

# HIGH HOLY DAY ISSUE

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## KEHILATH JESHURUN BULLETIN

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### A LOOK BACK AT THE YEAR THAT WAS

#### A ROSH HASHANAH MESSAGE

*From Rabbi Haskel Lookstein*

At one of the beautiful weddings that was celebrated this past summer, the father of the bride, a cherished and widely respected member of our congregation, began his talk at the wedding dinner with a quotation from the *Modim* prayer that we say three times a day:

הטוב כי לא כלו רחמך, והמרחם כי לא תמו חסדיך

"How good You are, O' God, for Your compassion never fails; You are compassionate, for Your loving kindness never ceases."

How beautiful a statement for a parent celebrating the wedding of his child! How important it is for all of us to recognize God's abundant kindness and to express ourselves enthusiastically in gratitude for all that He gives us.

Such an expression, however, is not only relevant at a time of personal happiness; it is also meaningful and necessary at a time of communal joy. We stand this Rosh Hashanah, fourteen months removed from a devastating fire that severely damaged our Main Synagogue. But in the aftermath of our dreadful difficulty, we can look back at the past year and say to God, "How good You are, O' God, for Your compassion never fails, You are compassionate, for Your loving kindness never ceases."

We are grateful for many blessings: for lay leaders who picked us up from the ashes and laid plans for a beautiful future in which our sanctuary will be rebuilt and restored and our Lower School building greatly enhanced; we are grateful for the exceptional understanding and cooperation of a congregation living through an extended period of dislocation with nary a complaint, with good humor and a readiness to help and cooperate.

We are deeply grateful for a New York community that came to our rescue, for the Metropolitan Museum of Art which housed our High Holy Day services last year and which will host us again this year and, please God, in 2013 as well. What an act of community responsibility, graciousness and generosity! We are grateful for the 92nd Street Y which welcomed our congregation for a number of *Shabbatot* and *Yamim Tovim* last year and which will do so again this year. We are overcome with appreciation for Temple Emanu-El and the Park

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*A grateful congregation gathers in prayer on July 12, 2011*

### PREPARE YOURSELF FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

#### SELICHOT SERVICES

Saturday, September 8 at 10:00 PM  
*Preceded by a Collation at 9:15 PM*

#### SHABBAT SHUVA DRASHA RABBI MEIR SOLOVEICHIK

*"The Kite and the Candle"*

Saturday, September 22  
at the conclusion of 9:00 AM services  
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#### Timely Torah HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

with

RABBI DANIEL AND RACHEL KRAUS

ROSH HASHANAH Monday, September 10

YOM KIPPUR Wednesday, September 19

SUKKOT WORKSHOP Thursday, September 27

All classes begin at 7:30 PM

#### FIFTH ANNUAL TESHUVAH LECTURE

IN MEMORY OF

FLORENCE FISHEL COHEN

*"The Stranger Without and Within"*

RABBI SAUL BERMAN

Thursday, September 20 at 7:30 pm  
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Avenue Synagogue, which opened their doors to all segments of our school, for classes, for celebrations and for graduations.

Fourteen months ago, we were homeless but we were never hopeless. We believed in ourselves, in our readiness for self-sacrifice - of all kinds - in our generosity of spirit and in our capacity for cooperation. Above all, we believed in the goodness of God and we recognized that *לכל הנפלים* "God upholds all who fall," and we were confident that He would uphold us as well.

May all of us have cause during the year ahead to help in every way possible to rebuild our sanctuary and to enhance the spaces for both KJ and Ramaz. Above all, may all of us have occasions in our own lives, both personal and communal, to be able to say with a full heart, "How good You are, O' God, for Your compassion never fails; You are compassionate, for Your loving kindness never ceases."

*לשנה טובה תכתבו ותחתמו*

May we all be inscribed and sealed for a year of health, happiness and blessing.

**WELCOME**

Kehilath Jeshurun warmly welcomes the following new members who joined the Congregation between the printing of the last Bulletin, on June 20, and this Bulletin, which went to press on August 23:

Jocelyn Ciechanov

Olessia Kantor and Leonid Nevzlin

Michelle Stein-Shaviv and Paul Shaviv

## Seymour Propp Memorial Lecture featuring Rabbi Steven Weill

*Executive Vice President  
of the Orthodox Union*



*Following Services  
Shabbat morning November 10*

*Ramaz Upper School's  
Kaufman Auditorium  
60 East 78th Street*

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## RABBI MEIR SOLOVEICHIK TO DELIVER SHABBAT SHUVA DRASHA

### *"The Kitel and the Candle"*

**Saturday, September 22  
at the conclusion of 9:00 AM services  
Ramaz Upper School's Kaufman Auditorium  
60 East 78th Street**

**SPONSORED BY SUZY AND LARRY PRESENT, COMMEMORATING THE  
YAHREITZ OF SUZY'S PARENTS, SARAH AND EMANUEL GOLDBERGER**

*Photo by Irwin Robins*



## RABBI SAUL BERMAN TO DELIVER FIFTH ANNUAL TESHUVAH LECTURE IN MEMORY OF FLORENCE FISHEL COHEN *"The Stranger Without and Within"*



*Florence Fishel Cohen, z"l*

We are pleased to announce that the fifth annual Florence Fishel Cohen Teshuvah Lecture will be given this year by Rabbi Saul Berman on Thursday evening, September 20, at 7:30. The naming of the lecture in memory of Florence was made possible by a generous commitment from the Nathan and Louise Goldsmith Foundation. The Directors of the Foundation knew Florence personally because all of its meetings are held in Rabbi Lookstein's office. They appreciated the special kind of devotion and love that Florence demonstrated toward the Rabbi, the congregation, Ramaz and the Nathan and Louise Goldsmith Foundation board members. They felt it would be appropriate to memorialize her at KJ in this special way.

We are proud that the annual Teshuvah Lecture continues to be a memorial to Florence, who gave forty years of her professional life to the KJ/Ramaz family. We invite everyone to attend Rabbi Berman's meaningful lecture.

**DEDICATE**

Members of the Congregation and others are invited to honor a friend or relative, celebrate a milestone event or memorialize a loved one by dedicating *Chumashim* or *Siddurim*.

**CHUMASHIM** - \$45 each

**SIDDURIM** - \$25 each

Contact the Synagogue office  
at 212-774-5600

## כל מי שעוסקים בצרכי צבור באמונה - May He Bless Those Who Enable Synagogues to Function - THREE KJ GABBAIM CHOSEN FOR TORAH HONORS

*The Officers of the Congregation are very pleased to announce that Asher Levitsky, Warren Graham, and Jeffrey Esses will be honored as chatanim for the celebration of the completion of the Torah on Simchat Torah.*

*Their installation will take place before the Musaf service on Shemini Atzeret, Monday, October 8th.*



**CHATAN TORAH: ASHER LEVITSKY**

Our Chatan Torah honor this year goes to Asher Levitsky. Asher comes from a family tradition of service to the Jewish community. Asher was born and raised in Wilkes-Barre, PA, where his father was active in the Jewish community, following in the footsteps of Asher's paternal grandfather, who was a leader in the Montreal Jewish community during the first four decades of the 20th century. Asher never knew his grandfather, but when he asked his father what his grandfather did, Asher was told that the question was not what his grandfather did for a living but what kind of person he was.

By profession, Asher is of counsel to the law firm of Ellenoff Grossman & Schole, where he practices corporate and securities law. By avocation, he is a chef and a true KJ. Asher's kiddushim, for which he cooks everything, are well known. And he truly serves KJ. Asher is a past president of the Men's Club and the Couples' Club, a predecessor to Keshet. He has been Gabbai of our parallel High Holiday service in the auditorium for 25 years. He is also our weekday Gabbai, our Shabbat Mincha Gabbai and our Hashkama Minyan Gabbai. Asher has served as Sukkah Meal Chairman for decades and he was instrumental in creating our Seudah Shlishit program for which he continues to seek sponsors on a weekly basis. Asher is also one of the regulars for reading the Torah at Shabbat mincha and weekday mornings, a skill he learned since he joined KJ. We know what kind of person Asher is

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**CHATAN BEREISHIT: WARREN GRAHAM**

Warren Graham is a Ramaz High School graduate, Class of 1972. Both his daughters, Donna and Liane, are also Ramaz alumnae. Warren and his beloved wife, Shoshana, (a Tel Aviv native) have been members of KJ and the KJ/Ramaz community for over 20 years.

Warren is the son of the late Cantor Edward Graham z"l, and Dorothy Graham, who proudly traces her maternal lineage to the Vilna Gaon, an 18th century Talmudic genius and Torah scholar.

During his years in Ramaz, Warren excelled in the School's then-fledgling softball team and football club. But most importantly, he was the star of the checkers team. He was also most active in the Soviet Jewry movement. Warren was also a camper, and then a "bimmy" (a kitchen worker) in camp Massad Bet, the Ramaz summer retreat of its day.

Warren earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Buffalo, where he graduated, *cum laude*, with a double major in History and Political Science. He then went on to receive a J.D. at Fordham University School of Law.

