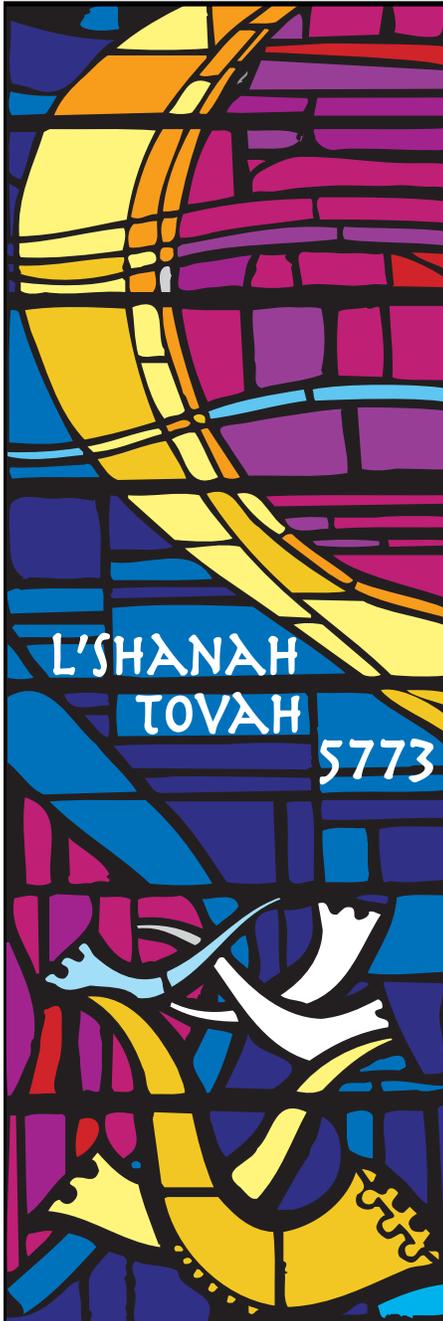


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## From the Rabbi's Study...



As I write this, it is Rosh Hodesh Elul, which marks the beginning of the preparations for the High Holidays. The moving truck has not yet arrived, but I have already been working and becoming your rabbi. It is a process. There is no one moment when you or I can say, "She is our rabbi." Some of it is about a congregational vote. Some is about negotiating a contract. Some of it is about earning your trust and your respect. Some is about being here and being present. *Hineni*, in the words of Abraham, Moses, and Jeremiah. *I am here* – ready to be your rabbi.

On Rosh Hodesh Elul I am not ready for Rosh Hashanah. That, too, takes preparation. The High Holidays, the Yamim Noraim, the Days of Awe, are a chance for us to pause, to reconnect with our better selves, with each other, and with the Divine. Part of my routine to prepare is to blow shofar once a day. That blast wakes us up and calls us to this important season. I also do a lot of writing in my journal and I make a concerted effort to reach out to friends and family to repair whatever breach may have occurred in the last year.

The rabbis teach us that Elul stands for a verse from Song of Songs, "Ani L'Dodi V'Dodi Li. I am my Beloved and my Beloved is Mine." Many people fear the High Holidays. When we keep this verse in mind, that God is our Beloved and we are loved by God, these days get easier. We do not have to be fearful. God wants us to do teshuva, to return, to come back. Return can happen in a number of ways. We can repair those breaches, with ourselves, with our friends, with G-d and with our community. Don't get me wrong. This is hard work. It does not happen overnight, but it can be infinitely rewarding. That is why the calendar gives us 40 days until Yom Kippur.

Return to Congregation Kneseth Israel and see all that we have done in preparation for your return. To start your preparation come to the

Slichot service, which this year will look at various art from the parshiot to deepen our understanding of what we are reading. The congregation has changed the high holiday seating policies. Bring your friends. There will be no charge for tickets this year. Encourage them to see what the CKI community is about. There will be more hands on, concrete activities for our youngest ones.

Some things will remain the same. There will be an Apples and Honey Oneg the first night of Rosh Hashanah. Tashlich will once again be on Walton Island on the first day of Rosh Hashanah, Kol Nidre will be chanted, and there will be a community break-the-fast. The prayers remain the same, with some creative readings to, again, enrich our understanding. I will be joined by members of the congregation who will help lead the service and by Stephanie Burak for some of the vocals. Details for all of this and service times can be found on pages 4-5 in HaKol.

On my first Shabbat morning in Elgin, I shared with the congregation my own proposed covenant with Congregation Kneseth Israel:

### I promise:

- To be patient and compassionate. To be slow to anger.
- To approach the task of being a rabbi with joy and enthusiasm.
- To laugh at my mistakes and have a sense of humor
- To be present. To listen attentively
- To guide you and meet people where they are
- To make halachic decisions carefully and thoughtfully with the knowledge and understanding of 5000 years of tradition

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## President's Message

This is a very exciting time for the families of Congregation Kneseth Israel. Everyone is getting ready for the High Holidays. We just had our Second Annual Picnic which was a huge success. We had 55 adults and 11 children in attendance. We ate together, we played games, and we talked with each other. Rabbi Margaret Frisch Klein and her family joined us and got to know who we are. I was very excited to share the day with her. I hope that Rabbi and her family had as much fun as the rest of her new family here at CKI. Welcome Rabbi to our family and our home, I know this is now your family and your home.

We are all pitching in to prepare our community for the month long holidays, from Selichot to Simchat Torah. The moms of our Hebrew school are pitching in and polishing the silver for our Torahs (they have been doing this for several years – thank you moms!!). Men's Club and some of our BBYO'ers are turning the sanctuary over for the Holidays.

