

UPCOMING EVENTS for SEPTEMBER:

9/7 – 10 am (8:30 for USY) Pancake Breakfast at CKI

9/8 – 8 pm USY Board Meeting

9/19-21 – CHUSY LTI

9/21 – 12:30 pm USY/*Kadima* Bowling at Elgin Lanes

ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

• Hosted by USY •

Sunday

September 7, 2008 • 10 am

\$3 per person or \$10 per family

Enjoy breakfast in the Social Hall on the first day of Torah School!

Students will be encouraged to participate.

All profits will be donated to the USY Social Action/*Tikkun Olam* fund.



The Pleasure of Reading

This month, *HaKol* is filled with information regarding the High Holidays. As we settle into our fall routines, we say goodbye to those lazy summer days and think of more intellectual pursuits. Many of us will begin our own personal preparation for the solemnity of this season. Now would be an ideal time to visit the CKI library and check out some of our resources regarding prayers and the structure of the High Holiday services. We also have a wide selection of titles relating to *Talmud* and *midrash*. The thoughts and philosophies of some of Judaism's greatest thinkers are among the works in our collection. CKI also owns a wide selection of books for little children (both pre-school and early readers books) about the 4 fall holidays, *Shabbat*, and the new experience of going to synagogue. If you are responsible for preparing the meal for

your family's gathering, don't wait until *Erev Rosh Hashanah* to check out our shelf of Jewish cookbooks.

So What's Nu? Glad you asked!

Among the new titles we acquired over the summer months are many fiction and non-fiction books for children and young adults. Often children need to take a break while their parents are in the adult High Holiday services. Visit the library in the next few weeks and help your children check out some books which they can read while you are in the main sanctuary during the High Holidays. New acquisitions for pre-school, school-aged children, and teens include:

- *Forever My Jerusalem*
- *The Mystery of the Dead Sea Scrolls*
- *Exiles of Crocodile Island*
- *The J.E.T. Kids Take Charge*

- *A Nightmare in History, The Holocaust 1933-1945*
- *Drummers of Jericho*
- *Milkweed*
- *The Enemy Has a Face*
- *Bat Mitzvah Club: Debbie's Story*
- *Duel*
- *Death on Sacred Ground*
- *Unjust Cause*
- *Jeremiah's Promise: An Adventure in Modern Israel*
- *Dear Elijah*
- *Little Black Box (Mystery Trilogy Parts 1-3)*
- *Juggling Act*
- *Independence Avenue*
- *Classic Trio 1 (Try for a Dream, And Then There were Four, Goodbye my Friends)*
- *Classic Trio 2 (All Because of Raizy; Families, etc.; Thanks to You)*

IMPORTANT RITUAL & HIGH HOLIDAY INFORMATION

High Holy Day Schedule is as follows:

SELICHOT: Saturday, September 20, 2008

9:00 p.m. Program and discussion, featuring a showing of the film by Chaim Grade, "The Quarrel", followed by the *Selichot* service. (See page 15.)
Selichot are prayers of penitence recited immediately preceding *Rosh Hashanah*. The prayers are meant to tune up hearts for the experience of the High Holy Days.

EREV ROSH HASHANAH: Monday, September 29, 2008

7:30 p.m.

ROSH HASHANAH DAY 1: Tuesday, September 30, 2008

9:00 a.m.; Youth service at 10:30 a.m.

TASHLIKH SERVICE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SERVICE.

Gather on Walton Island on the Fox River just to the west of the Hemmens Auditorium. Please bring a small package of bread crumbs to cast upon the water and recite prayers in which we cast away our sins from the previous year. See p. 7.

ROSH HASHANAH DAY 2: Wednesday, October 1, 2008

9:00 a.m.

KEVER AVOT: Sunday, October 5, 2008

1:00 p.m. CKI section of Bluff City Cemetery.

KOL NIDREI: Wednesday, October 8, 2008

5:40 p.m. SHARP!

YOM KIPPUR: Thursday, October 9, 2008

9:00 a.m.; Youth service at 10:30 a.m.

Yizkor approximately 11:15 a.m.

Minchah 4:15 p.m.

Ne'ilah 5:30 p.m.

Shofar 7:10 p.m.

Break the Fast 7:30 p.m.