Warren practices in the field of Bankruptcy, Corporate Restructuring and Creditors' rights, and has been a participant in some of the largest cases in the country, as well as a number of cross-border insolvency cases. Warren has been affiliated with several law firms over the years, and now serves as Special Counsel to the law firm of Salon Marrow Dyckman Newman & Broudy LLP,

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**CHATAN MAFTIR: JEFFREY ESSES**

Our Chatan Maftir, Jeffrey Esses, is a graduate of the Ramaz class of 1993. Jeffrey and his wife, Linda, are the proud parents of two beautiful daughters, Sophia and Julia, both students in the Ramaz Lower School. He is a graduate of the Boston University School of Management. In 2001, Jeffrey joined his father, as VP of Sales for LJR Solutions Inc.

Jeffrey's involvement in and dedication to the KJ and Ramaz community began as a child, watching the example set by his parents, Barbara and Abraham Esses. Paving the way for Jeffrey to become one of the young leaders of our community, he attended KJ every Shabbat with his father, grew up in Junior Congregation and served as Gabbai of Teen Minyan. Additionally, while in high school, Jeffrey helped co-found the teen Tikun Leil Shavuot program and served as President of the Ramaz Business Investment Club.

Following his service as a Gabbai of the Young People's Minyan for two terms and two years on the Keshet board, Jeffrey became one of the co-founders of KJ's Sephardic Minyan. He runs the day to day, Shabbat and High Holy Day operations of the Sephardic Minyan, and has helped KJ fundraise through the collection of weekly Nedavot. Jeffrey also recently completed his 13 year legacy as the head coach of the Ramaz Varsity Hockey team, during which time he became the all-time leader in wins, appearing in 6 semi-final and one championship game.

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*We invite the entire congregation to rejoice with them and with us on Shemini Atzeret and on Simchat Torah, night and day, as we celebrate the three families whose love of, and commitment to, Torah merit our honor and tribute.*



## TOVA AND NORMAN BULOW SHABBAT SCHOLAR OCTOBER 26 -27

Raised in Petah Tikvah, Rav Gilad studied in Israel's finest yeshivot, including HaYishuv HeChadash in Tel Aviv, Mercaz HaRav in Jerusalem and Yeshivat Har Etzion in Gush Etzion. While enrolled at Yeshivat Har Etzion, he served as a combat soldier in the Armored Corps rising to the rank of Captain. After completing his army service he earned his Teacher's Certificate from the Yitzchak Herzog Teachers College and Rabbinical Ordination from the Chief Rabbinate.

Since 1983, Rav Gilad has served as rabbi of Kibbutz Lavi and provides religious services to all neighboring settlements. In 1993, he founded Yeshivat Ma'ale Gilboa, where he continues to be Rosh Yeshiva. Committed to the idea that yeshiva students should not take advantage of Torah study to avoid civic duties, students serve a full, three-year military service as part of their five-year program.

Rav Gilad is a national spokesman for the morally sensitive in the religious community and has earned recognition for his outspoken views and grassroots activism in promoting a Jewish and a democratic state -one without contradiction and without coercion from the religious establishment.



*Our Guest Scholar*  
RAV YEHUDA GILAD

### October 26th- Following Friday Evening Dinner

*Modesty Becomes Provocative: A Look at the Hadarat Nashim Controversy*

### October 27th- Following 9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Services

*Ethical Challenges of a Father to Many Nations*

### Seudah Shlishit: *Inheriting Rav Amital's Legacy*

#### FRIDAY EVENING SHABBAT DINNER PRICING

Members: Non-Members:

Adults	\$35	\$40
Junior (age 12-18)	\$30	\$35
Children (age 2-11)	\$18	\$30

Call 212-774-5600 for more information

All members of the  
community are invited to  
attend the lectures, gratis.

## SHABBAT AT KJ

### LEARNERS SERVICE WITH GEORGE ROHR

Weekly at 9:30 AM

### INTERMEDIATE SERVICE WITH RABBI ELIE

WEINSTOCK AND  
DANIEL KRAUS

Weekly at 9:30 AM

### SEPHARDIC MINYAN

Weekly at 9:00 AM

### HASHKAMA MINYAN

7:15 AM

Sept. 15 & 29, Oct. 13, & 27

Nov. 3 & 24, Dec. 8 & 22

### KESHER YOUNG PEOPLE'S MINYAN

9:15 AM

Sept. 15, Oct. 20,

Nov. 17, Dec. 15

### WOMEN'S TEFILLAH GROUP

9:15 AM

Oct. 9 (Simchat Torah),

### TOT SHABBAT WITH RABBI ELIE WEINSTOCK

AND EFFY BRAUN

10:30 AM

Oct. 27, Dec. 1

## 5773 YOUTH DEPARTMENT FALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 8	Shabbat Morning Groups Begin	Oct. 7	KJBL
Sept. 8	Bnei Akiva Snif Begins	Oct. 8	Simchat Torah Bash
Sept. 8	Shabbat Afternoon Groups Begin	Oct. 27	Tot Shabbat Daytime
Sept. 9	KJBL Commences (Grades 1-8)	Nov. 9	Tot Shabbat Family Dinner
Sept. 16	KJBL	Nov. 10	Youth Shabbaton (grades 1-3)
Sept. 23	KJBL	Dec. 1	Tot Shabbat Daytime
Sept. 30	KJBL	Dec. 8	Youth Shabbaton (grades 4-8)

### KJBL (GRADES 1-8)

Sept. 9, 16, 23, 30; Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28

Nov. 4, 11, 18; Dec. 2, 9, 16

## CHAI MITZVAH: A CELEBRATION OF FAITH with Congregational Scholar Gilah Kletenik

Was the last time you celebrated being Jewish when you were 12 or 13? Turn any birthday into a uniquely Jewish lifetime event. Through Chai Mitzvah you will have the opportunity to increase your Judaic knowledge, deepen your existing practices, and engage in the social action of your choice. Participants will attend monthly classes, and the experience will culminate in a community-wide celebration. October 24, November 14, December 5, January 9, February 6, March 6, April 10, May 8 at 7:30 p.m.

*For more information please contact the synagogue office at 212-774-5678.*

# FALL LEARNING AT KJ

## TUESDAY NIGHT

### Crash Course in Hebrew Reading with Sara Rosen

This popular series of classes enables those with no previous background in Hebrew to learn to read Hebrew in just a short time.

6:30 p.m.

Starts October 23

### Hebrew II

Designed for those with some ability to read Hebrew, students practice reading skills using the siddur and other Jewish texts. Special emphasis is placed on becoming fluent in the daily prayers and traditional tunes of Jewish liturgy.

7:30 p.m.

Starts October 23

### New!

### iLearn@CKJ

with Rabbi Daniel and Rachel Kraus

Not another app, but a weekly appointment with your heritage. Join Rabbi Daniel & Rachel Kraus for a class discussing Jewish fundamentals as well as the important issues facing contemporary Judaism.

7:30 p.m.

Starts October 30



## WEDNESDAY NIGHT

with Rabbi Yitz Motechin

Starts September 5

### Master a Masechta

at 7:00

This class will study Masechet Middot, one of the more obscure sections in the Talmud. Found in the order of Kodashim, the tractate focuses on the dimensions (middot in Hebrew) of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem. Through an exploration of the text, key topics such as exile and redemption as well as the role of the Temple in modern Jewish life will be explored.

### Unlocking the Halakhic Process

Wednesdays at 8:00

In this course, examine how Jewish law developed and acquire greater insight into who and why Jews do what they do. This year, we will focus on the laws of Shabbat, the festivals, and Chol Hamoed (the intermediate days of the holidays) and attempt to understand how these observances developed and how they apply to contemporary times.

*The classes meet all year long except when pre-empted by a holiday workshop or advance notice.*



## THURSDAY NIGHT

with Rabbi Yossi Weiser

Starts September 6

### The Jew and the Modern World

7:00 p.m.

A multi-disciplinary course examining how Judaism interacts with contemporary society. Topics will include the role of the Beth Din in contemporary Jewish life, the changes taking place in the Jewish community from the ultra-orthodox through the unaffiliated, the rise and fall of denominations, the explosive popularity and availability of Torah study in person and online, the influence of the Jewish electorate, the growth of parochial self-help groups like Misaskim and Hatzolah, the interplay between science and religion, and more. Through an examination of Jewish texts and other primary resource material, we will explore how classical Judaism plays out in the 21st century.

### Studies in the Weekly Portion

8:00 p.m.

Join us as we explore the profound insights of our tradition derived from the weekly Torah reading as it is filtered through the prism of classical Jewish commentaries of the last 2,500 years.

*To find out about other learning opportunities at KJ, please call 212-774-5678.*

## Shabbat Gilad

An opportunity to honor  
an Israeli army unit  
who put their lives on the line  
for the Jewish Nation.

Please join us for services at the  
92nd Street Y, 1395 Lexington Avenue.  
Shabbat Parashat Noach, October 20,  
as we welcome Gilad Shalit, his  
commanding officer, Captain Yoav Belkes,  
and 14 members of his army unit.

