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RABBI'S STUDY



For the worldwide Jewish community, the High Holy Day Season is upon us. This year, the new Jewish year of 5779 begins at nightfall on Sunday, September 9th. As determined by our Rabbis of ancient time, the year 5779 represents the amount of time that has elapsed since the creation of humanity until our present day. At this time, our prayers center on the theme of HaShem granting each of us the ability to live and be productive for yet another year.

One image that comes to my mind at this time of the year is that of a journey through time, going from one place in our lives to another place that will hopefully make life better for us in the coming year. Of course, we do not make this

journey alone; instead, it is done with other fellow travelers, specifically with those people who will be praying with us as we make our plea to HaShem to be written in the Book of Life for the coming year. Because it is traditional for a Jew to recite "Tefillat HaDerekh," the "Prayer of the Journey" before making a long physical journey, I would like to offer the following prayer be recited by each of us as we begin our spiritual journey into the New Year of 5779:

May it be Y-ur will, L-rd our G-d and G-d of our Fathers and Mothers, to lead us and to direct our steps in safety, to guide us to our desired destination in joy and peace, and to bring us home in peace. Save us from all dangers and accidents as well as from all afflictions that threaten our world. May Y-u, and all whom we may meet, view us with kindness and mercy. Hear our prayer, for Y-u, O G-d, listen and give heed to all prayers. Praised are Y-u, O L-rd, Who listens to prayer.

Because each one of us cannot know where our spiritual journey may take us, we must make every effort to complete that journey in whatever way is best suited for us, both as individuals and as a community. Of course, each one of us wants to end up in the place where we hope we are meant to be, specifically in the Book of Life, but most importantly we want to end up where HaShem intends us to be. That is why during the "Yamim Nora'im," during the "Days of Awe," we pray with all our heart, with all our soul, and with all our might that HaShem intends each of us to be written in the Book of Life.

I hope and pray that all of us will use Rosh HaShanah 5779 to begin the spiritual journey that will bring blessing to our own individual selves, to our families, to our Synagogue, and last, but certainly not least, to the entire People Israel.

With a Blessing of Peace, I am...

Rabbi Reuben Israel Abraham



Student Trips to Israel

Do you know a teenager or young adult student who is planning a trip to Israel? If so, contact the shul office - they are here to help! The Jeffrey Allen Memorial Fund is set up to help students fund their trips to Israel.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

It's good to be together. I usually start annoucements at Shabbat services this way. Today I use this phrase to thank our new and retuning members for being part of the awesome CSS family.

There is excitement and exhilaration in the air with the approaching holiday. Thanks to the hard work and preparations by our great team of clergy, staff and volunteers. It's going to be very good for all of us to come together for Holiday 5779.

In this Scroll you will find a detailed Holiday schedule of our Traditional and Egalitarian servicese. Our Rabbi Reuben Israel Abraham and Cantor Don Samuels will lead Traditional services. We are excited for Rabbi Ravid Tilles to

join Cantor Michael Bitton in our Egalittarian services this holiday. We warmly welcome Rabbi Tilles, Mrs. Yaffa Tilles and their children on their visit to the Philadelphia area.

As we gear up to greet our many CSS friends and take out those holiday recipes, let's also pay attention to our CSS Holiday checklist:

- *Contact the office to accept honors and plan to show up for them early.
- *Reserve holiday parking (see more information on page 30).
- *Place ads and personal greetings in the CSS calendar and events booklet.
- *Arrange for guest tickets for your visiting family members.
- *RSVP and reserve your spot for our holiday events including; Tashlich, Yom Kippur Break Fast, Sukkah Congregation Luncheon, and Beer in the Booth, Dinner in the Sukkah.

Look for our booklets that come out annually every holiday season. Keep your eyes open for our events booklet, Events at CSS, on your seat at High Holidays. Be sure to take it home with you and use it as a reference for all events taking place this upcoming year. Also be sure to take some time to look at the annually updated Yiskor Memorial Book which is beautifully dedicated to our loved ones. Don't forget about our beautiful calendar created by Carrie Blasband and Karen Simansky. Look inside, and shop at the generous businesses who support us.

