

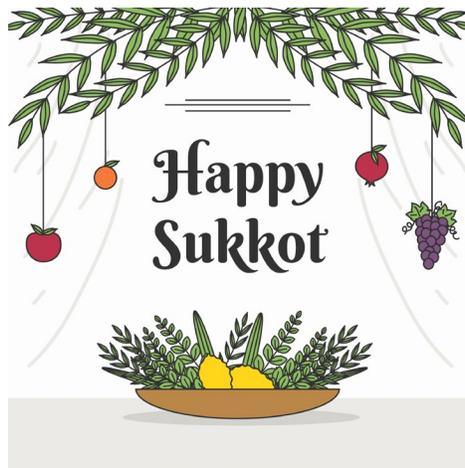
# The Shofar's Voice



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**Rabbi Sam Waidenbaum**

## **From the Rabbi's Desk**

Shalom Uv'Racha!

This month I come to you; with Peace and many Blessings.

Again, I'd like to wish our entire membership, and all of our brothers and sisters in and around Pensacola, a healthy and happy New Year.

About seven weeks ago, on a Shabbat morning, something very special occurred for the very first time, as we entered B'nai Israel Synagogue for Shabbat services at 9:30 AM. As a rule, our worshippers begin trickling in at about 9:10 AM. And at 9:30 AM our service would begin with (Birchot HaShachar) the 15 morning Blessings, thanking Hashem for the renewal of a new day.

The problem however has always been, that we were never able to begin services on time with a Minyan (A Quorum of 10 Worshipers) which would allow those worshipers who are in Mourning and those who are observing a Yahrzeit, to recite the first Mourners Kaddish at around 9:40 AM. A very crucial part of the service. The truth be told that on many Saturdays we were not able to reach the Quorum needed until 10:00 AM. Well, I believe that our problem has finally been solved. You see, within the last two years B'nai Israel has brought in more than 20 new members.

Now together within our congregation, are individuals who are committed to their religion, Shul and Jewish community. They actually volunteer their talents, service and time, to enhance B'nai Israel and our Jewish community. And believe it or not, they are students of the Chumash (Torah/Bible). Meaning they are knowledgeable.

These members are able to lead services, read from the Torah, chant the Haftorah, they attend Hebrew classes, blow the Shofar, purchased our new Siddurim and Chumashim, attend adult education classes, attend Fri-Sat-and Sun morning Services, attend lunch and learn with yours truly, they volunteer in our Kosher kitchen, make and sell soup, breakfast on Sun. Morning, Passover S'darim, Rosh HaShanah luncheons, putting together a super concert, board meetings once a month (and then some) cleaning up our Synagogue, our (Shofar) bulletin every month, all those who sponsor an Oneg or Kiddush, maintaining the interior and exterior of our two buildings, and all those who are very generous with their donations in support of our Synagogue.

We invite our entire congregation to get involved with our Shul, because our Shul is definitely involved with you.

We will from now on G-d willing, begin Shabbat morning services at 9:30 AM SHARP with a minyan.

May G-d bless our entire Congregation-AMEN!

Please remember to join us on Sukkot, to shake the Lulav and ETROG and eat in our beautiful SUKAH.

Chag Sameach

B'Shalom,  
Rabbi Sam



## President's Message, September 2019

To My Fellow Congregants:

The month of Elul 5779 culminated in Rosh Hashanah, Tishrei 5780 in the Jewish Calendar. It began a period of reflection, renewal and introspection of one's deeds during the past year. Erev Rosh Hashanah began on September 29, followed by services on September 30<sup>th</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup>, Yom Kippur services begin with the Kol Nidre prayer on the evening of October 8 ending on October 9 at sundown. The synagogue offered kosher lunches on the two days of Rosh Hashanah and is planning a delectable Yom Kippur break the fast following the conclusion of services on the evening of October 9<sup>th</sup>. Erev Sukkot is Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, Sukkot services are planned over the period from October 14 – 21<sup>st</sup>. Shemini Atzeret, October 21<sup>st</sup> will feature Yizkor. October 22<sup>nd</sup> is Simchat Torah. Shabbat Mevarekhim Hahodesh, October 26<sup>th</sup> will mark the beginning of the torah reading cycle and Rabbi Waidenbaum's lunch and Learn.

Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, a special congregation meeting was held concerned with synagogue security. We did not receive a FEMA non-profit security grant that was filed on May 3rd. We are following up with Florida Governor's DeSantis office given the absence of any criteria from the staff. Over 61 awards were made for a Total of \$5.8 million.

Notwithstanding, and in view of recent events, both in Pensacola and nationally, we deemed it appropriate to hold a training and information program before the onset of the High Holy Days.

Karen Feirman, gave a Power Point Presentation on development of a security program for B'nai Israel. She was ably assisted by Jerri Mobley who discussed the Stop the Bleed program emergency medical care and engaged members in a simulation of an active shooter intrusion and escape to a designated safe room. Also, present were Special Agents Andrew Tokajer and Ben Bonya of the Florida Department of Law enforcement (FDLE) Pensacola office who are members of the Counterterrorism Task Force. Of importance were their comments regarding situational awareness, disposition of firearms of permitted synagogue members during police actions upon entry of active shooters. They critiqued exercises led by B'nai Israel security program presenters, Karen Lew Feirman and Jerri Mobley. As a special inducement, a bagel and lox brunch were prepared by Kate Lollar and Faye Rosenbaum and served to attendees at the special meeting on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

We received authorization from a quorum of members at the September 22, 2019 Security meeting for several recommended security measures: reinforced bullet impact windows for the Bearman Building, Installation of a door on the activity room behind the bimah in the sanctuary, panic buttons and panic bars for designated escape door routes, and video buzzer entry system to screen and permit entry at several points in the main sanctuary and the Bearman Building. We are pleased to announce that upon review of a bid from a glass vendor and measurement of the gauge of existing glass in the Bearman Building, it appears that we already have secure windows, thereby saving \$7,000 of unnecessary costs.

Karen Feirman, chair of the Ritual Committee and Rabbi Waidenbaum, prepared a package of information on the schedule of services and Aliyahs available for both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Also available were entries in the Yizkor memorial booklets honoring departed parents, relatives and loved ones. Hopefully, you provided that information by the deadline of September 25th. We are pleased to have as Shofar blower this High Holy Days, Paul Unterweger, secretary of the board. Paul has a beautifully crafted shofar that sounds superb.

Our High Holy Day appeal for funding the installation of an additional memorial board on the left side of the sanctuary has met with a significant response raising more than \$6,000; half of the total cost of \$12,000. Courtesy of Faye and Joe Rosenbaum solicitation were also sent to former synagogue members of the Martha Miller Alumni Association.

Finally, in preparation for the High Holy Days, the board has authorized projects that will brighten both the foyer in the main entrance on Ninth Avenue, facilities and the Sanctuary.

We wish all our members and alumni L'shana tovah u'metuka v gmar chatimah tovah. May you all be inscribed in b'sefer Chayim for a sweet Near Year filled with happiness, good health and great achievements in all endeavors.

See you in shul.

Jerry Gordon

## **A Message from Kate Lollar**

The synagogue Kosher kitchen has been extremely busy over the past month preparing onegs, kiddushim, and Rosh Hashanah luncheons. The kitchen is always busy at the synagogue and we could use your help. If you are interested in helping in the kitchen, please reach out to Kate Lollar.

As we prepare for the upcoming Stanley's Soups Fundraiser, we will need all the help we can get. Soup sales will begin in November. Please be on the lookout for more information soon.

*THANK YOU/Todah Rabbah*

Thank you to Kate Lollar and Faye Rosenbaum for all their hard work in the kitchen. Without them, we would not enjoy all of the amazing food that comes out of our synagogue kitchen. To say that Kate and Faye outdid themselves with the Rosh Hashanah luncheons is an understatement. From driving hours to get Kosher meat, to spending numerous late nights baking challahs, these two ladies truly go above and beyond to ensure everyone is well fed. Everything that is made in the kitchen is made from scratch: no boxes, all fresh ingredients. A yasher koach to Kate and Fay and a tremendous thank you from the entire congregation.

We would like to also extend a thank you to Tony Martin, Josie Roberts, Pat Langnau , Joe Rosenbaum, and Karen Feirman for their help in preparing our luncheons.

# HIGH HOLIDAYS 2019

B'nai Israel invites you to join us for the High Holiday Season 2019/5780. More details can be found on our [website](#).