## MORNING CLASSES AT KJ

*beginning after Sukkot*

### Mondays:

*Women's Torah Class*

with Rabbi Meir Soloveichik 9:00 a.m.

*Talmud Class*

with Gilah Kletenik, 9:30 a.m.

### Tuesdays:

*Parsha for Parents*

with Rabbi Elie Weinstock 8:15 a.m.

### Wednesdays:

*The Philosophy of the Rav*

with Rabbi Haskel Lookstein 8:30 a.m.

### Thursdays:

*Prophetic Women*

with Dr. Shera Aranoff Tuchman 8:30 a.m.

*For more information, please call 212-774-5600*

## SCHEDULE OF HIGH HOLY DAYS

### ROSH HASHANAH

#### Sunday, September 16, Rosh Hashanah Eve

Selichot Service (Z'chor Brit) .....	7:30 AM
Candle Lighting .....	6:44 PM
Evening Services .....	6:45 PM

#### Monday, September 17, Rosh Hashanah I

Morning Services .....	8:00 AM
Beginners Service .....	8:00 AM
Tashlich .....	5:30 PM
Evening Services .....	6:55 PM
Candle Lighting .....	After 7:38 PM

#### Tuesday, September 18, Rosh Hashanah II

Morning Services .....	8:00 AM
Beginners Service .....	8:00 AM
Evening Services .....	6:55 PM
Conclusion of Yom Tov .....	7:36 PM

### TSOM (FAST OF) GEDALIAH

#### Wednesday, September 19

Fast begins .....	5:29 AM
Morning Services .....	6:45 AM
Evening Services .....	6:30 PM
Fast ends .....	7:31 PM

### DAILY SERVICES:

#### Thursday-Monday, September 20-24

Thursday Morning .....	6:45 AM
Thursday Evening .....	6:45 PM
Friday Morning .....	7:00 AM
Friday Evening .....	6:45 PM
Sunday Morning .....	8:00 AM
Monday Morning .....	6:45 AM
Sun. & Mon. Evenings .....	6:40 PM

### SHABBAT SHUVA

#### Saturday, September 22

Morning Services .....	9:00 AM
<i>Shabbat Shuva Discourse by Rabbi Meir Soloveichik</i>	
Learners and Intermediate Services .....	9:30 AM
Evening Services .....	6:25 PM
Shabbat ends .....	7:30 PM

### YOM KIPPUR

#### Tuesday, September 25, Yom Kippur Eve

Morning Services .....	7:10 AM
Mincha Services .....	2:30 PM
Candle Lighting .....	6:29 PM
Beginners Kol Nidre .....	6:10 PM
Kol Nidre .....	6:35 PM

#### Wednesday, September 26, Yom Kippur Day

All Services .....	9:00 AM
Fast ends .....	7:22 PM

### SUKKOT

#### Sunday, September 30, Sukkot Eve

Morning Services .....	8:30 AM
Candle Lighting .....	6:21 PM
Evening Services .....	6:35 PM

#### Monday, October 1, Sukkot I

Morning Services .....	9:00 AM
Evening Services .....	6:30 PM
Candle Lighting .....	After 7:14 PM

#### Tuesday, October 2, Sukkot II

Morning Services .....	9:00 AM
Evening Services .....	6:30 PM
Conclusion of Yom Tov .....	7:13 PM

### DAILY SERVICES - CHOL HAMOED SUKKOT

#### Wednesday-Friday, October 3-5

Wednesday Morning .....	6:50 AM
Thursday Morning .....	6:50 AM
Friday Morning .....	6:50 AM
Evenings .....	6:25 PM

### SHABBAT CHOL HAMOED SUKKOT

Morning Services .....	8:45 AM
Combined Learners and Intermediate Service .....	9:30 AM
Evening Services .....	6:00 PM
Conclusion of Shabbat .....	7:06 PM

### CONCLUDING FESTIVAL DAYS

#### Sunday, October 7, Hoshanah Rabbah

Morning Services .....	8:30 AM
Candle Lighting .....	6:09 PM
Evening Services .....	6:20 PM

#### Monday, October 8, Shemini Atzeret

Morning Services .....	9:00 AM
Mincha followed by	
Ma'ariv and Simchat Torah Hakafot .....	6:20 PM
Candle Lighting .....	After 7:03 PM

#### Tuesday, October 9, Simchat Torah

Morning Services .....	9:00 AM
Women's Tefilah Group .....	9:15 AM
Evening Services .....	6:20 PM
Conclusion of Yom Tov .....	7:01 PM

### CHILDREN'S SERVICES SCHEDULE

#### ROSH HASHANAH I AND II ..... 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Junior Congregations (1st through 6th Grades)

Nursery - Kindergarten (Ages 3-6)

#### YOM KIPPUR KOL NIDRE NIGHT ..... 6:30 PM

Junior Congregations (1st through 6th Grades only)

#### YOM KIPPUR DAY ..... 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM

Junior Congregations (1st through 6th Grades)

Nursery - Kindergarten (Ages 3-6)

### MEN: THIS KOL NIDRE NIGHT AND YOM KIPPUR DAY

### DRESS UP BY WEARING A WHITE KITEL

You may obtain one at a moderate price at *Judaica Classics by Doina*. Please call 212-722-4271 to place your order.

## HIGH HOLY DAY SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

### The Month of Elul

- Sounding of the Shofar each morning after Shacharit
- Recitation of the entire Book of Psalms at KJ
- Selichot Services Saturday Night, September 8, 10:00 PM in the Gottesman Center's Falk Auditorium, preceded at 9:15 PM by a collation in the Falk Auditorium Lobby
- Selichot Services each morning beginning Monday, September 10, a half hour before morning services.

### ROSH HASHANAH

- Beginning of God's judgment
- Sounding of the Shofar around 10:00 AM on Monday, September 17 and Tuesday, September 18. (Those ill at home or hospital should contact Rabbi Meir Soloveichik for special arrangements.)

### Rituals to Remember

- Lighting of candles and *Shehecheyanu*
- Rosh Hashanah Kiddush
- Washing of hands and *motzi* over two round challahs and dipping the pieces in honey (continued through Hoshanah Rabbah)

### First Night

- Rosh Hashanah greeting upon leaving shul:

**לשנה טובה תכתבו**

"May you be inscribed for a Good Year."

- Dipping of apple into honey with blessing over fruit and "May it be Thy will to grant us a good and sweet year."

**יהי רצון מלפניך ה' אלקינו ואלקי אבותינו**

**שתחדש עלינו שנה טובה ומתוקה**

### First Day

- **Tashlich** - Monday, September 17, 5:30 PM. Assemble at Central Park's "Turtle Pond" just south of the Great Lawn near 85th St., or at Carl Schurz Park at 86th Street and the East River.

### Second Night

- Wearing a new garment. Keep in mind when reciting *Shehecheyanu* at Kiddush.
- Eating a new fruit not yet eaten this season and saying the blessing over fruit

### Tsom Gedaliah (Fast of Gedaliah)

- Wednesday, September 19

### 10 Days of Repentance

#### (Rosh Hashanah - Yom Kippur)

- Accept new, improved behavior and responsibility in relating to God and one another

## THE MIKVAH ON THE EVE OF YOM KIPPUR

Every year on the eve of Yom Kippur, there is a custom for men to immerse in the mikvah in preparation for this holy day.

One does not have to be a holy person to participate in this activity. On the contrary, for those of us who are just trying to be observant Jews, it is an added inspiration and preparation for a great day of introspection.

Our practice at KJ is that we observe this custom as a group before the morning service. All MEN are invited to assemble at the mikvah, 419 East 77th Street (between First and York Avenues) at 6:15 AM on Tuesday, September 25. Everyone will have the opportunity to immerse and then we will return to KJ for Shacharit services.

For more information please contact Rabbi Elie Weinstock.

### YOM KIPPUR

- Avoidance of food, drink, washing, lotions and oils, and marital relations
- Refraining from wearing leather shoes (wear a pair of non-leather footwear)
- Men are strongly encouraged to wear a white *kittel*
- Candlelighting available prior to 6:29 PM in the Gottesman, Heyman, and Newman lobbies before Kol Nidre on Tuesday, September 25.

### SUKKOT

- All meals with bread or *mezonot* should be eaten in a Sukkah.
- Lulav and Etrog will be used beginning Monday, October 1, but are not used on Shabbat.

You may purchase a Lulav and Israeli Etrog through KJ by contacting Rabbi Elie Weinstock in the synagogue office. (Reservation forms have been sent to all members under separate cover.)

### Sukkah Meals in the KJ Sukkah

Sunday, September 30 – Dinner

Monday, October 1 – Lunch and Dinner

Tuesday, October 2 – Lunch

Friday, October 5 – Dinner

Shabbat, October 6 – Lunch

(Reservation forms have been sent to members under separate cover.)

