

HIGH HOLY DAY ISSUE

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KEHILATH JESHURUN BULLETIN

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A WAKE-UP SUMMER

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

"How's your summer going?" It is the standard greeting from friends and acquaintances in July-August. This summer, however, it was very hard to respond to that greeting. The very tense, frightening and often tragic situation in Israel made it impossible to fully enjoy this summer.

We felt like mourners who are not supposed to be asked - during *shiva* and *sh'loshim* and, for those who lost parents, for twelve months - "How are you?" (*sh'eilat shalom*).

How should a mourner respond? "I'm fine, thank you?" It's not true. And the same was true for all of us. While our brothers and sisters in Israel were burying the remains of sixty-seven soldiers and three civilians and caring for hundreds of wounded, we couldn't simply carry on a summer's life as usual; and if we actually managed to do that, we felt guilty about it, quite properly.

In a sense, we were all reminded of the fragility of life, of normalcy, of peace. The Talmud tells us of such a reminder at a wedding made by Mar brai d'Ravina for his son. He noticed that the guests were dancing too frenetically - not unheard of in our day - so he took a 400 *zuz vase* (very valuable) and threw it to the floor, smashing it. The guests became more subdued. Tosafot comments that this is the source of breaking a glass at the conclusion of a wedding (Talmud, Berachot: 30b, 31a).

What this sage was teaching (and what the Tosafists emphasized) is that weddings should be celebrated, but with balance. This is because marriage, like life itself, is a balance. There will be great joys, but also sorrows and tragedies; wonderful fulfillment, but also disappointments; celebratory highs, but also difficult struggles.

We were all reminded of this tension and balance in life as we suffered along with our sisters and brothers in Israel, during the "Three Weeks" and the beginning of the "Seven Sabbaths of Consolation." The terror from the rockets above and the horror of the terror tunnels below shook all of us to our foundation. We realized, once again, that we can take nothing for granted, not the miracle of the State of Israel, not the safety of Jews in Europe and not even our own secure existence in New York. In a world where terrorists operate freely throughout the Middle East, and Israel is barely permitted to defend itself (compare Ahasuerus' permission to the Jews of the Persian Empire to fight for their lives on Adar 13), nothing can be taken for granted.

As we prepare to usher in a new Jewish year, 5775, we do so with fervent prayers for health, well-being and peace for Israel, for ourselves and for all humankind. We must have the enthusiasm to rejoice and celebrate, but we must also have the wisdom to do so with the Talmud's teaching of balance. May our highs this year be many and our lows few.

L' Shana Tova Tikateivu v'Teichateimu. May we all be inscribed for a good year: a year of health, happiness, blessing and peace.

PREPARE YOURSELF FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

ALL PROGRAMS AND CLASSES TAKE PLACE AT THE GOTTESMAN CENTER, 114 EAST 85TH STREET

SELICHOT SERVICES

Saturday, September 20 at 10:00 PM
Preceded by a Collation at 9:15 PM

SHABBAT SHUVA DRASHA RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN

*"Judgmentalism -
Public and Private"*

Saturday, September 27
at the conclusion of 6:00 PM services

Timely Torah HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

with

RABBI DANIEL AND RACHEL KRAUS

ROSH HASHANAH Monday, September 22

YOM KIPPUR Monday, September 29

SUKKOT WORKSHOP Monday, October 6

All classes begin at 7:30 PM

SEVENTH ANNUAL TESHUVAH LECTURE

IN MEMORY OF

FLORENCE FISHEL COHEN

*"Making a Meaningful Life:
Doing Mitzvot and Having Kavannah"*

RABBI SAUL BERMAN

Tuesday, September 30 at 7:30 pm

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ISRAEL ACTION

Check out "Artzeinu"
The Weekly Israel News Update

<http://artzeinu.org>

edited by fellow KJ members
Aliza Hornblass
Jonathan Hornblass,
Erica Schwartz
Founder: Deena Shiff

This site provides easy access
to numerous news sources and
videos, and is well organized
by general topic.



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Dena Block

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Aryeh Leifert, Licensed Israel Tour Guide

(U.S. number, rings in Israel)305-454-4050

Foremost Caterers201-664-2465

Judaica Classics (Doina Bryskin) ..212-722-4271

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Tefillin and Mezuzah Checking ..212-927-1655

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Park East Kosher Butcher212-737-9800

Plaza Jewish Community Chapel ..212-769-4400

Seasons Kosher Supermarket212-222-6332

Tauber Fish Market718-338-5380

For Shaatnez checking (the biblical prohibition against mixed fabrics typically found in the collars of expensive men's suits), leave suits at Kent's Fashion House, 1596 Third Avenue (between 89th & 90th Streets), and they will be inspected by the Shaatnez checker. Phone: 212-876-0088.

RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN TO DELIVER SHABBAT SHUVA DRASHA

"Judgmentalism - Public and Private"

Shabbat, September 27, 2014 following 6:00 p.m. Mincha
at the Gottesman Center, 114 East 85th Street

Did you ever find yourself judging another person's actions or motives? If your answer to this question is, "No!", then you can skip this year's Shabbat Shuva Discourse. If, however, you are like me (Haskel Lookstein), I urge you to come.

I will discuss the general prohibition against judging one's fellow human being unfavorably, its basis in Halakhah, its negative effect on teshuva, some of the moral and psychological issues involved and the exceptions to the rule, i.e. when it is permitted - or required - to so judge another.

In an interconnected Jewish world this subject has great relevance for our relations with our co-religionists to the right and to the left of us Modern Orthodox and, yes, for our attitudes toward other Modern Orthodox Jews with whose practices and ideas we may disagree.

I hope this drasha will have a positive impact on each of us individually, and on all of us collectively, as we try to live our lives as the Torah - with Hillel's emphasis - mandated: "Love thy neighbor as thyself."

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OF SUZY'S PARENTS, SARAH AND EMANUEL GOLDBERGER

WELCOME

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun warmly welcomes the following new members who joined the Congregation between the printing of the last Bulletin, June 27, and this Bulletin, which went to press on September 4:

Elyse and Tsion Bensusan

Daniel Cleiman

Jason Cohen

Anna and Michael Feldman

Melissa and Evan Garmaise

Rachel and Robert Garson

Samuel Genet

Suzan and Mitchell Hochberg

Talia and Eric Mann

Roger Markfield

Vivian and Jacob Muller

Pamela and David Ness

Talia and Eric Rosen

Ilyssa and Evan Schwartzberg

Lynda Strulovic

Chantal and David Ulmer

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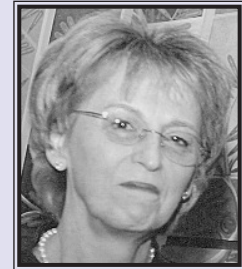
RABBI SETH FARBER

FOUNDER AND DIRECTOR OF ITIM: THE JEWISH LIFE INFORMATION CENTER, AN ORGANIZATION WHICH SEEKS TO HELP INDIVIDUALS NAVIGATE JEWISH LIFE IN ISRAEL.

**SHABBAT MORNING, NOVEMBER 8
AT THE CONCLUSION OF 9:00 A.M. SERVICES
AT THE GOTTESMAN CENTER
114 EAST 85TH STREET**

**RABBI SAUL BERMAN
TO DELIVER
SEVENTH ANNUAL
TESHUVAH LECTURE
IN MEMORY OF**

FLORENCE FISHEL COHEN
"Making a Meaningful Life: Doing Mitzvot and Having Kavannah"



Florence Fishel Cohen, z"l

We are pleased to announce that the seventh annual Florence Fishel Cohen Teshuvah Lecture will once again be given by Rabbi Saul Berman in the Gottesman Center on Tuesday evening, September 30, 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.

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KJ TO WELCOME RABBI DR. JACOB J. SCHACTER AS VISITING SCHOLAR AND *HISTORY AT HOME* LECTURER



KJ is most fortunate to have numerous opportunities in 5775 to benefit from the outstanding scholarship of Rabbi Jacob J. Schacter, University Professor of Jewish History and Jewish Thought and Senior Scholar at the Center for the Jewish Future at Yeshiva University. Rabbi Dr. Schacter received *semicha* from Mesivta Torah Vodaath and a PhD in Near Eastern Languages from Harvard University. He was the first Rabbi of the Young Israel of Sharon, MA,

where he created a new, vibrant and committed community; he served as the Rabbi of The Jewish Center in New York City, moving the congregation from 180 to over 600 members over the course of his tenure, and he also served as Rabbi of the Maimonides Minyan in Brookline, MA. He has taught at Harvard and YU's Stern College for Women. He also presently serves as a member of the faculty of The Wexner Foundation and The Wexner Heritage Foundation.

Rabbi Dr. Schacter is an award-winning author, having written numerous books including *A Modern Heretic and a Traditional Community: Mordecai M. Kaplan, Orthodoxy, and American Judaism* (co-authored) published by Columbia University Press and *The Lord is Righteous in All His Ways: Reflections on the Tish'ah beAv Kinot* by Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik, and over eighty articles and reviews in both Hebrew and English.

He is also the Founding Editor of *The Torah u-Madda Journal*, a prestigious academic publication which has gained international acclaim and has been awarded several fellowships and grants to further his scholarly research. Our visiting scholar is presently completing a new Hebrew edition of the autobiography of Rabbi Jacob Emden, an eighteenth century Jewish figure.

Rabbi Dr. Schacter will be at KJ on the following Shabbatot:

October 24-25, February 6-7 and April 24-25

SAVE THESE *HISTORY AT HOME* DATES!