HIGH HOLY DAY YOUTH SERVICES

All youth services begin at **10:30 a.m.** on the **first day only** of *Rosh Hashanah*, Tuesday, September 30, and on *Yom Kippur*, Thursday, October 9.

Services for pre-schoolers & kindergarteners (accompanied by an adult) are in the 1st grade room, services for children in 1st–3rd are in the kindergarten room, and services for 4th–7th grades are in the synagogue library.

BABYSITTING AVAILABLE

Rosh Hashanah, Day 1 only, Tues. Sept 30, 9:30 am–1:00 pm. (Day 2, if needed)

Yom Kippur, Oct. 9, 9:30 am–1:00 pm

Please see enclosed flyer for complete information.

CKI HIGH HOLIDAY TICKET POLICY 5769 / 2008

Because of the special demands created by the numbers of persons wishing to attend services for *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur*, it is necessary to continue the policy of "admission by ticket only" for services.

Tickets are mailed shortly before the Holidays. Only those members who have paid all dues and fees owed will receive tickets.

Tickets are marked and perforated for each service. Security officers/ushers will collect them.

Tickets are required for each member of the family. No tickets are required for the *Yizkor* service on *Yom Kippur*.

No member is turned away because of financial need. If there are financial circumstances that prevent payment of dues, please contact the president, Perry Pitzele, to make special arrangements.

Members may bring guests who do not live in the immediate area at \$150 per person. Children of members who are not legal dependents and do not live in the area are considered guests.

Married children of family members are considered a family unit unto themselves.

Non-members who live in the Elginland area may purchase tickets for \$700 per family or \$250 per individual.

Arrangements may be made to apply the ticket cost to membership dues. Membership information is sent upon request.



IMPORTANT RITUAL & HIGH HOLIDAY INFORMATION

IF YOU BUILD IT THEY WILL COME!

THE COMMUNITY **SUKKAH** WILL BE ERECTED AT THE SYNAGOGUE ON **SUNDAY MORNING OCT. 12**, AT 9:00. IF ENOUGH BUILDERS SHOW UP, IT TAKES ONLY A SHORT TIME. PLEASE HELP!

RULES OF DECORUM

PLEASE OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA WHILE ON SYNAGOGUE PREMISES. ALL WHO ARE PARTICIPATING WILL GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION.

Men are required to wear headcoverings; women are requested to wear headcoverings. However, *everyone* is required to wear headcoverings on the *bimah*.

Appropriate dress is requested during all services.

Smoking is prohibited on synagogue premises. This includes the parking lot.

No food, drink, or gum chewing is permitted in the sanctuary.

Please respect those who are davening/praying by minimizing conversation.

Cameras and other electronic devices should not be brought into or used on the premises on *Shabbat* or *Yom Tov*.

No cellular phones are to be brought into the sanctuary during services.

Pagers, if necessary, are to be placed on vibrate (non-audio) mode.

Entry into the sanctuary will be limited during certain portions of the service, such as during Ark openings, *Kedushah*, *Hineni*, Rabbi's sermon, and officers' speeches.

KEVER AVOT SERVICE

The annual *Kever Avot* Memorial Service will be held at the **CKI Section of Elgin's Bluff City Cemetery** at **1 p.m. on Sunday, October 5**. Entrance to the cemetery should be through the east gate. Please let the guides know you are there for the CKI service, and you will be able to drive to CKI's section.

Kever Avot is the customary visit to graves of loved ones during the month of *Elul*. The service is brief and allows family and friends to say memorial prayers for those who are no longer with us. It is also customary for anyone to visit the CKI section even though their family or friends rest in another part of the country. This is a way to remember.

TASHLIKH

It is customary to walk to a body of water to perform *Tashlikh* during the High Holidays. This ritual demonstrates the separation of sin from our lives. Into the water we symbolically cast our sins of the year gone by, and we reaffirm our intention that life in the new year be renewed by a new heart and a new spirit. To celebrate this ritual, we are gathering on **Walton Island, at the Fox River** in downtown Elgin, immediately following *Rosh Hashanah* services on **Tuesday, September 30**. Bridges access the island immediately to the west of the Hemmens Auditorium.

