



# Temple B'nai Abraham

Temple B'nai Abraham  
President – Robin Affrime

## The Temple Shofar

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Sarah Seidel Sisterhood  
President–Randy Bloom

October 2011

### RABBI'S HIGH HOLY DAY MESSAGE

Whenever I go to Atlanta, my Facebook friends invariably see a status update in Hebrew the moment my plane has landed. Most of my friends can't read what this status update says, since they don't know Hebrew, but it doesn't matter since this particular update is not directed to them. In this Facebook status update, I am sharing a traditional Hebrew blessing that is offered when a person sees a place in which she has experienced a miracle:

***Baruch atah adonay eloheynu melech ha-olam  
she-asah li nisim ba-makom ha-zeh.***

Blessed are you... who performed miracles for me in this place.

The Hebrew word for "place" in this blessing, *ha-makom*, is an extremely loaded word – throughout the long history of the Jewish people, this word has been weighted down with associations of holiness, of unique sanctity. In the Tanakh, the phrase *ha-makom ha-zeh*, "this place," is used for the site of the Temple. In the book of Genesis, it is the place where Jacob has a dream-vision of a ladder that reaches up into heaven, with angels ascending and descending, while God stands next to him and makes promises of blessing and protection. The rabbinic tradition adds on to the word additional layers of sanctity, as *ha-makom* becomes one of the names used for God. This name for God is most well known from the words of consolation to mourners:

***ha-makom y'nachem etchem b'toch sha'ar aveilei tzion  
virushalayim***

May *Ha-Makom* comfort you amongst the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

In a rather less comforting example, on the second day of Rosh Hashanah, *ha-makom* is used for Mount Moriah – the location of the Akedah.... Thus, *ha-makom ha-zeh* seems to be not only a place of divine connection, but also takes on

undertones of fear and danger, as Isaac's life hangs in the balance but is ultimately spared.

The medieval commentators seem fairly well agreed that *ha-makom* is one and the same place across these biblical examples – *ha-makom* of Jacob's ladder is *ha-makom* of the Akedah, which is *ha-makom* of the Temple. The medieval French commentator, Rashi, also observes that the surrounding vicinity, the land of Moriah as a whole, is what came to be Jerusalem. Thus, the surroundings for this *makom*, this place, which is identified as the most holy site in the Jewish tradition, are explicitly connected by Rashi to Jerusalem – making Jerusalem, in Rashi's opinion, the spot of incomparable sacredness. Quite a powerful statement to make, especially coming from a man who lived in the Diaspora in the era of the Crusades. But Rashi is not the only one to see this *makom* as a place of unique sanctity.

After the Akedah, Abraham names this site "*adonay yireh*," a name which literally means "the Lord will see." However, the text goes on to explain this name by saying "*b'har adonay yera'eh*," "on the mount of the Lord *there is vision*." Or, alternatively – "on the mountain the Lord *will appear*." It is an example of something like a pun in the Torah – two very different ideas (God who sees [*yireh*], versus God who appears in someone's vision [*yera'eh*]) are both expressed with the same spelling (*yod-resh-alef-hay*) but with different vowels....

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## Yahrzeits for October

### October 7

Ida Kushner, mother of Sol Kushner  
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Past Temple member: Fred Gutstein

### October 14th

Nissim Nissim, father of Martin Nissim

### October 21

Past Temple Members:  
Mervin Groveman, Lee Nissim

### October 28

Paul Goldfarb, stepfather of Charyl Morginstin  
Howard Sheldon Sacks, father of Faith Hupfl

## Temple Donations

### In Memory of

*Jerome Epstein* from Brian & Maribeth Epstein  
*Annete Brewis* from Brian & Maribeth Epstein  
*Bonnie Ross* from Jack Ross  
Charles Stein from Randy Bloom  
Harry Roseman from Irene Harrison  
Eleanor Roth from Jay & Elaine Trackman  
Frank Schwartz from Phyllis Chudoff  
Marty Nissim from Rita Nissim

The Temple has received a very generous donation for the outside sign **in Honor of the engagement** of son Glen to Falia Maste by Stephen & Sharon Taksler.