Appreciating Contemporary Jewish Life: History, Biography and Technology

October 25:

Disputations and the Burning of the Talmud: Life in the Thirteenth Century

November 22:

*Did Moshe Rabbeinu Know Everything?:
Printing and the Unfolding of Human Knowledge*

January 10:

Standing on the Shoulders of Giants: American Orthodoxy in the Eighteenth Century

February 7:

Rabbi Soloveitchik Confronts the World Around Him

Each stand-alone lecture begins at 8:30 p.m.

FALL LEARNING AT KJ

TUESDAY NIGHT iLearn@CKJ

Not another app, but a weekly appointment with your heritage! Be a part of the discussion, beginning November 11, as you delve into Jewish fundamentals as well as the important issues facing contemporary Judaism.

with Rabbi Daniel and Rachel Kraus
Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.

at 125 East 85th Street

*This class meets all year long
except when pre-empted by
a Holiday Workshop or advance notice.*

WEDNESDAY NIGHT Crash Course in Hebrew Reading

with Sara Rosen

Starting October 22

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Hebrew II 8:00 p.m.

*Hebrew courses are co-sponsored by NJOP
and take place at 114 East 85th Street.*

THURSDAY NIGHT with Rabbi Yossi Weiser

Living Judaism 7:00 p.m.

**Rejoicing with Trembling:
The Days of Awe**
September 4, 11, 18; Oct. 2

**Different Voices on Israel:
Machloket I'Sheim Shamayim**
October 23, 30; November 6, 13, 20

**Intro to Talmud:
Mai Chanukah?**
December 4, 11, 18

Studies in the Weekly Portion
8:00 p.m.

*Rabbi Weiser's classes will take place
at 114 East 85th Street*

Soul Cycle

A Monthly Spiritual Workout

with Rachel Kraus

Women of the community are invited to participate in a monthly learning series which provides an opportunity to learn, to share, to engage, and to inspire each Rosh Chodesh.

A variety of topics will be addressed in a different home each month.

The following Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.:

Tishrei - October 1
Cheshvan - October 22
Kislev - November 19
Tevet - December 16 (Tuesday)
Shevat - January 21
Adar - February 18
Nisan - March 25
Iyar - April 22
Sivan - May 24 (Sunday, Day 1 Shavuot)
Tamuz - June 17

Location information provided monthly with RSVP to roshchodesh@ckj.org

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

MORNING CLASSES AT KJ

Mondays at 9:00 a.m.: In-Depth Talmud with Gilah Kletenik
beginning October 20

Tuesdays at 8:15 a.m.: Parsha Foundations with Rabbi Elie Weinstock
beginning October 21

Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m.: Parashat haShavua with Rabbi Haskel Lookstein
beginning October 22

Thursdays at 8:30 a.m.: Prophetic Women with Dr. Shera Aranoff Tuchman
beginning October 23

All classes take place at 125 East 85th Street. For more information, please call 212-774-5600

מה אהבתי תורתך כל היום היא מידתי

**How beloved to me is Your Torah
that all the day I discuss it**



WAS THE LAST TIME YOU CELEBRATED BEING JEWISH WHEN YOU WERE 12 OR 13?

*When you think about a night out,
maybe it's time to opt for something other than a movie
or a visit to the museum...*

Chai Mitzvah is a way to bring your family together. It is a way to connect with our community more deeply. It is a way to enhance your religious and ethical engagement. Chai Mitzvah is perfect for people of all backgrounds and levels, Jewish knowledge, and engagement with the community. KJ members of diverse backgrounds have found the experience meaningful and worthwhile. Chai Mitzvah is an excellent opportunity for self-discovery, to add strength to a marriage or to connect with a child becoming a Bar or Bat Mitzvah.

Monthly sessions led by Rabbi Roy Feldman
at 125 East 85th Street on the following Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.:

**November 5; December 3; January 7,
February 4; March 3 (Tuesday); April 1; May 6**

For more information please e-mail roy@ckj.org

MA TOVU MODESTY

*In olden days a glimpse of stocking /Was looked on as something shocking/But now, God knows--
Anything goes.*

Lyrics from Cole Porter's 1934 musical *Anything Goes*

From sleeve lengths to hemlines to colors and styles, Jewish law has a lot to say regarding standards of dress for both men and women. Nowadays, there are numerous books about *tzeniut*, modesty, that focus on every possible article of clothing you can imagine. During the summer, one can find various articles and pamphlets that address the unique *tzeniut* challenges of the season.

I do not wish to minimize the importance of such rules or in any way disparage those who are careful about observing them. Modesty in dress matters. At the same time, we must be honest. Not every Orthodox, observant, or traditional Jew adheres to a uniform dress code. Whether we were to compare various Jewish communities (for example, compare the Upper East Side, Lakewood, and New Square) or even within one congregation, people - like society as a whole - make up their own minds about what is considered modest.

Tzeniut is about much more than dress.



It is about much more than “behaving modestly.” Modesty was a value that the Jewish people clearly possessed that others noticed.

מה טובו אהליך יעקב משכנתך ישראל:

Bilaam blessed the Jewish people with the words: “How goodly are the tents of Jacob’s descendants, the dwellings of Israel.” Rashi famously comments:

על שראה פתחיהם שאינן מכוונין זה מול זה:

He saw that the doorways of the tents were not lined up directly opposite each other.

Bilaam was impressed by the modesty of the Jewish encampment. What exactly did he see and what does it mean for us? If we look a little more deeply at what Bilaam saw and the impression it made on him, we find three valuable lessons, three varieties of “ma tovu modesty” that require our attention and commitment today.

1. The modesty of privacy.

The Israelite doorways were not facing each other. People need an opportunity free of prying, outside eyes to live their lives, develop their own personalities, and strengthen their ideals without any outside interference. People need nurturing, safe space. We need privacy.

In today’s world, privacy is in very short supply. I saw a recent blog post that says it all. It was entitled “Is Privacy Still Possible?” Think about it. Many of us put so much information on Facebook, Instagram and other forms of social media. Even when we don’t, so much data about us can be collected based on the websites we visit and our online shopping habits. My wife is always surprised at how accurate the suggestions are for who she might wish to connect with on LinkedIn or Facebook. How do the sites know so much about us? There is no privacy.

Judaism values privacy. It begins with respecting boundaries of the home with windows and doorways not facing each other. The Talmud has an entire category of rules of *hezek re’iya* which describes actual financial liability when damage is caused due to prying eyes. There are also *hilkhot sh’cheinim*, the laws of neighbors. Privacy is part of Jewish law.

Privacy is also something sublime. Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik notes that some of the holiest elements of Judaism are

private. The *Kodesh Ha-kodashim*, the Holy of Holies, is only visited once a year by the High Priest. Holiness is not something the masses crowd around at all times. It requires privacy, the modesty of privacy.

2. The modesty of community.

The Israelite doorways did not face each other, but Jewish doorways are always in proximity to each other. Bilaam was impressed by the Jewish value of community. There is no such thing as a Jew without a neighbor. If not literally, then, at least figuratively speaking, Jews are always lined up near others. A relationship with others is a key element of modesty.

Being modest in the sense of having humility involves how we relate to another person. A modest person does not brag about how great s/he is compared to other people. Modesty, therefore, involves a relationship with another.

This is something that has been explored by philosophers in the last twenty-five years. Professor Irene McMullin writes: “A fundamental characteristic of modesty, then, is the fact that it is not simply a self-regarding attitude, but is instead a profoundly other-regarding stance.”

Rabbi Marc Angel identifies a Jewish parallel of this that can be found in Martin Buber’s famous book, *I and Thou*. Buber notes that ideal human relationships involve mutual knowledge and respect, where people treat themselves and others as valuable persons-not as things. Rabbi Angel notes that this is the essence of Jewish modesty. *Tzeniut* “promote[s] a framework for human relationships...”

Tzeniut means recognizing that one’s role - however special it may be - always involves the needs of others and the needs of society. Jewish modesty, *ma tovu* modesty, involves the community.

SHABBAT PARASHAT BALAK 5774

by Rabbi Elie Weinstock

3. Jewish modesty is about privacy.

Modesty is also about developing an appropriate awareness of self in relation to others. These two elements of *tzeniut* are developed within our own personalities and relate to our own perspective of self. There is a third element of modesty which requires us to take into consideration our impact on others. There is a modesty of dignity.

Rabbi Samson Raphael Hirsch writes that Bilaam's declaration of "*ma tovu*" was an appreciation for the Jews living moral lives and being a credit to society. Jewish life demonstrated decent, honest, ethical living. [This is why the Israelites sinning at the end of the weekly portion was so egregious.] As such, *tzeniut* means living a life that expresses the values in which one believes.

Rabbi Aharon Soloveichik wrote that *tzeniut* is analogous to the halakhic principle of "*tocho k'boro*," when something is the same inside and out. *Tzeniut* is achieved when one's inner life is in harmony with outward conduct.

Put differently: *Tzeniut* is when your public profile makes a positive impact.

Think about it. What one wears creates a public profile. If it has a negative impact, this is a lack of *tzeniut*. Acting in an oafish manner draws unwanted and negative attention. That is a lack of *tzeniut*. On the other hand, if one's behavior makes a positive impact on others, this is the modesty of *ma tovu* and represents modest behavior - regardless of the sleeves or hemlines.

In today's world, Jews are perceived by the public profile. Noted criminal defense attorney Ben Braffman spoke at the recent RCA Convention. He discussed the challenge of when Jews behave in dishonest or inappropriate ways. Due to his line of work, he, unfortunately, is all too aware of the phenomenon and its impact on the community. Mr. Braffman noted how there are thousands of great role models in the Jewish community with so many acts of chessed being performed by Jews young and old. Of course, that does not make an impression nor is it reported

as news. All it takes is one Jewish man with a yarmulke and tzitzis being arraigned in court, and that is how Jews are defined by the outside world.

