



Congregation Hakafa Newsletter  
October 2023  
Tishrei / Cheshvan 5784

Bruce Elder, Rabbi  
Anna Calamaro, Rabbi

Robert J. Marx z"l, Founding Rabbi

## D'varim

### To Every Hakafa Member

I have just finished writing a speech that I will deliver at the Sane Freeze Conference on military disarmament. In it, I suggest the need for religious leaders to turn our agenda away from fear and toward hope. I am convinced that despite the thawing of the cold war, it is fear that dominates our national agenda. We went to war because we feared Saddam Hussein and mistrusted the more hopeful instruments of international conciliation. Fear has dominated our national elections--that is why the image of Willie Horton, even when denied as a stereotype, has been such a potent force for mobilizing white votes and such an effective election symbol. Fear is what keeps us from dismantling our huge military machine and turning our attention to building our hospitals and our cities, highways and smog-free methods of transportation. Fear is what keeps us so fascinated with a mass murderer in Milwaukee and with the daily reports of his sick life.

Our High Holidays are approaching, and they too begin with fear--the awesome dread of the holiest of days, questions about who will be written in the book of life, the sense of standing in the holy presence of God. The fear, however, is not about something outside of us and beyond our control. It is within us. It is the fear of our own destructive power--of how our words can cut others, about how our physical power can terrify our children, about how our indifference can wound our parents.

We are together trying to build a congregation--to make it a holy place. That is what our worship is about. That is what our curriculum tries to achieve. But a congregation is not an abstract corpus. It is you and me. It is our wonderful volunteer teachers trying to inspire our children. It is men and women who create our music and edit our bulletin and serve our congregation in a thousand ways. It is all of us working together--seeing one another often or seldom, but knowing that we are there for one another, in our dark hours, in our pain--and in our joy too.

We do not know everything about one another, or even a great deal--nor perhaps should we. But we know the blessings of life must be thankfully grasped and the rough moments courageously endured. May we be present for one another in these great extremes, and perhaps too, in the quotidian surges and counter surges that create the seascape of our lives.

Our holidays begin in fear, but they end in hope--the last redeeming call of the shofar on Yom Kippur. And during this time, we are called upon to fulfill an act of disarmament in unique ways. We need to take off the armor of self-delusion and selfishness, of manipulating others and of lying to ourselves. We need to disarm before God and before those we love. We need to turn the spears that protect us into the only arms that really matter--the arms of loving parents and caring children.

You are our congregation. You are Hakafa, our circle of friends. May we be blessed and kept in life--together--in health and in peace.

*Rabbi Robert J. Marx z"l  
August 9, 1991*

# SUKKOT & SIMCHAT TORAH 5784



## Kabbalat Shabbat in the Sukkah

Bring a lawn chair along with family and friends of all ages, and join us outdoors on Erev Sukkot - Friday, September 29 at 7:30 p.m. - for a Shabbat Service in the Hakafa Sukkah at the Takiff Center (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe). The service will be followed by a special Sukkot oneg!

*In case of rain, the service will be held via Zoom only.*



## Study Opportunities in the Sukkah

Come enjoy studying with other Hakafa members in the Sukkah!

### Midrash Class

Tuesday, October 3 - 10:00 a.m.

Hakafa Sukkah at the Takiff Center (999 Green Bay Rd, Glencoe)

### Tuesday Evening Tanach Study

Tuesday, October 3 - 7:30 to 8:45 p.m.

The Elder Family's Sukkah (333 Green Bay Rd, Highland Park)

### Wednesday Afternoon Tanach Study

Wednesday, October 4 - 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Hakafa Sukkah at the Takiff Center (999 Green Bay Rd, Glencoe)



## New Member Havdallah in The Elder Family's Sukkah

All members new to Hakafa within the last year have been invited to join Rabbi Bruce and Rona Elder for a Dessert Havdallah in their Sukkah on Saturday, September 30 at 7:30 p.m.



## Songs in the Sukkah for Tots



All tots (ages 0-4) and their grown-ups, siblings, & friends are invited to join Rabbi Calamaro and Rabbi Elder in the Hakafa Sukkah at the Takiff Center (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe) on Saturday, September 30 from 11:00 to 11:45 a.m. We will shake the lulav and etrog, enjoy challah, sing Sukkot songs, and do an art project!

