



Congregation Hakafa Newsletter

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D'varim

Tisha b'Av

I am writing this reflection on Tisha b'Av. Tisha b'Av (the ninth day of the month of Av on the Hebrew calendar) is the day that we, the Jewish community, mourn the calamities that have befallen our people; most notably, the destruction of the First and Second Temples in Jerusalem. Even women who are pregnant and people who are sick are expected to fast as we chant from the Book of Lamentations, and reflect on the tragic events of our collective past. It is the saddest and most difficult day in the Jewish year. It is also the major Jewish holiday that has been most ignored by liberal and secular Jews, including me ... until now.

I was a spoiled child growing up. My father, a Holocaust survivor, never wanted my siblings and me to feel the depravation he had experienced in his youth. For whatever reason, as giving as my father was to us all, I received a disproportionate amount of his material attention, to which I reacted, to this day, with an element of guilt, appreciation and, admittedly, impish glee.

But, even my father had his limits. And, when I pushed up against those limits – when I asked for something that he was not going to provide or do – he would tell me that I would receive it on Tisha b'Av, by which he meant “never.” The Tisha b'Av of my youth, then, represented nothing more than the point at which I had gone too far. And, it became a playful refrain in my household as the frustrations of stymied, childhood avarice morphed into the spirited banter of father and son.

I have had an adult ambivalence to Tisha b'Av as well. I do not want a Third Temple to be built and, therefore, have not really mourned the destruction of the first two. And, the way certain, traditional Jewish men have been using the Wall, the remaining retaining support of the Second Temple, to suppress the halachically permissible rights of Jewish women to pray there freely has pushed me even further from mourning the Temple's loss. Furthermore, with each Temple's fall, a new, dynamic Judaism arose that has helped keep our people alive. Why would I want to mourn that?

But, I have been wrong. I have totally missed the point.

The rabbis of the Talmud (Yoma 9b) tell us that the Second Temple was destroyed in 70 CE because of *sinat chinam*, baseless hatred. The community that, together, built institutions to support and sustain itself crumbled when the same community became comfortable enough to put sectarian and personal needs ahead of the greater good. Comfort for the “Self” bred disdain for the “Other,” and very quickly became all-consuming. This led to the neglect, disavowal, and destruction – physical and spiritual – of our structures and our people. A new, dynamic Judaism might have arisen thereafter, but at a cost to us as a people that might not have been worth the tumult.

I see that same disdain in Israel today, and it worries me. I see it in the United States and all over the world; not only among Jews, but among us all. And, I see it in the alacrity with which I have dismissed, because of the very comfort I feel today, an important commemoration of times we have suffered.

So, on this Tisha b'Av, I lament and try to fast, realizing that the “never” I hear for what I selfishly now want is not the “never” of a father who has tired of his impetuous son’s consumerist demands. Rather, today’s “never” - to an end to racism, discrimination, poverty, hunger, and war - is the “never” of people the world over so concerned with personal needs that the disdain we have built up for each other trumps the greater good. If only we could let go of the grip of the primacy of “Me,” even just a little.

Our institutions are crumbling. For that I mourn and say: *Next year in Jerusalem ...*

-Rabbi Bruce Elder

Prayer and Celebration



Friday Night Services

The congregation is cordially invited to attend services at the Winnetka Community House (unless noted) on the following evenings:

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| August 7 | Shabbat Eikev |
| 7:30 p.m. | Torah Portion: Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25 Haftarah: Isaiah 49:14-51:3 |
| Singing Shabbat Service | |
| August 14 | Shabbat R'eih |
| 7:00 p.m. | Torah Portion: Deuteronomy 11:26-16:17 Haftarah: Isaiah 54:11 |
| Shabbat at the Beach Note early start time | |
| August 21 | Shabbat Shoftim |
| 7:30 p.m. | Torah Portion: Deuteronomy 16:18-21:9 Haftarah: Isaiah 51:12-52:12 |
| August 28 | Shabbat Ki Teitzei |
| 7:30 p.m. | Torah Portion: Deuteronomy 21:10-25:19 Haftarah: Isaiah 54:1-10 |

Share Your Holidays

On occasion, there are Hakafa members who would like to share holidays with fellow congregants and do not have the opportunity to do so. If you would like to host a fellow congregant for a holiday meal, or if you need or want a place to go for the holidays, please contact **Sylvia Dresser** (847-945-6095).