It is not fair. Those stories of bad behavior do not describe us, but we are each responsible for our individual public profiles. We need to recognize that what we do reflects upon all Jews and creates perceptions about how Jews act.

Stories that pick up momentum are the

positive impact on Jews and non-Jews alike. That is true *tzeniut*.

This is not the *tzeniut* of a guide to the laws of modest attire or the modesty of a dress code or even the guidelines for being a modest person. Each of these is important. *Ma tovu* modesty requires of us:

I. To respect and value privacy.

II. To live lives in which we recognize our role in community.

III. To always ensure that our public

PEOPLE NEED NURTURING, SAFE SPACE.
WE NEED PRIVACY.

ones describing identifiable Jews acting in a way that makes a public impact. That impact can be negative - as in the recent story of a day school student with a kippa telling raunchy jokes. Or the story can be positive - a rabbi on his way to a shiva visit of the bereaved families of the boys in Israel whose presence on the El Al plane became known and inspired many of the people on the plane and created a Kiddush Hashem.

We have responsibility for our public profiles as identifiable Jews to make a

positive impact of dignity.

Parashat Balak's haftarah concludes with the famous verse from Micha (6:8)

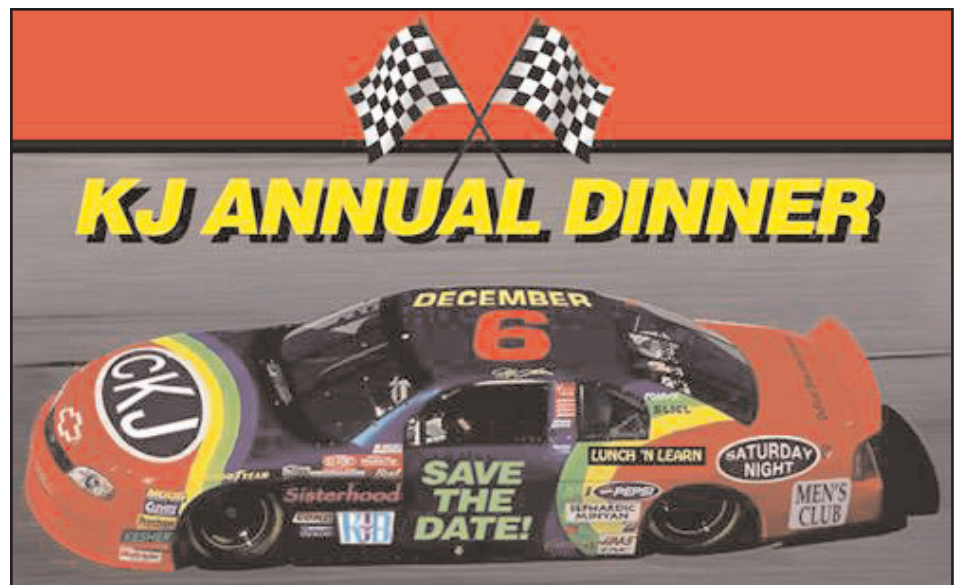
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What is it that God asks of each of us? All we need to do is act with justice and love kindness.

והצנע לכת עם אלהיך

God wants us to live lives of *tzeniut*, to live in such a way that our public lives make a positive impact. Lives of *ma tovu* modesty.

May each of us be up to the task.



RACING TO THE FINISH LINE!

Mazal Tov to KJ's Own

*Rabbi Elie Weinstock Rabbi Roy Feldman
upon his appointment upon his receiving semicha
to the from Rav Zalman
Rabbinical Council of America's Nechemia Goldberg
Executive Committee Av Beit Din of Jerusalem*

SABBATH SALON

THE NEW DESTINATION FOR
YOUNG JEWS ON THE UES

The Sabbath Salon
is a KJ initiative
to provide young Jews
with an opportunity to sip a cocktail,
celebrate Shabbat,
and come together as part of the community.

To get involved, or for upcoming event dates,
email sabbathsalon@ckj.org

BIG PLANS FROM THE KJ YOUTH DEPARTMENT

5775 FALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 6	Shabbat Morning Groups Begin	Nov. 2	KJBL
Sept. 7	KJBL commences	Nov. 7	Tot Shabbat Family Dinner
Sept. 13	Tot Shabbat Daytime	Nov. 9	KJBL
Sept. 14	KJBL	Nov. 16	KJBL
Sept. 19	First Bnei Akiva "Tisch"	Nov. 22	Tot Shabbat Daytime
Sept. 20	Bnei Akiva Snif commences	Nov. 23	Parent-Child Minyan
Sept. 21	KJBL	Dec. 5	Tot Shabbat Family Dinner
Oct. 5	KJBL	Dec. 6	Fall Youth Shabbaton (grades 4-7)
Oct. 16	Simchat Torah Bash	Dec. 7	Parent-Child Minyan
Oct. 19	KJBL	Dec. 13	Tot Shabbat Daytime
Oct. 25	Tot Shabbat Daytime	Dec. 13	Film Series
Oct. 26	KJBL	Dec. 14	KJBL
Nov. 1	Fall Youth Shabbaton (grades 1-3)	Dec. 20	Dodgeball in the Dark
		Dec. 21	KJBL

SHABBAT AT KJ



LEARNERS SERVICE WITH GEORGE ROHR AND RACHEL KRAUS

Weekly at 9:30 AM

INTERMEDIATE SERVICE WITH RABBI DANIEL KRAUS

Weekly at 9:30 AM

SEPHARDIC MINYAN

Weekly at 9:00 AM

HASHKAMA MINYAN

7:15 AM

September 6 & 20

October 18 & 25

November 1, 15 & 29

December 6 & 20

KESHER YOUNG PEOPLE'S MINYAN

9:15 AM

September 6, October 16

November 15, December 20

WOMEN'S TEFILLAH GROUP

9:15 AM

October 17 (Simchat Torah)

November 8

TOT SHABBAT WITH RABBI ELIE WEINSTOCK AND KJ YOUTH DIRECTOR

ARYANA BIBI RITHOLTZ

10:30 AM

September 13, October 25,

November 22, December 13

ARTHUR SILVERMAN, ROBERT KURZWEIL, AND DR. SAUL STROMER CHOSEN FOR TORAH HONORS ON SHEMINI ATZERET AND SIMCHAT TORAH

The officers of the congregation are pleased to announce that Arthur Silverman, Robert Kurzweil, and Dr. Saul Stromer, three distinguished members of the Congregation, have been chosen for the highest Torah honors of the year.

Their installation will take place before the Musaf service on Shemini Atzeret, Thursday, October 16th.



CHATAN TORAH: ARTHUR SILVERMAN

Our Chatan Torah is Arthur Silverman, a master builder in every sense whose honor this Simchat Torah is all the more appropriate because it will be bestowed in the Ramaz Upper School, Morris & Ida Newman Educational Center on 78 Street, a magnificent facility that he, along with the late Dr. Noam Shudofsky and the late past Ramaz Chair, A. Phillip Goldsmith, and, tibatel l'chaim, past Ramaz Chair Mel Newman, were responsible for designing and constructing. Arthur also headed the construction efforts of the Chabad Upper East Side Center and the first mikvah on the Upper East Side, so it is no exaggeration to blame Arthur for the surge of vital Jewish life in our community.

Raised in Lewiston, Maine and educated in its public schools, young Arthur concentrated on building his mind while those around him worked with their hands in the town's many textile mills and shoe factories. In high school, Arthur developed interests in debating, where he excelled throughout New England, and in science through his working side-by-side in the industrial arts program with classmates who were not college bound. He matriculated at M.I.T., where he earned degrees in electrical engineering and, from M.I.T.'s Sloan School, in industrial management. After working at G.E. on submarine missile guidance systems, his love of debating won out--for a while--over engineering. He entered Columbia Law School, won the School's highest prize in

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CHATAN BEREISHIT: ROBERT KURZWEIL

Bob Kurzweil, a home grown product of the KJ/Ramaz community, believes nothing is happenstance. In the Fall of 1956, his parents, the late Ruth and Jack Kurzweil, were listening to the Barry Gray radio show and heard Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein discussing the importance of Jewish education and the Ramaz School. After a brief conversation with Lillian Jacobs the very next day, Bob was enrolled in Mrs. Sylvia Israel's first grade class. He was graduated from Ramaz in 1968 and the rest is commentary!

Bob celebrated his Bar Mitzvah and married Vivianne Hanania at KJ and together they raised Daniele and Philippe (PJ), both graduates of Ramaz ('01 & '04) and current members of KJ.

A licensed Financial Professional with Axa Advisors, LLC, Bob became more involved in KJ activities in the mid 70s as a Bikur Cholim volunteer, leading Shabbat morning services at Memorial Sloan Kettering and as an usher in the main synagogue, eventually becoming a Gabbai for High Holy Day services. He does all of this because he cares deeply about helping people, and his personal example of *menschlichkeit* has set a standard that our entire community emulates.

During Daniele and PJ's years at Ramaz, Bob served on the Parents Council in key executive positions and has filled several long-term roles at KJ as both an Officer and a Board member. He

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CHATAN MAFTIR: DR. SAUL STROMER

Our Chatan Maftir, Dr. Saul Stromer, personifies the very strength with which Moses charges Joshua to lead the Children of Israel in the Haftarah of Simchat Torah.