## Yizkor Service Last Day of Sukkot



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 either in-person or via livestream on Saturday, October 7 at 10:30 a.m. as we share Yizkor services with Makom Solel Lakeside and Emanuel Congregation. Makom Solel Lakeside (1301 Clavey Road, Highland Park) will host us, and the service will be followed by a short Kiddush.

For those who are interested, there will be a Torah Study at 9:15 a.m., immediately before the Yizkor Service. All are welcome.

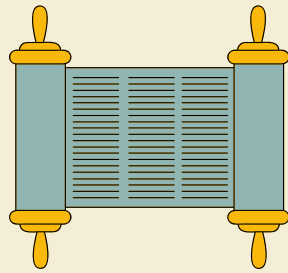
## Simchat Torah and Shabbat Service/Celebration

Join us on Friday, October 6 at 7:00 p.m. at the Winnetka Community House (620 Lincoln Avenue, Winnetka) to celebrate both Shabbat and Simchat Torah as we once again rejoice in the completion of the annual Torah cycle and honor those in our congregation who have celebrated a simcha in the past year! We will listen to the end and the beginning of the Torah being chanted and dance to the sounds of Hakafa's own Julian Solway joining Bibi Patt and a trio of her fellow Maxwell Street Klezmer Band musicians. The celebration will also include our annual Consecration Ceremony for students who are beginning their religious education.

This celebration is appropriate for people of all ages and will be followed by a special oneg. We hope you will come and enjoy the fun with your Hakafa family!



JOIN HAKAFA FOR



# *Simchat Torah and Shabbat*

**LIVE KLEZMER MUSIC - CONSECRATION -  
DANCING WITH THE TORAH - FOOD**

HAKAFA'S OWN JULIAN SOLWAY JOINS  
BIBI PATT AND A TRIO OF HER FELLOW  
MAXWELL STREET KLEZMER BAND MUSICIANS!

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE BOTH SHABBAT AND SIMCHAT TORAH AS WE  
ONCE AGAIN REJOICE IN THE COMPLETION OF THE ANNUAL TORAH  
CYCLE AND HONOR THOSE IN OUR CONGREGATION WHO HAVE  
CELEBRATED A SIMCHA IN THE PAST YEAR! THE CELEBRATION WILL  
ALSO INCLUDE OUR ANNUAL CONSECRATION CEREMONY FOR  
STUDENTS WHO ARE BEGINNING THEIR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

WINNETKA COMMUNITY HOUSE  
620 LINCOLN AVE, WINNETKA

CELEBRATION BEGINS AT  
**7 PM**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2023**

## Prayer and Celebration

### Friday Evening Services



Zoom Meeting ID: 292 137 266

*All are invited to join us for our weekly Friday Evening Kabbalat Shabbat Service. All services take place in **Room 101 at the Winnetka Community House** (620 Lincoln Avenue, Winnetka) **AND via Zoom** (Meeting ID: 292 137 266) unless otherwise noted below.*

**October 6**  
**7:00 p.m.**

#### Shmini Atzeret – Simchat Torah

Torah Portion: Deuteronomy 33:1- 34:12

Genesis 1:1-2:3

Haftarah: Joshua 1:1-18

**Shabbat Service and Simchat Torah Celebration**  
**NOTE EARLY START TIME**

**October 13**  
**7:30 p.m.**

#### Shabbat Bereshit

Torah Portion: Genesis 1:1 – 6:8

Haftarah: Isaiah 42:5 – 43:10

**October 20**  
**7:30 p.m.**

#### Shabbat Noach

Torah Portion: Genesis 6:9–11:32

Haftarah: Isaiah 54:1-55:5

**October 27**  
**7:30 p.m.**

#### Shabbat Lech L'cha

Torah Portion: Genesis 12:1 – 17:27

Haftarah: Isaiah 40:27 – 41:16

**Zoom Only**

### Shabbat Morning Minyan

Zoom Meeting ID: 847 8216 0504

Please join us on **Saturday, October 21** at **9:00 a.m.** at the **North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe) for this hour-long service and study. The service will also be accessible **via Zoom** for those who are not able to participate in-person.

Our Shabbat Morning Minyan is a wonderful opportunity to enhance your celebration of Shabbat.

### Hosts Needed for Friday Night Onegs

Hosting a Friday evening Oneg is a wonderful way to honor someone or to celebrate a special occasion with the congregation.

To volunteer to host, sign up online at this link:  
**<http://tinyurl.com/oneg-hosting>**

Please contact **Gayle Inbinder** (oneg@hakafa.org or 847-951-0380) and **Jill Mihailovic-Sternberg** (oneg@hakafa.org or 773-710-4436) for more information.