Shabbat Service at the Beach

Bring a blanket and join us at the beach for Shabbat Services on **Friday, August 14** at **7:00 p.m.** at **Elder Lane Beach, Winnetka** (Sheridan Road at Elder Lane). Our service will be followed by a frozen treat oneg!

If you would like to join us for dinner before the service, bring a blanket and picnic for your family at 5:30 p.m. We will eat dinner at the park above the beach where there is a grassy area for blankets and a playground. Feel free to bring any friends interested in synagogue membership!

In case of rain, dinner will be cancelled and our service will take place at the Winnetka Community House.

Please contact Rabbi Elder (rabbi@hakafa.org or 847-266-8854) with any questions.

Shabbat Morning Minyan

Please join us on **Saturdays, August 1 and 15** at the **home of Leanne Star (314 Park Avenue, Wilmette)** at **8:30 a.m.** for our August Shabbat morning *minyanim*. This hour-long service and study is a wonderful opportunity to enhance your celebration of Shabbat. People of all ages are encouraged and welcome to join us.

Oneg Hosts Needed This Fall!

We are looking for hosts for Friday evening onegs for various dates this fall! Hosting a Friday evening oneg is a wonderful way to help support Hakafa and is also a nice way to celebrate a bar/bat mitzvah, birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion with the congregation. Many people have traditionally honored the memory of a loved one on his/her yahrzeit by hosting an oneg.

If you would be willing to host an oneg sometime this fall, please contact Rona Elder (admin@hakafa.org or 847-242-0687) to reserve a date.

Singing Shabbat

Join us on **Friday, August 7** at **7:30 p.m.** for our next singing Shabbat service! We will sing new versions of a few of the regular prayers we do and add a few prayers that we have not sung before.

If you are interested in familiarizing yourself with the music beforehand (though it is certainly not required), go to www.hakafa.org/content/music-shabbat. At this link, you will find **transliterations** of the prayers with new melodies along with **recordings** of the tunes to which you can click and listen.

High Holiday Tickets

All members will be receiving High Holiday information packets and ticket order forms via email at the beginning of August. For those who do not have email, we will mail you a hard copy.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Rona Elder in the Hakafa office (admin@hakafa.org or 847-242-0687).

Prayer and Celebration (continued)

High Holiday Choir

Enthusiastic singers – especially basses - are needed to join our dedicated core for the High Holidays. In order to fill the Wilmette Junior High School auditorium with sound, we are counting on several new members to join our forces. Our new/returning choir director, Ed Zelnis, is happy to help new members.

Rehearsals begin **August 11 from 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.** at our offices at the **North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe) and will continue weekly on Tuesday evenings for six weeks (8/11, 8/18, 8/25, 9/1, 9/8, 9/15). **New this year--on Tuesday, August 11, prior to the first rehearsal, join Rabbi Elder at 6:15 p.m. to get a better understanding of some of the songs/prayers that we sing. Dinner will be served.**

For more information, and to have a book of music ready for you at the first rehearsal, please contact **Peggy Wise** (pwise1401@gmail.com or 847-446-2079) or **Jenny Patterson** (jrpatterson1959@aol.com/312.217.0724).

Maot Chitim

Hakafa's volunteer participation in the mitzvah of **Maot Chitim** (providing meals to Jewish families in need) is scheduled for **Sunday, August 23, from 12:45 to 2:30 p.m. at the warehouse at 1808 Holste Road, Northbrook**, in preparation for the High Holidays. Join Hakafa members and others in the Chicago Jewish Community in packing boxes of food and other holiday necessities.

In addition, volunteers are invited to deliver packed boxes to area Jewish homes on **Sunday morning, August 30**. Cars line up by 9:00 a.m. to load up and receive addresses for deliveries. Please contact **Carol Anne Been** (847-835-3677 or cabeen@comcast.net) if you are interested in participating.

Member News

Mazal Tov to...

Rebecca Dray and family on her marriage to John Kapnick.

Louis Justman and family on his marriage to Ashley Harry.

Norm and Pat Sack, along with Katie and Jack Colt, on the birth of James Franklin Colt.

If you are having a simcha – a birth, wedding, or the like – please let us know (conghakafa@hakafa.org) so that we can share your joy with our congregational community.

Condolences to...

Michael Abt and family on the loss of his father, Robert Abt.