Rabbi Margaret Frisch Klein is preparing for the High Holidays and everyone at CKI is participating to help make this a very special year as we celebrate our 120th Anniversary. The High Holidays are a time to reflect on our past, look at our present, and plan for our future. Our future at Congregation Kneseth Israel is exciting. With the addition of our new Rabbi, we are in the midst of updating and repairing our building, both inside and outside. It is also a time to rebuild our interactions with each other, members new and old. The past is behind us, the future is our journey to build and strengthen. Respect one another; treat each other as you would want to be treated. Civility is important, embracing diversity is important, lifelong learning is important and meaningful observance is important to succeed in living a full and happy life.

Shana Tovah from my family to yours. May we all be blessed with a sweet year, a healthy year, and a fruitful year.

## First-Ever "Judaism Rocks"!

Come to CKI on Sunday, **September 23**, between the conclusion of Hebrew School at 9:50 am and noon. This will provide a monthly opportunity for our students to welcome their parents and extended family members to be a part of their learning about Judaism outside the traditional classroom environment. Art projects, traditional and modern Jewish music, including "camp songs", cooking by the season, and discussion of traditions suggest the range of activities that will be a part of the monthly, multi-generational scheduled events. Apples are the theme for our first production, in honor of the season.

Watch HaKol for up-coming, monthly "Judaism Rocks" dates!



## Sisterhood News

I have to admit: for all the crazy-busy, can't-get-my-head-above-water feelings this time of year brings, it is STILL my favorite season. Although there are SO many things going on this September, I still get that warm, fuzzy feeling around Rosh Hashanah. Perhaps it is pleasant memories of Mom and Dad, or knowing that it is the start of a new year and I can make a fresh start; I can put all the mishgass and tsores of last year behind me. So I pray.

One of the things I like best about Sisterhood is the camaraderie. I not only have made friends within our own congregation, but also throughout our region, from Illinois and Indiana, all the way to Pennsylvania. It's great to have such a network of Jewish woman friends.

You, too, can experience this. Our Board meetings are open to all members. Not a member

yet? Come to a meeting or program to see what we're about!

OK, OK, so sometimes we get bogged-down in the boring financial stuff – but we are here to support the synagogue, to keep up the kitchen, to provide for kiddushes and onegs, and to help promote "sisterhood:" the feeling of kinship with and closeness to not only our group of Jewish women of CKI, but also Jewish women around the world.

Start the new year by joining us! Send your dues (a mere \$36 – double chai) to Risa Cohen, 4280 Dixon Dr, Hoffman Estate 60192. Tell us what YOU want to see from YOUR Sisterhood!

May we all have a fresh start – a sweet, tsores-free, new year!

L'Shanah Tovah!



## Meals on Wheels

CKI has the challenge of filling five Mondays with delivery teams: October 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29! Mark your calendar with a choice of date; select a partner or request one be assigned, and email: [nanzim@foxvalley.net](mailto:nanzim@foxvalley.net). Start the new year with a commitment to greater involvement in the synagogue and in our community. Call Nancy Zimmerman at 847-828-6090

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**PLEASE...**  
**If there is an illness in the family or the loss of a loved one, please call CKI at 847-741-5656 so that your CKI family can contact you and be of help.**

## CKI School News

### Religious School Opens Before the High Holidays

Wednesday, September 5, 5:00-6:30 pm: First day for 4th through 7th grades

Sunday, September 9, first day:

9:00 am for Hebrew (3rd through 7th grades)

9:45 pm for Sunday School (1st through 7th grades)

**Preschool will begin for the year on Sunday, September 23, at 9:50 am.**

### Yankee Candle Sale to Benefit Religious School

Sunday, September 9, will be the kick-off for "student sales" of candles, wrapping paper, hand soaps, and family and teacher gifts for the holidays. Catalogs and order forms packets are available for every sales prospect. Students are encouraged to approach friends, neighbors, and extended family. *Going door-to-door without a parent is discouraged.* Prepaid orders must be submitted by 10/10/13 during Hebrew School. Pick-up for purchases will be scheduled for early November; students will be notified by email. Prizes will be awarded to the two top salespersons for greatest dollar amount sold and for the largest number of orders placed. Prizewinners will be announced in the November HaKol.

### Children's Sabbath Services (formerly Kinder Shabbes)

Children's Sabbath services begin on Friday night, September 14, at 6:30 pm for preschoolers through third grade. (Mark your calendars for the second Friday evening of each month, through May 2013, except October 5). Pajamas are acceptable attire for those whose bedtime comes early.

Guests are welcome! An early pasta dinner may be added, after the holidays, to support young families with tight schedules.

## October 3, 2012 • "Dogs in the Hut" • 6:30 pm

Hot dog in the bun, chips, fresh veggie or fruit, and beverage

(How many?)

**\$4.00 per plate – cash or check prior to dinner**  
(Extra dogs for \$1.00)

Name/s \_\_\_\_\_

Caramel apples will also be available for sale that evening.

Please return reservations to:  
Mindy Bear, c/o CKI, 330 Division St, Elgin, IL 60120



### Hebrew School's "Dogs in the Hut" on October 3

A hot dog dinner will be offered to students and their extended families following school at 6:30 pm, the first Wednesday of October. Congregants making reservations are also welcome! Parents of Hebrew students are requested to volunteer for preparation and serving the meal to benefit the Religious School. Volunteers please contact Nancy Zimmerman at 847-828-6090. Paid reservations are requested in advance. Fill out, clip, and mail the form, above.

### Educational Innovations 2012-13

Religious School Staff invites our students and parents to learn more about this year's educational innovations. Just ask!

