

## HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES AND EVENTS

*The Habonim Board is looking forward to seeing you in September and wish you and your family a happy and healthy New Year – Shanah Tovah!*

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Sunday, Sept 9      2:00 pm    VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED FOR SETUP  
Help is required to setup the chairs and Machzors – great way to earn high school community hours!

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Sunday, Sept 9      8:00 pm    Concert: Nili Seidel

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Wednesday, Sept 12 8:00 pm    Erev Rosh Hashana

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Thursday, Sept 13    8:30 pm    Rosh Hashana early service  
11:00 pm    Rosh Hashana late service  
9:00 am     Rosh Hashana late service

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Friday, Sept 14      10:00 am    Rosh Hashana second day

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Friday, Sept 21      6:00 pm    Kol Nidre early service  
8:30 pm    Kol Nidre late service

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Saturday, Sept 22    8:30 am    Yom Kippur early service  
11:00 am    Yom Kippur late service  
9:00 am    children's service

4:00 pm    Taschlich–Alexander Muir Park

5:30 pm    Neilah (services resume)

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**Sunday, Sept 23**      “Pizza in the Hut” - bring the family to help construct and decorate the Sukkah and enjoy pizza in the hut

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Saturday, Sept 29    10:00 am    Sukkot-Yiskor service

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Thursday, October 4 7:15 am    Simchat Torah

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### HIGH HOLIDAY TICKETS

High Holiday tickets were mailed out August 15, including tickets purchased before the end of July.

Do you still need to purchase High Holiday tickets for family ( children 19 and older) or friends? Problems with your tickets - you didn't receive them all, or they're for the wrong service?

**We can help! Come to the synagogue.  
Tuesday September 4, or Monday September 10.  
between 4:30 and 6:30 pm.**

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## SEE & HEAR ISRAEL

Through The Enchanting Music Of A Courageous Blind Singer & Pianist From Israel: **NILI SEIDEL**

**Sunday, September 9th, 2007 8:00 P.M.**

All proceeds to help the Israel Guide Dog Center for the Blind.

**NILI SEIDEL**, the middle of two siblings, was born in 1982 as a premature baby, which caused her blindness. She completed the Academy of Music High School in Jerusalem, majoring in English, Arabic, & Music in 2001. She served as a volunteer translator in the IDF's Intelligence Department from April 2002 to October 2003. Since October 2004, she has been a student at the Academy of Music at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

A multi-talented musician, Nili sings, plays the piano, synthesizer and darbuka, and composes and arranges music.

In September of 2004, Jesse, a guide dog provided for her by the Israel Guide Dog Centre for the Blind, became part of her life.

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## SCHOOL COMMITTEE DESPERATELY REQUIRED

Over the past few years our Hebrew school enrollment has declined. We need members of the synagogue to come forth and create a school committee. This committee would work with the principal/teachers to help increase the enrollment by getting the word out about Habonim's Sunday only school. This committee would also help periodically throughout the year with family education presentations. If you are interested in helping to keep our school alive.....please connect with Samantha Goldman via email at [sgoldman@microsoft.com](mailto:sgoldman@microsoft.com) or at 416-483-1277 (please keep in mind Samantha travels on business extensively and may not respond immediately)

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## HIGH HOLIDAYS, HABONIM 2007: BE IN WONDERMENT

The High Holidays are upon us and introspection is in the air.

For me it generally begins around mid-July or early August....the thought that soon all of us will stand together for a few intense hours praying or meditating, or perhaps just pondering.

My thoughts, and no doubt many of yours, are commanding. They make my mind's eye squint. They are images of the great heavens opening up slowly – like the Skydome does on a sunny day – and then closing as Yom Kippur comes to a close...ever so gradually, allowing for our final plea, our final plea.

In a few short days, I will stand next to you at our Congregation Habonim on the Yomim Na'royim, the Days of Awe. We'll hear each others' whispering prayers as we ask God for a year of health for ourselves, for those we love and for all of His/ Her creations. I will see you close your eyes as you meditate with fierce determination. "Who shall live and who shall die," you I will ask.

I will watch silently and with great admiration those of us whose relationship to our world is not God-based at all, but whose shul experience is as rich and spiritual as that of the ones who believe they are standing before the Almighty.

Until then, my friends, read. Wonder. Make lists of your deeds and sins. Consider how you loved and how you were loved and ponder your response to the world – both its ills, its Darfurs, and its blessings - the great seashores, forests and species of fish we just found on the bottom of our oceans.

The High Holidays are upon us. Take stock and quiz yourself on how you did in 5767 and what you hope for the coming year. Take this time to heart. Invest in it. Make it real and worthwhile.