## Member News

### Please Help Us in Welcoming our New & Returning Members

- Brian Browdy and Dana Rhodes
- Renee and Wayne Hochberg
- Julie and Chris Tag and their children, Ella and Maddie

### Thank You to:

- Everyone who volunteered their time and efforts to make our High Holidays the beautiful and special occasions that they were this year
- Cindy Hamilton and Danielle Wylie for coordinating our very successful High Holiday Food Drive

### Mazal Tov to:

- Sharon and Eugene Gutan on their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary
- Gayle Inbinder and Ron Katz on the marriage of their daughter, Lindsay, to Mitchell Tolar
- Tory May and Jeff Lust on the birth of their grandchild, Theodore Simon May, to Nick and Taylor May
- Sy Rothstein on the marriage of his granddaughter, Caroline Rothstein, to Ryan Wendt

### Condolences to:

Adam Blonsky and family on the loss of his father, Joseph Blonsky

Wendy Dolin and family on the loss of her grandson, Jack Stewart Edwards

Nadine and Steve Greenberg, Joe Greenberg, and their family on the loss of their daughter/sister, Natalie Greenberg

Betsy Kessler and family on the loss of her cousin, David Slutsky

Paul Slater and family on the loss of his sister, Jan Barnow

Mary Stowell and family on the loss of her husband, James "Jim" Streicker

Julia Volpe and family on the loss of her husband, Alexander Volpe



## Member News (continued)

### Congregation Meeting

Zoom Meeting ID: 850 3496 3619

All Hakafa members are invited and encouraged to attend our next Congregation Meeting either **in-person at the Takiff Center** (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe) or **via Zoom** on **Sunday, October 15 at 10:30 a.m.** Contact our President, Barbara Miller (president@hakafa.org), with questions.

### Kesher Dessert and Discussion

You are an empty-nester, or soon to be one. Your children are not yet fully independent; perhaps they never will be. Your parents are either requiring more support or denying that they need it when, in fact, they do. You find yourself in the middle of it all, all the while trying to handle the complexities of your own life. Sound familiar? Welcome to the Sandwich Generation.

Join us on **Wednesday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m.** at the **home of Jennifer and Greg Braun** (1605 Elmwood Avenue, Wilmette) for dessert and a discussion entitled **"Balancing Work, Family, and Life: The Sandwich Generation."** We will be joined by **Elizabeth Ury, Director of Jewish Community Engagement at JCFS Chicago**, who will facilitate our conversation.

*\*Many Hakafa members have been living their congregation experience through their children. As their children move away, they are beginning to ask how to engage in our community for themselves. Kesher (Hebrew for "Connection") allows members in this demography to get to know one another, share ideas, and create new and deep relationships. Though geared toward new, recent, or soon-to-be empty nesters, all Hakafa members are invited to join us.*

### Relief from Financial Stress

If you are suffering from economic hardship and could use a little help, please reach out to Rabbi Elder (rabbi@hakafa.org, 847-266-8854). We have funds available to assist you.

### Willow Lawn Cemetery Plots

Green burial is more environmentally friendly than standard burial. **We have few available full plots remaining within our section, and we have several plots for the burial of cremains.** Information regarding Hakafa's green cemetery section at Willow Lawn is available on our website: ([www.hakafa.org/worship-ritual/life-cycle-events/death/endlife-resources/cemetery-options](http://www.hakafa.org/worship-ritual/life-cycle-events/death/endlife-resources/cemetery-options)). Contact **Deborah Brown** (dmb9476@gmail.com) with questions.

### Chesed

The Hebrew word for loving kindness is chesed. The Chesed Committee at Hakafa works to respond to a wide range of situations and events that occur in the lives of our members. It is our attempt to reach out to one another. If you or anyone you know of in our congregation is in crisis from an illness, death in the family, or personal stress, and could benefit from support, such as a visit, delivery / preparation of meals, or a ride to a health care appointment, contact **Camille DeFrank** (847-997-8085 /camilledefrank@gmail.com) or **Beth McCullough** (847-722-5430/mikeandbeth\_60089@yahoo.com).