My own plans are for me to enjoy friends and family, reach out to as many congregants as possible, sing gloriously (subjective, I know), find strength and inspiration in prayer, honor my memories and remember this moment, because we cannot get it back!

May we all find peace, health, contentment and wisdom together in 5779. Shanna Tova!

Fran Gabriel francesgabriel@comcast.net



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September 2018 ELUL 5778/TISHREI 5779

SUNDAY			16 Sukkah Building 9:00a	23 Erev Sukkot Sukkah decoration 9:00 a	\$0 Hoshana Rabah	
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THURSDAY		9	13 Fast of Gedalia	20	27 Chol Hamoed Sukkot	** Time TBD/ Following Services
WEDNESDAY		5 7:00p Men's Club Board MTG	12 Rosh Hashanah	19 Yom Kippur BREAK THE FAST**	26 6:30p DINNER IN THE SUKKKAH Sukkot	ule page for a list
TUESDAY		4 LABOR DAY	11 Tashlich 1 Rosh Hashannah	18 Erev Yom Kippur	25 Sukkot	*Check our High Holiday schedule page of high Holiday services
MONDAY		3	10 Erev Rosh Hashannah	17	24 Sukkot	*Check our High Holiday of high Holiday services

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This is the season of beginnings. Yet for many people this is a very busy season. We are cooking, going to shul, getting ready for visitors, and contemplating. The Holidays are here, and so are many fun events we are able to participate in. For people who have a Sukkah, the season is longer and much more difficult, but also much more fun. One other thing we do is participate in Tashlich. We ask G-d to forigve us for all the "wrong" that we have done in the past year. We go to natural running water, a creek or river, and throw bread in which represents our wrong doings.

As I was reading, I came accross an article writting by Richard J. Israel in 1997. He made a list of sins and the types of bread used in the Tashlich service.

".....For ordinary Sins: White Bread. For Exotic Sins: French Bread. For particularly dark sins: Pumpernickle. For complex sins: Multi-grain. For twisted sins: Pretzel. For tastesless sins: Rice Cakes. For those sins committed in hate: Matzah. For the silly sins: Nut bread. For being grumpy: Sourdough. For telling bad jokes: Cornbread."

So if you see a person with a bag of assorted breads this Taschlich, we will now know which sins he or she had.

After the Holidays, you see where our new beginnings fit in. If you are not an avid reader, it is ok. Now is the time to start. We have a variety of books in our library by an assortment of authors. Surely you will find a book on a subject you will like. New titles in the fiction sections are: *The Great Along* By Kristen Hannah and *After Alice* by Lisa Scottoline. Check us out. We're up to date and ready to serve you.

As always, Happy Reading,

Rosalie Cohen



Join us for our next book review Thursday, September 27th @ noon

"After Anna" by Lisa Scottoline

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9/02 - Shlomi & Liora Bakalo

9/07 - Steven & Deborah Samson

9/08 - Saul & Beverly Victor Jay & Peggy Kaufman

9/14 - Irwin & Esther Wechter

9/16 - Ronald & Sheryl Schwartz

9/19 - Alexander & Valerie Mermelstein

9/24 - Kenneth & Renee' Berger

9/27 - Herbert & Ruth Spangler

BIRTHDAYS

9/01 - Larry Spector Allison Zimri Sylvan Eisman Louis Cheifetz

9/02 - Elaine Goldfield Mathew Spector Gail Batoff

9/03 - Phyllis Schifreen

9/04 - Rhona Sloan Charlene Koller

9/05 - Arnold Escourt

9/06 - Esther Wechter Troy Bader Paula Chernoff Marion Cohen

9/07 - Blanche Silver

9 /08 - Helen Stein

9/09 - Edward Swartz Lois Bittman

9/10 - Karen Wallace Jay Kaufman

9/11 - Ruth Oslick

9/12 - Marilyn Shuben Solomon Weinstein 9/13 - Alan Kanefsky Marlene Markowitz Barry Kaufman