HANDY HOLIDAY TIPS READING AIDS

Special booklets containing congregational selections have been prepared in transliteration. These are available to those who do not read Hebrew fluently to supplement the *Machzor*. The booklet allows everyone to join in the traditional congregational prayers. Ask your ushers for a copy. In addition, there are a limited number of large-print copies of the *Machzor* available. You may also obtain these from the ushers.

PLEASE BE ON TIME

If you have been assigned an honor, please be in the sanctuary at least 15 minutes earlier than the estimated time.

HANG ONTO YOUR BOOK

When ascending the *bimah* for your honor, please take your *Machzor* with you so that you may follow the service. All persons are required to wear headcoverings on the *bimah*.

TALLIT

It is not customary to wear a *tallit* for the *Erev Rosh Hashanah* service on Monday evening, Sept. 29. Please remember to bring your own *tallit* for the balance of the High Holiday services. Women are encouraged to wear a *tallit* if they so desire.

YOM KIPPUR FASHION TIP

The proper footwear is anything but leather soles for *Yom Kippur*. Leather-bodied shoes with plastic/rubber soles are acceptable, as are leather belts.

Wearing white is quite acceptable for *Yom Kippur*. It reminds us of the purity we seek to attain, of the angels we are a little less than in Creation, and of our deceased loved ones who are buried in simple white linen garments.



Parashat HaShavu'a – Weekly Torah Portions

September 6 *Shoftim* – Deuteronomy 16:18-18:5
6 Elul *Haftarah*: Isaiah 51:12-52:12

September 13 *Ki Tetze* – Deuteronomy 21:10-23:7
13 Elul *Haftarah*: Isaiah 54:1-10

September 20 *Selichot*
20 Elul *Ki Tavo* – Deuteronomy 26:1-27:10
Haftarah: Isaiah 60:1-22

September 27 *Nitzavim* – Deuteronomy 29:9-30:20
27 Elul *Haftarah*: Isaiah 61:10-63:9

September 30 *Rosh Hashanah – Day 1*
1 Tishrei Genesis – 21:1-34
Maftir: Numbers 29:1-6
Haftarah: I Samuel 1:1-2:10



FIND YOURSELF
IN SHUL!
SHUL IS GOOD!



WANTED

B'nai Mitzvah students to join the experienced "Wheelers" for Meals on Wheels, making deliveries of hot meals/bag lunches to shut-ins during one week every three months: October, January, April, and July. The routes take an hour to 1-1/2 hours on any of the five weekdays between 10:30 a.m. and Noon.

For further details call **Nancy Zimmerman at 847-695-6540**. A big thank you to those who participated in July: **Barb & Ron Razowsky, Sue & Dick Johnson, Shari Heiss & Chuck Zimmerman, Marc Zemel & Veronika Fogel, and Sherry Weisman & Nancy Zimmerman**.

Please look ahead at your calendars for October 13-17, after the High Holidays. Where can you fit in? I'm looking forward to hearing from you. Please start using my cell phone number as I may be in and out of town: **847-828-6090**. If you don't receive a return call from me, please call again! Scheduling from out-of-town may prove tricky.

Have an enjoyable remainder of the summer.

– Nancy Zimmerman

Mazel Tov Corner

Congratulations to...

MOLLY ROSENFELD and **JAKE MARSHALL**, winners of this year's Roth Scholarship.

REBECCA FISHMAN who was invited to participate in the Junior Olympics where she competed with other girls who have two more years of experience beyond her. Needless to say, in her age group, she captured the gold medal in *kata* (form) and the bronze in *kumite* (fighting). Among 10,000 athletes, Becca was chosen as one of the 50 to carry a flag during the opening ceremonies. She had the honor of carrying the very first flag (the state of Michigan, as they were the host state) and thereby being the first athlete to enter the stadium as a part of the Parade of Flags.

Social Action

Crisis Center Food Pantry

CKI collects food which we contribute to the Community Crisis Center Food Pantry. The Food Pantry's inventory of available food items is currently extremely low. Please, remember that there are many hungry persons in the Fox Valley who need the resources of the Food Pantry to survive in these poor economic times. As you are shopping, please grab at least one additional food item and bring it to CKI for the Food Pantry. The Food Pantry urgently needs all types of canned goods (canned soups and vegetables), non-perishable food items (mac and cheese, pasta, granola bars, juice, cereals), baby formula, diapers and personal hygiene items. The CKI food cupboard is located to your immediate right as you enter the synagogue through the parking lot entrance.*

Blood Drive—You Can Save a Life!