Saul is a child of Holocaust survivors. His father, Mayer, z"l, spent the war years in a labor camp in Siberia, while his mother, Gusta, z"l, was hidden by a Polish family. Despite the trauma that they experienced when their shared childhood town was obliterated, Saul's parents mustered the strength to believe and hope, and when they met and married in New York, they resolved to recreate the religious homes in which they were raised and ensure a Jewish education for their sons. They did this at great self-sacrifice, motivated as they were by a great spiritual strength.

Saul graduated Manhattan Day School, Yeshiva University High School for Boys, Yeshiva College, and New York University School of Medicine. He went on to become Chief Resident in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Mount Sinai Hospital. Today, Saul is an Attending Physician in the Ob/Gyn Department at Lenox Hill Hospital, and he is also in private solo practice on the Upper East Side. Because of his incredible stamina and strength, he is one of Lenox Hill's busiest providers of obstetrical services, and he is known to leave shul at a moment's notice to care for his patients. Saul is very proud to have delivered many children within the

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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.

SCHEDULE OF HIGH HOLY DAYS

ROSH HASHANAH

Wednesday, September 24, Rosh Hashanah Eve

Selichot Service (Z'chor Brit)6:30 AM
An Eruv Tavshilin should be prepared

Candle Lighting 6:31 PM
 Evening Services6:45 PM

Thursday, September 25, Rosh Hashanah I

All Morning Services8:00 AM
 Tashlich5:15 PM
 Evening Services6:30 PM
 Candle Lighting After 7:24 PM

Friday, September 26, Rosh Hashanah II

All Morning Services8:00 AM
 Evening Services6:30 PM
 Shabbat Candle Lighting6:28 PM

SHABBAT SHUVA

Saturday, September 27

Morning Services9:00 AM
 Combined Learners and Intermediate Services ... 9:30 AM
 Evening Services6:00 PM
Shabbat Shuva Discourse by Rabbi Lookstein
 Shabbat ends7:21 PM

TSOM (FAST OF) GEDALIAH

Sunday, September 28

Fast begins5:37 AM
 Morning Services 8:00 AM
 Evening Services6:15 PM
 Fast ends7:16 PM

DAILY SERVICES:

Monday-Thursday, September 29-October 2

Monday Morning6:45 AM
 Tuesday Morning7:00 AM
 Wednesday Morning7:00 AM
 Thursday Morning6:45 AM
 Mon.-Thurs. Evenings6:30 PM

YOM KIPPUR

Friday, October 3, Yom Kippur Eve

Morning Services7:10 AM
 Mincha Services2:30 PM
 Candle Lighting6:16 PM
 Kol Nidre6:20 PM
 Beginners Kol Nidre 5:50 PM

Saturday, October 4, Yom Kippur Day

All Services9:00 AM
 Fast ends7:09 PM

SUKKOT

Wednesday, October 8, Sukkot Eve

Morning Services7:30 AM
An Eruv Tavshilin should be prepared

Candle Lighting6:08 PM
 Evening Services6:20 PM

Thursday, October 9, Sukkot I

Morning Services9:00 AM
 Evening Services6:20 PM
 Candle LightingAfter 7:01 PM

Friday, October 10, Sukkot II

Morning Services9:00 AM
 Evening Services6:20 PM
 Shabbat Candle Lighting6:05 PM

SHABBAT CHOL HAMOED SUKKOT

Morning Services8:45 AM
 Combined Learners and Intermediate Service ... 9:30 AM
 Evening Services5:50 PM
 Conclusion of Shabbat6:57 PM

DAILY SERVICES - CHOL HAMOED SUKKOT

Sunday--Tuesday, October 12-14

Sunday Morning8:30 AM
 Monday Morning6:50 AM
 Tuesday Morning6:50 AM
 Sunday-Tuesday Evenings6:10 PM

CONCLUDING FESTIVAL DAYS

Wednesday, October 15, Hoshanah Rabbah

Morning Services6:30 AM
An Eruv Tavshilin should be prepared

Candle Lighting5:57 PM
 Evening Services6:10 PM

Thursday, October 16, Shemini Atzeret

Morning Services9:00 AM
 Mincha followed by
 Ma'ariv and Simchat Torah Hakafot6:10 PM
 Candle LightingAfter 6:50 PM

Friday, October 17, Simchat Torah

Morning Services9:00 AM
 Women's Tefilah Group9:15 AM
 Evening Services6:10 PM
 Shabbat Candle Lighting5:54 PM

CHILDREN'S SERVICES SCHEDULE

ROSH HASHANAH I AND II 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
 Nursery - Sixth Grade

YOM KIPPUR KOL NIDRE NIGHT 6:20 PM
 First through Sixth Grades only

YOM KIPPUR DAY10:30 AM - 1:00 PM
 Nursery - Sixth Grade

MEN: THIS KOL NIDRE NIGHT AND YOM KIPPUR DAY DRESS UP BY WEARING A WHITE KITEL

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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 20, 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 22, a half hour before morning services.

ROSH HASHANAH

- Beginning of God's judgment
- Sounding of the Shofar around 10:00 AM on Thursday, September 25 and Friday, September 26. (Those ill at home or hospital should contact Rabbi Weinstock 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** - Thursday, September 25, 5:15 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)

- Sunday, September 28

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 Friday, October 3. Everyone will have the opportunity to immerse and then we will return to KJ for Shacharit services.

For more information please call Rabbi Elie Weinstock at the synagogue office (212-774-5636).

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 *kitel*
- Candlelighting available prior to 6:20 PM in the Gottesman and Newman Auditorium lobbies before Kol Nidre on Friday, October 3.

SUKKOT

- All meals with bread or *mezonot* should be eaten in a Sukkah.
- Lulav and Etrog will be used beginning Thursday, October 9, 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

Wednesday, October 8 – Dinner

Thursday, October 9 – Lunch and Dinner

Friday, October 10 – Lunch and Dinner

Saturday, October 11– Lunch

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

Deadline, *space permitting*, is Wednesday, October 1.

Members:	Adults \$35	Juniors* \$30	Children** \$18
Non-Members:	Adults \$40	Juniors* \$35	Children** \$30

*Ages 12-18 **Ages 2-11

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

Hoshanah Rabbah

- Wednesday morning, October 15 at 6:30 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 Day and All Simchat Torah services at the
Morris and Ida Newman Educational Center
Ramaz Upper School, 60 East 78th Street**

Shemini Atzeret

- Yizkor recited
- Chatanim presented to the congregation.

Simchat Torah

I Evening – Thursday, October 16

- BRING CHILDREN AT 6:45 PM
- **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 - Friday, October 17

- Youth groups after the *Kol Hannarim* aliyah
- 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 Bereishit Robert Kurzweil

is a regular attendee at the daily morning minyan and is part of a group of members who organize shiva home minyanim. As Vivianne likes to say, there is an unbreakable umbilical cord between Bob and East 85th Street!

Bob received his BA from NYU University College of Arts & Sciences. Vivianne, a graduate of Lycee Francais de New York and the University of Pennsylvania, is currently Director of Student Activities and Service Learning at the Lycee. Daniele, a graduate of NYU '01, is a Senior Sales Associate in the Friedman Group of Caldwell Banker/Bellmarc, and PJ, a graduate of Princeton '04, is an Analyst at Corsair Capital Management LLC.

We are delighted to bestow this honor upon Bob. It is a true symbol of his commitment to KJ and the Jewish people.

Chatan Maftir Dr. Saul Stromer

Ramaz/KJ community. When asked "How do you do it?" Saul responds "God gives me strength."

May God continue to give Saul strength to bring so much joy and blessing into the world, and may he and his accomplished attorney wife, Shoshana Bookson, and their three accomplished children - Alexandra, Michael and Drew, all alumni of Ramaz School - continue to be blessed with the strength of character that is a hallmark of the Stromer household.

Chatan Torah Arthur Silverman

honors moot court, clerked at the federal Second Circuit Court of Appeals, and then went on to a 50-year legal career in which he is still active, full-time, as a partner at the law firm of Duane Morris LLP, concentrating on building construction transactions and dispute resolution.

Arthur's construction acumen and tenacious nature enabled him to master the Ramaz Upper School's building plans and specifications and be at the site every morning at 6 AM for his daily inspection. A daily memo was then hand-delivered around the City by 10 AM to the architects and construction executives, with a daily, detailed hounding that resulted in the Upper School project coming in on time, under budget and with high quality. The building, whose design was published in prestigious Architectural Record, is now almost 35 years old, yet its lines remain fresh and contemporary.

While building a successful career, Arthur simultaneously began building a Jewishly knowledgeable neshama starting with his learning to lead the daily services during his year of reciting kaddish for his sainted mother (Arthur's father having died when Arthur was in high school). Intensive study led to a commitment to religious growth, which in turn led to community leadership, and within two decades of first sinking roots in our community, Arthur was named Chair of the Board of Ramaz School after serving as Secretary, Treasurer and Vice Chair. His mentors

were Rabbi Joseph Lookstein, z"l, and, tibadel l'chaim, Rabbi Haskel Lookstein. Having served both shul and school with distinction for five decades, Arthur is exceptionally active today in AIPAC where he, his wife, his children and several grandchildren focus on lobbying and maintaining close bipartisan relations with the congressional delegation from the State of Maine.

Arthur's greatest building accomplishment was establishing a Jewishly nurturing home with his life's partner, Donna, whom he first dated in high school. Donna's wonderful grandmother publicly announced their engagement which they had never even discussed, they married, and, together, constructed a home stressing commitment to Judaism, Jewish community and the Jewish homeland. It is little wonder that their older son, Leonard, became KJ Executive Director, while son Daniel serves as the President of the Young Israel of Century City in Los Angeles. All eight of Donna and Arthur's grandchildren are attending or graduated from yeshiva day schools, and the credit for that goes 100% to Donna who made the unilateral decision to join KJ and enroll the boys in Ramaz.