*Stephen and Sharon Taksler have driven by our Temple many times and noticed our sign. Stephen called Robin and told her he would like to contribute to buying a new sign. His donation is in honor of the engagement of their son Glen to Falia M. Maste.*

## Break the Fast

Temple B'nai Abraham and Sarah Seidel Sisterhood invite you and your family to join us for Break the Fast on **Saturday, October 8** (around 7:00 PM).

Families attending are asked to bring a prepared covered dish, which you can sign up for with your reservation. Volunteers are also needed to help set up and clean up.

**Cost is \$12.00 adults, children 6-12 \$6.00, with children under 5 free.**

**Please contact Karen Nissim at (609) 298-4845 or [KarenNissim@aol.com](mailto:KarenNissim@aol.com) with your reservations, which are required by October 5, 2011.**

You can send your payment in advance to Karen Nissim, 38 Thompson Street, Bordentown, NJ 08505. Please make your checks payable to **Sarah Seidel Sisterhood**. Thank you and L'Shana Tovah Umtukah.

## Wishing a Speedy Recovery...

**Temple and Sisterhood send our prayers and thoughts to Steven Affrime, husband of Robin, our Temple President. Speedy recovery Steve!**

## Rabbi's High Holy Day Message (continued)

Another medieval French commentator, Gersonides, understands this play on words as teaching us about the elevated nature of the place. According to Gersonides, this spot was specially prepared for the very purpose that God's *shefa* would cleave to it. The word *shefa* describes the abundance that overflows from God, and in Gersonides' view, there are places that are especially well-suited for experiencing that overflow. In these special places, a person is able to experience *devekut*, a powerful cleaving to God, to have visions, to experience miracles, to find enlightenment and be inspired by prophecy. For Gersonides and other medieval commentators, Mount Moriah is such a place – which is why it is the ideal location to eventually situate the Temple.

If such sanctity is inherent to *ha-makom* from the biblical period through into medieval times, might such holiness continue as a permanent feature that is linked to contemporary Jerusalem as well? Do we really believe today that some places are inherently more holy than other places? Well, I don't know about you, but I seem to say a special blessing whenever I touch down in Atlanta, which is a good indicator that I believe there is something inherently special about that place.... And countless people feel that way about the entire land of Israel, not just Jerusalem. The first time I went to Israel in 1999, the airport hadn't been updated yet, so we disembarked from the plane by going down steps and walking across the tarmac to the building where we would go through the customs process. Many people got down on their hands and knees and kissed the ground as soon as they came off the stairs because they felt such a powerful sense of holiness and connection to the land itself.

All over the world, people make pilgrimages to holy sites – which includes the graves of ancestors or saints, and other locations that figure prominently in the various traditions. It is worth noting that there are analogous themes within Judaism that extend beyond Jerusalem – Jewish people from different countries have venerated saintly people and made pilgrimages to gravesites inside and outside of Israel. We also see a similar phenomenon with pilgrimages to Auschwitz – which demonstrates that a place does not only take on a kind of sanctity as a result of positive associations....

So what is it that makes a location into a *ha-makom*? Several associations are offered up by our medieval commentators – it is a place where sacrifices and offerings are made, it is a place from which

teaching goes forth, it is a place associated with fear and reverence. The medieval Spanish commentator Nachmanides, or Ramban, suggests that God commanded Abraham to go to Mount Moriah in order to associate the location with the *zechut*, the merit, of all that would happen there. This word *zechut* is typically translated as merit, but it has other connotations that could be instructive here – for example, a sense of benefit or blessing. The meaning I would like to focus on is benefit. Sometimes a benefit can be extracted from difficult and even painful events. I don't think there is a special merit that attaches to suffering, but I do think there is a kind of learning and growth that can come once suffering has been endured and a person has moved on from it. It might seem strange to attach that sense of *zechut* to a location, but I think it can happen – it did for me with Atlanta.