1. Hebrew for 3rd Graders at 9:00 am on Sundays followed by Torah School at 10:00 am; no Wednesday classes yet.
2. Mitkadem, a Hebrew instructional program supporting varied levels of reading competency, will be introduced to 5th-7th Graders.
3. "Judaism Rocks"; monthly school-wide, multi-faceted learning experiences with parents and extended family invited to participate.



## Dairy Break-the-Fast

CKI Sisterhood, once again, is sponsoring its annual Break-the-Fast Dairy Dinner. In order to better plan this event, we are asking that you RSVP as soon as possible. **No one will be turned away**, but **your reservation will help us continue** this tradition with accuracy. As always, any and all donations, though not mandatory, would be **greatly** appreciated to defray the cost of this yearly event.

Please make check out to: **CKI Sisterhood. PLEASE MAIL BY SEPT. 14**  **Thank you.**

**Yes!** We are coming to the Break-the-Fast!

Family name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_

**We'd like to help defray the cost!!**

Amt enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please check send to:

Anita Hornung  
5N240 Hunters Hill Drive  
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# IMPORTANT RITUAL & HIGH HOLIDAY INFORMATION

## High Holy Day Schedule is as follows:

**SELICHOT: Saturday, September 8, 2012**

**8:00–10:00 pm** Program and service.

**EREV ROSH HASHANAH: Sunday, September 16, 2012**

**7:30 pm**

**ROSH HASHANAH DAY 1: Monday, September 17, 2012**

**9:00 am; Youth service at 10:00 am**

### **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. 5.

**ROSH HASHANAH DAY 2: Tuesday, September 18, 2012**

**9:00 am; Youth service at 10:00 am**

**KEVER AVOT: Sunday, September 23, 2012**

**1:00 pm** CKI section of Bluff City Cemetery.

**KOL NIDRE: Tuesday, September 25, 2012**

**6:15 pm SHARP!**

**YOM KIPPUR: Wednesday, September 26, 2012**

**9:00 am; Youth service at 10:00 am**

*(all times are approximate)*

**Yizkor** noon

**Minchah** 5:15 pm

**Ne'ilah** 6:45 pm

**Shofar/Havdalah** 7:30 pm, followed by **Break-the-Fast**

**Ma'ariv** 8:30 pm

## **HIGH HOLY DAY YOUTH SERVICES**

All youth services begin at **10:00 am**.

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**

We are providing babysitting for **Rosh Hashanah, first day only**, and **Yom Kippur**, from **10:00 am to 1:00 pm** both days. This service is free, but pledging a small donation would be greatly appreciated (to be paid after the holidays).

We request that babies and toddlers that are not toilet-trained arrive with a fresh diaper, as our staff will not change diapers. Juice and snacks will be provided so please let us know if your child has any allergies or special dietary needs. Age-appropriate toys will be provided.

## **IF YOU BUILD IT**

### **THEY WILL COME!**

THE COMMUNITY **SUKKAH** WILL BE ERECTED AT THE SYNAGOGUE ON **SUNDAY MORNING SEPTEMBER 30, AT 9:30.**

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.

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

Appropriate attire 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.

Services in the main sanctuary are designed for adults. **Please consider using our childcare service.** If you must keep small children with you in the sanctuary, we ask your cooperation in seeing that they do not become a distraction to those around you.



## KEVER AVOT SERVICE

The annual Kever Avot Memorial Service will be held at the **CKI Section of Elgin's Bluff City Cemetery at 1:00 pm on Sunday, September 23.**

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 **Monday, September 17.** Bridges access the island immediately to the west of the Hemmens Auditorium. You are encouraged to bring a dairy or vegetarian picnic lunch.

## 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 Sunday evening, Sept. 16. 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.

## From the Rabbi's Study

(cont'd from page 1)

### I promise:

- To continue to learn
- To create, together with you, a place where people feel welcomed, a safe non-judgmental space where people can explore their Judaism in all of its myriad facets
- To be visible to the Elgin community and to promote Congregation Kneseth Israel
- To be a good role model for our kids
- To teach and to learn, to preach and lead discussions that are meaningful and enable us all to grow.
- To do Tikkun Olam, gathering the sparks together, in myself, with our community and the wider world so that the world will be a better place.

### What I want from you is similar:

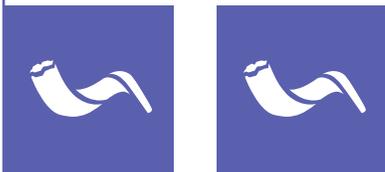
- To listen openly, attentively and honestly
- To laugh at my mistakes and help me correct them
- To be patient, especially as I, and my family, settle in
- To create community where people feel welcomed, cared for and loved in a safe, non-judgmental space.
- To become life long learners
- To create meaningful observance, rituals and celebrations
- To be willing to share deeply from yourselves to enrich all of us emotionally, spiritually and physically.

Then we will have created a partnership, a covenant, like G-d and the people of Israel.

I, and my family, look forward celebrating the High Holidays joyously here at Congregation Kneseth Israel. Shana tova. May it be a sweet new year.

– Rabbi Margaret Frisch Klein

*Editor's Note: See the rabbi's holiday Glazed Apple Chicken recipe in the PDF version of HaKol, online at <http://www.ckielgin.org/newsletter.html>*





## Ma'ayan BBYO News

We have some very exciting news! The Greater Midwest Region BBYO has hired Jay Pliskow as the advisor for Ma'ayan BBYO. It is now official!