## Help Us Increase Our Membership

Each year we hope to bring in a few new members to Hakafa. Our membership typically grows by word of mouth when current members introduce their friends, family, and neighbors to Hakafa. Here are some ways to help:

- If you have friends looking to join a temple, tell them about Hakafa. Email them our current newsletter, give them the link to our website ([www.hakafa.org](http://www.hakafa.org)), and suggest that they look at information for prospective members.
- Please consider inviting friends and neighbors to join us at Shabbat Services or any other services – either in-person or online. Here's the link to our calendar so you can see what they might be interested in: <https://www.hakafa.org/calendar>.
- Invite new families to visit Religious School on a Sunday and/or get in touch with Bibi Patt, our Director of Education. Bibi is happy to meet with any families and answer questions about our Religious School/Hebrew School/High School program. (Please pre-arrange a visit so that our teachers can be prepared.)
- Tell your friends about our wonderful Sunday Adult Study sessions and have them attend a session with you.
- Invite your friends to participate in a Hakafa social justice program. Sharing experiences leaves lasting impressions – and may result in friends telling other friends, who may be interested in our social justice efforts and our Circle.
- Rabbis Elder and Calamaro welcome the opportunity to meet with prospective members. Feel free to put friends/family/neighbors in touch with them!

If you have new member outreach ideas or want to get involved in recruiting new members, please contact **Janet Lubetkin** (vicepresident@hakafa.org or 847-721-0600).

## Member News (continued)

### Making Contributions to Hakafa

People ask how they can make a contribution to Hakafa. We have three funds and value your support:

- Our **General Fund** supports the day-to-day operations of the synagogue. Please make your check payable to "Congregation Hakafa."
- **Rabbi Elder's Discretionary Fund** directly supports those in need in and around our community. Rabbi Elder directs the usage of these funds. Please make your check payable to "Congregation Hakafa" and write "Rabbi Elder's Discretionary Fund" on the memo line.
- **Rabbi Calamaro's Discretionary Fund** directly supports those in need in and around our community. Rabbi Calamaro directs the usage of these funds. Please make your check payable to "Congregation Hakafa" and write "Rabbi Calamaro's Discretionary Fund" on the memo line.
- Our **Endowment Fund** supports special programming not covered by the budget. Endowment Trustees direct the usage of these funds. Please make your check payable to "Congregation Hakafa" and write "Endowment Fund" on the memo line.
- **The Rabbi Robert J. Marx Social Justice Fund** supports new justice initiatives proposed by congregants that reflect the values and life of our founding rabbi. Please make your check payable to "Congregation Hakafa" and write "RJM Fund" on the memo line.

If you would like to make your donation in honor or in memory of someone, please be sure to include a note in your envelope with the appropriate information so that a card can be sent to the honoree to let that person know about your donation.

**All donations can be mailed to: Congregation Hakafa, P.O. Box 409, Glencoe, IL 60022.** It is also possible to make donations with a credit card. Please contact Rona Elder (admin@hakafa.org) for assistance with that. If you are interested in a legacy giving plan, please let us know and arrangements can be made. If you have any questions, contact Rona.

## Adult Education

### Yiddish Class

**We're continuing our popular weekly Yiddish classes beginning October 9!** We meet on Mondays at **7:00 p.m.** during the school year. Meetings are in-person at the **home of Henry and Ellen Criz**. We will add a Zoom option again this year if there is interest. **Students of all ages are welcome - no prior knowledge of Yiddish is necessary.** Our teacher is **Dov Steinberg** who's first language was Yiddish.

**R.S.V.P. to Betsy** (betsyhersher@gmail.com), **Sharon Gutan** (gutan627@comcast.net), or **Ellen Criz** (hecruz@sbcglobal.net). Call Betsy (Home 847-945-5974, Cell 847-454-5109) or Sharon (Home 847-256-0638, Cell 847-989-4183) with questions.

*Feel free to bring a guest and a non-meat snack to share.*

### Wednesday Afternoon Tanach Study

Zoom Meeting ID: 813 358 443

All are invited to join Rabbi Elder **either in-person** at the **North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe) **OR via Zoom** for weekly Tanach study on **Wednesday afternoons** from **1:00 to 2:30 p.m.** Each week, we proceed through the Bible, verse by verse, discussing its content and various interpretations. New participants are always welcome.

**Please Note:**

- **Our October 4 class will meet in the Hakafa Sukkah at the Takiff Center (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe) and via Zoom**
- **Class will NOT meet on October 25 and November 1**

### Tuesday Evening Tanach Study

Zoom Meeting ID: 662 730 822

All are invited to join Rabbi Elder **via Zoom** for weekly Tanach study on **Tuesday evenings**, from **7:30 to 8:45 p.m.** Each week, we proceed through the Bible, verse by verse, discussing its content and various interpretations. New participants are always welcome.