It is fitting to celebrate Arthur's accomplishments in the "House That Arthur Built," where his honor is really our honor because of the way that Arthur and Donna have lived the core values of the KJ/Ramaz family.

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Program is open to the community and free of charge.

Please RSVP by Monday, September 29 to
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EMBRACING CHANGE: THE ROLE OF TESHUVAH, TEFILLAH, AND TZEDAKAH IN OUR LIVES

Shira Felberbaum, MSW

CKJ Social Worker from Jewish Board of Family and Children Services (JBFCs) through Partners in Caring (PIC)

Judaism encourages exploration, so the questions begin ...

Who ought to change? If we are to do so, what should we change? Where and when should we change? Why should we bother, and how can we accomplish it? What does Judaism say about change? What do other schools of thought say about it? Is change really possible?

Our tradition and others provide insight, so let's examine these ideas together.

As a synagogue consultant in the field of social work, I interact with individuals or groups confronted with changes that impact their circumstances and outlook. Such changes are typically imposed upon people. Examples include adjusting to life following the death of a loved one; getting acclimated to life as a primary caregiver looking after a loved one who has grown ill; becoming disabled oneself; losing a job and perhaps with it one's sense of identity; retiring and seeking ways to make one's life meaningful going forward; and becoming an 'empty nester.'

In such situations, one is faced with needing to adapt to a new reality. At other times, one is expected to proactively change in order to grow and evolve. Regardless of the change one faces, social workers are sounding boards, offering objectivity, support, and resources. I encourage you to learn more about social work services available to the KJ affiliated (made available by JBFCs via a UJA-based grant called Partners in Caring).

Modern Orthodoxy invites one to learn from the best that all people, Jewish and non-Jewish alike, bring to this world, an existence for which we know *tikkun* or repair is continuously needed.

"God, please grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference."

The above statement, known as the Serenity Prayer, is attributed to Karl Paul Reinhold Niebuhr, who was an American minister, theologian, ethicist, and a professor. What can we learn from this

sentiment that has become a cornerstone of the twelve-step movement, dedicated to offering hope and support to those struggling with addiction?

For growth-oriented individuals committed to character refinement, such as that encouraged by Judaism's mussar movement, the Serenity Prayer offers insight throughout the year. Perhaps this statement is most timely to consider during the Days of Awe, and the days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur when we are encouraged to engage in deep reflection and introspection.

The *emet*, truth, is that sustainable change is NOT easy. Indeed, entire disciplines are dedicated to discerning what influences behavior and how one can most easily modify or eradicate that which is destructive or disruptive. The key to changing behavior is awareness; Mindfulness is essential. Such awareness makes it possible to recommit ourselves to the acts of teshuvah, tefillah, and tzedakah. A Chabad article, based on the Rebbe's *Likkutei Sichot*, explains that this best translates respectively to returning to one's innermost self, attaching one's self to God, and distributing one's possessions with righteousness.

Judaism suggests that one is able to change by engaging in the process of teshuvah. Since we are prone to missing the mark, year after year, whether it is in relation to sin brought against man or God, we are advised to take on the following steps:

1. *Regret*: Regret what we have done wrong (e.g. feel remorse for having spoken unkindly to someone about whom we care).

2. *Leaving the negativity behind*: Stop dwelling on transgression in thought and action (i.e. let go of or move past toxic association with undesirable interaction).

3. *Verbalization*: Verbally state the transgression (e.g. articulate a specific admission of having done wrong, such that one takes ownership for having hurt another).

4. *Resolution for the future*: Be determined not to let transgression happen

again (e.g. declare one will do better, having learned from mistake, such that if again placed in identical situation, one would act more honorably).

While Judaism offers teshuvah as a time-tested, reliable approach to change, it still is not easily achieved. Change can be especially difficult when we intend on making amends, yet feel the other we wronged was somehow at fault, having contributed to the unhealthy exchange as well. Change is a process involving self-improvement that begins with self-evaluation. Therefore, one engaging in teshuvah has essentially already relied upon the Serenity Prayer in that, indeed, one has determined that change is needed in a particular area of one's life.

In summary, we all ought to strive to change in some manner. We each have to decide what to change and where such change would best be manifest. The time to change is now. We seek change so we can strive towards realizing our potential. We can approach change in a systematic way according to our tradition.

This year in preparation for the High Holy Days, please God, may we take on meaningful resolutions that we not only remember a year later, but actually realize. May we all with kavanah, intention, commit to taking on, or increasing our existing practice of, learning and growing as it relates to our Jewish identity. Finally, may we all live in a world where peace abounds, and we fear not for the safety of those whom we love.

Thanks to the Partners in Caring grant from UJA-

Federation of New York, Shira Felberbaum can be found at KJ most Wednesday afternoons from 2:30 PM - 5:30 PM.

By appointment, Shira can offer support, training, and resources in matters

including loss and bereavement, acute and chronic illness, crisis management, and transitions such as job loss, divorce, retirement, 'empty nesting', and caregiving. She can be reached by phone at 212-632-4735 (JBFCs) or (212) 774-5626 (KJ). Her JBFCs e-mail is sfelberbaum@jbfc.org and her KJ e-mail is socialworker@ckj.org



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Joint Holocaust Education Project

This fall we will be inaugurating a KJ/Ramaz Holocaust Education Project. The project, which will feature relevant resources and displays collected from within our own community, will be based in a portion of the new KJ Library. The project will also bring lectures and events to our community, with the goal of preserving and honoring the memories of our lost people and culture.

Our inaugural event is planned in commemoration of Kristallnacht, and will take place on November 10th in the new KJ Library. In partnership with the US Holocaust Memorial Museum, the evening will include presentations by Kristallnacht eyewitnesses as well as others, and promises to be a meaningful and informative event.



AN IMPORTANT PARTNERSHIP

UJA@KJ is a partnership between KJ and UJA-Federation of New York that aims to strengthen our local community through meaningful programs and volunteer opportunities. Through UJA@KJ, KJ members can capitalize on the UJA-Federation network of agencies to join in a wide variety of volunteer projects throughout New York. In addition to year-round volunteer projects, UJA@KJ also provides exciting programming for KJ members.

2014-2015 Calendar

Sunday, October 12 - UJA@KJ in the Sukkah: Join children from the JCC of Canarsie* in the KJ Sukkah for a pizza party and family-friendly activities!

Sunday, November 23 - Thanksgiving at Project ORE: Serve and share a kosher Thanksgiving meal at Educational Alliance's* Project ORE.

Sunday, December 14 - Chanukah at Jewish Home Lifecare*: Bingo and a Chanukah celebration with seniors at Jewish Home Lifecare.

Sunday, March 1 - Pack it Up for Purim: Prepare Purim packages of mishloach manot to benefit the KJ Food Pantry.

Wednesday, May 6 - Self-Help Lunch and Learn: Seniors from Selfhelp*, a UJA-Federation beneficiary agency that provides services to victims of Nazi persecution, will join the KJ Lunch and Learn program for a delicious lunch, performance, and to share memorable intergenerational interaction with children from Ramaz.

Monthly Mitzvah Mondays: Join UJA@KJ and UJA@PAS once a month as we serve a kosher lunch to participants at Educational Alliance's Project ORE. Please contact Rebecca Zimilover at zimiloverr@ujafedny.org or 212.836.1356 for more information.

ONGOING-SPONSOR A SHABBAT ORE

Educational Alliance's* Shabbat ORE offers a kosher Shabbat lunch to isolated, poor, homeless, mentally ill and elderly Jews who otherwise would have no other means of celebrating Shabbat. This program was eliminated in 2009 due to budget reductions across the agency, but reinstated in 2010 thanks to the generosity of the "UJA at KJ" community. Once again, the warmth of a Shabbat lunch once a month is being provided to those who need it most, thanks to your generosity. You can make a donation at any time by reaching out to Rebecca Zimilover at zimiloverr@ujafedny.org or 212.836.1356.

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

For more information about "UJA@ KJ" please contact:
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October 31

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*Services will be conducted at the Ramaz
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Monday, January 5 & 12; and Tuesday, April 21 & 28

Coming Attractions From the Men's Club

Am Hasefer Book Club:

Rabbi Marc Angel, *The Crown of Solomon and Other Stories*

Ayse Kulin, *Rose of Sarajevo*

Nick Gura, *Divine Wisdom and Warning: Decoded Messages from God*

Lois Schaffer, *The Unthinkable*

Joshua Muravchi, *Making David Into Goliath: How the World Turned Against Israel*

Lectures & Discussions:

Sima Mottale and Dr. Jack Caravelli, "The Iranian Nuclear Threat, the Iranian Jewish Community & the Iranian Opposition"

Aharon Marmorosh, "Overview of the Security Assistance Provided by the U.S. to Israel"

Zev Brenner, "More Confessions of a Jewish Broadcaster"

Adena Berkowitz, "What Bruce Springsteen Can Teach Us About Tikkun Olam"

Martin Klein, "Widows and Widowers Survival Guide"

David Goldman, "The Collapse of Middle Eastern States and the Future of Judea and Samaria"

Film Screening:

The Donero Boys with Rabbi Daniel Kraus

DUS HAIMISCHE SHTIEBEL: THE YIDDISH SCHMOOZERS

on Wednesdays starting September 10 at 11:30 a.m., with Willy Rosenberg

ROSE AND DR. CHARLES LANGER LUNCH & LEARN PROGRAM

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.

Wednesdays starting September 10 at 12:00 noon.