9/14 - Marcia Blitz Seymour Ehrlich

9/15 - Simon Mindel Lynn Ratmansky

9/16 - Stephen Figlin

9/17 - Robert Wolk

9/19 - Eleanor Snyder Lawrence Chosed Jeanne Kolodner Lee Zwick

9/20 - Irving Shore Stanley Smuckler Helene Sternberg Marsha Factor

9/21 - Zelda Oslon Stanford Goodman Barbara Stein

9/22 - Howard Rovner Louis Kaufman

9/23 - Lois Solomon Randi Poliner

9/24 - Arlene Birk

9/25 - Roslyn Guenther

Lynn Brown

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We have a NEW Instagram! Be sure to follow us at @Congshaareshamayim for updates on what's happening around the synagagoue.



We are sad to say goodbye to Debbie Hersh, who has been an essential part of our CSS office family since 2015. She is off to Temple to pursue her MBA. Mazel Tov Debbie!



Have you noticed how bright it is around the Shul? Maintenance staff has been hard at work installing the new lightbulbs from our lightbulb campaign!



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Have you heard all the buzz about our FIRST Apples and Honey Fun Run? Check out our feature article about this event on page 9.

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Join us this year for a Selichot service and performance with Segit Zilberman! 8:30 pm performance, 10:00 pm service.











As the High Holiday's approach, our office hours may change. Please check our website and social media pages for a list of Holiday office hours.



This year join us for our annual dinner in the Sukkah. In addition to dinner, we will have a beer sampling guided by beer enthusiast, Bob Houghton.

Check back next Scroll to see brief descriptions of what's happening here around the shul!



FROM THE COVER: Apples and Honey Fun Run



Join us for our first Apples and Honey Fun Run!

Join us on Oct. 21st for Congregation Shaare Shamayim's first annual Apples and Honey 5k and 1k fun run. To be held at PennyPack Park, Pine Road entrance, this event is open to all skill levels and ages. Runners and walkers are welcome in both races! Registration begins at 8:30 am. 5k run/walk begins at 9:45 am. 1k run/walk begins at 10:15 am. Both races wrap up at 12:00 pm. All participants will receive a snack and shirt.

Not interested in participating? Feel free to volunteer! Can't make the big day? Donate or sponsor our event.

How to sign up: Signing up to volunteer or participate in this event is EASY! If you are looking to sign up visit our race website by typing this web address into your web browser:

https://cssappplesandhoneyfunrun18.eventbrite.com OR you can search Apples and Honey Fun Run on Eventbrite.com. This link is also featured on our facebook page!

Although signing up on the link is our first choice, if you'd like to sign up without using technology you are always able to do so. Call us at the office or stop in.



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SISTERHOOD HAPPENINGS

With the start of the Holiday season, I felt it best to share this reminder of what membership means to us as members of the Sisterhood here at Shaare Shamayim:

- **M** Membership is the lifeline of any organization
- E Every member adds longevity, strength, vitality and inspiration
- M Members are all unique and each member adds special qualities
- **B** Bringing in a new sisterhood member gains additional friendships as we can see
- E Each person is so special to us in each and every way
- **R** Realizing each of us play a part to make our Sisterhood so fantastic every day
- S Shaare Shamayim Sisterhood women plan lots of fun things to do
- H High tea, shows, programs, bingo, luncheons and we cook delicious food and goodies too
- I Incidentally we are a friendly bunch and work to help charities and those in need
- P Please join us: we would love to have you as part of our Sisterhood family indeed

Thanks to Lois Cleghorn for this wonderful reminder of what Sisterhood means.