Deadline, *space permitting*, is Thursday, September 27

<b>Members:</b>	<b>Adults \$35</b>	<b>Juniors* \$30</b>	<b>Children** \$18</b>
<b>Non-Members:</b>	<b>Adults \$40</b>	<b>Juniors* \$35</b>	<b>Children** \$30</b>
	<b>*Ages 12-18</b>		<b>** Ages 2-11</b>

*You must reserve space for a non-catered meal in the Sukkah as well.*

### Hoshanah Rabbah

- Sunday morning, October 7 at 8:30 AM
- Close of the penitential season
- High Holy Day melodies. Seven circuits around the shul with *Lulav* and *Etrog* and beating of the *Aravot*
- President's breakfast sponsored by Dr. Karin and Joel Katz

### Shemini Atzeret

- Yizkor recited
- Chatanim presented to the congregation

### Simchat Torah

**I** Evening – Monday, October 8

- BRING CHILDREN AT 6:30 PM to the 92nd Street Y Nursery through 2nd Grade – Warburg Hall  
3rd-6th Grades - Rooms 102-103

Hakafot Unlimited – Singing and dancing celebration following services. A light meal and Torah discourses will conclude the evening. All are invited!

**II** Simchat Torah Day - Tuesday, October 9

- Youth groups
- Hakafot with singing and dancing
- Chatanim called to the Torah
- Women's Tefilah Group meets at 9:15 AM
- Buffet kiddush following services



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### Chatan Torah Asher Levitsky

and we, as a congregation, are proud of Asher.

Asher is married to Sharon Garfunkel, whom he met and married eight years ago. Sharon has brought delight to Asher and to us. Sharon was one of the first participants in our Chai Mitzvah program. She is active in our Intermediate Service and she is currently developing a senior singles network at KJ.

Asher has two children, Ramaz alumni Joshua and Lily, and six grandchildren - Zachery, Eliana, Sophia, Maya, Kayla and Brandon, who are very proud indeed to join with the congregation as we honor our Chatan Torah, Asher Levitsky.

### Chatan Bereishit Warren Graham

where he heads up the bankruptcy practice.

Warren's service to KJ over the last six years has been as our Gabbai, through which service he has developed an extensive "contact list."

By consenting to this honor, Warren has violated his last absolute commitment not to wear a morning coat and striped pants! We are proud to honor Warren for selfless devotion to the smooth functioning of our services. We expect that his family will be as overjoyed as we are to call Warren to the Torah as Chatan Breishit.

### Chatan Maftir Jeffrey Esses

Outside of KJ, Jeffrey serves on the Ramaz Alumni Advisory Council, the board of Israel 2.0 and is involved with the Boston University Hillel House, The Alan T. Brown Foundation and various other charities. His wife, Linda, is a former President and Secretary of the Keshet board and is currently a member of the Lower School Liaison Committee.

Jeffrey's greatest joy comes from his wife Linda, his two daughters and the tight knit relationship he shares with his siblings and their families and Linda's family. It is such a pleasure for us to honor this young man with the designation of Chatan Maftir.



## AN IMPORTANT PARTNERSHIP

*UJA at KJ is a partnership between KJ members and UJA-Federation of New York. Members receive unique opportunities to utilize the resources of UJA-Federation. With an assortment of causes and agencies in need of our support, UJA at KJ enables KJ members to become involved in and exposed to the important work of UJA-Federation in New York, Israel and around the world.*

### 2012-2013 Calendar

**November 2012** - Serve and share a Thanksgiving meal at Project ORE, a UJA-Federation beneficiary agency.

**December 2012** - Celebrate Chanukah, make decorations, sing songs, and play games with the seniors of Jewish Home Lifecare\*.

**February 2013** - Prepare Purim packages in partnership with Pack it up for Purim to benefit the KJ Food Pantry and Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty\*.

**Sunday, March 24** - Pesach food package delivery to a UJA-Federation beneficiary agency.

**March/April 2013** - UJA-Federation Shabbat at KJ

**April 2013** - KJ/Park Avenue Synagogue joint volunteer program with a UJA-Federation beneficiary agency.

**April/May 2013** - UJA at KJ's Annual Spring Reception.

**May 2013** - Seniors from Selfhelp\*, a UJA-Federation beneficiary agency that provides the greatest number of services to victims of Nazi persecution, will join the KJ Lunch and Learn program for a delicious lunch, performance, and to share some memorable intergenerational interaction with children from Ramaz.

**May 2013** - UJA-Federation's Families Division and KJ families will help equip less-fortunate children with supplies needed for summer camp.

*\*All of the agencies listed above are UJA-Federation of New York beneficiary agencies.*

*For more information about UJA at KJ, or to get more involved, contact Erica Schwartz (Erica.schwartz@hotmail.com) or Sara Shemia (sara.shemia@polarphlauren.com).*

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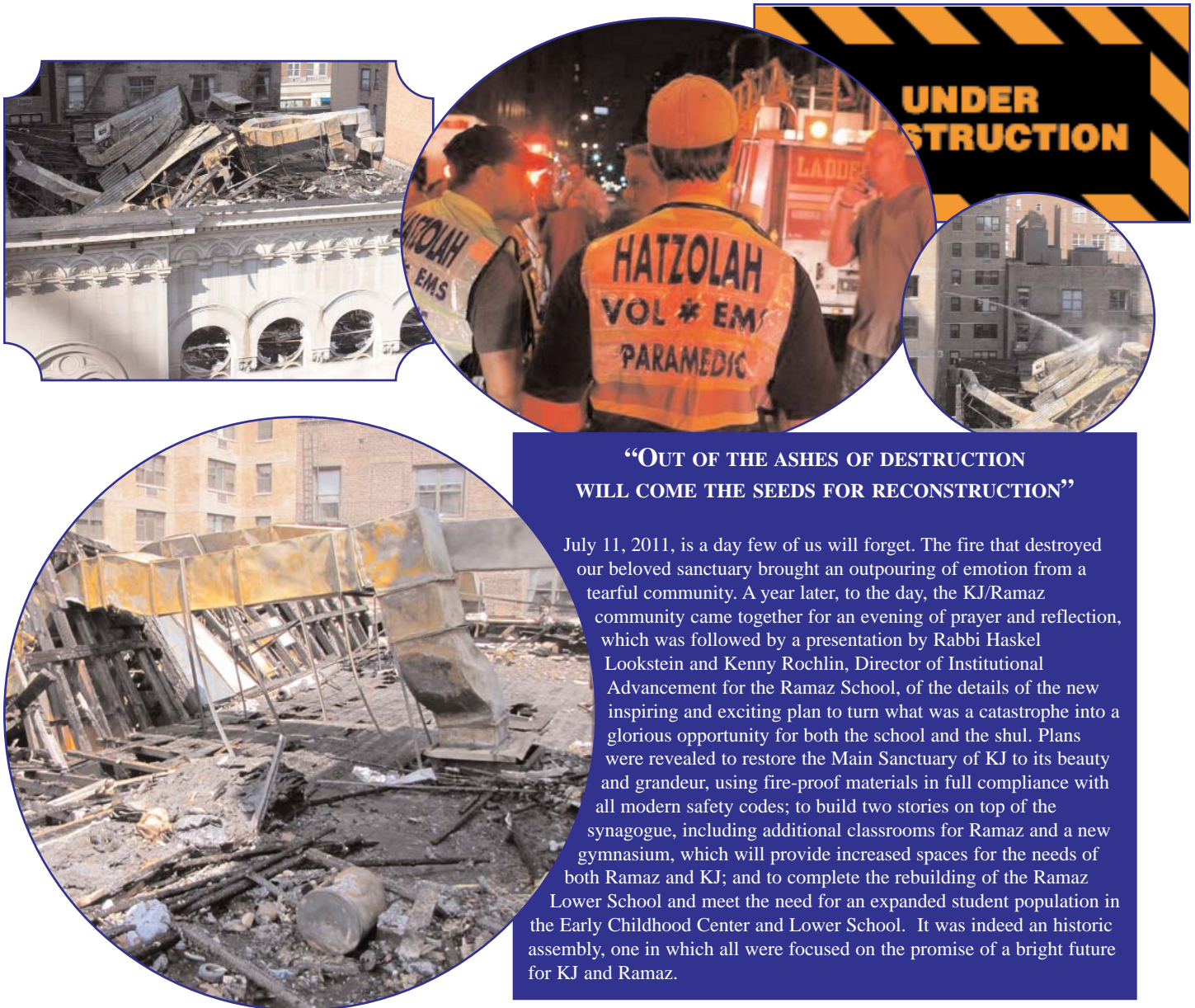
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**T**he KJ Men's Club, under the leadership of President Dr. Mark Meirowitz, offers something for everyone in KJ and the broader Jewish community. Events are open to all and great care is taken to present programming with the broadest appeal possible. We offer Kiddush Discussions on a wide range of topics led by fascinating speakers; a Chug Ivri for lovers of the Hebrew language; film screenings featuring directors, producers, and actors; the annual Men's Club Shabbaton in memory of former president Dr. Stephen Stowe; and the Sunday Supper Lecture series. The Men's Club also presents guest speakers at the weekly Seudah Shlishit and invites the community to a Shavuot Eve Dinner, where Divrei Torah from Ramaz Middle School students are showcased, followed by a stimulating Shavuot Lecture.