The *zechut* that is attached to Atlanta for me comes from more sources than I can possibly describe in this moment, but it includes the *zechut* of embracing a Jewish identity, the *zechut* that was an outgrowth of grieving the end of my marriage, the *zechut* of completing a graduate program at Emory, and the *zechut* of confronting and coming through a number of other challenges. Every bit of struggle, every drop of sweat, every tear; every success, every transcendent moment – all have come to be inherently associated with that place until it feels almost mythic, imbued with holiness, a place of miracles in which God feels particularly manifest to me. For me, *b'atlanta adonay yera'eh* – in Atlanta, God appears....

I think the most profound answer to the question of what makes a location into *ha-makom* actually lies in the way *ha-makom* is used as a name for God in the prayer to comfort mourners. Even though *ha-makom* has associations with times of danger (such as the Akedah), I think a location becomes *ha-makom* when comfort and strength are found there in the midst of difficult times. This was my experience in Atlanta, and for many Jews it is their experience of Israel.

Where are the places that you feel safe to experience painful emotions? Where are the places that you feel least alone when you struggle, where a comforting hug seems to be just around the corner? Where are the places that, when you go there, you feel your heart opening up and it suddenly becomes easier even to breathe, even through the pain? Where do you feel God's loving presence washing over you, enfolding you, sheltering you?

"Safe and comforted" might not be exactly how Isaac was feeling shortly after arriving on Mount Moriah with his father.... But it is probably exactly what Rashi was hoping for when he imagined Jerusalem as the

most sacred of spots, and it is also what so many Jews the world over have longed for when they thought of *Yerushalayim Shel Zahav*, Jerusalem of Gold, and sacrificed so much to go there. *Ha-makom*.

So, is Jerusalem still *ha-makom*? Ramban suggests that the place is special because it is “in the land where they serve God there.” Is God being served in the land of Israel today? I read about so many injustices that might call that into question. At the Kotel, the Western Wall – one of the few tangible remaining pieces of the very Temple our texts refer to when they speak of *ha-makom ha-zeh* – women are segregated and prohibited from fully engaging with Jewish ritual. A woman can be arrested for wearing a tallit or reading from a Torah. This is a result of the holy site being under the control of a Haredi rabbi representing some of the most extreme views of the various orthodox groups. Earlier this month, a Chabad Lubavitch school called “Or Chaya” refused to accept children of Ethiopian descent as students. The children and their parents were told, “We don’t take in Ethiopian children. We don’t think you match our lifestyle and we’re not sure about your Jewishness either.” When questioned, a school official told the municipality’s Education Department, “You’re welcome to lead us to the gallows. This has never happened and will never happen.” For women, people of color, and Palestinians, Israel may not always be the place where God’s presence is palpable and it even seems easier to breathe....

Is Israel actually all that we hope for? Probably not. No *makom* is perfect... even *ha-makom ha-zeh*. But when I was in Israel in 2008, I was introduced to non-orthodox religious communities that were having an impact on people who had once thought their only options were between orthodox and secular. I participated in a program called Binah – a “secular” yeshiva (that was far from what Americans would understand as “secular”) with an emphasis on connecting Jewish text and tradition with a progressive social agenda. We were given the opportunity, among other things, to volunteer with Israeli social service agencies, to visit a kibbutz, to meet people working at a Gay and Lesbian community center in Tel Aviv, and to assist refugee families. We also learned more about groups that are committed to bridging the divide between Jews and Palestinians. In addition, there are some more pluralistic orthodox individuals and groups in Israel that are working to counter religious

extremism. These kinds of programs are not the ones that seem to grab the headlines, but they are just as much a part of what makes up this vital *makom* of Israel. These kinds of programs demonstrate to me that Israel is still a land in which people serve God, as Ramban described.