If you are a person who donates blood regularly, it is important to remember that CKI's blood drive is Sunday morning, November 16th. Remember, generally you can donate no more frequently than once every 8 weeks, so stagger your current donation so that you will remain eligible in November. This community event is open to the general public. Please talk this up among your friends, neighbors and co-workers! Donating blood is a quick and painless opportunity to perform a wonderful *mitzvah*, which quite literally helps so many and does not require you writing a check!

If you are not personally able to donate blood, we are looking for additional volunteers to help the morning of the blood drive. It's easy, a one-time commitment, and also a *mitzvah*. Contact Paul Glaser for additional details.

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

In our community

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Darfur Update

According to an interview in the *Washington Post* published July 31st: "Sudan's president said he will never deal with the International Criminal

Court where he faces charges of genocide in Darfur". He was formally indicted on July 14th. His government refuses to accept the authority of this court run by the United Nations. Government supported militias have conducted the worst atrocities in the war.

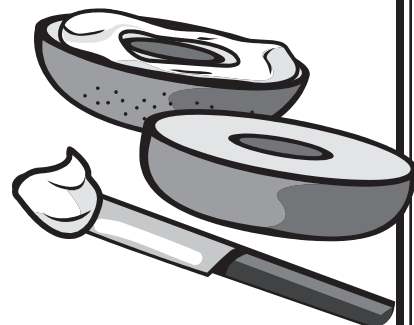
Reports from other sources are equally bleak. The International Criminal Court (located in The Hague, Netherlands) anticipates it will minimally take several weeks to issue an arrest warrant for Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir.

The UN currently estimates 300,000 people have been killed and 2.7 million have been displaced either internally or have crossed the borders into Chad due to the Darfur conflict. The IRC (International Rescue Committee) is quite concerned about the high incidents of women being raped (and especially of the rapes of young girls) who leave the relative security of the camps to fetch water or search for firewood for cooking.

– Fern Raben and Sherry Wiesman

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Fundability Update

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Fundability has been one of CKI's easiest to use fundraisers for over 10 years. Orders can be left for me at CKI or certificates may be purchased directly at CKI. They are generally available on Sunday mornings. Please contact me directly at **847-695-7160** with any questions.

– Dick Johnson

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September Birthdays

- 2 Henry Schillmoeller
- 4 Michael Poper
- 6 Sue Zemel
- 6 Liza Bachrach
- 7 Martin Kammerman
- 8 Joel Pitzele
- 8 Ed Brody
- 9 David Stone
- 10 Ron Raben
- 11 Trevor Kravis
- 17 Daniel Marshall
- 19 Alex Guralnick
- 20 Hillary Schneider
- 21 Derwin Narvaez Jr.
- 24 Joel Seigle
- 24 Barbara Njus
- 24 Ari Kravis
- 24 Sofia McCarthy
- 26 Sandy Lindow
- 26 Rachel Pitzele
- 29 Brad Burkner
- 29 Walter Arnold

September Anniversaries

- 2 Richard & Cheryl Stanczak
- 3 Rachel & Michael Bloomberg
- 3 Ron & Barb Razowsky
- 4 Carl & Judi Schweinler
- 4 Mark & Robin Seigle
- 4 Daniel Marshall & Liza Bachrach
- 5 Laura & Stephen Newman
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The Elgin Chapter of *Hadassah* is sponsoring our annual sale of one-pound **round challahs** (plain or raisin) for the new year on **Sunday, September 28**, (baked that morning by *Shalom* Kosher Bakery in Buffalo Grove). We are also offering one-pound **honeycakes** and a **special hostess gift package** of one plain *challah* and a 4 oz. jar of locally produced honey, which would make a nice hostess gift during the high holidays.

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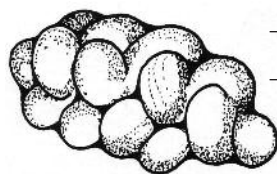
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From the Rabbi's Study

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the words of Rudyard Kipling, to "fill the unforgiving minute with sixty seconds worth of distance run." There is power and responsibility in knowing that in the vast scheme of things our lives matter.