## From the KJ Men's Club for your Enjoyment and Edification

### Chug Ivri

SEPTEMBER 15

Israel Max: "Is it Hebrew Without the Gutturals 'Chet' and 'Aayin'?"

### New!

The Wandering Jews: A Walking Program with Victor Mintz

### Shabbat Kiddush Discussions

Roni Einav, author of *Nordau to Nasdaq*

Nick Gura: "Embedded Messages in Biblical Phrases (and a Gematrial Analysis of the Creation of the World)"

Dr. Robert April: "Jews of France: A Panel Discussion w/ Dr. Robert April"

Dr. Robert April: "The Things You Did Not Know About Napoleon and the Jews: How the Eagle Really Flew Over the Synagogue"

Rabbi Pinchas Brener: "The Jews of Venezuela"

Massimo Szulc: "Survey of Italian Jewish History"

Aharon Marmarosh, Director of the Israel Defense Mission to the US: "Challenges to Israel in 2013 and Beyond"

David Goldman: "The Rise and Fall of Muslim Civilization"

### Music Recital

"From Venice to Jerusalem" - An evening of Classical and Hebrew Music with Israeli Soprano Sensation Lianne Aharoni

### Men's Club Shabbaton

February 8-9th

Featuring noted political commentator, Hank Sheinkopf, who will lead a Seudah Shlishit discussion "Retrospective and Prospective - Where Things Stand Now"

### Jews of Latin America Series - Spring 2013

With moderator Ariel Kwacz - "Jews of Brazil" Panel Discussion

### Men's Club Film

Fall 2012

"Beetle: "Film director and soon-to-be father Yishair Orian's funny and intimate journey in a pre-owned Volkswagen beetle as fatherhood looms.

Spring 2013

"Homecoming" explores the story of three teenagers born to foreign workers in Israel who are not Jewish but are deeply Israeli, who return to their roots in the Congo, Peru and the Philippines.

## SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE RABBI ADAM MINTZ



**SHABBAT, SEPTEMBER 15**

Gottesman Center  
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Sermon (at the conclusion  
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**"The Final Day of the Year: A  
Time of Conflicting Emotions"**

Shiur (6:35 p.m.):  
**"The Courtship of Rabbi Akiva  
and Rachel: A Modern Reading of  
a Talmudic Narrative"**

Seudah Shlishit:  
**"Rosh Hashanah Eve: Why is  
This Night Different From  
All Other Nights?"**

*Rabbi Adam Mintz is the rabbi and founder of Kehilat Rayim Ahuvim, a Modern Orthodox community on the Upper West Side. He is a 2012-2013 Fellow at the Tikvah Center for Law and Jewish Civilization. Rabbi Mintz served as Associate Rabbi at KJ from 1992-1996.*

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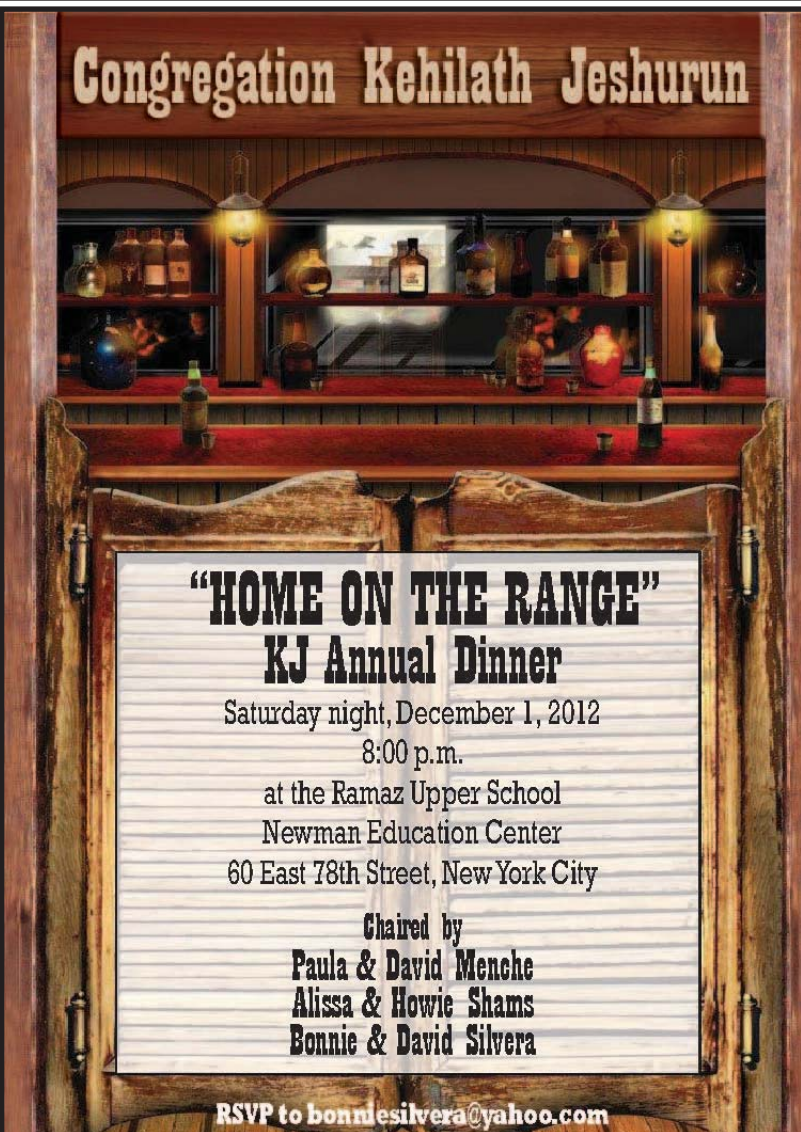
## KJ FOOD PANTRY

The KJ Food Pantry provides kosher food weekly to New York's hungry. Clients  
are referred to us through the synagogue and local service agencies. Each week  
clients come to KJ to receive food staples tailored to their diets, as well as a  
selection of fresh fruits and vegetables. Ramaz students pack the bags and staff the  
booth in the lobby of KJ, and Ramaz/KJ members also deliver packages to those  
who are homebound. For further information or to volunteer, please contact Stacy  
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**Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun**



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Since the fire, KJ has become a wandering shul as we avail ourselves of various school facilities and even The Metropolitan Museum of Art and the 92nd Street "Y." Like the cowboys of yesteryear who purposefully wandered the open prairie, KJ has learned to transform every temporary encampment into a "home," and this year's event theme, a wild west soiree called "HOME ON THE RANGE," captures that plucky cowboy spirit.

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The Rose and Dr. Charles Langer Lunch and Learn Program for seniors, hosted by Donna Silverman, commences again this fall. The free program for seniors is made possible by an endowment created by the Buchwald, Edelsburg and Stern families.

**Lunch & Learn Fall 2012 Schedule**

*Wednesdays starting October 10th at 12:00 noon..*

**Fall 2012**

October 10	Janie Schwalbe
October 17	Rabbi Elie Weinstock
October 24	Israel Max
October 31	Gilah Kletenik
November 7	Rabbi Daniel Kraus
November 14	TBD
November 21	Rabbi Daniel Kraus
November 28	Surie Sugarman
December 5	Gilah Kletenik
December 12	Rabbi Elie Weinstock
December 19	Dr. Gilbert N. Kahn
December 26	Winter Break

*These programs will take place at  
the Ramaz Lower School  
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For the past 13 years, KJ has been the address for unaffiliated families looking for a Jewish education for



their children. The Jewish Youth Connection (JYC) is the Sunday morning Hebrew school founded by KJ members Susan and Scott Shay fourteen years ago with the goal of providing a substantive and meaningful Jewish education to unaffiliated families. They nurtured JYC with a single-minded devotion for a decade and saw the school grow from just a few students to almost ninety during this past academic year. Over a dozen JYC students have moved on to Jewish Day Schools or High Schools - a tribute to the caring, dedication and support of Susan and Scott.

Five years ago, the Shays decided to turn the management of JYC over to KJ. Rabbi Elie Weinstock now oversees JYC with the help of Scott, Susan, and the dedicated JYC staff.

JYC's curriculum includes Bible, Jewish history, customs, and holidays. Students participate in small classes, and there are also modules on Jewish

History, the Holocaust, and the State of Israel for older participants. Students from second

through sixth grade are paired with a Big Brother/Sister for individualized Hebrew study, and there is a special track for students preparing for Bar or Bat Mitzvah.

"JYC has been great for our kids," enthused one parent. "They actually remind us to take them to Hebrew school and are excited to go to school on a Sunday. It is incredible!"

The new school year begins on September 9th at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome to sample JYC's start-of-the-year sessions and programs. Enrollment is open to all, and no synagogue affiliation or Jewish background is required to participate in JYC. No one is turned away due to lack of funds.

JYC classes are held at the Gottesman Center, 114 East 85th Street, between Lexington and Park. For more information or questions, please contact Tzivia Kramer, JYC's director, at JYC@ckj.org or 212-794-1592, or see [www.jyc.info](http://www.jyc.info)

## BNEI MITZVAH PROGRAM

The KJ Bnei Mitzvah program is a unique opportunity for parents and children to explore, in creative and interactive ways, the challenges and opportunities of reaching Bar and Bat Mitzvah.