Amy Bickers and family on the loss of her father, George Coe.

Bill Goldberg and family on the loss of his father, I. Stanley Goldberg.

Laura Kaiser-Innes and family on the loss of her mother, Helen Kaiser.

Mazal Tov to the Following Bar Mitzvah

August 22 – Ethan Stern

Chesed

Chesed is our congregation's attempt to reach out to one another. If you know of anyone in our congregation who is in crisis from an illness, death in the family, or personal stress, who could benefit from support, such as a visit, delivery and/or preparation of meals, or a ride to a health care appointment, please contact **Jill Pam** (mccpam@comcast.net or 847-242-0864). You can also contact Jill to volunteer.

Take Me Out to the Ball Game! Make it a family outing with half-price tickets!

Join Hakafa at our eleventh Annual Night at the Ballpark at U.S. Cellular Field to see the **Chicago White Sox take on the Tampa Bay Rays** on **Monday, August 3 at 7:00 p.m.** We will be joined by members of Faith Community Church. Tickets are only **\$15**. We will be tailgating with our friends from the church at a location next to U.S. Cellular Field, beginning at **5:00 p.m.** Scholarships are available. Contact **Norm Sack** (ns289@aol.com, 847-251-0870) to reserve your tickets.

Member News (continued)

Membership Renewal Forms

The 2015-16 Membership Packets (including the "Fair Share" Pledge Form, Religious School Form, and Volunteer Form) were emailed at the end of July to all current and prospective members for the new fiscal year. They can also be found posted on the Hakafa website (www.hakafa.org). Those who do not have email were mailed hard copies. Please download, print, fill out the forms, and return them to the Hakafa office by August 15 with full or initial payment.

Please note that High Holiday information and ticket order forms will be emailed to you separately this month.

If you know of someone interested in learning more about Hakafa, please contact the Hakafa office so that a packet of information can be mailed.

Contact our Dues Treasurer, **Nancy Goodman** (dues@hakafa.org or 847-564-3273), with questions.

Congregation Meeting

Our next Congregation Meeting will take place on **Friday, August 21 at 6:15 p.m.** at the **Winnetka Community House** (620 Lincoln Avenue, Winnetka). All members are welcome to attend. Contact our president, **Jeff Rosenberg** (president@hakafa.org or 847-853-0121), with questions.

Save the Date - Kadima Annual BBQ

Please join us for a Kadima Potluck BBQ on **Sunday, August 16 at 4:00 p.m.** at the **home of Betsy Hersher** (1444 Stratford Road, Deerfield). It will be even more fun than last year's BBQ, and together we will plan activities for the months ahead. Please R.S.V.P. to **Betsy Hersher** (HersherB@hersher.com or 847-945-5974) if you plan to come and to let her know what you will be bringing to the potluck.

Kadima (Hebrew for "forward") is a group at Hakafa, primarily for members of adult-only households, although any Hakafa member is invited to participate.

Strengthening Our Circle

A note from our president:

You should have just received your annual membership letter. At the same time that we start thinking about the upcoming year at Hakafa, many other people will be looking to join a new congregation. In that context, it is important to recognize that many people in the area know very little about Hakafa and often are not aware we even exist. While our small size and lack of a building are obviously responsible, it is easy for us as current members to forget our "under the radar" status. While our size has stayed stable for quite a few years, this is not always easily accomplished. Members leave every year for various reasons, meaning new members are essential to our continued strength and vitality as a congregation.

Hakafa is a special place with unique characteristics. While not everyone looking to join a congregation would choose us, it is unfortunate that some people don't experience what we have to offer first-hand before they make their decision. With that in mind, I encourage you to be on the lookout and invite prospective members to join us at an upcoming service or event, to worship with us during the High Holidays, to meet with Rabbi Elder, or to visit Religious School this fall.

The congregation's new membership committee chair is our Vice President, **John Thomason**. Please contact him or me with questions or feel free to refer interested prospective members to Rabbi Elder (rabbi@hakafa.org), John Thomason, (vicepresident@hakafa.org) or our website, www.hakafa.org, for additional information.

-Jeff Rosenberg

There are Two Ways to Find Hakafa on Facebook

1) Like Hakafa's Page: Go to: https://www.facebook.com/CongregationHakafa?ref_type=bookmark and click "Like". The Facebook page allows us to communicate with you. We use it to update you on information about the congregation, to give you announcements on events that are new and immediate to the calendar, and to show off a bit with pictures of some of the places we have been, the events we have had, and the people that we are.