Holiness is a difficult burden. The eighteenth century critic, Samuel Johnson, said that he was never in his life happy except when he was drunk. On a pleasant coach trip his friend, James Boswell, asked him whether he would amend his statement to say, when he was drunk or riding quickly in a carriage. No, said Dr. Johnson, for in a carriage you are riding either from someplace or to someplace.

The Psalmist makes a similar point: "If I ascend to heaven, You are there; if I descend to *Sheol*, You are there too."

Every crevice of our life is filled with meaning, every moment is significant. Life cannot be penny-ante.

Holiness is not in dreamy feelings of otherworldliness but rather in the infinite significance of each moment. As one translation reads after each set of *Shofar* blasts, "This day is pregnant with eternity."

That makes us eternity's midwives. With such responsibility, for which we are entirely inadequate, it is truly amazing that *Yom Kippur*, the holiest day, is a time of joy. Even with the weight of the universe on our shoulders, we learn that we can still be, if not perfect, then better than we were last year, wasting fewer of our "unforgiving minutes," and determining next year to be better still.

The bad news is that we can't cure the world. The good news is that we can treat it.

Each moment is significant, and nothing is perfect. I once asked my *Hillel* rabbi, "If I really do all the things this year that I say I'll do, then what will be left over for next year?" He said, "Ask me then." That was over twenty-five years ago. It hasn't happened yet, but perhaps it's getting closer.

Thank you all for making this last year, 5768, so especially sweet. I wish you as rewarding a year in 5769.



Torah Fund 5769



"What will you be wearing to *shul* this high holiday season?"

The 2008-09 *Torah* Fund Campaign has just begun with the unveiling of our new pin, **Lev v'Nefesh:**

Heart and Soul. Heart and soul is an apt metaphor for the dual aspects—physical and spiritual—that compose the whole self. When the *Shema* instructs us daily to love God with our heart and all our soul, it means the entirety of our being. Through the performance of *mitzvot*, we bring these dualities into harmony. Your support of The Jewish Theological Seminary, Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies, and Seminario Rabinico Latinoamericano ensures the solid and healthy future of Conservative Judaism.



You can sport this beautiful pin for the high holidays for a pledge to the *Torah* Fund Campaign at the Benefactor level of \$180. These pins are not for sale; they are a token of

appreciation from the New York *Torah* Fund Office given to you at the time of your pledge.

Payments can be made throughout the year with the total not due until May, 2009.

My order of pins should be arriving any day.

Please call me to reserve yours! (630.830.5359).

I am looking forward to another exciting and successful year of *Torah* Fund in our Sisterhood!

— Cheryl Stanczak
CKI Sisterhood *Torah* Fund Chair

MILK AND HONEY

- Scientists in Israel found that the brackish water drilled from underground desert aquifers hundreds of feet deep could be used to raise warm-water fish. The geothermal water, less than one-tenth as saline as sea water, free of pollutants, and a toasty 98 degrees on average, proves an ideal environment.
- Israeli-developed designer eyeglasses promise mobile phone and iPod users a personalized, high-tech video display. Available to US consumers next year, Lumus-Optical's lightweight and fashionable video eyeglasses feature a large transparent screen floating in front of the viewer's face that projects their choice of movie, TV show, or video game.

More next month...



CKI Sisterhood 5769 Opening Program Explore *Kabbalah* – A Lunch and Learn

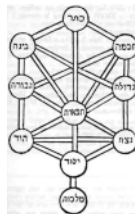
Kabbalah was an active Jewish practice long before Madonna donned a red wristlet. *Kabbalah* is defined as “Mystical teachings that deal with the ideas of creation and concepts of a spiritual nature,” but it is much more.

Learn more about *Kabbalah* at the Sisterhood opening program **Sunday September 14**. We'll start at 12:30 with a light dairy lunch, then Yonah Klem will give us an overview of Kabbalistic teachings and practice.

Yonah Klem has been practicing and educating others about *Kabbalah* for 10 years.

Your donation of \$18 will cover a dairy lunch and Ms. Klem's speaking fee. Donations in excess of \$18 will benefit CKI through Sisterhood programs and gifts.

Please RSVP to Susan Robbins 847-331-3771 or susanr613@yahoo.com by Wednesday September 10.



