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D'varim

Hakafa's Drag Queen Story Hour

Shabbat is a day of stoppage in Judaism, a time to rest, reflect, and recharge after a chaotic week. Each Friday night, we are supposed to gather around the dinner table, light candles, bless our children, enjoy a special meal, and spend uninterrupted family time together, separating ourselves from the profane nature of the ordinary. Our tradition tells us that when we enter the holiness of Shabbat, God is there with us. We welcome Her into our home, and She dwells with us until She leaves after *havdallah* on Saturday night.

Yes, the God of Shabbat is a She. For hundreds of years, Jews have rushed out to welcome the Shechina, the Sabbath Queen – that aspect of God that tradition indicates is closest to us, and invited Her to share some intimate time with all of us. She delights in our singing of Her anthem, *Lecha Dodi*, literally “Come, My Beloved,” and we rejoice in the chance to spend some quality time with Her.

It is time for us at Hakafa to welcome the Sabbath Queen in a new and different way, one that is in keeping with our congregational values of openness, safety, and celebration.

We will be holding our first *Shabbat Shechinah: Drag Queen Story Hour* (DQSH) on **Saturday, November 2 at 11 a.m.** at the new **Curt's Café in Highland Park** (1766 Second Street). DQSH is a national movement that began in San Francisco in 2015 in response to a resurgence of hateful rhetoric against gender diversity. Founder Michelle Tea wanted to “inspire a love of reading in children, while teaching deeper lessons on diversity, self-love and an appreciation of others.”¹ So, she created an event in which drag queens read books to children and then engage them in a short learning activity. In just four years, DQSH has grown to forty chapters in the United States and across the world.

I have been intrigued by DQSH since I first learned of it. Children are bombarded from birth by images and ideas of what their lives should be based on a physical manifestation we call sex identity. They are siloed and molded by family and society with no consideration for how any particular child might self-identify. Boys are boys and girls are girls, and children who don't feel they fit into this binary construct are left to struggle to be something they are not or find a way to make sense of what they are. The results of that struggle are too often tragic and so unnecessary. It simply doesn't have to be this way.

The God of our tradition is both male and female. The first human that God created in Genesis 1 was both male and female. If God has had the space to figure it all out, don't our children warrant some space to do so as well? They deserve role models early in life that allow them to begin to understand themselves free of judgement, predetermination, and ostracization. DQSH is a small step in that direction.

Bring your children and grandchildren to Curt's Café on November 2 to celebrate Shabbat with us. Join us as we welcome a Sabbath Queen. Do something holy for a child in your life.

Allow them to simply be themselves.

-Rabbi Bruce Elder

¹ Griffin, Julia (July 2, 2019). "Drag Queen Story Hour offers a different kind of page-turner". *PBS NewsHour*.

2ND DAY OF ROSH HASHANAH and YOM KIPPUR 5780

Second Day Rosh Hashanah Service

Hakafa will be holding second day Rosh Hashanah services at the **home of Annette Turow** (727 Roslyn Place, Evanston) on **Tuesday, October 1** at **10:00 a.m.** This service will be less formal and more intimate than our regular High Holiday services and will be followed by a simple *Kiddush*. Please contact Rabbi Elder (rabbi@hakafa.org or 847-266-8854) with questions. We hope to see you there.

NEW THIS YEAR: Yom Kippur Supplemental Service

For those who would like to experience the Yom Kippur liturgy in a more informal, intimate setting, please join us at **8:15 a.m.** BEFORE Yom Kippur Morning Services (**October 9**) at the **Winnetka Congregational Church** for our NEW Supplemental Service. Feel free to contact Rabbi Elder (rabbi@hakafa.org or 847-266-8854) with any questions.

Yom Kippur Service Schedule

Tuesday, October 8 - 8:00 p.m.

Evening Service

Wednesday, October 9

8:15 a.m. Supplemental Service

10:00 a.m. Morning Service

12:15-1:15 p.m. Study Session I

1:00 p.m. Service at CJE's Robineau House

1:30 p.m. Family Service

2:35-3:35 p.m. Study Session II

3:45 p.m. Afternoon Service

5:10 p.m. *Yizkor* (Memorial Service)

5:30 p.m. *N'eelah* (Concluding Service)

6:20 p.m. *Havdallah* and Light Break Fast

Yom Kippur Havdallah and Light Break Fast

On Yom Kippur, our *N'eelah* (Concluding) service will end at **6:20 p.m.** Immediately afterwards, we will have *Havdallah* and a little nosh to break the fast as a community. If you would like to help with the light break-fast, please contact Amy Acri (jacri3@comcast.net or 847-501-4813).