Jay moved to Aurora after finishing graduate school at Western Michigan University and is currently a Mechanical Engineer at Dana Corporation, an automotive supplier. He is originally from the Detroit Michigan suburbs. BBYO was a major part of Jay's extracurricular activity as a youth, he held multiple chapter positions, including chapter President, and attended regional events on a regular basis. The leadership skills he learned while in BBYO have been of vital importance to his success in academic and professional career.

As Jay begins his job as the Ma'ayan BBYO Advisor, my position at CKI will be the Youth Group Chair. I will act as liaison between Jay and CKI. My next concern is how to engage the middle schoolers with BBYO Connect. I will be looking for a parent volunteer to facilitate. Please let me know if you would be interested.

We want to thank all of those who attended Lucy's presentation on Chaggim in the Holy Land, and especially to those who bought snacks from the BBYO Snack Shack. We raised \$15!

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If you are not receiving Youth Group information emails and would like to, please email Liza at Archbroch@comcast.net, and let me know. You can also download flyers from the website at [www.ckielgin.org/youth.html](http://www.ckielgin.org/youth.html)

Seigle Grants are available for members of CKI in need of financial assistance and can be used towards BBYO/BBYO Connect local chapter and regional events. Please download the application form from the CKI website at <http://www.ckielgin.org/youth-groups.html>

### Be sure to join us for the following programs!

**Sunday, Sept. 9**, 4:00 to 8:00 pm, \$35 per person – BBYO Regional Kickoff: Boat Cruise from Navy Pier. Buses will be provided. Open to 8th through 12th Grade. Please register at [http://b-linked.bbyo.org/event/57189\\_GMR\\_Kickoff\\_2012](http://b-linked.bbyo.org/event/57189_GMR_Kickoff_2012)

**Sunday, Sept. 23**, 3:00 pm – "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" at ECC

**Sunday, Oct. 7**, 1:30 pm - Sukkah Party at Isaac Marshall's home

**Sunday, Oct. 21**, 6:00-8:00 pm, \$15 per person – Bowling at STC Bowl, 2520 West Main Street, St. Charles IL 60175. Open to 6th through 12th Grade. Includes bowling, shoes, pizza, pop and ice cream. Please RSVP to Liza at [Archbroch@comcast.net](mailto:Archbroch@comcast.net)

BBYO is for High School Ages.

BBYO Connect is for 6th through 8th grade.

– Liza Bachrach, Youth Group Chair

## September Birthdays

- 2 Henry Schillmoeller
- 4 Michael Poper
- 6 Sue Zemel
- 6 Liza Bachrach
- 8 Joel Pitzele
- 11 Trevor Kravis
- 17 Daniel Marshall
- 17 Dale Temple
- 19 Heather Michelle Helms
- 21 Maureen More
- 24 Joel Seigle
- 24 Barbara Njus
- 24 Ari Kravis
- 26 Sandy Lindow
- 26 Rachel Pitzele
- 29 Brad Burkner
- 29 Walter Arnold

## September Anniversaries

- 1 Reinhold & Sherri Mussar
- 2 Richard & Cheryl Stanczak
- 3 Michael & Rachel Bloomberg
- 3 Ron & Barb Razowsky
- 4 Mark & Robin Seigle
- 4 Daniel Marshall & Liza Bachrach
- 9 Brad Burkner & Anita Hornung
- 13 Arthur & Wendy Shankman
- 13 Kevin & Sandi Phelan
- 24 William & Jana McFarlane

## Parashat HaShavu'a: Weekly Torah Portions

**September 1** *Ki Tetze* – Deuteronomy 23:8-24:13  
14 Elul *Haftarah*: Isaiah 54:1-55:5

**September 8** *Ki Tavo* – Deuteronomy 26:12-28:6  
21 Elul *Haftarah*: Isaiah 60:1-22  
Don't forget: **Selichot** at 9:00 pm

**September 15** *Nitzavim-Vayeilekh* –  
28 Elul Deuteronomy 30:1-31:6  
*Haftarah*: Isaiah 61:10-63:9

**September 17** *Rosh Hashanah/Tashlich* –Day 1  
1 Tishrei *Torah*: Genesis 21:1-34  
*Maftir*: Numbers 29:1-6  
*Haftarah*: I Samuel 1:1-2:10

**September 18** *Rosh Hashanah* – Day 2  
2 Tishrei *Torah*: Genesis 22:1-24  
*Maftir*: Numbers 29:1-6  
*Haftarah*: Jeremiah 31:1-19

**September 19** *Fast of Gedaliah*  
3 Tishrei *Torah*: Exodus 32:11-14; 34:1-10  
At *Minchah*:  
*Torah*: Exodus 32:11-14; 34:1-10  
*Haftarah*: Isaiah 55:6-56:8

**September 22** *Shabbat Shuvah*  
6 Tishrei *Vayeilekh* – Deuteronomy 31:1-31:30  
*Haftarah*: Hosea 14:2-10; Joel 2:15-27;  
Micah 7:18-20

**September 26** *Yom Kippur*  
10 Tishrei *Torah*: Leviticus 16:1-34  
*Maftir*: Numbers 29:7-11  
*Haftarah*: Isaiah 57:14-58:14  
at *Minchah*:  
*Torah*: Leviticus 18:1-30  
*Haftarah*: Yona 1:1-4:11, Micha 7:18-20

**September 29** *Ha'Azinu* – Deuteronomy 32:1-32:52  
13 Tishrei *Haftarah*: II Samuel 22:1-51

## Yom Kippur Memorial Book

**Y**om Kippur, Sept. 26, is fast approaching. 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 7.**

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

– Phyllis Lesser, Chairman  
[PhyllisCKI@aol.com](mailto:PhyllisCKI@aol.com) or (847) 741-8784