Selichot Feature Film: "The Quarrel"

In 1991, Eli Cohen's movie, *The Quarrel*, was previewed at the annual convention of the Rabbinical Assembly. The audience reaction was divided.

Most of the rabbis thought that this was the best movie ever. Some of us didn't, though. Those who didn't were, I think, all my classmates at the seminary's course in Modern Jewish Literature. We all said, "It's a pretty good movie, but it's nothing compared to the short story that it's based on, *My Quarrel with Hersh Rasseyner*."

But don't take our word for it. This year at CKI you can see for yourself. Before **Selichot services**, on **Saturday night, September 20, at 9 pm**, CKI is showing

The Quarrel, and also distributing an English translation of the Yiddish short story by Chaim Grade ("Grahd-eh") for you to read at home.

Selichot is our final service in preparation for the High Holidays, with prayers that introduce both the themes of this sacred time and the melodies. Join us as we prepare once again for our New Year's challenge of becoming decent human beings in an unredeemed world.

The Quarrel, a film by Eli Cohen

"*My Quarrel with Hersh Rasseyner*," by Chaim Grade

– Jonathan Kohn

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More next month...

Greeting the Bride

"We have kittle Kiddush cups for all the children. They all have their own little Kiddush cups with their grape juice. I used to always give them cups that they made in school, but now I have little Kiddush cups that are just like Larry's and that's what they want. They want the real thing. They don't want plastic cups."

– Debra Neinstein
in *The Art of Jewish Living: The Shabbat Seder*

Yom Kippur Memorial Booklet

Dear Members and Friends:

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

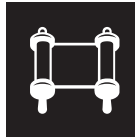
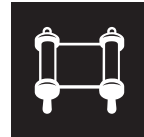
It has been the tradition in our congregation to publish a Memorial Booklet which is distributed on *Yom Kippur* at the time of the *Yizkor* Service. In this booklet, we list the names of our departed loved ones as a tribute to their memory.

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

Yom Kippur is fast approaching. By now you should have received a letter asking that you send in the names you wish to have included in the Memorial Booklet. Please be sure your list reaches me **no later than September 12**.

Your donation to Congregation Kneseth Israel will provide a much needed help to maintain the synagogue and religious school and is greatly appreciated.

– Phyllis Lesser, *Chairman*



The Religion Project

Dear Sir,

I am completing a project on world religion for my 8th grade history class. We are on a mission to better ourselves in the knowledge of other faiths. We hope to find similarities as well as differences. We hope you can complete the attached questionnaire.

Rabbi Kohn responds:

Q. *Do you have a holy book or scripture that is the basis or support of your religion? If so, what might it be called?*

A. We do. It is called the *Tanakh*, which is an acronym of three Hebrew letters that stand for *Torah*, Prophets, and Writings (which last are sometimes referred to as Hagiographa). It is similar to what Christians call the Old Testament, but there are two differences, 1) They appear in a different order, and 2) they are read through a different commentary: not the Christian New Testament, but the *Mishnah*, or Oral Law. The *Mishnah* is also a sacred text, though to a lesser degree than the *Tanakh*, of which the *Torah* is the greatest part. The *Mishnah* is held to

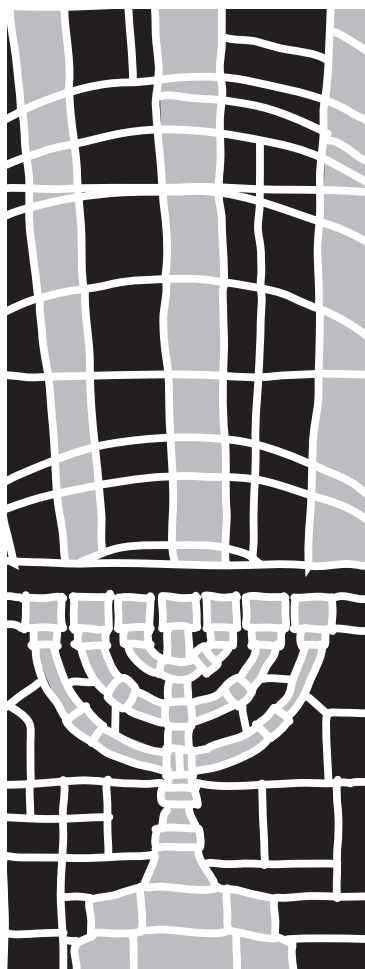
have been revealed to Moses on Mount Sinai at the same time as the written *Torah*. (The word *Torah* means Instruction.) A commentary on the *Mishnah*, called the *Talmud*, is also taken as authoritative by all Jewry. The *Mishnah* was codified into written form in the year 200, and the *Talmud* was left unfinished in the year 600. Since then, lesser commentaries are constantly developed. But this all explains little, until we discuss the concept of *Torah*.