Calling all YOUNG Shofar Blowers

Rabbi Elder would like some help from our young members blowing the *tekiyah g'dolah* at the Yom Kippur Family Service. If you would like to join him, please bring a shofar and be prepared to join in.

Help Lead Services at CJE SeniorLife's Robineau House

Hakafa will again provide High Holiday services for the residents of **Robineau House**, a Council for Jewish Elderly (CJE) SeniorLife Residence (7550 N. Kostner Ave, Skokie). The Robineau service will start at **1:00 p.m.** on Yom Kippur and will last for approximately 40 minutes.

**To volunteer or if you have any questions, contact
Don Pollak (donpollak@me.com/847-922-9348) or
Lynn Sanders (LSanders0608@gmail.com/847-630-1174).**

Food Donations for the New Trier Food Pantry

Don't forget to bring your grocery bags filled with donations for the New Trier Food Pantry to the lobby of Winnetka Congregational Church on Erev Yom Kippur (October 8) or Yom Kippur Day (October 9) **up to 1:30 p.m.** We will be loading the bags into cars and delivering them to the food pantry immediately after family services on Wednesday at approximately 2:30 p.m. **If you are able to help with loading and/or driving, please join us!** To volunteer or with any questions, contact **Danielle Wylie (dmwylie@sbcglobal.net/312-502-3264) or Sara Kurensky (kurloon@sbcglobal.net/ 847-251-1925)**

SUKKOT AND SIMCHAT TORAH 5780

Study Opportunities During Sukkot in the Elder Family's Sukkah

Come enjoy studying with other Hakafa members in the **Elder Family's Sukkah (333 Green Bay Road, Highland Park)** at any/all of the following classes during Sukkot:

Midrash Class

Tuesday, October 15 – 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

Siddur Class

Tuesday, October 15 – 10:15 to 11:15 a.m.

Tuesday Evening Torah Study

Tuesday, October 15 - 7:30 to 8:45 p.m.

Wednesday Afternoon Torah Study

Wednesday, October 16 – 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Nosh & Know on the North Shore

Thursday, October 17 – 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

Torah Chanters and/or Readers Needed for Simchat Torah

Again this year, we are hoping to have a verse or two from as many Torah portions as possible read or chanted. Perhaps you would like to do a couple of verses from your bar/bat mitzvah portion or a different portion to which you have a connection? Or, maybe you'd like to learn a couple of verses from any portion available?

If you would do us the honor of reading or chanting 1-2 verses from a Torah portion at our Simchat Torah celebration on **Sunday, October 20 at 3:30 p.m.** at the **Winnetka Community House** (620 Lincoln Avenue, Winnetka), please contact Rabbi Elder (rabbi@hakafa.org or 847-266-8854) at your earliest convenience.

Yizkor Service

Jewish tradition tells us that four times during the year, in addition to the anniversary of the death of a loved one, we are to recall the memories of those who have died. These four times, known as *yizkor* (remembrance), coincide with major holidays on the Jewish calendar. The last day of Sukkot, known as Shemini Atzeret, is one on which yizkor is traditionally recited.

Please join us as we welcome Makom Solel Lakeside and Sukkat Shalom to share services with us on the morning of **Monday, October 21 at 10:30 a.m.** at the **Takiff Center** (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe).

This hour-long service will be followed by a short Kiddush.

Simchat Torah and Consecration

Please join us to celebrate Simchat Torah and Consecration at **3:30 p.m.** on **Sunday, October 20** at the **Winnetka Community House** (620 Lincoln Avenue, Winnetka). Come dance with us to the sounds of Hakafa's own **Bibi and the Patts**, accompanied again this year by members of the **Maxwell Street Klezmer Band**.

Come and enjoy the fun as we sing, dance, eat, and welcome our newest learners into our encirclement.

New Member Havdallah in the Elder Family's Sukkah

All members new to Hakafa within the last year are invited to join Rabbi Bruce and Rona Elder for a Dessert Havdallah in their Sukkah (333 Green Bay Road, Highland Park) on **Saturday, October 19 at 7:30 p.m.** We regret that, due to space limitations, this event is for adults only. New members will receive a separate invitation. Please RSVP to Rona (admin@hakafa.org or 847-242-0687).