2) Join Hakafa's Group: Go to: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/6079726964/> and ask to join. This link allows Hakafa members the ability to communicate with each other. If you have an issue you want to discuss, an article or reflection you want to share, a meeting you want to announce, an event or organization about which you want us to know, and the like, the group is the place to post it.

Member News (continued)

Hakafa BBYO Youth Group for High School Students

All Hakafa high school students are invited to participate in our BBYO Youth Group! We are very excited to continue to grow our own BBYO chapter! BBYO (www.bbyo.org) is the largest, teen-led, pluralistic Jewish youth movement, engaging over 40,000 teens every year. Many exciting activities are already being planned for the upcoming year. Watch your email inbox, Hakafa newsletter, and weekly email announcements for details!

Hakafa high school students interested in participating should register for BBYO membership on the form found in your Membership Renewal Materials (part of the Religious Education Packet) or on our website (www.hakafa.org) following these links: Our Community > Youth Group.

Accessibility at Hakafa

If you become aware of any accessibility issues within the congregation, we hope you will share them with us by speaking confidentially with one of our Chesed Committee Chairs, **Jill Pam** (mccpam@comcast.net or 847-242-0864) or **Audrey Pam** (arpam@yahoo.com or 847-374-9887). We thank you for your help in making our congregation accessible to all.

Reaching Out

Congregation Member Services and Skills Resource Guide: The congregation has assembled a resource guide of members' services and skills in order to support one another. Please contact **Betsy Hersher** (847-272-4050 or HersherB@hersher.com) for more information.

Career Counseling: As a career counselor, Betsy is offering her services *at no cost* to Hakafa members who are currently unemployed.

Partnerships with Community Employment Support Systems: Hakafa is in partnership with the following community agencies:

1. **Jewish Employment Network** (JEN – contact Laurie Rosen (847-568-5154 or www.jvschicago.org)
2. **Career Resource Center** (CRC – contact Jan Cline Leahy (847-295-5626 or www.careerresourcecenter.org)
3. **parnossahworkschicago.org** - allows individuals to search for jobs online and provides employers with qualified candidates for their job openings.

Hakafa Location Accessibility Guide

The information provided below is designed to give general information about accessibility at the locations where we hold services, classes, programs, and events. For specific questions, please contact our office (admin@hakafa.org or 847-242-0687) or the actual location.

A Just Harvest (<http://www.ajustharvest.org/>): Accessible building with street parking

Davis Household (ablakleydavis@gmail.com): Ranch House with no steps.

DeFrank/Chez Household ([camilledefrank@gmail.com](mailto:camildefrank@gmail.com)): Fully accessible ranch house with no steps

Elder Lane Beach: Limited accessibility

North Shore United Methodist Church (<http://nsumcglencoe.org/>): No steps into the building; two-step stairway inside building for torah study (ramp available); elevator available (with help for the door) to second floor for movie night.

Office of Brad Reiff (breiff@compasslexecon.com): 13th floor of accessible building

Office of Ned Robertson (nrobertson@agdglaw.com): 17th floor accessible building

Robertson Household (mrobertson595@gmail.com): Ranch house with no steps.

Star Household (L-star@northwestern.edu): Two, short steps into an accessible main floor.

Winnetka Community House (<http://www.winnetkacomunityhouse.org/>): Ramp into building.

Adult Education

Two Opportunities for Torah Study

Wednesday Afternoons - 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.
NOTE LOCATION FOR SUMMER MONTHS
 Home of **Camille DeFrank** (574 Woodlawn Avenue, Glencoe)
Please note: There will be no class on August 19

Tuesday Evenings - 7:30 to 8:45 p.m.
 Our offices at the **North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe)
Please note: There will be no class on August 18

Hebrew Circle

If you are a Hebrew speaker looking to practice your Hebrew with other Hebrew speaking Hakafa members, please join us on **Tuesday, August 11 at noon** at the **office of Brad Reiff** (332 S. Michigan Avenue, 13th floor, Chicago).

Adult Hebrew Class

Our Adult Hebrew class will be continuing this fall on **Wednesdays** from **4:30 to 5:30 p.m.** at the **Hakafa offices at the North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe) beginning **September 2**.