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#### In memory of Edmond Venetianer

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Jana McFarlane

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#### Congratulations to Morgan Stanczak on her engagement

Sherry Wiesman

### R'FUAH SH'LEIMAH – GET WELL

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Burt Friedman	Leila Bowersox
David Goodman	Yale Norris
Pearle Brody	

*May God have mercy upon you and others who are ill among the people of Israel.*

### HAMAKOM YENACHEIM ETKHEM – CONDOLENCES

Congregation Kneseth Israel wishes to extend condolences to the family of ... **Edmond Venetianer**, beloved Father of **Susan Zemel** and Beth Friedlan, dear father-in-law of **Marc Zemel**, cherished Grandfather of Dan, Becki, and Andrew

*May God comfort you and may his memory be for a blessing.*



## MEN'S CLUB EARNS INTERNATIONAL "QUALITY CLUB" AWARD

We here at CKI always knew that our Men's Club was a quality organization. Now, it has (more) proof. The Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs (FJMC), the international association to which our club belongs, announced last month that CKI's Men's Club is a recipient of its "Quality Club Award." The Award is based on a club's activities in furtherance of FJMC's mission of involving Jewish men in Jewish life.

Among the categories of activities a "Quality Club" must engage in to earn the designation are: health and wellness programs; advancing "green" initiatives; the Yom Hashoah Yellow Candle program; participation in the World Wife Wrap, passionate davening, and increased Jewish observance; Keruv; attendance at Regional functions and involvement in Regional leadership; and support of the synagogue; as well as active social activities.

There are more than 250 FJMC auxiliaries serving 25,000 men throughout the United States and Canada, and this past year, just 61 clubs earned the "Quality Club" designation.

CKI Men's Club President Joe Rosenfeld promises that this year our club will be just as active, and just as much fun, and encourages all CKI men to join.

Mazel Tov and Yasher Koach to our own Men's Club.

**September Men's Club Meeting!**  
Monday, September 10, at 7:00 pm

**Elgin Public House**  
in downtown Elgin

We will discuss & plan all of our upcoming Men's Club activities and events, enjoy a few brews, and a sandwich as well!

**COME JOIN OUR GROUP!**

**SAVE THE DATE!!**

**Men's Club's very own**

**Scotch and Steak in the Sukkah**  
**October 4**

**Watch your email for details!**

**Annual Blood Drive**  
**Sunday, November 4**  
**8:30 am–12:30 pm**

*If you usually donate blood throughout the year, please hold off any donations after September 9 in order to be eligible on November 4!*

## Special Funds

*The following funds are available for your generous donations:*

**Clara Wechter Education Fund** – Supports Torah School and Adult Education

**Endowment Fund** – (See the President)

**General Fund** – For multi-purpose use

**Lee Miller Book Fund** – New books for Library

**Lillian Roth Scholarship Fund** – (See the President)

**Ma'ayan BBYO/BBYO Connect** – Support for programs for our synagogue youth

**Memorial Plaques** – \$300.00

**Prayer Book Fund** – Chumash is \$60  
(Siddurim are no longer available for inscription)

**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

**Sisterhood** – Support our women's group to maintain the kitchen and other projects

**Sisterhood Flower Fund** – Pulpit flowers

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

**Tree of Life** – Leaf is \$100

**Major Gifts** – \$5,000 and up. (See the President)

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**Saturday, September 15, 2012**  
**7:30pm**

*Emily Bear is the niece of fellow CKI members David & Mindy, and Marc & Akvile Bear*

## 120th Ad Book Additions

As our 120th anniversary gets underway, we are looking for some additions to our Ad book that will make it interesting for people who receive it. So, with that in mind, we are collecting **recipes from your family favorites**. These need to be typed up and e-mailed no later than October 1.

Of course if we get too many recipes we might not be able to fit them all into the Ad book, but we will do our very best to find a space for each and every one.

**Please e-mail recipes to [adbook@ckielgin.org](mailto:adbook@ckielgin.org) no later than October 1.**

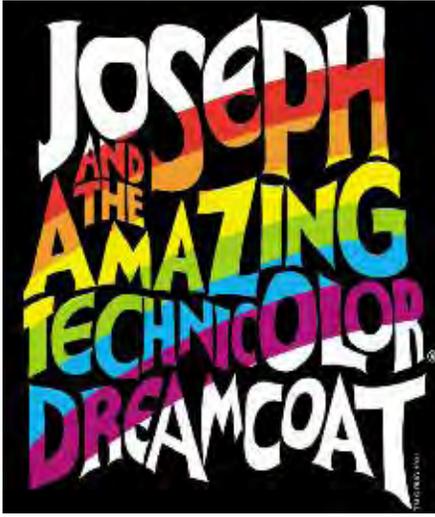
Any questions, call Robin at 847-426-8426

*Thanks!*

Robin Seigle and Liza Bachrach

# Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

with Lyrics by Tim Rice and Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber



will be at **ECC's Blizzard Theatre** from September 21 through 30. **Children's Theatre of Elgin and Fox Valley Theatre Company** are producing the show and they always do an excellent job.

Our CKI group will be going **Sunday, September 23** to the **3:00 pm** performance. We have reserved seats in rows 4 through 7.

**Our group rate will be \$11.00 for adults / \$9 for students and seniors if you order by September 9 through Medina Gross, [medinag@gmail.com](mailto:medinag@gmail.com) or 847 695-1316, or mail check made out to Medina at 833 Prospect, Elgin, IL 60120.**

The show will be over at 5:00 pm. If you would like to join us at Paul's Family Restaurant on McLean Blvd for dinner afterwards, let Medina know by September 20.