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:

October 4 **Shabbat Shuvah – Parshat Vayeilech**
7:30 p.m. Torah Portion: Deuteronomy 31:1-30
Haftarah: Hosea 14:2-10

October 11 **Shabbat Haazinu**
7:30 p.m. Torah Portion: Deuteronomy 32:1-52
Haftarah: II Samuel 22:1-51

October 18 **Shabbat Chol HaMo-eid Sukkot**
7:30 p.m. Torah Portion: Exodus 33:12-34:26
Haftarah: Ezekiel 38:18-39:7

Note Different Location: Takiff Center

October 25 **Parshat B'reishit**
7:30 p.m. Torah Portion: Genesis 1:1-6:8
Haftarah: Isaiah 42:5-43:10

Live Streaming of Worship Services

If you are unable to make it to our worship services, but would like to participate from your home, you can watch a live-stream of them. **We are now streaming our services through Facebook Live on the Hakafa Facebook Page.**

Go to www.hakafa.org and click on the "listen now" icon on the home page for instructions. OR - You can go directly to Hakafa's Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/CongregationHakafa?fref=ts>.

If this link does not work, you can always go to Facebook and search for "Congregation Hakafa."

Once you are on Hakafa's Facebook Page, scroll through the news feed until you come to the service for which you are looking.

If you would like to receive notifications whenever Hakafa is "live" on Facebook, click on the  icon near the top of the Hakafa Facebook Page, then click on "Following," and then set your notifications.

Chesed

Chesed is our attempt to reach out to one another. If you know of anyone in our congregation who is in crisis 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 **Ana Bensinger** (anabensinger@att.net or 847-926-3223) or **Anita Goldberg** (anitagoldberg@gmail.com or 847-432-8973). You can also contact either of them if you would like to volunteer.

Shabbat Morning Minyan: Please Note New Location!

Please join us at **8:30 a.m.** on **Saturdays, October 5 and 19** at the **home of Barbara and Allen Anderson** (849 Oak Drive, Glencoe) for our October 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



**We are looking for hosts for
Friday evening onegs
for the upcoming year.**

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 honor the memory of a loved one on his/her *yahrzeit* by hosting an oneg.

If you would like to host an oneg, please sign up at this link (<http://tinyurl.com/oneg-hosting>) or contact one of our Volunteer Oneg Coordinators via email at oneg@hakafa.org.

You can also contact them by phone: **Suzanne/Rick Shore** (847-722-6797) or **Ilene Holt-Turner** (847-409-6022).

Share Your Holidays



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** at 847-945-6095.

Member News

Shmira Volunteer List

Shmira is the traditional Jewish practice of sitting with the body of a deceased person and reading Psalms. It is done to honor the person who has died and to provide comfort to the family and other loved ones, who will know the body is not left alone. Traditionally it is believed that the soul of the deceased remains with the body and that we are sitting to keep the soul from loneliness. Hakafa has been providing shmira this year for families who request it. Participants have expressed that this was a meaningful experience, "peaceful" or "spiritual." Many have experienced a deeper connectedness to the person who died, to the other participants, and/or to the entire congregation and the Jewish people.

Because of the unexpected nature, and people's busy schedules, it would be helpful to have as many people as possible on a call list to find enough who would be available when needed. Please contact **Deborah Brown** (dmb9476@gmail.com) if you are interested in being on a list or if you have further questions.

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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, **Ana Bensinger** (anabensinger@att.net or 847-926-3223) or **Anita Goldberg** (anitagoldberg@gmail.com or 847-432-8973). We thank you for your help in making our congregation welcoming and accessible to all.

The Film Group is Back!

Please join us when we screen *Maktub* on **Saturday, October 26, at 7:00 p.m. at our offices at the North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, in Glencoe). *Maktub* is a sweet Israeli comedy featuring two Tarantino-esque thugs who specialize in extortion from restaurant owners. When Chuma and Steve barely survive a terrorist bombing the hoodlums embark upon a series of cherubic undertakings. The film was a hit in Israel and is now gaining an audience in the U.S. with distribution by Netflix.

Come for dinner at 6:00 p.m! We'll be ordering pizza from Little Red Hen, so please R.S.V.P. to **Carol McCardell** (847-727-0029 or at mcsolomon@comcast.net) for dinner (\$5 per person). Or, simply come for the movie at 7:00. Feel free to bring friends, family, beverages, salad (especially welcome), or a nosh, but please no popcorn.

Green Burial

Members of Hakafa have the option to be buried in our "green" section at Willow Lawn Memorial Park in Vernon Hills. It is the only dedicated Jewish green cemetery section in Illinois, which we established in 2013. Burial here is of lower environmental impact than at traditional cemeteries. The area is wooded with mulched paths, so there is no grass to be maintained with fertilizers and mowing by machine. Graves are dug by hand, the cement liners for graves that are required in most cemeteries are not used, burial in shrouds or simple wooden caskets are required, and grave markers are simple boulders that may have a brass plaque on them. The Hakafa section has a total of 57 graves, and some are still available for purchase from the Congregation. There is one space available with four contiguous spots, as well as a few side by side plots and single plots. If you are interested in learning more, please contact **Deborah Brown** (dmb9476@gmail.com). You may visit the cemetery on your own. However, please purchase plots through the congregation.