The class has been meeting since the middle of March, but new participants and beginners are welcome to join in. Our wonderful instructor, Helen Melnick, is happy to catch up new students. Helen has been teaching Hebrew for twenty years at a variety of congregations across the north shore. To register, please contact Rona Elder (admin@hakafa.org or 847-242-0687).

Mishneh Torah

Are you interested in studying Jewish law? Our August sessions of Mishneh Torah (Jewish law) class will be held on **Tuesdays, August 11 and 25 at 10:00 a.m.** at the home of **Allison and Ken Davis** (2940 Moon Hill Drive, Northbrook). Come join us and Rabbi Elder to learn more about what *halacha* has to say on almost every aspect of life.

Nosh & Know on the North Shore

"Nosh & Know on the North Shore" will take place on **Thursday, August 27 at 9:00 a.m.** at the **Home of Cookie Robertson** (211 Dennis Lane, Glencoe). Join us for lively conversations with Rabbi Elder! New participants are always welcome.

Lunch and Learn in the Loop

Lunch & Learn in the Loop will take place at **noon** on **Thursday, August 6** at the **office of Ned Robertson** (330 North Wabash, 17th floor, Chicago). Bring your own lunch and prepare to participate in a lively discussion with Rabbi Elder! New participants are always welcome.

Hakafa's Retreat with Rabbi Marx: November 6-8, 2015: Saugatuck, Michigan

The Program: The retreat will be a chance for congregants to study and relax together in a warm and informal atmosphere. The program will be conducted by Rabbi Marx in beautiful Saugatuck Michigan, where Rabbi and Ruth Marx live. The purpose of the retreat is to engage in study and worship, along with generous amounts of great conversation and fun, in a vacation type atmosphere.

Retreaters go to Saugatuck, which is about 3 hours from Chicago, on Friday afternoon, and meet at Rabbi and Ruth Marx's house for Shabbat dinner and an evening study program. We all stay together at the historic Rosemont Inn, which is located on a bluff overlooking Lake Michigan (www.rosemontinn.com). We have breakfast at the Inn Saturday morning, followed by a morning study program. Saturday lunch and Saturday afternoon will be open for exploration of the Saugatuck area. On Saturday night, we'll have a joint dinner at a local restaurant, followed by an evening study program and short service at the Inn. Retreaters can return to Chicago on Sunday morning.

The Cost: The rooms at the Rosemont Inn (www.rosemontinn.com) have an average rate of approximately \$175 per night. The room charge includes breakfast on both Saturday and Sunday. The total estimated cost is about \$350 per person for couples (about \$500 for a single, because the room price is the same), which includes the room for two nights, dinner Friday and Saturday, and breakfast on Saturday and Sunday.

If You Want To Go: There are only 14 rooms available, and they will be reserved on a first come first serve basis. If you would like to attend the Retreat, or have any questions, please contact the Retreat organizer, **Jonah Orlofsky**, at 312-566-0455 (work), 847-835-3816 (home), or at yorlofsky@yahoo.com.

Adult Education (continued)

Summer Reading in Preparation for Sunday Morning Adult Study

DePaul University Professor Roberta Kwall will present her book, ***The Myth of the Cultural Jew on Sunday, October 25***. Prof. Kwall is the Raymond P. Niro Professor of Intellectual Property Law and the Founding Director of DePaul's Center for Intellectual Property Law and Information Technology, and the author of numerous books. According to Prof. Kwall, "A myth exists that Jews can embrace the cultural components of Judaism without appreciating the legal aspects of the Jewish tradition. This myth suggests that law and culture are independent of one another. In reality, however, much of Jewish culture has a basis in Jewish law. Similarly, Jewish law produces Jewish culture. A cultural analysis paradigm provides a useful way of understanding the Jewish tradition as the product of both legal precepts and cultural elements." Several copies of her latest book will be available at the class for sale and are also available online for advance reading.

Rev. Mitchell Brown, one of our popular teachers and husband of Hakafa member Deborah Brown, will teach adult study on **Sunday, November 1 and 8**. He will discuss James Carroll's ***Christ Actually***. Carroll, the author of *Constantine's Sword*, presents a wonderful appreciation of the Jewish roots of Christianity. Mitch is the pastor of the Evanston Mennonite Church, and an expert on the theology and history of early Christianity and how it emerged out of Judaism. He encourages us to read the book, but it is not required for appreciation of his classes.