Lunch & Learn 2014-2015 Schedule

2014		February 4	Rabbi Elie Weinstock
*September 10	Rabbi Elie Weinstock	February 11	Israel Max
*September 17	Shira Felberbaum	February 18	Rabbi Daniel Kraus
*October 1	Rabbi Roy Feldman	February 25	Shira Felberbaum
October 8, 15	<i>Sukkot Break</i>	March 4	Rabbi Elie Weinstock
*October 22	Rabbi Daniel Kraus	March 11	Robert Sugarman
*October 29	Rabbi Elie Weinstock	March 18	Dr. Gilbert Kahn
November 5	Mitchel Agoos	March 25	Rabbi Yigal Sklarin
November 12	Dr. Gilbert Kahn	April 1	Rabbi Elie Weinstock
November 19	Israel Max	April 8	<i>Pesach Break</i>
November 26	Dr. Gilbert Kahn	April 15	Rabbi Daniel Kraus
December 3	Janie Schwalbe	April 22	Shira Felberbaum
December 10	Rabbi Elie Weinstock	April 29	Dr. Taryn Fishman Bolnick
December 17	Israel Max	May 6	UJA@KJ
December 24, 31	<i>Winter Break</i>	May 13	Janie Schwalbe
2015		May 20	Dr. Gilbert Kahn
January 7	Rabbi Roy Feldman	May 27	Shira Felberbaum
January 14	Rabbi Elie Weinstock	June 3	Dr. Gilbert Kahn
January 21	Rabbi Yigal Sklarin	June 10	Israel Max
January 28	Surie Sugarman	June 17	Rabbi Elie Weinstock

* These programs will take place at Congregation Or Zarua,
127 E 82nd Street, between Lexington and Park Avenues

In September from the Men's Club

Sunday, September 14

Film Screening:

Honor Diaries

followed by a discussion
featuring Richard Green,

Executive Director,

and Ryan Mauro,

National Security Analyst
of the Clarion Project



Sunday Supper Lecture
September 21

***Making David Into Goliath:
How the World Turned
Against Israel***

with author Joshua Muravchik

6:30 p.m.

114 East 85th Street

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(Recorded Message)



For the past 14 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.

Six years ago, the Shays decided to turn the management of JYC over to KJ. Rabbi Elie Weinstock and Rabbi Daniel Kraus now oversee 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 7th 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 Avenues. For more information or questions, please contact Rabbi Kraus at rdk@ckj.org or 212-794-5696, or Morah Ariana Solovey, at Ariana@jyc.info, or visit www.jyc.info

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HOLIDAY CHESD FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! ROSH HASHANAH PACKAGE DELIVERY

Deliver a package and visit with a DOROT senior to share memories and hope.

Sunday, September 14, 2014 - 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED for East Side visits and adults visiting with children under the age of 18. Register Online today at dorotusa.org!

W Connection

Under the leadership of our own KJ Member Judy Tanz, the "W Connection" now meets on the Upper East Side. The "W Connection" is a grassroots organization created to meet the needs of widows by providing widow-to-widow support at the community level so that widows can successfully rebuild their lives and regain and sustain social-emotional stability and health. T

The group meets the third Thursday of every month, and the first meeting is scheduled for September 18, at 6:30 p.m. at 125 East 85th Street.

To learn more about the KJ/Ramah chapter of "W Connection," please contact Judy Tanz at 212-535-7571 or judytanz@verizon.net.

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 with each student's name and exact dormitory mailing address or campus package delivery address.

THE KJ SISTERHOOD: THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Would you like to get an inside look at a new art exhibition? Maybe you want to learn how to cook fresh, healthy meals? Perhaps you find sharing ideas about a new book to be stimulating? Or you enjoy buying Chanukah gifts from unusual vendors? And wouldn't it be great if you could do all this and raise money for needy people here and around the world? All this is possible if you attend a Sisterhood event. And, as a member of KJ, you are already a part of the Sisterhood.

The KJ Sisterhood was started by Mrs. Gertrude Lookstein, of blessed memory. She said in an interview, just two months before her passing, that "KJ needed someone to pull it together. It needed socialization and so I began by starting the Sisterhood. I also started our women preparing and caring for Shiva houses....I was part of a community whether for solace or to lend a hand here or there..."

This past May the Sisterhood inaugurated an annual Gertrude Lookstein Award, which was accepted by her daughter-in-law, Audrey Lookstein. It was our way of honoring Mrs. Lookstein's memory and emphasizing the important contributions of the KJ Sisterhood.

Money raised through Sisterhood programming supports social action projects that benefit families and individuals in our community and around the world. The causes we have supported charitably in the past include: the community of Sderot, Dorot, Hatzolah, the Israeli Defense Forces, Magen David Adom, Project Ezra, Sharsheret, the Jacques & Hanna Schwalbe Mikvah, UJA, and of course, The Ramaz Scholarship Fund, among many others. The Sisterhood continues Mrs. Lookstein's initiative of preparing a local Shiva home, including the first meal; contributing to KJ programs and activities, such as the communal Sukkah, and Bar/Bat Mitzvah gifts; sending a welcome package to new members; and funding unsponsored Shabbat kiddushim.

We have many exciting events scheduled for 2014-15 (5775) including:

November Museum Tour	January Cooking Event	April Flower Arranging Soul Cycle Fundraising
December Sotheby's Judaica Tour Chanukah Boutique	February Health Initiative	June Spring Luncheon Spring Boutique
	March Book Club	

We would love to see you participate in Sisterhood programming. You can co-chair an event or offer your home as a venue. And, as a member of KJ, you are already a part of the Sisterhood, so come to an event to be with friends or meet new people. If you would like more information on how to get involved please contact us at one of the e-mail addresses below.

Stephanie Katz, Presidentstephanieskatz@gmail.com
Julie Kopel, Vice Presidentjuliekopel@gmail.com
Abby Doft, Treasurer
Katia Raab, Electronic Secretary
Eugenia Davis, Social Secretary

THREE MODERN MIKVAHS

are located in our community at:

419 East 77th Street (between 1st and York Avenues) Telephone: 212-359-2020

5 East 62nd Street (just off 5th Avenue) Telephone: 212 753 6058

234 West 74th Street (West of Broadway) Telephone: 212-579-2011



Preview the Tastes
of Rosh Hashanah!

Join
K J@ Fairway
for a free
apple & honey
(and honey cake!)
tasting

Tuesday-Thursday
September 16, 17, 18
6:00 - 9:00 p.m.



If you are making a Bar or Bat Mitzvah at KJ between September 2014 and June 2015, please contact Riva Alper in the synagogue office at 212-774-5670 to reserve specific rooms for your services, celebratory meals/kiddushim, and other functions.

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.

KESHER AT KJ: CONNECTING YOUNG MEMBERS AND FAMILIES

Kesher is the organization at KJ that offers an array of programs and events for individuals and couples in their twenties, thirties, and forties, and for families who have young children. As its name suggests, Keshers 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 Keshers programs is the Young People's Minyan (YPM), led by their dedicated Gabbaim. At YPM, Keshers 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.

Kesher offers a variety of social events over the course of the year, including our Shemini Atzeret and Spring Luncheons, New Mothers Breakfast, and Saturday Night Social. We also have various child-oriented events, including a Chanukah Concert, Purim art project and chesed activity, and periodic Friday night Tot-Shabbat Dinners and Shabbat morning Tot-Shabbat songs and hot Kiddush.

We continually try to expand learning opportunities for community members, including parenting lectures, and other exciting topics of interest to Keshers members. (All ideas are welcome!)

Kesher 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 from friends or from community volunteers. 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.

Kesher is also committed to reaching out to new members of the synagogue. This

year we plan to launch a New Members Committee, where we hope to be able to reach out to new members and provide those interested with all the information needed to feel welcomed and involved in our community. We plan to host a special Kiddush to welcome our new members after one of our YPM services.

Kesher also hosts a Sunday afternoon basketball program where guys can get together for a casual game. For more information please contact Aaron Krawitz at Krawitz.Aaron@gmail.com or Marco Sardar at Marco.Sardar@gmail.com.

Our programming is made possible and successful thanks to the hard work of dedicated and committed volunteers. This year Kesher welcomes two new co-presidents, Margot Marans and Elizabeth Savetsky, and welcomes back co-president, Gealia Friend, and secretary Nicole Sardar. We would also like to welcome new treasurer Jonathan Cogan, and Meals for New Moms organizer Meredith Rishty. We bid farewell to past co-presidents Gabriella Fridman and Miriam Levine, and past treasurer Jessica Weiss, as well as past Meals for New Moms organizer Allyson Fishman. We would like to thank them for all their hard work, dedication, and leadership.

Kesher is determined to continually respond to the needs of its members and keep them involved in both the Kesher and KJ communities. Kesher maintains an email newsletter that gives members an up-to-date way of staying informed of our events. To learn more, get involved, or to simply subscribe to the Kesher email, please email us at keshersckj.org.

We look forward to another great year at Kesher and hope you will join us!

KESHER EVENTS

2014

Shemini Atzeret Luncheon
Thursday, October 16

Tot Shabbat Family Dinner
Friday, November 7

New Mothers' Breakfast
Wednesday, November 19

Tot Shabbat Family Dinner
Friday, December 5

Chanukah Concert
Sunday, December 7

2015

Tot Shabbat Family Dinner
Friday, January 9

Guy's Night Out
Wednesday, January 14 (tentative)

Tot Shabbat Family Dinner
Friday, February 20

Progressive Dinner/Activity
Saturday, February 28

Children's Purim Event
Sunday, March 1

Spring Luncheon
Shabbat, May 16

SHABBAT MORNING TOT SHABBAT

September 13
October 25
November 22

December 13
January 17
February 28
March 14

April 25
May 30
June 20

SPEAKING OF... KJ's ROSTER OF FALL SPEAKERS

Advanced Shiur in Talmud in Memory of Dr. William Major

Rabbi Dr. Jeremy Wieder
KJ Scholar In Residence

**Following 8:30 a.m. Sunday morning services and
Breakfast in the Ramaz Middle School, 114 East 85 Street
Resuming September 7**

This class will study Tractate Avodah Zarah and
will focus on the text of the Gemara on its own terms.