Please Come to Our Next Congregation Meeting: October 27

Please come to our next Congregation Meeting on Sunday morning, **October 27 at 10:35 a.m. at the Takiff Center** (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe). Please attend, add your voice, and share your ideas. An agenda for this meeting and minutes from the September 6 meeting will be posted in the email announcements the Wednesday before the meeting, so please look for them at that time. If you have any questions, please contact **Nancy Goodman** (president@hakafa.org or 847-564-3273).

Member News (continued)

Condolences to:

The family of Ruth Buhai, long-time Hakafa member
 Joli Fridman and family on the loss of her father, Mark Robinson
 Elaine Friedman and family on the loss of her husband, Gerald Friedman
 Scott Kofkin and family on the loss of his wife, Sandy Kofkin
 Kate Shapiro and family on the loss of her sister, Marna Coleman

Please Help Us in Welcoming our New Members:

Jackie Briskin, Ken
 Pinkus, and their
 child, Olivia

Mona Golub

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** (www.ajustharvest.org): Accessible building with street parking.

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- **Anderson Household** (caabaa@sbcglobal.net): Ranch house with no steps. Two cats present.
- **Davis Household** (ablakleydavis@gmail.com): Ranch House with no steps. Dogs and cats present.
- **Elder Family's Home/Sukkah** (rabbi@hakafa.org): Ramp into the house with a cat. Small step down in the house and onto the deck where the Sukkah is located. Bathrooms are not accessible.
- **North Shore United Methodist Church** (www.nsumcglencoe.org): No steps into the building; two-step stairway inside building (ramp available); elevator available (with help for the door) to second floor.
- **Northfield Public Library** (www.winnetkalibrary.org): accessible building.
- **Office of Phil Zisook** (pjz123@comcast.net): 21st floor of accessible building.
- **Takiff Center** (www.glencoe parkdistrict.com/Facilities/Takiff-Center): Accessible building; programs that take place on the second floor accessible by elevator – a short walk on the second level to classrooms.
- **Winnetka Community House** (www.winnetkacommunityhouse.org): Ramp into building.
- **Winnetka Congregational Church** (www.wcc-joinus.org): Ramp into accessible building.

Please note: Large print prayer books are available at Shabbat Services.

Something New on Yom Kippur



For years, members of Hakafa have been asking for a High Holiday worship opportunity similar to our regular Shabbat services. Our second day Rosh Hashanah service at Annette Turow's home has been one option for people, and the dozens of us who have been able to be there have appreciated the intimacy of our gathering. But what about Yom Kippur?

This year, we are trying something new: We will meet in the **study of the Winnetka Congregational Church at 8:15 a.m. the morning of Yom Kippur** for a supplemental service in the style of how we pray on Shabbat. The service will last approximately 75 minutes and will include a short learning session in place of a torah reading and sermon. We will be seated in a circle, and Sara and Rabbi Elder will be there with their guitars. The service will conclude in enough time to transition to our regular 10 a.m. service.

Please contact Worship Committee chair, **Brian Browdy** (brian.browdy@gmail.com), or Rabbi Elder (rabbi@hakafa.org or 847-266-8854) with questions. We hope you will join us for this new experience.

Chadashot

Hakafa Youth News
October 2019

Note from the Director of Education

What a great beginning to our school year! We are in full swing with our Religious and Hebrew Schools! We had a wonderful Bowling Kick-off Event with our high school students!

We begin this month with celebrating our High Holidays. Please refer to your school calendar or the one at the bottom of this page to make sure you know when we will and will not be having classes because of the holidays.

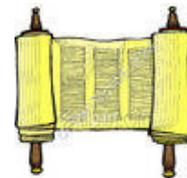
On Sunday, October 6 we will have an All-School Education Day during which we will be packing the items as a school for the *One Mitzvah One Community* initiative to help asylum seekers at the southern U.S. border. Thank you all for your generous donations for this very important cause!

On Sunday, October 20 we will have our exciting Simchat Torah Celebration (no regular Religious School classes that morning) beginning at 3:30 PM at the Winnetka Community House. Please come sing and dance with the Torah. Many students will be reading from the Torah and, of course, some will also play in our very own band!

Just a reminder that we are asking all students to park their phones at the door each week. Also, if your child has to leave early from class, we ask that parents pick up students directly from their classroom.