The Bat Mitzvah program led by Rachel Kraus, follows a curriculum developed by MaTaN, the world-renowned Jerusalem academy for women's Torah scholarship, which focuses on Jewish female role models from the Matriarchs to Nehama Leibowitz.

The Bar Mitzvah program, led by Rabbi Elie Weinstock, developed specifically for KJ, explores the Jewish sources on daily living and ritual practice in a way which is hands-on, exciting and meaningful.

Through text study, projects and interactive learning, each parent/child "chavruta" will connect with these Jewish sources and become partners on the spiritual journey of what it means to be a Jewish adult today.

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Saturday evenings at 8:30 P.M.

November 10, December 15

January 12, February 9

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## KJ COLLEGE CONNECTION NEEDS YOUR CHILD'S INFO

We are once again collecting the dormitory addresses of the children of KJ members who are studying at a college or graduate school away from home.

The KJ College Connection sends complimentary gift packages during Chanukah and Purim, containing candies, Chanukiot, Mishloach Manot and other holiday-related items. This program benefits KJ Members whose children are currently out-of-town students.

The program is a wonderful reminder to our families' students that they are thought of and wished a Chag Sameach.

If your child is studying away from home at a college or university in the United States, please update their mailing information (even if you think we already have it) by e-mailing [riva@ckj.org](mailto:riva@ckj.org) with each student's name and exact dormitory mailing address or campus package delivery address.



## BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE KJ SISTERHOOD

The Sisterhood of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun is committed to good works and improving lives. Funds raised through our programming are used to support social action projects that benefit families and individuals in our community and around the world. The Sisterhood is also responsible for preparing local Shiva homes, including the first meal; contributing to KJ programs and activities, such as the communal Sukkah; Ramaz Scholarship Fund; Bar/Bat Mitzvah gifts; and funding any unsponsored Shabbat kiddushim.

The organizations to which we have given charitable support have included: Chabad Mikvah of the Upper East Side, the community of Sderot, Dorot, Hatzolah, the Israeli Defense Forces, Magen David Adom, Project Ezra, Sharsheret, and UJA, among others.

*Your support can help us reach more people in need. You can get involved by chairing, volunteering or attending an event. Contact one of us if you would like to get involved in the Sisterhood: Sisterhood@ckj.org*

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### Sisterhood Events 2012

September 10

*Pre-Rosh Hashanah Wine Tasting*

Sunday, September 23rd

*Shirley Serure Family Portrait Day*

Tuesday, October 10th

*Gallery Walk*

November

*Cooking Event*

November 5th

*Book Club*

Sunday, December 2nd

*Chanukah Boutique*

Friday, December 7th

*Latke Drive*

### 2013

January

*Sotheby's Judaica Event*

Sunday, March 10th

*Spring Boutique*

Monday, May 13th

*Blintzes and Cheesecake Drive*

May

*Cynthia Nachmani Museum Event*

Monday, June 3rd

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*If your child attends Ramaz and you are a member of KJ planning a Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Riva Alper must be notified directly of your plans. **Reserving a date with Ramaz does not imply that it is reserved at KJ.***

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## KESHER AT KJ: CONNECTING YOUNG MEMBERS AND FAMILIES

**K**esher is the organization at KJ that offers an array of programs and events for individuals and young couples in their twenties, thirties, and forties, and families who have young children. As its name suggests, Keshes's main goal is to create a "connection" among this group of KJ members in order to provide a warm and welcoming entry into the larger KJ community and contribute to the social, educational and family needs of this important group in the KJ family.

One of the most popular Keshes programs is the Young People's Minyan (YPM), led by their dedicated Gabbaim. At YPM, Keshes members daven as a group, enjoy a delicious hot Kiddush together, and most importantly get to know each other in an intimate, kid-friendly Shul environment. A Shabbat morning highlight is our monthly Tot Shabbat program, led by Rabbi Elie Wienstock and Family Programming Coordinator Effy Braun, which provides an opportunity for our youngest members to have a kid-friendly environment to experience Shabbat with songs, friends, and of course Shabbat treats.

Keshes offers a variety of social events over the course of the year, including our Shemini Atzeret Luncheon, Spring Luncheon, Oneg Shabbat, and a Saturday Night Social. We also have various child-oriented events, including a Rosh Hashanah-themed activity at Make Meaning (on the Upper East Side), Chanukah Concert, and Friday night Tot Shabbat Dinners.

We continually try to expand learning opportunities for community members, including parenting lectures, and other exciting lecture topics of interest to Keshes members - all ideas are welcome.

Keshes also makes new mothers one of our top priorities. We provide a Shabbat dinner to the parents of every new baby born into the KJ family. This initiative is aimed at making the first Shabbat at home with a new baby as easy as possible. In addition, Meals for New Moms ensures that new moms also receive three additional weekday meals for the family. New mothers in the community will also

have the opportunity to connect with one another and hear insights from various child specialists at our ever popular New Mother's Breakfasts.

Keshes is also committed to reaching out to new members of the synagogue. We will be hosting a Friday Night Dessert Oneg for new members to connect with one another, with long-time synagogue members and with our congregational rabbis.

This year, Keshes is launching a Chesed program, being led by Yaira Singer, in order to bring various chesed opportunities to our members. We have programs geared toward adults and towards families. Keshes plans on expanding its Chesed program, in emphasis of this important communal Mitzvah.

Our programming is made possible and successful thanks to the hard work of dedicated and committed volunteers. This year Keshes welcomes back co-Presidents Gabriella Fridman and Shirley Serure, and Secretary Nancy Newhouse. We would like to welcome new co-President Gealia Friend and new Treasurer Jessica Weiss. We bid farewell to past co-president Yaira Singer, and past Treasurer Amy Weiss. We would like to thank them for all their hard work.

Ultimately, Keshes is determined to continually respond to the needs of its members and keep them involved in both the Keshes and KJ communities. Keshes maintains an email newsletter which gives members an up-to-date way of staying informed of our events. To learn more, get involved, or to simply subscribe to the Keshes email, please email us at [keshes@ckj.org](mailto:keshes@ckj.org).

### SATURDAY MORNING TOT SHABBAT

**October 27  
December 1  
January 26  
February 23  
April 13  
June 1**

## KESHER EVENTS

### 2012

**Make Meaning: Rosh Hashanah  
Honey Dish Art Project**  
Sunday, September 9th

**Shemini Atzeret Lunch**  
Monday, October 8th, after Services

**Zumba Classes**  
October 16th, 23rd, 30th  
& November 6th

**Fall New Mothers' Breakfast with  
Mavis Green**  
Tuesday, November 13th

**Tot Shabbat Family Dinner**  
Friday, November 9th

**Chanukah Concert:  
Shira and Friends**  
Sunday, December 2nd

**Soul Cycle Event**  
Wednesday, December 5th

### 2013

**Tot Shabbat Family Dinner**  
Friday, January 4th

**Friday Night Dessert Oneg**  
Friday, January 25th

**Tot Shabbat Family Dinner**  
Friday, February 8th

**Prime Butcher Event/ Wine Tasting**  
Saturday, March 2

**Spring Luncheon at Gotham**  
Saturday, May 11th

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**RABBI ALEXANDER KAYE**

As I write these words, I am in the process of packing up my office as I leave the Upper East Side to move to Princeton. I want simply to convey to you all how much I have appreciated my time at KJ these past four years. I am deeply grateful to Rabbi Lookstein and to all the clergy and staff at the Synagogue for making every moment of my time with the community so enriching. I am also grateful to all of you, the members of the KJ family, for welcoming Lynn and me into your lives. Even as we move away, we continue to feel close to you all. I will be returning to KJ to help lead the High Holy Day services in the Fall and I hope to see you all then.

With all my very best wishes,  
Alexander Kaye



**ARONA SCHNEIDER**

After an eight year tenure as KJ's Office Manager, Arona will be bidding us farewell at the end of August in order to begin her studies at Yeshiva University's Wurzweiler School of Social Work. We wish her every success and happiness in this new undertaking. During the time she worked at KJ, Arona prepared over 400 Shabbat Announcements and almost 100 monthly mailings. She was the person who responded to your queries about Shabbatonim, service times, and coordinated Lunch and Learn -and that's just for starters! True to the words of Pirkei Avot, Arona greeted everyone with warmth and friendliness, qualities that will benefit her greatly in her new career.



**AVI MILLER**

A warm thank you on behalf of the congregation to Avi Miller, who served our congregation so admirably this year as Rabbinic Intern. Avi, who will complete his rabbinical studies at Yeshiva University next year, had the opportunity to develop his rabbinic and pastoral skills by engaging with every population within our community. He addressed us from the pulpit, delivered shiurim after the Hashkama Minyan and at Seudah Shlishit, officiated at the Sephardic Minyan and Intermediate Service, served as a rabbinic resource for our Jewish Youth Connection parents, and participated in various ritual and pastoral roles throughout the year. In addition, he married Sarah this past November. Now, that's quite a year!