Tickets will probably still be available up until the day of the show, but if you order online or by phone, the cost will be \$13.00 and \$11.00, plus a \$4.00 service fee per order

*"Go-go-go" see this radiant family musical! Experience Joseph's journey from the favorite son to slave to hero as CTE/FVTC performs this beloved show.*

## ☆ ☆ ☆ Sisterhood Opening Meeting & Brunch ☆ ☆ ☆

On Sunday morning **September 30 at 10:30 am** Sisterhood will host a brunch and do-it-ourselves musical program for our opening meeting.

### Brunch Menu:

- **Breakfast burrito or blintzes**
- **Fruit kabobs with dip**
- **Sour cream coffee cake**
- **Smoothies**
- **Juice**
- **Coffee**

We will (attempt to) sing Jewish parodies of show tunes

(following our very successful Passover program)

including tunes by Lady Gaga (maybe?) and other contemporary musicians.

We will also do a Debbie Friedman song or two.

**Come join us for some good fun and music and schmoozing!!**

**Cost will be \$7.00 (or a donation)**

Guests are most welcome. Reserve with Medina Gross

847-695-1316 or [medinag@gmail.com](mailto:medinag@gmail.com) by **September 24, PLEASE.**



## Social Action – Tikkun Olam

### DefEATing Hunger

Did you know that there are many hungry persons in the Fox Valley who need the resources of food pantries to survive in these poor economic times? Did you know that half of the children in U-46 depend upon the free/reduced price lunch program? A recent food insecurity study calculates over 19,000 adults and children in the city of Elgin are food insecure. That is approximately 20% of the population!

Social Action is proud to announce the commencement of a new project: **DefEATing Hunger**. For the first time at CKI, we will be accepting all types of fresh fruits and vegetables. These will be donated to **Feeding Greater Elgin (FGE)**. This is in addition to our on-going commitment to collect non-perishable foods for the **Community Crisis Center (CCC)**.

Obviously, vegetables and fruit ripen on different weeks. The schedule for bringing fresh foods and vegetables to CKI is as follows:

- During the first day of Hebrew School (Wednesday, Sept. 5)
- During the first day of Torah School (Sunday, Sept. 9)
- At Kol Nidre (Tuesday, Sept. 25)
- There will also be collection day(s) during Sukkot (specific date not known as we 'go to press').

We can **ONLY** accept perishables when the Feeding Greater Elgin is available to accept our donations. Please do not drop off perishables at CKI during any non-scheduled times.

### More Food Drive information

The Food Pantry's inventory of available food items is currently extremely low. Social Action is again sponsoring our CKI annual Kol Nidre Food Drive, but this year with a new twist: fresh fruits and vegetables too!

CKI collects non-perishable food that we contribute to the Community Crisis Center Food Pantry. The Crisis Center is the only pantry in town that is open seven days per week. By having evening and weekend hours, they serve the working poor; typically, folks who manage to pay the rent and utility bills but don't have enough left after that for food. In addition, they are the **ONLY** pantry that gives out diapers and hygiene items. They receive 40+ requests for food per day. Many people mention that they used to *donate* to the food pantry, and now find themselves in a position of having to *access* it for help.

In addition to collecting non-perishables for the Community Crisis Center's Food Pantry, this year, for the first time, we will be accepting produce (fresh fruit and vegetables) for Feeding Greater Elgin at Kol Nidre. We will accept fresh produce from either your personal garden harvest or produce you purchase.

When you come for Kol Nidre Services, please bring both perishable and non-perishable items (an entire grocery sack full if you are able). Please separate the perishables from the non-perishables. There will be cartons at every entrance where you can deposit the items.

Now, in these difficult economic times, your donation is more important than ever. In

demand non-perishable items include canned goods (canned soups and vegetables), food items (mac and cheese, pasta, granola bars, juice, cereals), and personal hygiene items. All types of baby formula and all sizes of diapers are always needed as well.

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**T**he Social Action sub-committee of **CKI's 120th Anniversary Team** has visited our local food pantry on Commerce Drive and would like to have feedback about gathering a volunteer team (of up to 10 members) in order to do a trial day of service this fall. Those interested in being a part of greeting "guests," data-entering "guest" information, and assisting in the warehouse with shoppers on a Monday (or Thursday) evening between 6:30 and 8:00 pm, please be in touch with Nancy Zimmerman as soon as possible at 847-828-6090 or [nanzim@foxvalley.net](mailto:nanzim@foxvalley.net). We would like to plan a week of service later in our anniversary year, if interest is high. I look forward to your contacts.

**S**everal people have expressed a desire to start an adult art club (drawing/sketching/painting; do your own thing) after the High Holidays. This would be **just for fun**, a club, not a class. We most likely would meet once monthly.

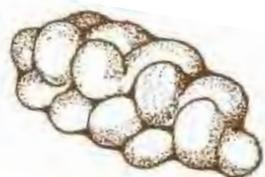
Contact Sherry Wiesman if you are interested: 847-915-0517 or [SherryWiesman@gmail.com](mailto:SherryWiesman@gmail.com)

**T**he Elgin Chapter of Hadassah is sponsoring our annual sale of one-pound **round challahs** (plain or raisin) for the new year, on **Wednesday, September 12**, (baked that morning by Shalom Kosher Bakery in Buffalo Grove). We are also offering a **special hostess 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. Prices remain the same as last year.

Your order will be available for **pickup at CKI on Wednesday, September 12**, between **11:00 am and 1:00 pm, and between 4:30 and 6:30 pm** or at other times by arrangement.