Wishing all of you a *Chag Sameach and Shanah Tovah!*

L'shalom,
Bibi



B'nai Mitzvah Information Meeting

If your child is planning to become a Bar or Bat Mitzvah within the next twelve to eighteen months, please come to a special meeting on **Sunday, October 13** in **Community Room 1** at the **Takiff Center** (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe) from **12:15 to 1:00 PM**, immediately following Religious School. At this meeting, you will have the opportunity to learn more about the Hakafa approach to B'nai Mitzvah, scheduling the date, creating the service, and planning to make the Bar/Bat Mitzvah ceremony as meaningful as possible. Please contact Rabbi Elder (847-266-8854 or rabbi@hakafa.org) or Bibi Patt (847-650-7720 or education@hakafa.org) with any questions.

OCTOBER DATES TO NOTE:



- October 1: ▪ **NO** Hebrew School
- October 6: ▪ Religious School
 - High School Class Session I
- October 8: ▪ **NO** Hebrew School
- October 13: ▪ Religious School
 - B'nai Mitzvah Info Meeting
 - *Erev Sukkot*
- October 15: ▪ Hebrew School
- October 20: ▪ **NO** Religious School
 - 3:30 PM—Simchat Torah & Consecration Celebration
 - *Erev Simchat Torah*
- October 22: ▪ Hebrew School
- October 27: ▪ Religious School
 - High School Seniors Workshop I
- October 29: ▪ Hebrew School

CONGREGATION HAKAFA
2019-20 / 5780 SUNDAY MORNING ADULT LEARNING SCHEDULE
10:35 AM – 12:00 PM at the Takiff Center (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe)

* Please note that these programs are subject to change. *

September 15	Richard M. Goldwasser (J Street) – Israeli Elections and the State of Israel Today	
September 22	Dilnaz Waraich, Samira Abderahman, and Kimberly Rihman – Life as a Muslim Woman in Chicago	
October 6	Dorit Jordan Dotan – Art and Activism in Israel	
October 13	Robert Nevel – Food Justice and Sustainability	
October 27	Congregation Meeting	
November 3	Dr. David Shyovitz – Jewish Mysticism: Between Tradition & Transformation (Part I)	JCFS – Parenting with a Plan: Boundaries, Discipline, and Family Values
November 10	Dr. David Shyovitz – Jewish Mysticism: Between Tradition & Transformation (Part II)	Rachel Nador – Needle-Felting Workshop
November 17	Dr. David Shyovitz – Jewish Mysticism: Between Tradition & Transformation (Part III)	Sharsheret Panel – What’s Jewish About Breast & Ovarian Cancer
December 8	Scholar-in-Residence, Father John Pawlikowski: Caring for Creation--How the Jewish Tradition Can Help Christianity	
December 15	Rev. Mitchell Brown – The Life of Martin Buber	JCFS – Parenting in a Challenging World
January 12	Dr. Claire Sufrin – Elie Wiesel: His Life and Work (Part I)	
January 19	Dr. Claire Sufrin – Elie Wiesel: His Life and Work (Part II)	
January 26	Dr. Claire Sufrin – Elie Wiesel: His Life and Work (Part III)	Orot - Dipping into the Well: Jewish Spiritual Wisdom for Our Daily Lives - Refuge in the Busyness: Bringing 'Shabbat Mind' into the Everyday
February 2	Hakafa Professions Series - Dr. Ronald Hershov: Epidemiologist/Specialist in Public Health	Orot - Dipping into the Well: Jewish Spiritual Wisdom for Our Daily Lives - Embracing our Vulnerability: Opening to Mystery
February 9	Congregation Meeting	
February 23	One Congregation, One Book Discussion	JCFS - Stress, Depression, Suicide Risk and Intervention
March 1	Hakafa Professions Series – Michael Kreloff: Former Leader of Northfield Dems	Orot - Dipping into the Well: Jewish Spiritual Wisdom for Our Daily Lives - Building our Storehouses: Noticing Places of Scarcity and Abundance

March 8	David Rieser – Moses Mendelson and the Jewish Enlightenment (Part I)	Orot - Dipping into the Well: Jewish Spiritual Wisdom for Our Daily Lives - Choosing our Garments: Finding What We Need
March 15	David Rieser – Moses Mendelson and the Jewish Enlightenment (Part II)	JCFS - Tweens, Drugs, and Parenting
April 5	Sandy Goldberg – Philosophy of Language	
April 12	Josh Parshall – Historian of the Goldring/Woldenberg Institute of Southern Jewish Life	
April 19	Kalman Resnick and Palestinian Speaker – Human Rights Issues and Coexistence	
May 3	Judith Levi – The Identity Paradox: How Our Multiple Identities Both Divide and Unite Us	
May 17	Congregation Annual Meeting	

For more information about our Sunday Morning Adult Learning Opportunities, contact Judith Joseph (judithstudio@yahoo.com or 847-564-5452) or Bonnie Koven (ekoven@aol.com or 847-432-4826).