Israel is not perfect, but in its imperfection it has been a symbol of hope and a place of refuge for so many Jews. There are hints of this complex and sometimes contradictory reality in the Torah reading for the second day of Rosh Hashanah – this *makom* is a place in which a father attempted to slaughter his child as an offering to God, and was only stopped as he raised the knife. In Rashi’s age, this *makom* was a target of Crusades. In our age, it is a place of breathtaking beauty as well as struggle – as Israeli citizens demonstrate in the streets for economic justice and as progressive groups strive to counter prejudice and oppression.

There is much there to see and experience, and I invite each of you to consider finding out for yourself whether this location resonates for you individually as *ha-makom*. We are trying to put together a congregational trip to Israel in July, and the company that would run the tour is one that is mindful of exposing people to some of the more progressive elements of Israeli society, which should resonate well with the values of many in our community.

Whether or not you are able to make that trip, whether you ever get a chance to experience Israel, I hope that each and every one of you has an experience of *ha-makom* – a place that has such powerful *zechut* associated with it that it feels miraculous; where you feel seen by God and where God’s *shefa*, God’s abundance, overflows to you; where you feel inspired and comforted even in the face of danger and suffering. If you find such a place, I invite you to offer the traditional blessing that I offer when I visit my *makom* in Georgia:

***Baruch atah adonay eloheynu melech ha-olam  
she-asah li nisim ba-makom ha-zeh.***

Blessed are you... who performed miracles for me in  
this place.

Shanah tovah y’all!

*Rabbi Pfau*

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### 2011-2012 Shabbat Morning Services

October 8 (Yom Kippur)  
November 5  
December 17  
January 21 (Osman Bar Mitzvah)  
February 11  
March 10 (Saltstein Bar Mitzvah)  
April 21  
May 5  
June 23

like to volunteer to help clean up or set up, please contact Marla Hoffman [rhynestonegrl@gmail.com](mailto:rhynestonegrl@gmail.com).

## Save the Date

### 2011-2012 Tot Shabbat Programs

October 14 - All ages Sukkot service and potluck  
November 11 – Tzedakah theme  
December 23 - All ages Hanukah celebration  
January 13 – Tu B’shevat theme  
February 24 – Purim theme  
March 23 – Passover theme  
April 13 – Shabbat theme  
May 11 – Lag B’Omer theme  
June 1 – Shavuot

## Welcome New Members

Adam Woldow & Sonia Sharma  
16 Deborah Court  
Robbinsville, NJ 08691

Kenneth Sandler  
701 Westerly Drive  
Marlton, NJ 08053

Robert and Laura Pedowitz  
Children: Michael, Matthew and Miles  
75 Seneca Lane  
Bordentown, NJ 08505

Ellen Benowitz  
34 Van Drive  
Bordentown, NJ 08505

Welcome Back to Ira Levinson!

## Update on the Proposed Trip to Israel

I am looking at a few tour co-coordinators. The prices are range in the \$2,500 range PLUS airfare for a ten to eleven day tour. This would include the two travel days – a 12-hour flight each way. Though the airfares next July are not yet available, I am told to expect them to be in the \$1,500 range. The tour packages will include breakfast; however some other meals will be on your own. To be safe, I would recommend budgeting about \$4,500 per person. This would include tips, some airport taxes/fees, the various souvenirs you may want to buy, and whatever else may come up. Hopefully, the final costs would be less. In fact, one or two plans also include air. One proposal I just received is \$3,200 including air. If interested, please let me know via e-mail at [SIDMORGY@VERIZON.NET](mailto:SIDMORGY@VERIZON.NET). **This will not be a commitment – just an indication of interest.**

For those who have never been to Israel, this will be a great trip. As we have a number of inter-faith couples, I have told the tour operators to include both Jewish and Christian sites. Optionally and not part of the package: I hope to arrange a Shabbat in a religious community, so you get to feel as to how Shabbat is meant to be observed.