Sisterhood Calendar 2018-2019

*meetings are at 7pm unless otherwise marked

General Meetings

Tuesday, September 4, 2018

Tuesday, October 9, 2018

Tuesday, November 13, 2018 *6:00pm

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

Tuesday, January 8, 2019 *1:00pm

Tuesday, February 12, 2019 *1:00pm

Tuesday, March 12, 2019

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Tuesday, May 14, 2019

Tuesday, June 4, 2019 *6:00pm

Board Meetings

Thursday, September 27, 2018*

Tuesday, October 23, 2018

Tuesday, November 27, 2018

Tuesday, December 18, 2018

Tuesday, January 22, 2019 *1:00pm

Tuesday, February 26, 2019 *1:00pm

Tuesday, March 26, 2019

Tuesday, April 23, 2019

Tuesday, May 28, 2019 (President's Dinner)

Tuesday, June 25, 2019

Special Events (Tentative)

Wednesday, October 17, 1:00pm

Wednesday, october 24, 8:15am

Friday, November 2, 7:45pm

Tuesday, November 13, 6:00pm

Tuesday, December 11, 6:00pm

Tuesday, January 8, 1:00pm Wednesday, February 20, 1:00pm

Wednesday, March 27, 1:00pm

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Wednesday, April 10, 8:15am

Wednesday, May 1, 6:00pm

Tuesday, June 4, 6:00pm

Wednesday, June 18, 6:00pm

Luncheon NY Trip

Sisterhood Shabbat

Membership Dinner

Bingo

Baby Shower

Special Event Day

High Tea

NY Trip

Bingo

Donor Dinner

Installation

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MEN'S CLUB TIME OUT

September marks endings (of vacation days) and beginnings (back to school, the New Year and Days of Awe). We also note a small change in leadership. Howard Rosen gladly moves to VP of finance, making room for Paul Kaplan to join Barry Leiber as co-President. Join us on Sunday, August 16 at 9 am to help us build the Sukkah. Enthusiasm is more important than skill. October 14 is our annual Meet the Candidates brunch in an important election year. No charge, however; please call the office to RSVP so we can plan accordingly. Men's Club is here for all men in the congregation and our local Jewish community. Help us grow by joining, and give us your ideas for new events and activities. The only reason we haven't done something new is that we

haven't thought of it. We hope to roll out new things in the coming year. Send your ideas to Paul: editright365@gmail.com. We also ask current members to attend a morning or evening minyan when you can.

A note about our column's new name. We hope to take no more than one minute of your time each month to update you on Men's Club happenings, and we hope you give us that minute.

We wish everyone a meaningful holiday season. See you all in shul. Barry Leiber and Paul Kaplan

Men's Club Calendar 2018-2019

Board Meetings

Tuesday, September 4, 2018, 7pm Thursday, October 11, 2018, 7pm Wednesday, November 7, 2018, 7pm

General Meetings

Tuesday, November 20, 7pm Tuesday, January 8, 2019, 7pm Tuesday, March 5, 2019, 7pm Tuesday, April 2, 2019, 7pm Tuesday, May 7, 2019, 7pm Tuesday, June 4, 2019, 7pm

Special Events

*dates and times subject to change

Sunday, September 16, time TBD Sunday, October 14, 10am Monday, December 17, 6:30pm Sunday, February 3, 9:30am Sunday, March 10, time TBD Tuesday, March 19, 7pm Friday, May 17, 7:45pm Thursday, June 6, 6:30pm

Sukkah Building Meet the Candidates Brunch Paid Up Membership Dinner World Wide Wrap ARC Blood Drive Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle Family Shabbat Service Closing Affair: Beef and Beer

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YIDDISH CONVERSATION GROUP:

An in depth look at our Yiddish Conversation Group with Congregant Jack Belitsky

The Yiddish Conversation Group will resume the second Tuesday of October, Oct. 9th from 12:30pm to 2:00pm. All sessions will be be held on the second Tuesday of each month. Please note that this is a change from before. We will continue to enjoy conversations, remenicining and learning, All levels of Yiddish are welcome. We always have a most pleasant time. You are more than welcome to attend all sessions or just one, but we encourage new learners to attend regularly.