Coffee and Nosh (10:10 - 10:35 AM)

Each Sunday, we will continue to offer coffee and nosh for all adults between the morning service and our adult education program. Please join us for some coffee, food, and conversation! If you would like to sign up for a date to provide the drinks/food (Hakafa can reimburse you for a portion of the cost), contact Julie Tag (julie@julietaghomes.com) or go to: <http://tinyurl.com/coffee-on-sunday>.

Congregation Meetings

All Hakafa adults are invited to join us for our Congregation Meetings. Everyone has an equal voice at our meetings, and we encourage you to attend. Contact our president, Nancy Goodman (president@hakafa.org or 847-564-3273), with questions.

**Stick around again this year.
Learn with your Hakafa community.
Model Jewish learning for our children.
Help strengthen the bonds that make both our encirclement
and our people the dynamic entities that they are.**

Sunday Morning Adult Ed



Sunday Morning Adult Education: October Schedule

10:35 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Takiff Center (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe)

All Hakafa adults are invited to participate in our Sunday Morning Adult Education classes led by both congregational and community scholars who will delve into a variety of topics of special interest and expertise. Feel free to come for one session or for all of them!

October 6: Dorit Jordan Dotan will discuss “Art and Activism in Israel.”

A long-time participant in many social change activities, **Dorit Jordan Dotan’s** documentary photographs have brought her New Media art and designs to the wider Israeli and international public. Her photographs have been published in Israeli and international online and print news.

She provides a fascinating journey alongside documentary photographs of an often untold story. Dorit Jordan Dotan will discuss her deep love for her country, her belief in Israel’s future and her commitment to art as a path to that future.

Dotan will tell her story as a photographer who has documented, accompanied and participated in events promoting and celebrating co-existence, raising public awareness of local history, and her visits to the West Bank, as well as other first-person perspectives on Israel. The lecture will be followed by a presentation.

Dorit Jordan Dotan was born in Israel in 1961, and currently lives and works in Evanston, IL. She combines photography with innovative digital art. She creates Mixed Media exploring a variety of materials, Video Art, Installation Art and Painting. Her images often express her social/political views. Through her creations, she attempts to call attention to social and cultural issues. Her work has been exhibited in the USA, EU and Israel. In recent years she has exhibited at the HUC Museum New York. Dorit has participated in the Jerusalem Biennale in 2015 and 2017. She curated an exhibition at the Evanston Art Center in 2017, and was guest curator for Refreshing Feminism at Woman Made Gallery, Chicago. She participated in the Doing/Thinking residency at Wedge Projects Chicago and created her own Site Specific Installation Redundant. Dotan was selected as an artist in residence in Berlin, in 2020. She is a Fellow with the Jewish Art Salon (NY), and was an artist in residence at Spertus College, Chicago.

October 13: Robert Nevel will discuss “Food Justice and Sustainability.”

We will explore, together, the concepts of food justice and sustainability by examining the seven components of KAM Isaiah Israel’s Food Justice and Sustainability Program (www.kamii.org/foodjustice).

Robert Nevel is an architect, urban farmer and pioneer in the food justice movement. He sits on the Board of Advocates for Urban Agriculture and is a past president of KAM Isaiah Israel Congregation. His work has appeared in numerous publications, including The New York Times, Chicago Tribune, The Forward and Forbes <https://www.forbes.com/sites/megykarydes/2019/04/02/why-this-food-justice-organization-is-interested-in-growing-more-than-food-and-succeeding/#6dc0021463> and on the Chicago CBS Evening News <https://chicago.cbslocal.com/2017/08/24/positively-chicago-the-faith-farmers/>. His drawings are in the permanent collection of the Art Institute of Chicago.

In 2009 Robert founded the award winning, nationally recognized Food Justice and Sustainability Program at KAMII. The program is focused on transforming unproductive urban spaces into micro-farms and food forests, improving access to fresh food, teaching urban agriculture and sustainability skills and advocating for healthy food systems and responsible energy, land and water use.

Adult Education

Nosh and Know on the North Shore

"Nosh & Know on the North Shore" will take place on **Thursday, October 17** at **9:00 a.m.** in the **Elder Family's Sukkah** (333 Green Bay Road, Highland Park). Join us for a lively conversation with Rabbi Elder in the Sukkah! New participants are always welcome.