But before we go much further, I need to get a feel for how many would be interested. Again, this is open to all. You need not be a member of the Temple or Sisterhood.

## Tot Shabbat News

The next Tot Shabbat will be on Friday, October 14 at 6:00 pm and will include candle lighting, potluck dinner, story time, a theme-related craft, and songs. If you need any additional information, or would



*In case a loved one dies, the following information will be helpful in thinking through what steps to take:*

- 1) As soon as possible, please contact the Rabbi, the Temple President, and the Sisterhood President.
- 2) If you would like the Rabbi to officiate at the funeral, please ask the Funeral Director to contact the Rabbi when exploring possible dates and times.
- 3) There are many traditional Jewish practices that may offer guidance about the handling of the body, the funeral, and the burial. Please ask the Funeral Director to explore these options.
- 4) Resources about mourning, death, and dying are available from the Rabbi. There is also a synagogue document containing information about Jewish funeral procedures.

We hope this information will be needed as infrequently as possible!

### **Siddur and Tallit Donations**

A new Siddur (prayer book) can be purchased in honor of or in memory of someone for \$35.00; a Tallit (prayer shawl) can be purchased for \$60. Please contact Sid Morginstin  
sidmorgy@verizon.net

### **Memorial Plaques**

Plaques are available for \$250.00. To order a plaque, send the following to Sid Morginstin, Plaque Chairman at PO Box 8101, Trenton, NJ 08650 or [Sidmorgy@verizon.net](mailto:Sidmorgy@verizon.net): #1 English name of loved one, #2 Hebrew name of Loved one, and #3 Date of death in the English calendar. Once the plaque has been put up, you will be billed. Plaques will not be moved from one board to the other. If you would like to order now, a new order will be sent soon, so please get the information to him ASAP

## **Supermarket Gift Card Program**



The supermarket Gift Card Program continues all summer long. Please send a check to Dowshen, 502 Farnsworth Avenue, Bordentown, NJ 08505 or call 298-5306. Your cards will be sent to you the same day. Get with the program and help the Temple with the easy source of income.

## **From our Religious Chair**

A new up to date Yahrzeit listing is on the bulletin board on the community room. It is sorted by the deceased's last name. Please look it through. If you find any errors, please get the corrections to Sid Morginstin.

**Please Note:** I originally used [LEADSTAMP@AOL.COM](mailto:LEADSTAMP@AOL.COM) for e-mail. Some of you may have received an e-mail from this address. I will spare you the gory technical details and simply ask that you add [LEADSTAMP@AOL.COM](mailto:LEADSTAMP@AOL.COM) to your SPAM blocker. [I get these spam e-mails on my [LEADSTAMP@VERIZON.NET](mailto:LEADSTAMP@VERIZON.NET) address as well.] Please send all e-mails for SID to [SIDMORGY@VERIZON.NET](mailto:SIDMORGY@VERIZON.NET) and for CHARYL to [BROWNIE317@VERIZON.NET](mailto:BROWNIE317@VERIZON.NET). Thank you.

## **Our New Sign**

Thank you Rita Nissim and her family and Steven and Sharon Taksler for their generous donations to our Temple for our new sign. We will be holding a dedication ceremony at our Shabbat morning service on November 5<sup>th</sup>. All are invited to attend for services and lunch.

## Sarah Seidel Sisterhood Officers

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## Sisterhood News

Bob Hughes, the producer of Bob's Buzzy Bees Honey, presented a fascinating and informative talk at the September Sisterhood meeting. We learned about beekeeping, bee colonies, pollinators, and honey bees generally. All of us were quite impressed by the life of a honey bee. It was a terrific program.