**Please Note:**

- **Our October 3 class will meet in the Elder Family's Sukkah (333 Green Bay Road, Highland Park) and via Zoom**
- **Class will NOT meet on October 24 and October 31**

## Adult Education (continued)

### Midrash Class

Zoom Meeting ID: 865 5571 6045

Join us either **in-person at the North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe) **OR via Zoom on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.** to study *midrash* with Rabbi Calamaro. Midrash is the creative, interpretative process of the rabbis over generations.

**Please Note:**

- **Class on October 3 will meet in the Hakafa Sukkah at the Takiff Center (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe) and via Zoom**
- **Class will not meet on October 24.**

### Musar Class

Zoom Meeting ID: 242 631 590

Musar is a long-standing tradition of exploring Jewish ethics with a particular focus on character formation. Join Rabbi Elder via **Zoom on Wednesday mornings from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.** to delve into selections from the Musar tradition, in text and in practice.

**Please Note: Class will not meet on October 25 and November 1.**

### Lattes & Limmud Class

Zoom Meeting ID: 883 3216 9148

All are invited to join Rabbi Calamaro once each month (usually on the second Thursday of the month) for lively discussion on a variety of topics. We will meet this month on **Thursday, October 12 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.** both **in-person at the home of Cookie and Ned Robertson (211 Dennis Lane, Glencoe) and via Zoom.**

### Hakafa Book Club

All are welcome to join our informal book group dedicated to reading Jewish and Jew-adjacent works of fiction and nonfiction. We will meet on **Sunday, October 8 at 4:15 p.m. in-person at the North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe) **and via Zoom** to discuss *Kasher in the Rye: The True Tale of a White Boy from Oakland Who Became a Drug Addict, Criminal, Mental Patient, and Then Turned 16* by Moshe Kasher. Hakafa member and librarian, **David Levinson**, facilitates the book group discussions. Please contact David (delevinson@mac.com) with any questions or if you need the Zoom link.

## Sunday Morning Adult Education

Zoom Meeting ID: 871 3067 5137

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. Class meets on **Sunday mornings from 10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon.** We will meet **both in-person in Community Room 1 at the Takiff Center** (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe) **and via Zoom.** Come early for a cup of coffee and to schmooze, and grab a bagel at noon before leaving.

**October 1:** Join us for **Talking About God** with **Mitchell Brown**. God does not exist. But.... we need to talk about and indeed worship God. This session will provide some thoughts about how and why we talk about God.

*Mitchell Brown 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.*

**October 8:** Join **David Kanin** to discuss **The Middle East and Global Geopolitics**. Changes in the dynamics of great power politics have long forced or enabled developments in the region from Libya to Iran. After considering the context of these tectonics we will discuss connections between challenges to Western hegemony and the Abraham Accords, subsequent agreements with China and Iran forged by Saudi Arabia, lingering tensions in Syria, Iraq and Lebanon and the agony that is the Israel-Palestine dispute. Our conversation also will touch on current events in West Africa and the continuing struggle against radical Islamist violence as they affect Middle Eastern trajectories.

*David B. Kanin is Adjunct Lecturer of European Studies at the School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University and Adjunct Professor of National Security at the Bush School of Government and Public Service, Texas A&M University. In 2010 he retired as a senior analyst after a 31- year career with the Central Intelligence Agency.*

**October 22:** Join us as **Cameron Joseph** returns to provide us with **Insights into National Politics**. We will hear analysis of the current political scene running up to the presidential election.

*Cameron Joseph is an award-winning freelance reporter who has covered Congress, the White House, and the campaign trail. He is a contributor to the Almanac of American Politics, and previously worked for VICE News, Talking Points Memo, the New York Daily News, the Hill and National Journal.*

# Chadashot

**Hakafa Youth News**  
**October 2023**

## Note from the Director of Education

Religious School resumes on October 1 back at the **Takiff Center**! We are excited to begin our class schedule and would like to remind everyone that our school day is now from **10:00 am to 12:00 noon**. For our first day at Takiff, we will meet in the Sukkah at 10:00 am for our service and for the chance for families to shake the lulav/etrog. There will be coffee and nosh for parents to enjoy when the kids go to class! We will reconvene in the Community Hall for bagels at noon where parents can meet their children. We are so happy to be fully "back to normal"!