More next month...

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 **September**. It is appropriate for members of their families to be present when these names are read.

Aug 30	Sept 1	Dora Mariasis*	Sept 6	Sept 8	Minnie Noon Dato*	Sept 13	Sept 18	Lou Raphaelson
Aug 30	Sept 1	Maureen (Renie) Poper*	Sept 6	Sept 8	Dan Mayshar*	Sept 13	Sept 19	Morris Rubenstein
Aug 30	Sept 3	Esther Poper*	Sept 6	Sept 10	Samuel Resnick*	Sept 20	Sept 20	Morris Hayden*
Aug 30	Sept 4	Myron Zuckerman	Sept 6	Sept 10	Theodore Salstone*	Sept 20	Sept 20	Bertha Fox*
Aug 30	Sept 4	Rachel Rosenberg	Sept 6	Sept 10	Howard Milton Meyers*	Sept 20	Sept 21	Esther LeVine*
Aug 30	Sept 4	Myrl Cohen	Sept 6	Sept 10	Max Neustadt*	Sept 20	Sept 21	Marjorie Durchslag*
Aug 30	Sept 5	Meyer Kagen*	Sept 6	Sept 10	Louis Kaplan*	Sept 20	Sept 22	Nathan Fishman
Aug 30	Sept 5	George Lascoe*	Sept 6	Sept 11	Henry Lipofsky*	Sept 20	Sept 22	Faye Rose
Aug 30	Sept 5	Toba Mell	Sept 6	Sept 12	Sara B. Meyers*	Sept 20	Sept 23	Max Ableman*
Aug 30	Sept 5	Jeanette Panimon Gilles*	Sept 6	Sept 12	Bernard Gustav Troy*	Sept 20	Sept 24	Brian Meyers*
Sept 6	Sept 6	Rose Ableman*	Sept 6	Sept 12	Bessie Lipofsky*	Sept 20	Sept 24	Jack Cohen
Sept 6	Sept 6	Pierce Holman Richberg*	Sept 6	Sept 12	Gussie Wohl*	Sept 20	Sept 24	Sheldon Burstein*
Sept 6	Sept 6	Charles Levin	Sept 13	Sept 13	Sam Iseberg*	Sept 20	Sept 25	Irwin Gilbert
Sept 6	Sept 7	Miriam Zuckerman	Sept 13	Sept 13	Dinah Fishman	Sept 20	Sept 25	Sidney Schreibman*
Sept 6	Sept 8	Esther Raben	Sept 13	Sept 13	Yetta Wolfinsohn	Sept 20	Sept 26	Jacob Fisher*
			Sept 13	Sept 14	Ellias Aron	Sept 20	Sept 26	Minnie Ableman*
			Sept 13	Sept 14	Louis H. Epstein*	Sept 27	Sept 27	Anita Rifken*
			Sept 13	Sept 14	George Zucker*	Sept 27	Sept 29	Julius Raben*
			Sept 13	Sept 14	Yitzhak Moshe Mell	Sept 27	Sept 29	Gussie Greenberg
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			Sept 13	Sept 17	Harold Eagels	Sept 27	Oct 3	Lawrence Trachtman



There are two dates listed above on our *yahrtzeit* list.