## **Aliyot for the High Holidays**

It is an honor to participate in any service, but especially to have an Aliyah during the High Holidays. What is an Aliyah you might ask? An Aliyah, simply translated, an honor to be called upon. We will have several opportunities throughout the holidays for you to have an Aliyah or to give an Aliyah to someone as an honor. More information on aliyot will be included in our annual High Holiday letter mentioned above; however, it is not too soon to begin thinking about aliyot and ways to honor and giveback to the shul in appreciation of aliyot. We have a few aliyot still available for Yom Kippur. Please contact the office for more details.

## **Interested in Helping**

Please consider volunteering to help prepare Break the Fast. If you are interested in helping, please reach out to Kate Lollar, [lollar@aol.com](mailto:lollar@aol.com)

## **High Holiday Food Drive**

B'nai Israel will be sponsoring a High Holiday Food Drive during the 2019 High Holiday Season. We will have bags for your food donations located in the lobby as you enter the main sanctuary. Please bring your donations, Erev Yom Kippur, or during the week. Place all food donations on the stage in the Abe Levin Auditorium.

## **Thank You**

A tremendous thank you to everyone that assisted with making Rosh Hashanah services and the luncheons so special.

## 2019 High Holidays Service Schedule

All services will be held in the Main Sanctuary other than Shabbat

### *Shabbat / Kever Avot / Tashlich*

Fri Oct 4	6:13 pm	Candle lighting time
	7:00 pm	Friday night Services
Sat Oct 5	9:30 am	Shabbat Shuva (Shabbat of Return)
	7:05 pm	Shabbat ends
Sun Oct 6	10:00 am	Kever Avot (visiting our loved ones) at B'nai Israel Cemetery and the burial of the Shaymot (old and frayed Holy books)
	11:00 am	Tashlich at Bayview Park

### *Yom Kippur*

Tue Oct 8	5:30 pm	Erev Yom Kippur – Kol Nidre
Wed Oct 9	9:00 am	Yom Kippur Shacharit
	11:00 am	Rabbi's Sermon
	11:15 am	Yizkor
	***Break 1:30 pm – 4:55 pm***	
	5:00 pm	Yom Kippur Mincha
	6:00 pm	N'ilah
	7:00 pm	End of Yom Kippur and Break the Fast

### *Shabbat*

Fri Oct 11	6:04 pm	Candle lighting time
	7:00 pm	Friday night services
Sat Oct 12	9:30 am	Shabbat services
	6:57 pm	Shabbat ends

### **Sukkot**

Sun Oct 13	6:00 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Night Erev Sukkot
Mon Oct 14	9:30 am	1 <sup>st</sup> Day Sukkot (Hallel, Lulav and Etrog)
	6:00 pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> Night Sukkot
Tue Oct 15	9:30 am	2 <sup>nd</sup> Day Sukkot (Hallel, Lulav and Etrog)

### **Shabbat**

Fri Oct 18	5:57 pm	Candle lighting time
	7:00 pm	Friday night services
Sat Oct 19	9:30 am	Shabbat services
	6:50 pm	Shabbat ends

### **Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah**

Sun Oct 20	6:00 pm	Erev Shemini Atzeret
Mon Oct 21	9:30 am	Shemini Atzeret
	11:00 am	Rabbi's Sermon
	11:15 am	Yizkor
	6:30 pm	Simchat Torah Hakafot (Dancing with the Torah)
Tue Oct 22	9:30 am	Simchat Torah
	6:47 pm	Festival of Sukkot ends

# Cafe Israel

*First event of the year*

6 Years ago, Lior Turgeman from Florida, decided to leave everything behind and to join the Israeli Defense Force.

Please join us as we hear her fascinating story.

**Oct. 6th**

**5:00 PM**

**at B'nai Israel Synagogue**

**Light refreshments will be served.**

[click here to RSVP on Facebook](#)



October 2019 Birthdays

- 3 Norm Feinberg
- 4 Scott Rickoff
- 5 Isaak Reznitskii
- 11 Joe Rosenbaum
- 13 Kate Lollar
- 14 Leonard Lollar
- 17 Frank Kay
- 18 Al Shemaria
- 18 Dana Rickoff
- 28 Jeffrey Landau



October 2019 Anniversaries

- 11 Doreen & Leonard Swartz
- 30 Rivka & Avi Baurberg

# Yahrzeits

As long as we live, they too will live; for they are now a part of us; as we remember them.