On October 1 we have a busy day! In addition to Religious School, at 12:15 we will have a B'nai Mitzvah information meeting for families who have 6th and 7th graders. And later that day, we will be having our High School Kickoff Event – an escape room and ice cream in Evanston!

On Friday, October 6 we will be celebrating Simchat Torah. Please join us for dancing with the Torah! We will also have a small consecration ceremony for our new students (Mazel Tov!)

We have a regular Sunday schedule for the rest of the month - October 8, 15, and 22. We will be off on Sunday, October 29. Hebrew School will also have a normal schedule with the exception that there will be no school on October 31.

Other High School dates to note include our first class of the year for 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> graders on October 15 at Curt's Café in Evanston from 4:00-6:15 pm. Dinner and dessert will be included! And, our high school seniors will have their first workshop of the year on Sunday, October 29 - more information to follow.

We have a busy month full of wonderful educational opportunities for everyone! Wishing you a big *Chag Sameach* and looking forward to celebrating Sukkot and Simchat Torah and learning all together!

L'shalom,  
*Bibi*



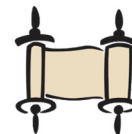
## High School Happenings in October!

Our High School Program kicks-off in full swing this month! High Schoolers should watch their emails for all details. Questions? [admin@hakafa.org](mailto:admin@hakafa.org).

**October 1 – Escape Room and Ice Cream Kick-Off Event for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grades**

**October 15 – First Class Session for 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Grades**

**October 29 – First Workshop for High School Seniors**



## B'nai Mitzvah Information Meeting

If your child is planning to become a B'nai Mitzvah within the next twelve to eighteen months, please come to a special meeting on **Sunday, October 1** in **Community Room 1** at the **Takiff Center** (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe) at **12:15 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 B'nai Mitzvah ceremony as meaningful as possible. Please contact Rabbi Elder (847-266-8854 or [rabbi@hakafa.org](mailto:rabbi@hakafa.org)) or Bibi Patt (847-650-7720 or [education@hakafa.org](mailto:education@hakafa.org)) with any questions.

## October Dates to Note:



- October 1:
  - Religious School
  - B'nai Mitzvah Info Meeting (12:15 PM)
  - High School Kick-Off Event (2-4:45 PM)
- October 3: Hebrew School
- October 6: Congregational Simchat Torah and Shabbat Celebration (7:00 PM)
- October 8: Religious School
- October 10: Hebrew School
- October 15:
  - Religious School
  - 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Grade High School Class Session I (4:00-6:15 PM, Curt's Café)
- October 17: Hebrew School
- October 22: Religious School
- October 24: Hebrew School
- October 29:
  - NO Religious School
  - High School Seniors Workshop I





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# TOT SHABBAT

**Saturdays 11/4 - 12/16**

**11am-12pm**

**Hi-Five Sports at Northbrook Court**

Calling all Jewish families with tots 0-3:  
Join us for 6 sessions of Shabbat songs,  
games, art, challah, and more!

Register using the QR Code or go to  
<https://tinyurl.com/HakafaHiFive>.

You can also register at  
[northshore@hifivesports.com](mailto:northshore@hifivesports.com).

**Use Discount Code HAKAFA to reduce the  
price to \$54 per family for all 6 sessions!**



CONGREGATION  
**HAKAFA**

JOIN US FOR A SCREENING &  
DISCUSSION OF

# STRANGER / SISTER

A DOCUMENTARY BY A KIRSTEN KELLY & KATIE TABER

MONDAY,  
NOVEMBER 13, 2023

7:00 PM

WILMETTE THEATER

1122 CENTRAL AVENUE,  
WILMETTE

THIS EVENT IS FREE OF CHARGE.  
PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

FOR MORE DETAILS  
AND TO REGISTER:



<https://tinyurl.com/StrangerSister>



Presented by Congregation Hakafa,  
Muslim Community Center of Morton Grove,  
and Sisterhood of Salaam Shalom

*"The film challenges people to step outside their comfort zone and participate in difficult conversations to remove fear and prejudice by learning about other cultures and religions."*

– The Oakland Press



The United States is experiencing a surge in hate crimes as a tide of white supremacy gathers momentum nationwide. Muslim and Jewish communities are particularly at risk. Stranger/Sister is the story of two ordinary women, one Muslim and one Jewish, who dare to believe they can join hands to stop the wave of hate.