Please mail your orders to **Medina Gross, 833 Prospect St, Elgin 60120**, by **September 5**, or you may call 847-695-1316 or send an email to [medinag@gmail.com](mailto:medinag@gmail.com) and pay when you pick up your order. Checks should be made out to **Elgin Hadassah**.

I would like to order: \_\_\_\_\_ **Plain challah(s)** @ \$5.25 each = \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ **Raisin challah(s)** @ \$5.50 each = \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ **Hostess package(s)** @ 9.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_  
 (one plain *challah* and one small jar of honey)



**Total \$** \_\_\_\_\_

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Check enclosed  Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Amt \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please mail your orders to: Medina Gross, 833 Prospect St, Elgin 60120, by **September 5**.

## 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.

Actual Date Observed	Date of Service	Name
1-Sep	1-Sep	Elias Aron
1-Sep	1-Sep	Louis H. Epstein*
1-Sep	1-Sep	Dr. Nathan S. Fox*
1-Sep	1-Sep	Daniel Gombiner*
2-Sep	1-Sep	William Joseph Gordon*
2-Sep	1-Sep	Belle Kantrowitz*
2-Sep	1-Sep	Daniel Wohl Mayshar*
2-Sep	1-Sep	Gishe Beila Sherman
3-Sep	1-Sep	Ida Gross
3-Sep	1-Sep	Joseph Mell*
4-Sep	1-Sep	Harold Eagels
5-Sep	1-Sep	Lou Raphaelson
6-Sep	1-Sep	Sarah Hold Klein*
6-Sep	1-Sep	Morris Rubenstein
7-Sep	1-Sep	Bertha Fox*
7-Sep	1-Sep	Morris Hayden*
7-Sep	1-Sep	Will Insko
8-Sep	8-Sep	Marjorie Durchslag*
8-Sep	8-Sep	Esther LeVine*
9-Sep	8-Sep	Nathan Fishman
10-Sep	8-Sep	Max Ableman*

Actual Date Observed	Date of Service	Name
11-Sep	8-Sep	Sheldon Burstein*
12-Sep	8-Sep	Irwin Gilbert
12-Sep	8-Sep	Brian Meyers*
12-Sep	8-Sep	Sidney Schreiber*
13-Sep	8-Sep	Minnie Ableman*
13-Sep	8-Sep	Jacob Fisher*
14-Sep	8-Sep	Anita Rifken*
14-Sep	8-Sep	Walter Wolf Weinstein*
16-Sep	15-Sep	Gussie Greenberg
16-Sep	15-Sep	Julius Raben*
17-Sep	15-Sep	Morris Robbins
18-Sep	15-Sep	Darryl Miller
18-Sep	15-Sep	Nathan Zuckerman
19-Sep	15-Sep	Bessie Rifken*
20-Sep	15-Sep	Alan S. Finger*
20-Sep	15-Sep	Becka Morrison*
20-Sep	15-Sep	Ethel G. Nerove*
20-Sep	15-Sep	Jacob Meyer Sweet*
20-Sep	15-Sep	Lawrence Trachtman
21-Sep	15-Sep	Libby Lewis
22-Sep	22-Sep	Hyman David*

Actual Date Observed	Date of Service	Name
22-Sep	22-Sep	Minnie Freeman*
22-Sep	22-Sep	Isadore Rosenberg
24-Sep	22-Sep	Lily Cohen
24-Sep	22-Sep	Dr. Daniel Haffron*
24-Sep	22-Sep	Samuel Kantrowitz
24-Sep	22-Sep	Alfred Kruth
25-Sep	22-Sep	Georgia Fishman*
28-Sep	22-Sep	Mary Sue Greenberg*
28-Sep	22-Sep	Timothy Mann
28-Sep	22-Sep	Morris Morrison*
28-Sep	22-Sep	Howard Rifken*
28-Sep	22-Sep	Dina Rodman*
28-Sep	22-Sep	Shirley Zeman
29-Sep	29-Sep	Sarah C. Becker*
29-Sep	29-Sep	Benjamin Shalett*
29-Sep	29-Sep	Albert Simon*
30-Sep	29-Sep	Herman Shankerman*
1-Oct	29-Sep	Benjamin Rosengarden*
2-Oct	29-Sep	Simon Freund
2-Oct	29-Sep	Dorothy "Honey" Perlman
3-Oct	29-Sep	Lillian Fisher*
3-Oct	29-Sep	Oscar Herzberg*
3-Oct	29-Sep	Milton Salstone*
4-Oct	29-Sep	Gertrude Burstein*
4-Oct	29-Sep	Ida Fischer*
5-Oct	29-Sep	Minnie Cohen*

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

### KINDLE THE SHABBAT

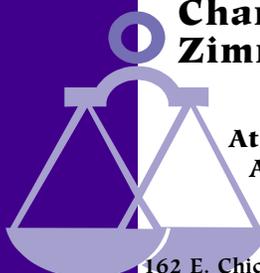
Fri Sept 7 .....6:57 pm  
 Fri Sept 14.....6:45 pm  
 Fri Sept 21.....6:31 pm  
 Fri Sept 28.....6:18 pm

### ...and HAVDALAH CANDLES

Sat Sept 8.....7:58 pm  
 Sat Sept 15 .....7:46 pm  
 Sat Sept 22 .....7:32 pm  
 Sat Sept 29 .....7:20 pm

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

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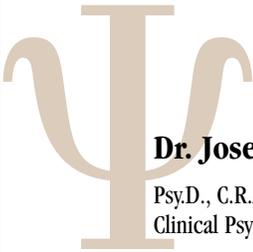
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# CKI Kol Nidre Food Drive



Please fill as many grocery bags as your household feels comfortable donating.