We look forward to seeing new faces in our group! For further information please call the congregation main office.

-Group Coordinator, Jack Belitsky





This Google Group is available!

Recycle your used or unwanted items and maybe even take home a new treasure.

HOW TO JOIN:

- 1. go to googlegroups.com
- 2. search for Shaare Shamayim Exchange
- 3. click on group
- 4. apply for membership

*You must be a CSS member or a member of the Preschool to join. Please only post things that are free and in good condition

SPECIAL THANKS:

Thank you for the love and support of friends that pull together. Thank you for caring. - Gerry Zaretsky

Thank you for everyone's patience and kindness after my accident. I am very lucky to work in such a wonderful community! - Alison Houghton

A heartfelt thank you to our CSS family for your kind words, calls, and donations in memory of our beloved grandmom and great-grandmom, Anne Fleishman. It truly meant the world to us. - Carrie Blasband and Family

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Beginner and Intermediate Hebrew Classes

Learn to read, write and speak Hebrew.

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Beginners Class: 9:15AM **Intermediate Class:** 10AM

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Our Intermediate class is a follow-up to our beginner class and builds on the skills mastered in the previous class.

To register, please call the synagogue office at 215-677-1600 or sign up on our website, www.shaareshamayim.org.



Corrections from last Scroll

We are very sorry if we missed your special date or mispelled anything in our last edition!

Please see below for corrections from last Scroll:

Carol and Keith Kessler 50th wedding Anniversary, Aug. 4th



Join us for a congregation Sukkot Luncheon

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Saturday, Sept. 29th

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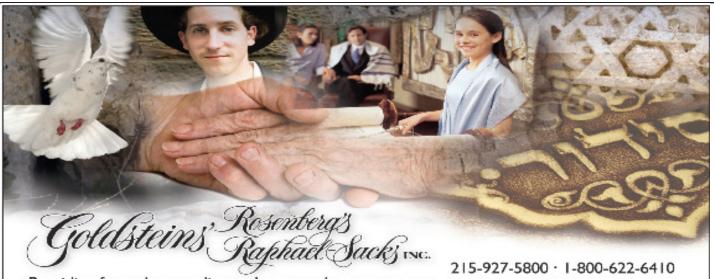
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Miriam Rempel

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There are 17 lawyers to serve you which includes my son Steven, my brother Howard, Jeffrey Schmidt, and Cheryl Wolf Applebaum, some of whom are members of the congregation.

Listen to my radio show: "Senator Bob Rovner Talks To The Stars" every Friday 12 Noon to 1:00 p,m. on WWDB 860 AM (this show can be heard on my website: www.dial-law.com)

ADULT EDUCATION

I hope that everyone had an enjoyable summer and perhaps learned something interesting either by taking a class, pursuing a particular topic or by happenstance. A fun fact that I learned is that the term "dog days" of summer is derived from the late-summer appearance of Sirius, the dog star.

There will be lots of educational experiences this year at CSS. Although I am still firming up details and dates for events I can report that Rabbi Lance Sussman will be at CSS on Thursday, November 29th at 7:30 PM. His topic will be 'Rabbi, I Want a Good Funeral: Jews and Crime in America". Rabbi Sussman's presentations always attract a large crowd.

I am hoping to once again have congregants Sondra Schneider and Dr. Sylvan Kesilman for a presentation as both of their discussions this past spring were well received. I am also working on a joint program with Men's Club on a Sunday morning that will feature a speaker that has unique insight into the Holocaust.

The first Sisterhood meeting on September 4th will feature Herbert Kaufman, who is well known

for his interest in the Civil War. Herb has expanded his lecture repertoire and will be presenting his newest addition, "Hamilton and Burr" at our first meeting. Business is conducted from 7 to 7:30 and the meeting begins at 7:30. His presentation will start at approximately 8 PM. All are welcome to Sisterhood events. Herb's programs are always interesting, informative and entertaining.