We also discussed quite a bit of business. The Sisterhood voted to give the Temple \$7000 to install new bottom cabinets and countertops in the kitchen. They will match the top cabinets. We hope to have the work done before the end of the year.

It was great to see Marsha Caldwell and Ellen Benowitz at the meeting- welcome back!

We talked about having a fundraiser yard sale at the Temple the Sunday of the May craft fair in Bordentown. Start putting things aside that you might like to sell.

There is no meeting in October because of all the holidays, but we hope to see you in November. Check the next newsletter for meeting information. And everyone is invited to present ideas for fundraising and programs at any time- just call or e-mail Randye.

### Yom Kippur Booklet

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Yom Kippur Community Booklet this year. We are on a path to collect just over \$1000 for this fundraiser! That is a really excellent outcome- one name at a time- and you made it happen!

### Temple cards:

To Jennifer Carton & Mark Costner in honor of your marriage from Michael Scolaro and Randye Bloom

## Sisterhood Donations

### Get Well:

Steve Affrime from the Trackmans and Morginstins

Esther Steinholz from Arlene Speiser

Leah Kaplan from Sheila Lamonsoff

### Happy Birthday:

Shana Orin and Harriet Gould from Is and Phyllis Kamer

Lynn Wasserman from Linda Bowker

### Rejoicing with You:

Ronald Gale on your graduation from Elaine and Jay Trackman

Jamie Josephson on your engagement from Randye Bloom and Mike Scolaro and Elaine and Jay Trackman

Robin and Steve Affrime on the birth of your granddaughter from Arlene Speiser

### In Memory Of

Sylvia Weisberg from Elaine and Jay Trackman, Renee Harrison, Jeffrey and Phoebe Nissim, and Phyllis and Is Kamer

**Best Wishes** on Bar Mitzvah of your grandson to Marilyn and Steve Saias from Barbara and Jeff Streisfeld

## Embroidered Tablecloth

One of the traditions of our temple is to have our members names embroidered on the tablecloth that you may have seen adorn our Oneg table. The cost of having your family's name added is \$5.00. Contact Phyllis Chudoff at [pchudoff@hotmail.com](mailto:pchudoff@hotmail.com) for inclusion for a lasting memory of our Temple.



# ONEG SHABBAT HOSTESS LIST

| DAY             | TIME   | EVENT    | HOSTS                                      |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--|
| <b>OCTOBER</b>  |        |          |  |
| Fri             | 7-Oct  | 6:30 PM  | Kol Nidre                                  |
| Sat             | 8-Oct  | 9:30 AM  | Yom Kippur Morning                         |
|                 |        | 7:00 PM  | Break Fast                                 |
|                 |        |          | Karen Nissim, Chair                        |
| Fri             | 14-Oct | 6:30 PM  | Erev Shabbat/Sukkot                        |
|                 |        |          | Community Potluck Dinner - Debby Weiss     |
| <b>NOVEMBER</b> |        |          |  |
| Sat             | 5-Nov  | 10:00 AM | Shabbat Morning                            |
|                 |        |          | Lunch - Shira Lowry & Marsh Caldwell       |
| Mon             | 21-Nov | 7:30 PM  | Sisterhood Program                         |
|                 |        |          | Elaine Trackman & Judy Schimmel            |
| Fri             | 18-Nov | 7:30 PM  | Erev Shabbat                               |
|                 |        |          | Oneg - Anita Berson & Mindy Fink           |
| <b>DECEMBER</b> |        |          |  |
|                 | Dec.   | 7:30 PM  | Sisterhood Program                         |
|                 |        |          | Patricia Light-Tolomeo & Ellen Wehrman     |
| Sat             | 17-Dec | 10:00 AM | Shabbat Morning                            |
|                 |        |          | Lunch - Bethann Goldberg & Rona Goldberg   |
| Fri             | 23-Dec | 6:00 PM  | Erev Shabbat/Hanukkah                      |
|                 |        |          | Community Potluck Dinner - Rachel Schwartz |
| Fri             | 30-Dec | 7:30 PM  | Erev Shabbat                               |
| Fri             | 20-Jan | 7:30 PM  | Erev Shabbat/Noah Osman Bar Mitzvah        |
|                 |        |          | Osman Family                               |
| Sat             | 21-Jan | 9:30 AM  | Shabbat Morning/Noah Osman Bar Mitzvah     |
|                 |        |          | Osman Family                               |
| <b>FEBRUARY</b> |        |          |  |
| Sat             | 11-Feb | 10:00 AM | Shabbat Morning                            |
|                 |        |          | Lunch - Kim Aubrey & Liz Mitchell          |
| Fri             | 17-Feb | 7:30 PM  | Erev Shabbat/Honoring SSS                  |
|                 |        |          | Oneg - Phyllis Chudoff & Eileen Gale       |
| Fri             | 24-Feb | 7:30 PM  | Erev Shabbat                               |
| <b>MARCH</b>    |        |          |  |
| Fri             | 9-Mar  | 7:30 PM  | Erev Shabbat/Alex Saltstein Bar Mitzvah    |
|                 |        |          | Saltstein Family                           |
| Sat             | 10-Mar | 9:30 AM  | Shabbat Morning/Alex Saltstein Bar Mitzvah |
|                 |        |          | Saltstein Family                           |
|                 | Marc   | 7:30 PM  | Sisterhood Program                         |
|                 |        |          | Susan Giachetti & Betsy Ramos              |