Lunch and Learn in the Loop

"Lunch & Learn in the Loop" will take place at **noon** on **Thursday, October 3** at the **NEW office of Phil Zisook** (222 S. Riverside Plaza, 21st Floor, Chicago). Bring your own lunch and prepare to participate in a lively discussion with Rabbi Elder! New participants are always welcome.

Midrash Class

Join us on **Tuesday mornings** from **9:00 to 10:00 a.m.** at the **North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe) to study *midrash*. Midrash is the creative, interpretative process of the rabbis over generations. Through midrash, we see how the rabbis saw the text of the Bible - its lessons, its messages, its practical applications, and its relevance to them throughout time. Through the study of midrash, we will see how much of our understanding of the biblical text has been influenced by theirs.

Please Note:

- *Midrash Class will NOT meet on October 1 and 8.*
- *Our October 15 class will meet in the Elder Family's Sukkah (333 Green Bay Road, Highland Park)*

The Siddur: It's Meaning and Theology

How many of us know what our Hebrew prayers actually say? How many of us know what they mean? Join us at **10:15 a.m.** on **Tuesday, October 15** in the **Elder Family's Sukkah** (333 Green Bay Road, Highland Park) and on **Tuesday, October 29** at the **North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe) as we explore the Jewish prayer book. During each session we will look at prayers in Hebrew, translate them together, discuss their theology, and parse what they might mean for us today.

Two Weekly Opportunities for Torah Study

Tuesday Evening Torah Class:

7:30 to 8:45 p.m.

North Shore United Methodist Church
(213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe)

Please Note:

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- *Our October 15 class will meet in the Elder Family's Sukkah (333 Green Bay Road, Highland Park)*

Wednesday Afternoon Torah Class:

1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

North Shore United Methodist Church
(213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe)

Please Note:

- *Our October 2 class will meet in the Northfield Community Room at the Northfield Public Library (1785 Orchard Lane, Northfield)*
- *Class will NOT meet on October 9*
- *Our October 16 class will meet in the Elder Family's Sukkah (333 Green Bay Road, Highland Park)*

Mishneh Torah Class

Our October session of Mishneh Torah (Jewish law) class will be held on **Tuesday, October 22** at **10:30 a.m.** at the home of **Allison Blakley Davis & Kenneth 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.

Hebrew Circle

If you are a Hebrew speaker (beginners welcome!) looking to practice your Hebrew with other Hebrew speaking Hakafa members, please join us on **Thursday, October 3** at **10:30 a.m.** at the **office of Brad Reiff** (332 S. Michigan Avenue, 13th floor, Chicago) for an hour of Hebrew conversation with Rabbi Elder! New participants are welcome.

Social Action

Volunteers Needed to Help at *A Just Harvest*

Good news! We have a NEW fried chicken provider for our monthly meal at A Just Harvest Community Kitchen. The Jewel/Osco in Gateway Plaza, 1763 Howard St., is a reliable, more affordable source and is getting rave reviews from A Just Harvest guests. **Volunteers are needed on all dates for the upcoming year.** NO FINANCIAL OBLIGATION necessary! Hakafa is reimbursing full cost of the chicken, and servers are always needed. Questions? Contact **Monique Parsons** at monique.parsons@gmail.com or **Debbie Charen** at debbie.charen@gmail.com. Sign up here: <http://tinyurl.com/a-just-harvest>

Enroll Your Child in SKIP Now and Invest in Your Child's Jewish Future

The **SEND-A-KID-TO-ISRAEL PARTNERSHIP (SKIP)** program is a special savings plan that helps Chicago area Jewish youth visit Israel as an integral part of their Jewish education. Young people who participate in the program for the full seven years (grades 3 through 9) will have approximately \$2,000, including interest, saved to help meet the cost of an Israel Experience program. SKIP funds can be used beginning the summer after 9th grade through age 26. Furthermore, SKIP contributions, plus interest, are FULLY REFUNDABLE at any time should your son or daughter not participate on an Israel Experience program.

SKIP GOAL - an Israel Experience program as part of each child's Jewish education. SKIP funds can be used for your family's choice of a wide variety of approved high school or college Israel Experience programs.

SKIP PARTNERS - your family, your congregation, and the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago each contribute to the SKIP savings plan.

SKIP ENROLLMENT - enroll in school grades 3-6 and continue to make contributions through 9th grade.

SKIP FACTS - Thousands of participants are currently enrolled in SKIP through more than 50 participating congregations, and many teens and young adults have used their SKIP funds to help them participate on an Israel Experience program.