Once all the holidays have been observed, we will see the return of many of the popular educational programs that many of you have enjoyed. That would include Hebrew Across America, Yiddish, knitting and monthly book club. Follow the Scroll, weekly e-mails, our Shabbat handout or social media to find out exactly when the various programs will resume.

As always I am looking for suggestions for future programs.

May you and family have a happy, healthy and sweet year!

Denise Ellner Adult Education Chair

KVELLER KORNER

We invite you to let the office know if you have something to share that we can include in our monthly newsletter. Please send happy announcements to Alison@shaareshamayim.org.

Michael Levin, son of Tobi and Glenn, was invited and presented his comedy pilot, Alive in Denver, at The New York Television Festival in July. The festival competition included 32 other pilots. At the conclusion of the four day event, Michael was notified that he won the award for "Best Writing". He has since been invited to present his comedy pilot at the North Fork TV festival in Long Island, NY, on September 6-8.

Michael is an alumni of our Pre-School and Religious School programs. He is a staff writer on NBC's comedy show, Trial and Error, which airs on Thursday evenings over the summer.



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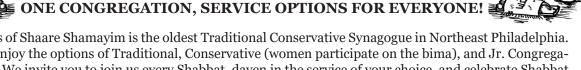


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Shabbat Shalor



Congregations of Shaare Shamayim is the oldest Traditional Conservative Synagogue in Northeast Philadelphia. Our families enjoy the options of Traditional, Conservative (women participate on the bima), and Jr. Congregation Services. We invite you to join us every Shabbat, daven in the service of your choice, and celebrate Shabbat as a united congregation with a lovely Shabbat Kiddush.

Aliyah and Torah honors are available in either service. Call the synagogue office to arrange an Aliyah for your upcoming Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Auf Ruf, Baby naming, Yahrzeit, etc.

TRADITIONAL SERVICES Rabbi Reuben Israel Abraham

Cantor Don Samuels Mon-Fri mornings 7:00 am Sat mornings 9:00 am Sun mornings 8:00 am Sun-Thur evenings 7:45 pm Fri & Sat evenings varies with sunset

CONSERVATIVE SERVICES Cantor Michael Bitton

Kabbalat Shabbat Fri evenings 7:45 pm Sat mornings 9:30 am

JUNIOR CONGREGATION 10:45am

We'd love to see all of our students every Shabbat. Bagels served at 10:15 am Come and spend Shabbat with vou friends

CSS FEATURED FACE



COO - Genius Enterprises, Inc.

Meet Steven Schmidt; business owner, husband and father of two. Steven (son of Susan and Harry) and wife Staci (daughter of Vicki and Robert Spurack) are not new to the shul, in fact both have been members of Shaare Shamayim for almost their entire lives, with nostaligic childhood memories of our Shul, and now their children are members here as well.

Steven has always loved the synagogue, regarding it as a place of many wonderful memories. Throughout his life, Steven knew he wanted to give back to the synagogue in a meaningful and impactful way - now he has found a way.

Steven as well as his best friend and business partner Eugene Sloush, are both in some capacity participating in the Education Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program. This tax credit goes towards the school here at Shaare Shamayim.

This program, offered through The Foundation for Jewish Day Schools, allows everyday business owners like Steven to do something extraordinary. So what exactly is this program? EITC and programs like it are directly through the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia. What does this mean? This program, and the others like it allow Steven to use his business's tax dollars to provide needs-based scholarships to children that come from lower to moderate-income families to support students attending Jewish day schools and pre-schools. For a more information, please see the email and phone number at the bottom of the article for an indepth look at this program and the others like it.

Steven's business is focused on direct marketing and sales. His company still uses door to door sales; the personal interaction is one thing Steven attributes to the business' success. Despite his success, using this tax program to help others is a no-brainer for him.