Fresh produce donations go to [Feeding Greater Elgin](#).

Non-perishable food, baby formula, toiletries, and diapers will be donated to the [Community Crisis Center's Food Pantry](#).

Every Donation, big and small is important. - Sept. 25, 2012

Social Action's DefEATING Hunger Project needs your help!

# VOLUNTEER WANTED



Are you a creative writer? Are you looking for a way to express your writing skills? Are you interested in volunteering and are looking for a task which is not physically demanding,; done on your home computer?

**The DefEATing Hunger project of CKI's Social Action is looking for a RESPONSIBLE youth or Adult to be the project's Blog Master.**

Contact Sherry Wiesman at:

[SherryWiesman@gmail.com](mailto:SherryWiesman@gmail.com) or call me at: 847-915-0517

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ (To try on sample sizes, see Zahava at CKI)

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## Glazed Apple Chicken

from *Celebrate the Harvest!* by Don and Nelle Frisch (yes, my parents)

Serves 4

This chicken, glazed with a combination of apple wine and apple cider, is perfect for a late summer or fall dinner after a trip to the farmers' market. Or for Rosh Hashanah and after apple picking!

4 tablespoons margarine  
4 large chicken breasts, skinned and boned  
2 teaspoons brown sugar  
4 tablespoons apple wine (such as Herman Jansen)  
1/2 cup apple cider  
1/2 cup chicken broth  
2 tablespoons margarine  
4 small Empire apples, cored and wedged  
dash of cinnamon

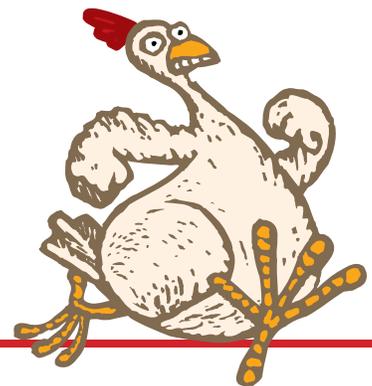
Melt the margarine in a non-stick skillet over medium heat, then add the chicken and brown. Sprinkle the brown sugar over the chicken and continue cooking until the sugar melts, about one more minute.

Next pour the apple wine, apple cider and chicken broth into the skillet and heat to boiling. Reduce heat and simmer until the chicken is done; remove the chicken to a platter and keep warm. Then turn up the heat under the skillet and quickly reduce the cider mixture to a glaze. While making the glaze, saute the apple slices in a little margarine until they're softened and browned, then add a dash of cinnamon. Arrange the slices and the chicken breasts on plates, and pour the glaze over both.

My parents note: "If you substitute an apple brandy for the wine, try adding it before you add the cider and the broth. Pour the brandy over the chicken and flame it. The searing will keep the chicken juicy, and you'll still get the good apple taste."

My note: I use less margarine and like the fact that this recipe can be prepared quickly which can help make even a weeknight yuntif seem special. I remember this recipe fondly as part of our Rosh Hashanah tradition and when I asked my daughter what recipe to share, she didn't hesitate. So, now three generations of Jewish cooks have this memory and experience. See how fun, easy and lasting experiential education can be? Next up, Greek egg lemon soup for Sukkot.

– Rabbi Margaret Frisch Klein



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## September 2012

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

1	Shabbat Service	9:30 am	19	Hebrew School PICK UP FUNDABILITY CERTIFICATES	5:00 pm
3	Labor Day – Office closed		21	Friday Shabbat Service	7:30 pm
4	CKI Board meeting	7:30 pm	22	Shabbat Service	9:30 am
5	First Day of School – Hebrew School Polish Silver	5:00 pm	23	Hebrew School Torah School Preschool "Judaism Rocks" School program	9:00 am 9:45 am 9:45 am
7	Friday Shabbat Service	7:30 pm		<b>Kever Avot</b> at Bluff City Cemetery "Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" at ECC Confirmation class	1:00 pm 3:00 pm 6:30 pm
8	Shabbat Service <b>Selichot Program and Service</b>	9:30 am 8:00-10:00 pm	25	<b>Erev Yom Kippur – Kol Nidre</b> Kol Nidre Food Drive	<b>6:15 pm SHARP</b>
9	First Day of Sunday School Hebrew School Torah School Polish Silver BBYO Regional Kickoff – Boat Cruise from Navy Pier	9:00 am 9:45 am 4:00-8:00pm	26	<b>Yom Kippur</b> Youth service Yizkor Minchah Ne'ilah Shofar/Havdalah, followed by Break-the-Fast Ma'ariv Office closed	9:00 am 10:00 am noon 5:15 pm 6:45 pm 7:30 pm 8:30 pm
10	Hadassah meeting ORDER FUNDABILITY CERTIFICATES	7:00 pm	28	Friday Shabbat Service	7:30 pm
12	Hebrew School Challah pickup	5:00 pm 11:00 am-1:00 pm and during school: 4:30-6:30 pm	29	Shabbat Service	9:30 am
14	Children's Sabbath – Wear PJ's! Friday Shabbat Service	6:30 pm 7:30 pm	30	Hebrew School Torah School "Judaism Rocks" School program Opening Sisterhood Meeting & Brunch	9:00 am 9:45 am 10:30 am
15	Shabbat Service	9:30 am			
16	<b>Erev Rosh Hashanah</b> No school	7:30 pm			
17	<b>Rosh Hashanah First Day/Tashlich</b> Youth Service Office closed	9:00 am 10:00 am			
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Saturday, November 10, 2012