We are so happy that we were able to participate in his rabbinic training and that he was able to serve our community in so many important ways and in such an exemplary fashion.

We are delighted to announce that Avi will be assuming the role of Rabbinic Assistant to Rabbi Kenneth Hain at Congregation Beth Sholom in Lawrence, one of the premiere Modern Orthodox synagogues in New York. We wish Avi and Sarah the very best in this new endeavor.

## The KJ Singles Network

KJ is currently in the process of organizing Shabbat dinners, cultural events, and other activities for Jewish singles. Unmarried men and women in their 40s through 70s are invited to get involved in creating a vibrant singles community. Get involved!

Learn about events for singles in their 40s and 50s by contacting Harriet Edleson at 212-348-0428.

Singles in their 60s and 70s should contact Sharon Garfunkel at 917-670-7814.

## דור בא



**ESTI PELED**

I am one of the KJ/Ramaz community's new Bnei Akiva Shlichot. I was born 25 years ago in Haifa, the first of 8 children (I have 5 sisters and 2 brothers) and was raised in Ma'alot - Tarshiha, a small town situated in the heart of the western Galilee.

I spent my high school years at Ulpana haRav Baharan in Gedera, where I met my Bnei Akiva partner Moriah. I did my national service as a tour guide throughout Israel and then I started studying for a B.A in Communications at the University Center of Samaria. I most recently lived in Nachlaot, Jerusalem and worked at "Ha'aguda Lehitnadvut," a national service organization, where my role was to guide applicants throughout the volunteer process and help them find a place where they could feel comfortable and fulfilled.

Looking forward to a great year!

## SPONSORSHIPS ARE WELCOME

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# A WARM WELCOME



**MORIAH AMRAM**

I am the KJ/Ramaz community's other Bnei Akiva shelicha. I was born and raised in Yad-Binyamin, a very small village (only 30 families when I was growing up there) in the south central part of Israel. After I graduated the local elementary school I went to Ulpana Harav-Baharan where I met my Bnei Akiva partner, Esti. We spent four wonderful years there. After national service I started my Bachelors degree in education focusing on Guidance Counseling and Communication. I also studied to be a gym and gymnastics instructor. Before embarking on this shelichut, I lived and worked in Jerusalem. I am very excited about working with the wonderful children of this community.



**MYRIAM BOSTWICK**

A warm welcome to Myriam Bostwick, KJ's new Programming Associate. Myriam hails from Queens, where she lives with her husband and pet rabbit. She graduated from Binghamton University with a Bachelor of Arts in English and Biological Sciences. While there, she was active in the local Chabad and Hillel, serving as Hillel Holocaust education chair and Chabad board member. During her last year, she managed the school's kosher kitchen and organized fund raisers for a specialized day camp for children with cancer. Before assuming her position at KJ, she worked as the manager of a busy doctor's office. Myriam hopes to use her knowledge of social media and communications to keep the KJ family up to date with the synagogue's many events and classes. She is delighted to be joining such a warm and welcoming community.



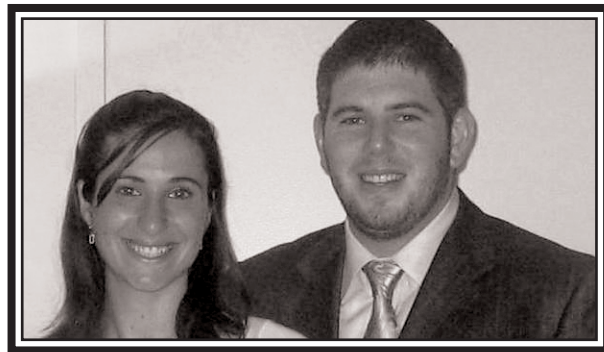
**MICHAEL CINNAMON**

Michael J. Cinnamon is a fourth-year Rabbinical student at Yeshiva University. Hailing from Atlanta, Georgia, he studied at Yeshivat Hakotel in Jerusalem from 2004 to

2006 and majored in History and Jewish Studies in the Jay and Jeannie Schottenstein Honors Program at Yeshiva College. Michael is completing an MA in Talmudic Studies at the Bernard Revel Graduate School at YU, after which he plans to pursue a doctorate in Jewish History.

A Wexner Graduate Fellow and a member of the planning committee for the August 2012 Wexner Institute on personal and communal boundaries, he has been teaching classes in literary analysis of Talmudic stories at the Columbia/Barnard and NYU Hillels.

Michael particularly enjoys playing Frisbee, and is an avid reader - his favorite author is David Foster Wallace.



**RACHEL AND RABBI DANIEL KRAUS**

We are very excited to announce that Rabbi Daniel and Rachel Kraus have been appointed Directors of Community Education at KJ. In their new positions, Daniel and Rachel will play a major role in leading our Beginners Program as well as teaching classes in the community and strengthening and enhancing our congregational programming.

For the last six and a half years they served as the Downtown Directors of the Manhattan Jewish Experience (MJE) in Murray Hill, which has grown to become a vibrant community for unaffiliated young Jewish professionals in lower Manhattan. They opened their home for Shabbat and Holiday meals, and their direct involvement in people's lives launched and enhanced countless Jewish journeys.

Rabbi Daniel Kraus was born and raised in Melbourne, Australia. He attended Yeshivat Mevaseret Tzion for two years in Israel and completed degrees in Management and Hebrew Culture and Philosophy at Yeshiva University. Ordained by Rabbi Zalman Nechemiah Goldberg of Jerusalem, Rabbi Kraus has led multiple Birthright trips as well as missions to Israel, Shabbatonim, camps and programs across the globe. Daniel is currently the Chief Operating Officer at the Manhattan Jewish Experience. He is also an avid Kosher aficionado and the founder of Koshertopia.com.

Rachel Kraus is no stranger to the KJ family, having taught the MaTan Bat Mitzvah class for mothers and daughters for the past seven years. A native of Teaneck, NJ with over a decade of experience in teaching and informal education from Russia to Australia, Rachel spent two years studying at Midreshet Lindenbaum before receiving her B.S. from YU's Sy Syms School of Business with a major in Marketing and a minor in Music, including extensive study at The Juilliard School. Rachel is currently the National Director of Partnership Marketing for the Westfield Corporation and is completing her MBA at NYU.

Rachel and Daniel are the proud parents of 4 year old Kira, who will be entering Pre-K at Ramaz, and 2 year old Eitan.

Feel free to reach out to them at [RDK@ckj.org](mailto:RDK@ckj.org) and [Rachel@ckj.org](mailto:Rachel@ckj.org). We welcome them to the KJ community and look forward to the wonderful contributions that they will make to our congregational family.



## WITHIN OUR FAMILY

### BIRTHS

Mazal Tov to:

Lauren and Justin Brody upon the birth of their second child and daughter, Eden.

Lisa Sopher-Deutsch and Jeremy Deutsch, upon the birth of their second child and first daughter, Julia Fay (Tzipora Michal). Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ great-grandfather, Joshua Deutsch.

Harriet Edleson upon the birth of a nephew, Jaacov Zalman Aryeh (Brandon Jason) Schames.

Erica and Robert Schwartz upon the birth of their fifth and sixth children, twins, a baby boy and a baby girl (their fifth daughter and first son), Eliana Edith and Barry Donald. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandparents, Sheira and Steven Schacter.

Drs. Melanie and Steven Siskind upon the birth of their fourth child and third daughter, Naomi Valentina.

Dr. Larry Steinberg upon the birth of his first great grandchild, Mendy, born to his grandchildren Rachel and Dovid Shteierman of Waterbury, Connecticut.

Dr. Leonard Wolinsky, upon the birth of a granddaughter, Mae Sarah, born to his children, Elise and Daniel Kasell.

Noa and KJ High Holy Day chazzan Jay Zweibel upon the birth of their fourth child and second son, Asaf, in Savyon, Israel.

### BNEI MITZVAH

Mazal Tov to:

Alice and Leon Wildes upon the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Ezra Max Wildes, son of Jill and Rabbi Mark Wildes.

### ENGAGEMENTS

Mazal Tov to:

Iris and Ilan Cohen on the engagement of their daughter, Jordana, to Mr. Andrew Fruchter, son of Chami and Lazar Fruchter of Herzlyia Pituach, Israel.

Lynette and Steven Koppel upon the engagement of their daughter, Sarah, to Joshua Smith, son of Elissa and Philip Smith of East Brunswick, NJ. Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandmother Yvonne Koppel.

Bertha and Dr. Henry Kressel, upon the engagement of their granddaughter, Dalia Ephrat, daughter of Kim and Zeev Ephrat, to Rafi Rosenberg.

Rochelle Mogilner upon her engagement to Hal (Zvi) Gastwirt.

Surie and Robert Sugarman, upon the engagement of their son, Jason, to Ariel Barneham, daughter of Gail Barneham of Great Neck and Joel Barneham of Los

Angeles. Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandmother Judith Rudoff.

Dr. Marlene Warshawski Yahalom upon the engagement of her daughter, Tali, to Josh Leinwand, son of Sheba and Robbie Leinwand, of Brooklyn, NY. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandmother, Mrs. Judith Warshawski.