SKIP INFORMATION - for more information on the SKIP program or enrollment in SKIP, contact **Jenny Patterson** (312.217.0724 or jrpatterson2000@gmail.com).

The Greater Chicago Area Jewish Community Organizations for Support

CJE Senior Life (cie.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.

Be a part of five faith communities coming together, rain or shine, to run/walk, eat, commune, and raise funds for



FACING HISTORY AND OURSELVES

People make choices. Choices make history.



Runners & Walkers

4.5 mile runners loop | 3 mile walk

Rain or Shine

3:30 PM Meet at the Skokie Lagoons, Winnetka
3:45 PM step off Entrance: 1770 Tower Rd. Winnetka, west of Forest Way

REGISTRATION

Runners/Walkers/Volunteers register at <https://tinyurl.com/yygc7ghw>

Free t-shirt to first 100 registrants!

POTLUCK

5:15 PM - Runners, walkers, spectators, and friends all welcome to enjoy a Potluck dinner at the Takiff Center at 999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe.

RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS



Bahá'í Faith



Congregation Hakafa



Muslim Community Center of Morton Grove



Sikh Religious Society Palatine Gurdwara



Winnetka Congregational Church

Congregation Hakafa Calendar

October 2019 – Tishrei / Cheshvan 5780

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Second Day of Rosh Hashanah 10:00 am Second Day Rosh Hashanah Service (Home of Annette Turow) 7:30 pm High Holiday Choir Rehearsal 6 (WCC) – NOTE DIFFERENT LOCATION	2 1:00 pm Torah Study (<u>Northfield Public Library</u>) – NOTE DIFFERENT LOCATION	3 10:30 am Hebrew Circle (Office of Brad Reiff) 12:00 pm Lunch & Learn in the Loop (Office of Phil Zisook)	4 7:30 pm Shabbat Service (WCH)	5 Shabbat Shuvah 8:30 am Shabbat Morning Minyan (Home of Barbara & Allen Anderson)
6 9:45 am-12:00 pm Religious School (TC) 10:35 am-12:00 pm Sunday Morning Adult Ed (TC) <i>Dorit Jordan Dotan - Art & Activism in Israel</i> 4:00-6:15 pm 9 th -11 th Grade Class Session I (NSUMC)	7	8 Erev Yom Kippur	9 Yom Kippur	10	11 7:30 pm Shabbat Service (WCH)	12
13 9:45 am-12:00 pm Religious School (TC) 10:35 am-12:00 pm Sunday Morning Adult Ed (TC) <i>Robert Nevel - Food Justice & Sustainability</i> 12:15 PM B'nai Mitzvah Information Meeting (TC) Erev Sukkot	14 Sukkot 1 Columbus Day	15 Sukkot 2 Newsletter Articles Due 9:00 am Midrash Class (Elder Family's Sukkah) 10:15 am Siddur Class (Elder Family's Sukkah) 4:15-6:00 pm Hebrew School (TC) 7:30 pm - Torah Study (Elder Family's Sukkah)	16 Sukkot 3 1:00 pm Torah Study (Elder Family's Sukkah)	17 Sukkot 4 9:00 am Nosh & Know on the North Shore (Elder Family's Sukkah)	18 Sukkot 5 7:30 pm Shabbat Service (TC) *NOTE LOCATION*	19 Sukkot 6 8:30 am Shabbat Morning Minyan (Home of Barbara & Allen Anderson) 7:30 pm New Member Havdallah in the Elder Family's Sukkah
20 Sukkot 7 3:30 pm Consecration & Simchat Torah Celebration (WCH)	21 Shmini Atzeret Simchat Torah 10:30 am Yizkor Service (TC)	22 9:00 am Midrash Class (NSUMC) 10:30 am Mishneh Torah Class (Home of Allison & Ken Davis) 4:15-6:00 pm Hebrew School (TC) 7:30 pm - Torah Study (NSUMC)	23 1:00 pm Torah Study (NSUMC)	24	25 7:30 pm Shabbat Service (WCH)	26 7:00 pm Film Group (NSUMC)
27 9:45 am-12:00 pm Religious School (TC) 10:35 am-12:00 pm Congregation Meeting (TC) 3:00-6:30 pm 12 th Grade Workshop I Multi-Faith Relay Run, Unity Walk, and Community Potluck Dinner	28	29 9:00 am Midrash Class (NSUMC) 10:15 am Siddur Class (NSUMC) 4:15-6:00 pm Hebrew School (TC) 7:30 pm - Torah Study (NSUMC)	30 1:00 pm Torah Study (NSUMC)	31		

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