"My grandparents are Holocaust Survivors, and through surviving something like that your culture and education can sometimes get lost. Based on my upbring, I feel that it is important to remember and the best way to do this is through education," Steven says.

Steven has two children enrolled in the pre-school school here, both who enjoy the education they receive as well as the programs offered at CSS very much. Family is Steven's biggest motivation, and ensuring not just his children, but all the children in the school at Shaare Shamayim are prepared for the next step in their education is very important to him.

"We do a lot with my kids at home, but nothing can compare to the education my kids get here."

If you are interested in getting involved in the EITC program please reach out to Ellen Horowitz Matz at Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia at: ematz@jewishphilly.org 215.832.0525



JOIN YOUR CSS FAMILY AFTER YOM KIPPUR

Break the Fast

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SERVICES ON SEPT. 19TH RSVP REQUIRED BY SEPT. 14TH

\$27.50 per person

ANNOUCEMENTS We share in your excitement and joy!

Rachel & Simon Jankovic announce the birth of their grandson, Joshua Andrea Jankovic.

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Annoucements, engagements birthdays, anniversaries, graduations: big or small, we want to hear it all!

Have your news shared in The Scroll by stopping in the front office, or emailing alison@shaareshamayim. org with the subject 'Annoucement for Scroll.'

When emailing, please include at least 1-2 lines of info about the news you'd like shared.

CELEBRATE YOUR NEXT SIMCHA IN YOUR SYNAGOGUE!! Rent Space for your next private event

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Counseling: Bereavement Counselor Rivka Powers, MSW

Location: Congregations of Shaare Shamayim

9768 Verree Road, Philadelphia, PA 19115

1:00-2:30pm

No cost to participate.

Contact: Registration is required. For start dates & to register email rivkapowers55@gmail.com or call 215-677-1600 to leave a message.

Condolences are sent to Lee Zwick on the passing of beloved wife Janice Zwick.

The Congregation mourns long-time member, Barbara Feinstein.

Condolences are sent to David, Eric and Robert Portnoe on the loss of their beloved father, and former Congregation President, Sid Portnoe.





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lighting our shul

We thank you for your participation in the Buy a Bulb Campaign! With YOUR help, we have been able to replace lightbulbs all over the shul. Here are some reasons WHY making the switch to LED is better for our shul, and better for you (from http://leapfroglighting.com/):

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Letter from the Editor: Alison Houghton

Membership and Fundraising Associate

Updates from the membership desk:

Happy September and happy High Holidays. Here are just a few updates for all members to be aware of:

Upcoming events: All upcoming events for September can be found in the September calendar of this Scroll. The High Holiday Schedule is also in this addition. Our biggest upcoming event is the Apples and Honey Fun Run, which is featured in this edition of The Scroll.

Volunteering: If you'd like to volunteer your time here with us, we would LOVE to have you! From students and beyond - if you are interested in volunteering at the Shul please call or stop in the office.

Corrections in The Scroll: My hope is the that The Scroll is perfect, but sometimes that is not the case. Please do not hesitate to contact me with corrections so I can make a note for the next edition!

Contacting me: If you would like to contact me for any reason, my email is alison@shaareshamayim.org.



Best,

Alison Houghton

We are now taking membership payments for this current year. Please contact the office for assistance.

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Learn more about programs in our synagogue

I'm sure you've seen the garden outside our shul, Moe and Dot's Mitzvah Garden. The fruits of these labors are what help us with our Cook For a Friend Program. Everything we collect from this garden is given to those in need, either in our own congregation or in the larger community.

What else does Cook For a Friend do? How else do they help our community? The Cook for a Friend volunteers cook warm meals for those in the Northeastern Philadelphia community who cannot afford to do so themselves. They not only help members of our synagogue, but the community as a whole.

See page 9 to learn more about our Apples and Honey Fun Run, where proceeds support this wonderful program. If you would like to volunteer at the synagogue with Cook For a Friend or Volunteer at our run, please contact the office.