Our Sunday Morning Adult Study classes take place on **Sundays during Religious School** at 10:30 a.m. at the Takiff Center (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe).

Canoe Trip



Congregational Israel Trip - Summer 2016

Are you looking to see Israel in a new and different way? Whether you have been to Israel before or not, this trip just might be for you. Join us June 18-July 3, 2016!

Once again, we are offering a two-track trip to Israel. One will be a hiking and learning experience – We will walk the country, visit sites, and study texts that bring the historical significance of the places we visit to life. If you are good for 5-10 miles a day, if you like to hike lush hills and rugged desert mountains, and if you would rather explore cities on foot than by bus, you will not want to miss this trip!

Our other track will be a more traditional trip. We will visit sites of Israel both on and off the beaten path. Jeep and camel rides in the Negev, dinner in a Bedouin tent, a canoe ride down the Jordan River, wine tasting in the Negev, swimming in the Mediterranean, and a walk through the beautiful grottos of Rosh HaNikra will be combined with time in Tel Aviv, Haifa, Jerusalem, and more!

Please note that while the tracks do different things during each day, everyone from both tracks is together each night. And, sometimes the tracks tour together as well. New to the trip this year will be an opportunity to visit Petra, Jordan and possibly Ramallah in the West Bank as well.

Go to: <http://hakafa.org/content/israel-trip-summer-2016> to register and for more information including general trip information, pricing, and a detailed itinerary. Contact Rabbi Elder (847-266-8854 or rabbi@hakafa.org) with questions.

Social Action

The greater Chicago area Jewish community has many organizations to which you can turn should you need support. Here are a few of them:

CJE Senior Life (cje.net, 773.508.1000) – Since 1972, CJE SeniorLife has enhanced the lives of older adults and their families through a comprehensive network that includes housing, health care, community services, health and wellness education, life enrichment programs and applied research.

Jewish Center for Addiction (jcfs.org/Jewish-addiction, 847-745-5422) – The Jewish Center for Addiction (a program of Jewish Child and Family Service) was created to build a caring community that is aware of and responsive to the problem of addiction and to support individuals and families who struggle with addiction.

Jewish Child and Family Service (jcfs.org, 855-275-5237) - Jewish Child & Family Services (JCFS) provides caring and healing services to children, teens, adults, older adults and families for help with autism, support with advanced illness, special education, individual and family counseling, and more.

Jewish Healing Network (847.745.5404) – A program of JCFS, the Network's staff provides information about social services, medical resources, and spiritual resources for people who are ill, grieving, or serving as care-givers to help in their difficult times.

Shalva (shalvaonline.org, 773-583-4673) - SHALVA offers free, confidential, domestic abuse counseling services to the Chicago Jewish Community.

August Volunteers Needed at A Just Harvest

Are you looking for a fun and meaningful way to spend a Sunday evening over the summer?

On the second Sunday of each month, our congregation has the responsibility of providing and serving a meal for approximately 140 men, women, and children at *A Just Harvest* in Chicago, just north of Howard Street.

Twelve to fifteen volunteers are needed from 4:15 to 6:30 p.m. each month. Children must be at least 7 years old, with a maximum of four children ages 7-12 at each session. Please note the cost of the food is shared by the volunteer families at about \$100 per family.

We are still in need of volunteers on August 9. If you, or anyone you know, are available, please contact **Judy Rose-Epstein** (missyepstein@att.net or 847-501-2856) or **Joan Fishman** (j.fishman@sbcglobal.net or 847-853-1766).