## October 2019 Yahrzeits

Oct 14 / 15 Tishrei Martin Louis Levin  
Oct 14 / 15 Tishrei Esther bas Fieval Lieb  
Oct 14 / 15 Tishrei Frances Beck  
Oct 15 / 16 Tishrei Ramon L. Ordon  
Oct 18 / 19 Tishrei Leonard Fruchtman  
Oct 20 / 21 Tishrei Samuel Beck  
Oct 23 / 24 Tishrei Joseph Kay  
Oct 24 / 25 Tishrei Beverly Cooper Ripps  
Oct 25 / 26 Tishrei Frieda Chorney  
Oct 31 / 1 Cheshvan Joseph Katz

Zichronam livracha- May their memories be for  
a blessing. Amen.

# Candle Lighting Times for Pensacola, Florida

## Calendar of Events: October 2019

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 <b>Erev Rosh Hashana</b> 6:19p Candle Lighting	30 <b>Rosh Hashana Tashlich</b> 7:18p Candle Lighting	1 <b>Rosh Hashana</b> 7:24p Havdalah	2 <b>Fast of Gedalia</b>	3 <b>Tishrei 3</b>	4 <b>Tishrei 4</b> 6:13p Candle Lighting 7:00p Mincha/Maariv	5 <b>Tishrei 5</b> <b>Shabbat Shuva Vayeilech</b> 9:30a Shacharit 7:20p Havdalah
6 <b>Tishrei 7</b>	7 <b>Tishrei 8</b>	8 <b>Erev Yom Kippur</b> 6:08p Candle Lighting	9 <b>Tishrei 9</b> <b>Yom Kippur Yizkor</b> 7:15p Havdalah	10 <b>Tishrei 10</b>	11 <b>Tishrei 11</b> 6:04p Candle Lighting 7:00p Mincha/Maariv	12 <b>Tishrei 12</b> <b>Ha'Azinu</b> 9:30a Shacharit 7:11p Havdalah
13 <b>Tishrei 14</b> <b>Erev Sukkot</b> 6:02p Candle Lighting	14 <b>Tishrei 15</b> <b>Sukkot Columbus Day</b> 7:01p Candle Lighting	15 <b>Tishrei 16</b> <b>Sukkot</b> 7:08p Havdalah	16 <b>Tishrei 17</b> <b>Chol Hamoed Sukkot</b>	17 <b>Tishrei 17</b> <b>Chol Hamoed Sukkot</b>	18 <b>Tishrei 18</b> <b>Chol Hamoed Sukkot</b> 5:57p Candle Lighting 7:00p Mincha/Maariv	19 <b>Tishrei 19</b> <b>Chol Hamoed Sukkot</b> 7:04p Havdalah
20 <b>Tishrei 21</b> <b>Hoshana Rabah</b> 5:55p Candle Lighting	21 <b>Tishrei 22</b> <b>Shmini Atzeret Yizkor</b> 6:54p Candle Lighting	22 <b>Tishrei 23</b> <b>Simchat Torah</b> 7:01p Havdalah	23 <b>Tishrei 24</b>	24 <b>Tishrei 24</b>	25 <b>Tishrei 25</b> 5:50p Candle Lighting 7:00p Mincha/Maariv	26 <b>Tishrei 26</b> <b>Shabbat Mevarchim Bereshit</b> 9:30a Shacharit 6:57p Havdalah
27 <b>Tishrei 28</b>	28 <b>Tishrei 29</b>	29 <b>Tishrei 30</b> <b>Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan</b>	30 <b>Tishrei 30</b> <b>Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan</b>	31 <b>Cheshvan 1</b>	1 <b>Cheshvan 2</b> 5:43p Candle Lighting 7:00p Mincha/Maariv	2 <b>Cheshvan 3</b> <b>Noach</b> 9:30a Shacharit 6:51p Havdalah

### Monthly Announcements:

- We encourage everyone to join, like and follow the B’Nai Israel Facebook Group <https://www.facebook.com/BnaisraelPensacola/>
- Oneg and Kiddush sponsorships are available for October and November, please call the office if you are interested in sponsoring a Kiddush or Oneg.
- If you have not attended Friday night or Shabbat morning services recently, you are missing out. Please join us every Shabbat for a wonderful Shabbos experience.
- Please bring your donations for the Manna Food Bank prior to Kol Nidrei services.
- Volunteers are always needed at synagogue. Call the office to see how you can help.

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