And finally, consider the chances to give that exist around you. Ask yourself if you gave enough to the Jewish people or the world in general. Know that Judaism speaks about the importance of getting out into the world, fighting inequities and making changes where you're able. "If the community is in trouble, a person must not say, 'I will go home, and eat and drink, and my soul will be at peace'. A person must share in the concerns of the community as Moses did. Those who share in the community's troubles are worthy to see its consolation." (**Talmud, Ta'anit**)

The High Holidays are here and introspection is in the air. Latch on to it. It is a cleansing experience and one that can connect you to your Jewishness and/or the world around you.

Lshana Tova. Happy New Year and my wish that you, your loved ones and all peoples of this world should find

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health, peace and happiness in 5768.

*Avrum Rosensweig*

Those who sing in the present world will also sing in the next. **Joshua Ben Levi, Talmud**

The chances to do so are endless. Even in our own shul, leadership opportunity exists at all levels. Ask yourself, if you might be able to bring important changes to our place of worship by becoming the next president, or board member. Imagine the possibilities.

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### EXECUTIVE AND BOARD MEMBERS

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Should you be interested in joining the board this year, please connect with Saundra Levy at 416-665-5595.

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### SAVE THE DATE!!

*Future events to put into your calendar:*

Sept 23 "Pizza in the Hut" - bring the family to help construct and decorate the Sukkah and enjoy pizza in the hut

Oct 4 "Simchat Torah" - family service and

celebration

Oct 19 "Pot Luck and Family Service"

Dec 9 "Chanukah Party" - enjoy latkes, arts and crafts, music and fun

Mar 20-08 "Purim" - family service and celebration

June 8-08 "Shavuot"

Coming to the synagogue soon:

"Children's Frequent Service Club Cards" enjoy services with the family and collect points – details to follow!!

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### PERSONALIA

We sadly report the passing of three members during the summer:

Otto Fleischer, a long time member of Habonim; Rachel Stern, mother of Arlene Weisberg, and Dr. George Lednar.

Our heartfelt condolences go out to the families of the bereaved.

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### DONATIONS

#### **In Memoriam:**

In loving memory of Karl Marx, forever missed and remembered by his family - May Marx, Martha and Michael James, David and Carol Marx and grandchildren.

In loving memory of Ariel Milla Koch - Ro and Robert Cook

In loving memory of my dear mother, Esther Vijevo-Blom - Ro Cook

In loving memory of my father, Marvin Hochman - Gloria Guttman

In loving memory of Ben Levy - Peter Levy

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Leaf \$175

**QUESTIONS OR NOTICES RE JAHRZEITEN?**  
Call Linda Brager at (416) 488-0282

**JAHRZEITEN**

*To be read at September High Holiday Services*

Adolph Hahn	Elul 19	September 2
Myer Grammer	Elul 19	September 2
Leonard Williams	Elul 22	September 5
Donald Sivitz	Elul 22	September 5
Harry Eric Smith	Elul 23	September 6
Joseph Hymson	Elul 25	September 8
Jack Freedman	Elul 26	September 9
Irving Marcus	Elul 27	September 10
Clara Lupescu	Elul 28	September 11
Esther Bain	Elul 28	September 11

Klara Neufeld	Tishrei 1	September 13
Rosa Kahn	Tishrei 1	September 13
Leo Neufeld	Tishrei 1	September 13
Flora Stern	Tishrei 5	September 17
Henia Shuster	Tishrei 5	September 17
Irene Beldegruen Kohn		
	Tishrei 6	September 18
Julius Koblitz	Tishrei 6	September 18
Ruth Kumer	Tishrei 6	September 18
Lazar Levy	Tishrei 7	September 19
Clara Kahn	Tishrei 9	September 21
Henry Weingluck	Tishrei 9	September 21
Solomon & Bertha		
Steuerman	Tishrei 10	September 22
Abraham Kahn	Tishrei 10	September 22
Carl Kimerling	Tishrei 10	September 22
Esthe Finestone	Tishrei 10	September 22
Amalia Braun	Tishrei 10	September 22
Solomon & Bertha		
Steuerman	Tishrei 10	September 22
Emil Karp	Tishrei 10	September 22
Dr. Gertrude Freund	Tishrei 10	September 22
Morri Cohen	Tishrei 11	September 23
Charles Sommer	Tishrei 13	September 25
Rita Pape	Tishrei 13	September 25
Curt Landeker	Tishrei 13	September 25
Sylvia Rose Sugarman	Tishrei 13	September 25
Lorraine Grobisen	Tishrei 15	September 27
Sophie Fishman	Tishrei 15	September 27
Betty Levy	Tishrei 15	September 27
Natalie Rovins	Tishrei 17	September 29
Alfred Alpert	Tishrei 18	September 30

**In mourning:**

Steve Erdos, Erwin Pollack, Sam Slavin, Samuel Sivitz,  
Sam Milgrom, Frank Kohn, Sender Balberman, Joseph  
Brager, Phillip Gibson' Loius Libman, Marcus Goldberg,  
Miriam Burrows, Otto Fleischer, Rachel Stern,  
Dr. George Lednar.

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Deadline for contributions to the next Bulletin:  
*Tuesday, September 11, 2007*

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