Donations in support of the garden are always appreciated and can be sent to the Moe and Dot Davis Cook For a Friend Fund.





IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN YOUR STUDENT UP!

Soon our college students will be back on campus - meaning it is time again to sign up for our college carepackages. We send students care boxes three times a year, to help them remain connected to their Jewish community away from home. This project is supported by the William and Lois Gross Memorial Fund and the Sisterhood's Barbara Dratch Fund.

Sign a student up by sending us **their collegiate email address** and the **mailing adress you'd like the package to be shipped to.** Email this info to alison@shaareshamayim.org.

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Sat. Sept. 1	Selichot	10:00pm
ROSH HASHANAH Sun. Sept. 9	Candle lighting Mincha/Ma'ariv	7:00pm 7:00pm
Mon. Sept. 10 *Local	Shacharit Shofar Blowing Tashlich Recpetion* ated at home of Marlene Markowitz Mincha/Ma'ariv Candle Lighting	8:00am approx. 10:20am 4:30pm & Randi Freeman 7:00pm after 7:58pm
Tue. Sept. 11	Shacharit Shofar Blowing Mincha/Ma'ariv Havdalah	8:00am approx. 10:20am 7:00pm 7:56pm
FAST OF GEDALIAH Wed. Sept. 12	Shacharit Mincha/Ma'ariv	7:00am 7:00pm
SHABBAT SHUVAH Fri. Sept. 14	Candle Lighting Kabbalat Shabbat (Traditional) Kabbalat Shabbat (Egalitarian)	6:53pm 6:45pm 7:45pm
Sat. Sept. 15	Shacharit (Traditional) Shacharit (Egalitarian) Mincha/Ma'ariv Havdalah	9:00am 9:30am 6:50pm 7:59pm
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Tue. Sept. 18	Shacharit Mincha Candle Lighting Kol Nidre	7:00am 1:30pm 6:46pm 6:30pm
Wed. Sept. 19	Shacharit Yizkor Mincha Neilah Shofar Blowing	9:00am approx. 11:30am 4:35pm 6:10pm approx. 7:43pm



Call or stop in at the front office to secure your spot this holiday season!



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Sun. Sept. 23		e lighting	6:38pm
		a/Ma'ariv(Traditonal)	6:40pm
	Ma'Ar	iv(Egalitarian)	7:45pm
Mon. Sept. 24		arit (Traditional)	9:00am
		arit (Egalitarian)	9:30am
		a/Ma'ariv(Traditonal)	6:40pm
		v(Egalitarian)	7:45pm
	Candle	e Lighting	after 7:58pm
Tue. Sept. 25		arit (Traditional)	9:00am
		arit (Egalitarian)	9:30am
		a/Ma'ariv	6:40pm
	Havda	lah	7:33pm
SHABBAT (CHOL HAMOED		
Fri. Sept. 28	Candle	e Lighting	after 6:29pm
•		lat Shabbat (Traditional)	6:30pm
	Kabba	lat Shabbat (Egalitarian)	7:45pm
Sat. Sept. 29	Shach	arit (Traditional)	9:00am
		arit (Egalitarian)	9:30am
	Minch	a/Ma'ariv	6:30pm
	Havda	lah	7:36pm
HOSHANA	RABBAH		
Sun. Sept. 30	Shach	arit	8:00am
		e Lighting	6:27pm
		a/Ma'ariv(Traditonal)	6:25pm
		a/Ma'ariv(Conservative)	7:45pm
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Mon.Oct.1		arit (Traditional)	9:00am
		arit (Egalitarian)	9:30am
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		(Egalitarian)	approx. 11:00am
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		v and Hakafot	7:00pm
		e lighting	after 7:24pm
SIMCHAT A			
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		arit (Egalitarian)	9:30am
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		a/Ma'ariv	6:30pm
	Havda	lah	7:24pm

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