The first is the **day of the service at which the names 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

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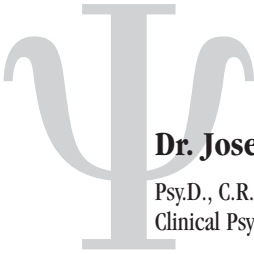
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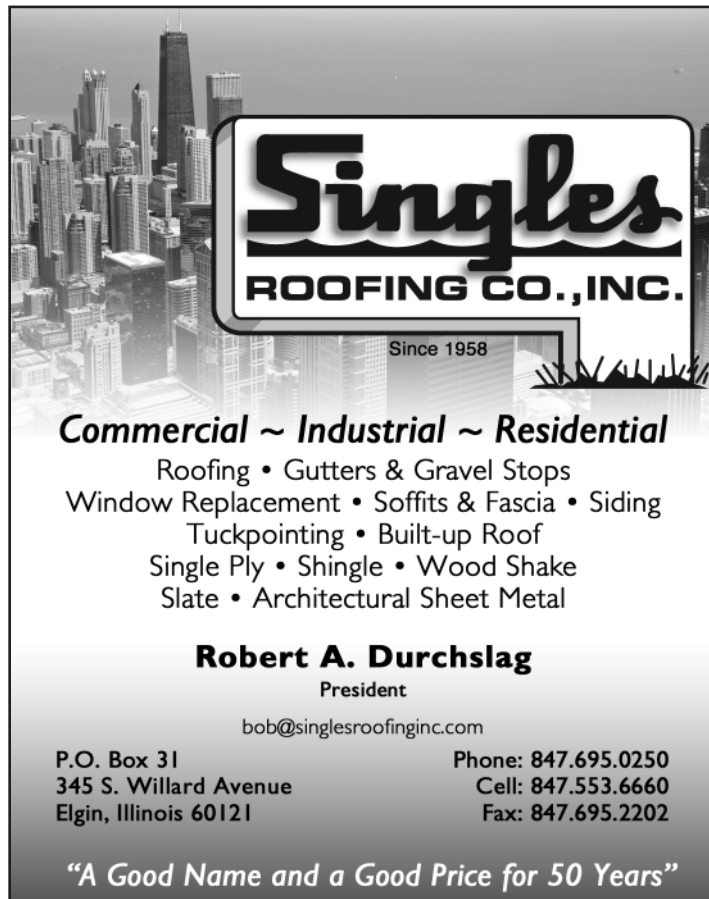
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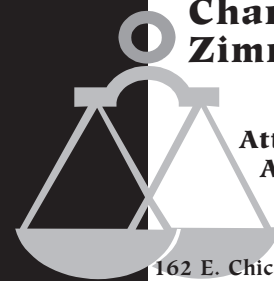


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Shabbat Services: **Friday evenings** **7:30 pm**
 Saturday mornings **9:30 am**

1	Labor Day (Office Closed)		17	Hebrew School	5:00 pm
2	CKI Board Meeting	7:30 pm	19-21	USY LTI	
3	Wednesday Hebrew School begins	5:00 pm	20	Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs (FJMC)	
5	First Friday Shabbat Service for the season	7:30 pm		Haftarot Scroll Shabbat	9:30 am
6	Kiddush sponsored by Jana McFarlane in memory of her father, Pierce H. Richberg			Selichot program and service	9:00 pm
7	Sunday Torah School begins	9:00 am	21	USY/Kadima - Bowling at Elgin Lanes	12:30 pm
	Pancake Breakfast	10:00-11:00 am	22	Confirmation Class	6:30 pm
	to benefit USY SATO/Tikkun Olam fund			Hadassah program:	7:00 pm
	Parents' Meeting	11:00 am		"Cardiac Risk Factors and Planning a Healthier Lifestyle"	
8	Confirmation class	6:30 pm	24	Hebrew School	5:00 pm
	USY Board Meeting	8:00 pm	28	<i>Hadassah Challah Sale</i> pick-up	10:30 am
9	CKI Seniors Lox & Bagel luncheon	Noon	29	Erev Rosh Hashanah	7:30 pm
	Sisterhood Board Meeting	7:00 pm	30	Rosh Hashanah – First Day (Office Closed)	
10	Hebrew School	5:00 pm		Services	9:00 am
	CKI Men's Club Open Meeting and	6:30 pm		Youth Service	10:30 am
	New Member Night Out , La Quebrada			<i>Tashlikh</i> following conclusion of services	
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14	B'nai Mitzvah Parents' Meeting	10:00 am	Oct 1	Rosh Hashanah – Second Day (Office Closed)	
	Sisterhood Opening Meeting	12:30 pm		Services	9:00 am
	with luncheon and program on <i>Kabbalah</i>				