Intimately following women from Sisterhood chapters in Austin, Chicago and across the Nation, the Sisters build a powerful network of hope in a time of chaos and hate.

# Congregation Hakafa Calendar

October 2023 – Tishrei/Cheshvan 5784

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1 Sukkot 2</b> 10:00 am–12:00 pm Religious School 10:30 am–12:00 pm Adult Education (TC) – Mitchell Brown: <i>Talking About God</i> 12:15 pm B'nai Mitzvah Info Meeting (TC) 2:00-4:45 pm High School Kick-Off Event	<b>2 Sukkot 3</b>	<b>3 Sukkot 4</b> 10:00 am Midrash Class in the Sukkah ( <b>Hakafa Sukkah &amp; Zoom</b> ) 4:15-5:30 pm Hebrew School (TC) 7:30 pm Tanach Study in the Sukkah ( <b>Elder Family's Sukkah &amp; Zoom</b> )	<b>4 Sukkot 5</b> 10:00 am Musar Class (Zoom) 1:00 pm Tanach Study in the Sukkah ( <b>Hakafa Sukkah &amp; Zoom</b> )	<b>5 Sukkot 6</b>	<b>6 Sukkot 7</b> 7:00 pm ( <b>NOTE EARLY TIME</b> ) Shabbat Service and Simchat Torah Celebration (WCH & Zoom)	<b>7 Shmini Atzeret Simchat Torah</b> 9:15 am Torah Study (Makom Solel Lakeside) 10:30 am Yizkor Service (Makom Solel Lakeside)
<b>8</b> 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Religious School 10:30 am–12:00 pm Adult Education (TC) – David Kanin: <i>The Middle East and Global Geopolitics</i> 4:15 pm Book Club (NSUMC & Zoom)	<b>9</b> 7:00 pm Yiddish Class (Home of Ellen & Henry Criz)	<b>10</b> 10:00 am Midrash Class (NSUMC & Zoom) 4:15-5:30 pm Hebrew School (TC) 7:30 pm Tanach Study (Zoom)	<b>11</b> 10:00 am Musar Class (Zoom) 1:00 pm Tanach Study (NSUMC & Zoom)	<b>12</b> 9:00-10:00 am Lattes & Limmud (Home of Cookie and Ned Robertston)	<b>13</b> 7:30 pm Shabbat Service (WCH & Zoom)	<b>14</b>
<b>15 Newsletter Articles Due</b> 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Religious School 10:30 am – 12:00 pm Congregation Meeting (TC) 4:15-6:00 pm 9 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> Grade Class Session I	<b>16</b> 7:00 pm Yiddish Class (Home of Ellen & Henry Criz)	<b>17</b> 10:00 am Midrash Class (NSUMC & Zoom) 4:15-5:30 pm Hebrew School (TC) 7:30 pm Tanach Study (Zoom)	<b>18</b> 10:00 am Musar Class (Zoom) 1:00 pm Tanach Study (NSUMC & Zoom) 7:00 pm Keshet Dessert & Discussion (Home of Jennifer & Greg Braun)	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 7:30 pm Shabbat Service (WCH & Zoom)	<b>21</b> 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Minyan (NSUMC & Zoom)
<b>22</b> 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Religious School 10:30 am–12:00 pm Adult Education (TC) – Cameron Joseph: <i>Insights into National Politics</i>	<b>23</b> 7:00 pm Yiddish Class (Home of Ellen & Henry Criz)	<b>24</b> 4:15-5:30 pm Hebrew School (TC)	<b>25 Congregation Trip to Morocco</b>	<b>26 Congregation Trip to Morocco</b>	<b>27 Congregation Trip to Morocco</b> 7:30 pm Shabbat Service (via Zoom only)	<b>28 Congregation Trip to Morocco</b>
<b>29 Congregation Trip to Morocco</b> 2:15 pm High School Senior Workshop I	<b>30 Congregation Trip to Morocco</b> 7:00 pm Yiddish Class (Home of Sharon & Eugene Gutan)	<b>31 Congregation Trip to Morocco</b> 10:00 am Midrash Class (NSUMC & Zoom)	<div>                         TC = Glencoe Park District Takiff Center (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe)                          WCH = Winnetka Community House (620 Lincoln Avenue, Winnetka)                          NSUMC = North Shore United Methodist Church (213 Hazel Avenue, Winnetka)                     </div>			



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