Childcare available for children ages 3 and over.

(Contact Aryana@ckj.org for details.)

**Shabbat with Rabbi Jeremy Wieder
September 20, 2014**

**Sermon following
9:00 a.m. main services**

**5:25 p.m. Pre-mincha shiur
Seudah Shlishit Presentation**



KJ FOOD PANTRY

For further information or to volunteer,
please contact Stacy Scheinberg at Stacyron@aol.com.

WELCOME TO RABBI HAYYIM ANGEL

***KJ** is very pleased to welcome Rabbi Hayyim Angel, who will
serve as Rabbinic Scholar. He will be leading Sephardic
services and teaching in the community regularly throughout the
year.*

Rabbi Hayyim Angel is the National Scholar of the Institute for
Jewish Ideas and Ideals (jewishideas.org). He also teaches
advanced Bible courses to undergraduate,
graduate, and rabbinical students at
Yeshiva University, and lectures
widely. He has published over 100
scholarly articles, primarily in
Bible, and is author or editor of
thirteen books. He received his
B.A. in Jewish Studies Summa cum
Laude from Yeshiva College, his
M.A. in Bible from the Bernard
Revel Graduate School, his M.S. in
Jewish Education from the Azrieli
Graduate School of Jewish Education, and
his Rabbinical Ordination from the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan
Theological Seminary of Yeshiva University. He lives in New
York with his wife and three children.



BULOW FAMILY SHABBATON
IN MEMORY OF NORMAN BULOW
September 12 and 13

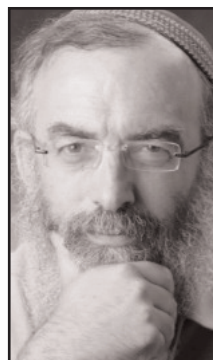
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JONATHAN SACKS**
*The Ingeborg and Ira Rennert
Global Distinguished Professor
of Judaic Thought at
New York University
and*

*The Kressel and Ephrat Family University
Professor of Jewish Thought at Yeshiva University*



RAV DAVID STAV
November 1

A graduate of Yeshivat Mercaz HaRav
Kook, Rav Stav is the Chief Rabbi of the
City of Shoham and co-founder and
Chairman of the Tzohar organization.
Founded upon loyalty to the State of
Israel and commitment to Halacha,
Tzohar's mission is to guarantee the
Jewish future of the State of Israel and
create a meaningful and relevant Jewish
identity for all Jews in Israel.



SANDRA E. RAPOPORT
Seudah Shlishit on November 1

An attorney, author, teacher and
inspiring speaker on Biblical topics,
KJ's own Sandra Rapoport's most
recent book is the critically acclaimed
Biblical Seductions, a Boston Globe
"Top Ten Bestseller" which won the
2011 National Jewish Book Awards
Finalist Prize.



DR. SHARON GOLDMAN
November 22

The AIPAC Northeast Region's Political
Director, Dr. Goldman is responsible for
recruiting and training AIPAC members
to build effective relationships with their
elected officials.





Dena Block, Yoetzet Halakhah

Dena Block serves as KJ's Yoetzet Halakhah, a female advisor on matters of Jewish family law and women's health. She graduated from Barnard College with a BA in History, earned an MA in Biblical and Talmudic Interpretation from Yeshiva University's Women's Graduate Program in Advanced Talmudic Studies, and was a member of the inaugural class of Nishmat's United States Yoatzot Halakhah Fellowship. Dena teaches Talmud and U.S. History at Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School for Girls in Teaneck, NJ and is the Director of Student Programming there.

She lives in Washington Heights with her husband Avi and son Zvi, and can be contacted at 201-921-8992 or at blockdina@gmail.com

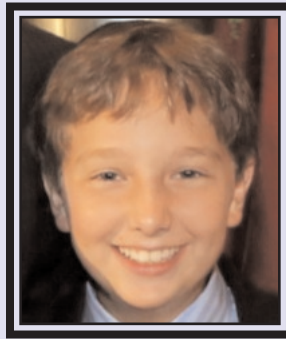


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BNEI MITZVAH



SAMUEL ASCHENDORF

Mazal Tov to Wilma and Kenneth Aschendorf upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Samuel, on Shabbat, August 23rd. The celebration took place in Jerusalem where Samuel read Parashat Re'eh. Samuel is in the seventh grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



REBECCA MASSEL

Mazal Tov to Caroline and Morris Massel upon the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Rebecca, on October 24 at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun. Rebecca will be making a siyum after having completed her study of all of the Mishnayot of Seder Moed. She is a sixth grade student at the Ramaz Middle School. Mazal Tov to proud KJ grandparents Barbara and Harvey Arfa.



SAMMY IFRAH

Mazal Tov to Michele and Stephane Ifrah upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Sammy, at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun on Shabbat, November 1, at which time he will read Parashat Lech-Lecha and deliver a D'var Torah. Sammy is a seventh grade student at the Ramaz Middle School.



DANIELLA FEINGOLD

Mazal Tov to Dr. Carolyn Hildebeitel and Orrin Feingold upon the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Daniella, on October 14 in Gamla, Israel. She will also layn Parashat Vayeira on November 8 at a Women's Tefillah Service at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun. Daniella is a seventh grader at the Ramaz Middle School. Mazal Tov to proud KJ grandfather Dr. Leonard Feingold.

SHALOM MADRICHAY BNEI AKIVA!

Every Shabbat afternoon beginning September 20th, children in grades 2-4 are invited to take part in an incredible opportunity to learn about Torah, Zionism and the state of Israel with our special Bnei Akiva Madrichim, Adi Goldberg and Adir Feifel, and our very own high school Bogrim! Snacks and playtime included.

Adi Goldberg (adigoldberg@mail.com, 216-337-1387) is from Cleveland, and in her junior year at Stern college. She has gone to Camp Stone her entire life where she has gotten her Bnei Akiva experience, and is currently serving as a Rosh Eidah (division head) at camp.

Adir Feifel (adir1215@gmail.com, 773-991-7904) is a senior at YU this year. He has also gone to Camp Moshava all his life and ended his career on a high note as a Rosh Eidah, as well.



WITHIN OUR FAMILY

BIRTHS

Mazal Tov to:

Kate and Sam Archibald upon the birth of their first child, Isaac Max (Yitzchak Pinchas).

Rochelle and Cantor Mayer Davis on the birth of a granddaughter, Nili Gabrielle, born to their children Aliza and Michael Davis.

Susan and Michael Castle upon the birth of their second grandchild, Camryn Britt (Davida Miriam), born to their children Carly and Daniel Castle.

Susan and Peter Frankel, upon the December 2013 birth of their fourth grandchild, Sarah Charlotte Reed, born to their children Elisabeth and Colin Reed.

Judy and Marty Grumet upon the birth of their granddaughter, Noa Hadar, to their children Leah and Avi Grumet.

Dr. Victoria and David Harrison upon the birth of their fourth son, Noah Gabriel.

Naomi Ickovitz and Dr. Steven Rudolph upon the birth of their second granddaughter, Merav Leah, born to their children, Drs. Sara Rudolph and Mitchell Hoberman of Chicago.

Arielle and Joseph Jaspan, upon the birth of their daughter, Sophia. Mazal Tov to proud KJ grandparents Terry and Michael Jaspan.

Hila and Steven Jaspan upon the birth of twins, Jacob Norman (Yaakov Nachum) and Talia Rose (Talia Shoshana). Mazal Tov to proud KJ grandparents Terry and Michael Jaspan.

Rebecca and Leonard Lazar upon the birth of their first child, a girl, Aliyah Denise (Aliyah Devorah).

Aryana and Steven Ritholtz, upon the birth of their first child and daughter, Amalya Shulamit. Aryana is KJ's Youth Department Director.

Elizabeth and Ira Savetsky upon the birth of their second daughter, Juliet Georgie (Yehudit Gitel).

Dr. Carrie and Ilan Stern upon the birth of their second son, Eiden. Mazal Tov as

well to proud KJ grandparents Perri and Akiba Stern.

Heather and Benjamin Werber upon the birth of their second son, Daniel Saehan.

May these children grow up in the finest tradition of Torah, chupah, and maasim tovim.

BNEI MITZVAH

Mazal Tov to:

Naomi Winter Cohen upon the recent Bat Mitzvah of her granddaughter, Tikva, daughter of Dr. Deena ('80) and Rabbi Samuel Zimmerman of Nof Ayalon, Israel.

Ruth and Joel Lewittes upon the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Sammy, son of Suzanne and Ron Lewittes of Boca Raton, Florida.

Carol and Mel Newman, upon the occasion of the upcoming Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, JessieJean Newman-Getzler. JessieJean is the daughter of Amanda Newman and Joshua Getzler.

May their weddings take place in happiness and blessing.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mazal Tov to:

Faith and Andrew Charles upon the engagement of their son, Zachary, to Jacqueline Sapoznik, the daughter of Rachel Sapoznik and Mario Sapoznik, of Florida.

Edith and Salomon Lipiner upon the engagement in Zurich, Switzerland, of their grandson Emanuel Dov Rom, the son of Karen ('84) and Robert Rom, to Lily Nelson.