Congregation Hakafa Calendar

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 1 8:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Minyan (Home of Leanne Star) |
| 2 | 3 7:00 p.m. Hakafa Goes to the White Sox Game | 4 7:30 p.m. Torah Study (NSUMC) | 5 1:00 p.m. Torah Study (Home of Camille DeFrank) | 6 12:00 p.m. Lunch & Learn in the Loop (Office of Ned Robertson) | 7 7:30 p.m. Shabbat Service – Singing Shabbat (WCH) | 8 |
| 9 | 10 10:00 a.m. Mishneh Torah (Blakley/Davis Home) 12:00 p.m. Hebrew Circle (Office of Brad Reiff) 6:15 p.m. Choir Meeting/Dinner with Rabbi Elder (NSUMC) 7:30 p.m. High Holiday Choir Rehearsal (NSUMC) 7:30 p.m. Torah Study (NSUMC) | 11 1:00 p.m. Torah Study (Home of Camille DeFrank) | 12 1:00 p.m. Torah Study (Home of Camille DeFrank) | 13 | 14 Newsletter Articles Due 5:30 p.m. BYO Picnic Shabbat Dinner 7:00 p.m. (NOTE EARLY TIME) Shabbat Service (Elder Lane Beach, Winnetka) | 15 8:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Minyan (Home of Leanne Star) Dues & Religious School Forms & Payments Due |
| 16 | 17 4:00 p.m. Kadima Potluck BBQ (Home of Betsy Hersher) | 18 7:30 p.m. High Holiday Choir Rehearsal (NSUMC) | 19 | 20 | 21 6:15 p.m. Congregation Meeting (WCH) 7:30 p.m. Shabbat Service (WCH) | 22 Bar Mitzvah Service of Ethan Stern (PM) |
| 23 | 24 12:45 p.m. Maot Chitim Packing Day | 25 10:00 a.m. Mishneh Torah (Blakley/Davis Home) 7:30 p.m. High Holiday Choir Rehearsal (NSUMC) 7:30 p.m. Torah Study (NSUMC) | 26 1:00 p.m. Torah Study (Home of Camille DeFrank) | 27 9:00 a.m. Nosh & Know on the North Shore (Home of Cookie Robertson) | 28 7:30 p.m. Shabbat Service (WCH) | 29 |
| 30 | 31 Maot Chitim Delivery Day | | | | | |

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | 1 High Holiday Ticket Request Forms Due 4:15 -6:00 p.m. First Day of Hebrew School (TC) 7:30 p.m. High Holiday Choir Rehearsal (NSUMC) 7:30 p.m. Torah Study (NSUMC) | 2 1:00 p.m. Torah Study (Home of Camille DeFrank) 4:30-5:30 p.m. Adult Hebrew Class (NSUMC) | 3 12:00 p.m. Lunch & Learn in the Loop | 4 7:30 p.m. Shabbat Service – Singing Shabbat (WCH) 8:45 p.m. Rabbi's Tisch (WCH) | 5 5:50 p.m. Sunrise Minyan (Elder Lane Beach, Winnetka) Bat Mitzvah Service of Ella Krieger (PM) 9:00 p.m. Selichot Program and Service (Home of Barbara & Allen Anderson) |
| 6 | 7 Labor Day | 8 10:00 a.m. Mishneh Torah (Blakley/Davis Home) 12:00 p.m. Hebrew Circle 4:15-6:00 p.m. Hebrew School (TC) 5:15 p.m. Hebrew School Meet & Greet 7:30 p.m. High Holiday Choir Rehearsal (NSUMC) 7:30 p.m. Torah Study (NSUMC) | 9 1:00 p.m. Torah Study (Home of Camille DeFrank) 4:30-5:30 p.m. Adult Hebrew Class (NSUMC) | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 Rosh Hashanah | 15 Second Day of Rosh Hashanah 10:00 a.m. Second Day Rosh Hashanah Service (Home of Annette Turow) 7:30 p.m. High Holiday Choir Rehearsal (NSUMC) | 16 Newsletter Articles Due 1:00 p.m. Torah Study (Home of Camille DeFrank) 4:30-5:30 p.m. Adult Hebrew Class (NSUMC) | 17 9:00 a.m. Nosh & Know on the North Shore (Home of Cookie Robertson) | 18 7:30 p.m. Shabbat Service (WCH) | 19 Shabbat Shuvah 8:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Minyan (Home of Leanne Star) Bat Mitzvah Service of Claire Adler (PM) |
| 20 9:45 am-12:00 pm First Day of Religious School (TC) 10:10 am Welcome Back Parent Coffee (TC) 10:35 am New and Prospective Member Info Session (TC) | 21 | 22 Erev Yom Kippur | 23 Yom Kippur | 24 | 25 7:30 p.m. Shabbat Service (WCH) | 26 7:00 p.m. Film Group (NSUMC) |
| 27 | 28 Sukkot 1 | 29 Sukkot 2 4:15-6:00 p.m. Hebrew School (TC) 7:30 p.m. Torah Study (Elder Family's Sukkah) | 30 Sukkot 3 1:00 p.m. Torah Study (Elder Family's Sukkah) 4:30-5:30 p.m. Adult Hebrew Class (NSUMC) | | | |
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