*May their weddings take place in happiness and blessing.*

## BNEI MITZVAH



### NOAH BRILL

Mazal Tov to Judy Abel and Michael Brill on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Noah, which will take place at Kehilat Yavneh on October 20th. Noah will read Parashat Noach and its Haftarah, and will deliver a D'var Torah. Noah, a grandson of KJ member Shirley Abel, is in the seventh grade at the Ramaz Middle School.

### MARRIAGES

Mazal tov to:

Judy and Marty Grumet, upon the marriage of their son Avi, to Leah, daughter of Sylvia and Dr. Stuart Greenstein.

Drs. Faye and Jonathan Kellerman, upon the marriage of their daughter, Ilana Judith, to Jordan Stuart Moss, the son of Dr. Kenneth S. Moss of Pepper Pike, Ohio, and the late Anita N. Moss.

David & Judy Lobel and Laurie & Dr. Eli Bryk upon the marriage of their children, Caroline to Jordan. Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandmother Esther Lobel.

Dr. Phyllis and Mark Speiser upon the marriage of their son, Jonathan Speiser, to Tali Rasooly, daughter of Drs. Rebekah and Avraham Rasooly of Silver Spring, MD. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandparents of the bride, Leila and Dr. Fred Zuckerman.

### PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to

Esther Amini (Krawitz), who had two of

her stories recently performed by the Jewish Women's Theatre (JWT) in Los Angeles. In the fall, JWT will be performing her works at the theatre of the Fowler Museum in Los Angeles.

Rabbi Jeffrey Kobrin, son of members Ruth and Lawrence Kobrin, on his designation as Rosh HaYeshiva / Head of School of North Shore Hebrew Academy in Great Neck.

Rebecca Kobrin, daughter of members Ruth and Lawrence Kobrin, on the appearance of her second published book, *Chosen Capital: The Jewish Encounter with American Capitalism*, for which she served as editor. It follows the appearance last year of *Jewish Bialystok and Its Diaspora*, which was named as a finalist in the National Jewish Book Awards.

Yoni Oppenheim, son of Raquel and E. Magnus Oppenheim, who recently directed "*Home of the Brave: WWII Experiences in the Military & Homefront*," which was performed by seniors at the Riverdale Y's Simon Senior Center. Yoni is the founding co-Artistic Director of 24/6: A Jewish Theater Company.

Sandra Rapoport, who will once again be giving a class in her series exploring Women of the Bible at the JCC (244 Amsterdam Avenue at 76th Street). Entitled "Roadside Seduction: The Story of Judah and Tamar," the series of six classes will run on Monday evenings from Oct. 15 through Nov. 19. For information or to register, please call (646) 505-4444.

### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to:

Jonathan Deluty, son of Rebecca Schub, upon his recent graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. Jonathan, who spent his senior year as a Tikvah Scholar, was the recipient of the Walter Koppel Jewish Political Action Award, the Meyer Appleman Memorial Award for Limudei Kodesh (Judaic Studies), a National Merit Scholarship Program Letter of Commendation, and a Band Award. Jonathan will be attending Yeshivat Har Etzion (Gush) in Israel in the fall.

Pasha Gol, daughter of Jane and Ishaia Gol, upon her graduation from the University of Pennsylvania, *summa cum laude*, with a major in History and minor in Urban Studies. Pasha will begin her tenure as a New York City Urban Fellow in September.

Samuel K Reznik, grandson of Eleanor Reznik and nephew of Renee and Michael

## WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Bernstein, who received his Doctorate of Organic Chemistry from Columbia University. He was published in Nature International Weekly Journal of Science and will begin working for Bristol Meyers in September.

### CONDOLENCES TO

David Bolnick, upon the passing of his mother, Florence.

Dr. Jay Cinnamon, upon the passing of his father, Theodore Cinnamon.

Lillian Eisman, upon the passing of her sister, Esther King.

Robert Ellenberg, upon the passing of his brother, Donald Ellenberg.

Meyer Gross, upon the passing of his brother, Richard.

Diane Joffe, upon the passing of her father, Milton Geller.

Ellen Kapito, upon the passing of her mother, Roslyn Hershey.

Dr. Leon Landau, upon the passing of his mother, Leah Landau.

Bonnie Postel, upon the passing of her mother, Shirley Kapland.

Eve Propp, upon the passing of her mother, Ruth Grunebaum Sondheimer.

George Rohr, upon the passing of his father, Sami Rohr.

KJ Adult Education instructor Rabbi Yossi Weiser, upon the passing of his mother, Lilly Weiser.

*May they be comforted among all those who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.*

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## In Memorium

### RUDY DRESDNER

He came to our community eight years ago as the new husband of Gabriella Major. He brought her a measure of consolation after the passing of her beloved husband, Dr. William Major, and he brought us a warm, enthusiastic and pious personality whom it was our pleasure to get to know and love.

Rudy was a Jewish communal servant in Stamford and he continued to be that in New York. He loved our congregation and he was full of respect and appreciation for the kind of prayer services that we run and for the variety, breadth and depth of the activities which we sponsor for our members and for the general community. He came to shul with absolute regularity and he sat modestly but joyously toward the rear of the synagogue together with his new found family, the children and grandchildren of Gaby.

He took sick while he was in Israel for Pesach and within a short time he was gone. It was a tragic loss for Gaby and the family, and a very sad loss for KJ as well. As a Kohain, he blessed our congregation. We, in turn, bless his memory.

### ROCHELLE RUBIN

A seemingly eternal presence in the Ladies Balcony of the Main Synagogue every High Holy Day season, Rochelle beamed when regaling pewmates about the accomplishments of her Ramaz Alumnae daughters, Susie and Carolyn, who were the apples of her eye. Rochelle cherished her KJ Membership, maintaining it long after the passing of her sainted husband, Morton, and we, in turn, were blessed by her steadfast affiliation. At the 140th Annual Synagogue Meeting this past March, we honored Rochelle as she celebrated 40 years of KJ Membership. May the Almighty wipe away the tears from the faces of Rochelle's family, who will miss her presence in services this fall and forevermore.

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### SHABBAT SCHEDULE

		<i>Lighting of Candles</i>	<i>Friday Evening Services</i>	<i>Saturday Afternoon Services</i>	<i>Sabbath Ends</i>
<b>September</b>					
7-8	Ki Tavo	6:59 PM	6:45 PM	6:50 PM	7:54 PM
14-15	Nitzavim	6:48 PM	6:45 PM	6:35 PM	7:42 PM
21-22	Vayelech/ Shabbat Shuva	6:36 PM	6:45 PM	6:25 PM	7:30 PM
28-29	Haazinu	6:24 PM	6:35 PM	6:10 PM	7:17 PM
<b>October</b>					
5-6	Chol HaMoed	6:12 PM	6:25 PM	6:00 PM	7:06 PM
12-13	Bereshit	6:01 PM	6:15 PM	5:50 PM	6:54 PM
19-20	Noah	5:51 PM	6:05 PM	5:40 PM	6:45 PM
26-27	Lekh Lekha	5:41 PM	5:55 PM	5:30 PM	6:36 PM
<b>November</b>					
2-3	Vayera	5:32 PM	5:45 PM	5:20 PM	6:28 PM
9-10	Chaye Sara	4:25 PM	4:35 PM	4:15 PM	5:20 PM
16-17	Toledot	4:18 PM	4:30 PM	4:10 PM	5:16 PM
23-24	Vayetze	4:14 PM	4:25 PM	4:05 PM	5:12 PM
30-1	Vayishlah	4:11 PM	4:25 PM	4:05 PM	5:09 PM
<b>December</b>					
7-8	Vayeshev	4:10 PM	4:25 PM	4:05 PM	5:08 PM

### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Weekday mornings.....7:30 AM Sunday mornings.....8:30 AM  
Mondays and Thursdays.....7:15 AM Rosh Chodesh Weekdays.....7:00 AM  
Sabbath mornings.....9:00 AM

### EVENING SERVICES

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept. 2-20 .....6:45 PM  
Sept. 23-27 .....6:40 PM  
Sept. 30- .....6:35 PM  
Oct. 3-4 .....6:25 PM

Oct. 10-11 .....6:15 PM  
Oct. 14-18 .....6:05 PM  
Oct. 21-25 .....5:55 PM  
Oct. 28-Nov. 1 .....5:45 PM

Nov. 4-8 .....4:35 PM  
Nov. 11-15 .....4:30 PM  
Nov. 18-Dec. 20 .....4:25 PM

**Mon.-Tues., Sept. 17-18**  
Rosh Hashanah  
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**Wednesday, Sept. 19**  
Fast of Gedaliah  
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**Tuesday-Wednesday, Sept. 25-26**  
Yom Kippur  
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**Monday-Tues., Oct. 1-Oct. 9**  
Sukkot, Hoshanah Rabbah,  
Shemini Atzeret, Simchat Torah  
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**Tuesday-Wednesday, Oct. 16-17**  
Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan  
Morning Services at 7:00 AM

**Thursday, November 15**  
Rosh Chodesh Kislev  
Morning Services at 7:00 AM