Gail and Marvin Schaffer upon the engagement of their son Adam to Tanya Kessler daughter of Hedva and Dr. Edmund Kessler of Great Neck.

Debbie and Dr. Shelly Senders upon the engagement of their daughter, Tammie, to Adam Neuman, son of Barbara and Craig Neuman of Baltimore, Maryland. Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandparents Audrey and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein.

Ruth and Irwin Shapiro upon the engagement of their granddaughter, Sara Hammerschlag of Englewood, to Josh Jay of Paramus.

Dr. Marlene Warshawski Yahalom upon the engagement of her daughter, Orlee, to Aron Gillis, son of Roz and Michael Gillis of London. Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandmother Judy Warshawski.

MARRIAGES

Mazal Tov to:

Sheila and Jeremy Chess upon the marriage of her son, Joshua Levine, to Ahuva Goldstein, daughter of Zahava and Tzvi Goldstein of Woodmere. Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandmother Paula Pilevsky.

Naomi Winter Cohen upon the recent marriage of her grandson, Ari, son of Dr. Deena ('80) and Rabbi Samuel Zimmerman of Nof Ayalon, to Hodaya Rosh, daughter of Danny and Sarit Rosh of Hatzor Haglilit.

Henry Kressel and Rina Uziel upon their marriage.

Roni and Dr. Robert Y. Pick upon the wedding of their son, Ben, to Tonya Rosenblatt, the daughter of Tziporah and Rabbi Jonathan Rosenblatt of the Riverdale Jewish Center.

Frida Riederman upon the marriage of her granddaughter, Stephanie Riederman, to Moshe Dlott, son of Barbara and Steve Dlott of Cleveland, Ohio. Stephanie is the daughter of Helene and Robert ('75) Riederman of Baltimore, Maryland.

May the newlywed couples be blessed to build homes faithful to the traditions of the Jewish people.

MILESTONES

Mazal Tov to:

Anita and Jordan Abowitz upon their 50th wedding anniversary.

Judy and Isaac Sherman, upon the celebration of the 100th birthday of Judy's mother, Florence Cohen.

SPONSORSHIPS ARE WELCOME

To support synagogue programs, we invite prospective Kiddush & Seudah Shlishit Sponsors to contact Riva Alper in the synagogue office at 212-774-5670 or Riva@ckj.org. The base cost of a cake-and-wine Kiddush sponsorship is \$350, to which is added the cost of any extra catered food ordered through Foremost Caterers. Multiple Kiddush sponsors may, at their discretion and initiative, agree to share the expense of extra catered food, but every co-sponsor must pay, separately and individually, the \$350 base fee. Similarly, sponsoring Seudah Shlishit costs every co-sponsor \$250.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Phyllis and Jack Diamond upon their 61st wedding anniversary.

Karen and Meyer Gross upon their 50th wedding anniversary.

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Mazal Tov to:

Yariv Ben-Ari upon being named Partner at the law firm of Akerman LLP.

Barry Libin upon the publication of a novel: *The Mystery of the Milton Manuscript*.

Elisa Lunzer upon becoming the proprietor of Murray's Falafel and Grill (on the KJ approved *Kosher Establishments* list) located at 261 First Avenue, between E.15th and 16th Streets, (212)533-1956.

Dr. Andrea P. Thau, O.D., owner of Dr. Andrea P. Thau and Associates, a five-woman group private practice on Park Avenue in Manhattan, who was elected vice president of the American Optometric Association (AOA), which represents approximately 36,000 doctors of optometry and other eye care professionals.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to:

Ruth and Joel Lewittes upon the graduation of their grandson, Benjamin, from the Donna Klein Hebrew Academy high school. He will be attending the University of Pennsylvania in the fall. Benjamin is the son of Suzanne and Ron Lewittes, of Boca Raton, FL.

Hannah Low, upon the graduation of her grandson, Max Doppelt, from the Ramaz Upper School. He will attend the University of Pennsylvania in the fall. Max is the son of Debbie and Michael Doppelt.

Ariel Shay, daughter of Susan and Scott Shay, upon her graduation from Northwestern University with a Bachelor of Science from the School of Education and Social Policy. Ariel will be pursuing a master's degree in business at Queen Mary University of London during 2014 - 2015.

CONDOLENCES TO

Dr. Jeremy Chess, upon the passing of his sister, Shelley Lippman.

Dr. Cynthia Trop Ellman, upon the

In Memoriam

KURT LEWIN

Kurt Lewin was an extraordinary man with a powerful love of Israel and the Jewish people. He died at an old age after having lived a heroic life which included surviving the Holocaust disguised as a Ukrainian Catholic Studite Novice, serving in the Israel Defense Forces, fighting in the War of Independence and then going on to a very successful business career in America. Ever an optimist, he kept the memories of the past alive and authored a memoir of his experiences.

Kurt Lewin was a brilliant man who very much enjoyed our congregation. He had a deep sense of what was right and what was important. He very much appreciated KJ and all that it provides for our community and for world Jewry.

SHIRLEY ABEL

The loving mother of our member, Judy Abel, and Ramaz alumnus, Dr. Mark Abel, Shirley Abel came to our community late in life after a very active Jewish life and professional career as a psychologist in Riverdale.

She helped so many people deal with their emotional problems and stresses, with wisdom, perceptiveness and exceptional sensitivity. She was a devoted supporter of Rabbi Avi Weiss and the Hebrew Institute of Riverdale. She always encouraged Rabbi Avi in his work in behalf of Klal Yisrael.

A consistently observant and Jewishly committed woman, she was proud of her children's and grandchildren's education at Ramaz. She absolutely loved KJ and she enjoyed coming to shul until illness and weakness made that impossible.

PERMANENT MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITY FOR DEPARTED LOVED ONES

On the walls of the Main Synagogue are mounted seven tablets bearing memorial plaques, representing a permanent and dignified memorial to loved ones. At KJ, now in its 143rd year, we keep the lights lit on either side of the plaque each year during the full month of the Yahrzeit and also when we recite Yizkor on Yom Kippur, Shemini Atzeret, Pesach and Shavuot. The cost of a plaque is \$1,000.

To purchase, please contact Leonard Silverman
at 212-774-5680 or LSS@CKJ.org

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Rosh Hashanah Services at Memorial Sloan Kettering Hospital led by Judge Jerome Hornblass and JJ Hornblass

3:00 p.m. in the Chapel

1275 York Avenue (between 67th and 68th Streets)

Call Judge Jerome Hornblass for more information:
917-806-7595

passing of her mother, Harriet Sires.

Sandra Justin, upon the passing of her mother, Anna Maria Schmoller.

Carol Kaufman, upon the passing of her father, Frank Morgenstern.

Harry Kleinhaus, upon the passing of his mother, Poriah Kleinhaus.

Bonnie Schertz, upon the passing of her brother, Marc Schertz.

Deena Shiff, upon the passing of her

father, Rabbi Jack Simcha Cohen.

Rodrigo Sletatt, upon the passing of his father, Ezra Ernesto Sletatt haCohen.

Dr. Massimiliano Szulc, upon the passing of his mother, Clara Meisner Szulc.

Grace Weil, upon the passing of her sister, Roslyn Gerber.

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

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

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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>
September					
12-13	Ki Tavo	6:52 PM	6:45 PM	6:40 PM	7:46 PM
19-20	Nitzavim/Vayeilekh	6:40 PM	6:45 PM	6:25 PM	7:33 PM
26-27	Haazinu/ Shabbat Shuva	6:28 PM	6:30 PM	6:00 PM	7:21 PM
October					
3-4	Yom Kippur	6:16 PM	6:20 PM		7:09 PM
10-11	Sukkot/Hol haMoed	6:05 PM	6:20 PM	5:50 PM	6:57 PM
17-18	Bereishit	5:54 PM	6:10 PM	5:40 PM	6:47 PM
24-25	Noah	5:44 PM	6:00 PM	5:30 PM	6:38 PM
31-1	Lekh Lekha	5:35 PM	5:50 PM	5:25 PM	6:30 PM
November					
7-8	Vayera	4:27 PM	4:40 PM	4:15 PM	5:22 PM
14-15	Haye Sara	4:21 PM	4:35 PM	4:10 PM	5:17 PM
21-22	Toledot	4:15 PM	4:30 PM	4:05 PM	5:13 PM
28-29	Vayetze	4:12 PM	4:25 PM	4:05 PM	5:10 PM
December					
5-6	Vayishlah	4:10 PM	4:25 PM	4:05 PM	5:08 PM
12-13	Vayeshev	4:10 PM	4:25 PM	4:05 PM	5:09 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. 14 - Sept. 246:45 PM	Oct. 12-166:10 PM	Nov. 9-Nov. 134:35 PM
Sept. 29-Oct. 26:30 PM	Oct. 19-236:00 PM	Nov. 16-204:30 PM
Oct. 5-76:25 PM	Oct. 26-305:50 PM	Nov. 23-Dec. 254:25 PM
	Nov. 2-64:40 PM	

Wed.-Fri., Sept. 24-26
Rosh Hashanah
See schedule on Page 10
Sunday, Sept. 28
Fast of Gedaliah
See schedule on Page 10

Friday-Saturday, Oct. 3-4
Yom Kippur
See schedule on Page 10
Wednesday-Fri., Oct. 8-17
Sukkot, Hoshanah Rabbah,
Shemini Atzeret, Simchat Torah
See schedule on Page 10

Friday-Saturday, Oct. 24-25
Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan
Friday Morning Services at 7:00 AM
November 22-23
Rosh Chodesh Kislev
Sunday Morning Services at 8:30 AM