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APRIL

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|-----|------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Sat | 7-Apr      | 6:00 PM     | 2nd night community Seder<br>Passover | Kim Aubrey                              |
|     | April      | 7:30 PM     | Sisterhood Program                    | Marsha Dowshen & Susan Roth             |
| Sat | 21-<br>Apr | 10:00<br>AM | Shabbat Morning                       | Lunch - Karen Nissim & Sheila Lamansoff |
|     |            |             |                                       |   |

MAY

|     |            |             |                                       |                                    |
|-----|------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Sat | 5-May      | 10:00<br>AM | Shabbat Morning                       | Lunch - Marcia Rosen & Madge Rosen |
|     | May        | 7:30 PM     | Sisterhood Program                    | Nina Glanz & Faith Huplf           |
| Fri | 25-<br>May | 6:30 PM     | Hebrew School Graduation<br>& Potluck | Marissa Erickson                   |
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JUNE

|     |            |            |                            |  |
|-----|------------|------------|----------------------------|--|
| Mon | 11-<br>Jun | 6:15 PM    | Sisterhood Pot Luck        | Marsha Dowshen & Randye Bloom            |
| Sat | 23-<br>Jun | 9:30<br>AM | Shabbat Morning            | Lunch - Charyl Morganstin & Sandy S-Bird |
| Fri | 29-<br>Jun | 6:30 PM    | Member of the Year/Potluck | Oneg - Marcy Schwartz & Debby Weiss      |

*The Board decided to experiment with a new start time for Shabbat morning services. It was thought that beginning at 10:00 am instead of 9:30 am might increase the likelihood of people arriving on time. We will be interested in people's responses to the alternative start time, and will take note of whether it accomplishes the goal. We will then evaluate whether to make the new time permanent. (However, when there are B'nai Mitzvah, we will still begin at 9:30 am since there are additional pieces of the service.)*

## OCTOBER 2011 - TISHREI /CHESHVAN 5772

| Sunday  | Monday                | Tuesday                | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday   |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|   |                       |                        |   |   |  | 1<br>7:33 pm - Havdalah  |
| 2<br>9 am – Sunday<br>10 am -<br>Hebrew                                 | 3                     | 4                      | 5   | 6<br>4:30 pm -<br>Hebrew                                | 7<br><b>EREV YOM<br/>KIPPUR</b><br>6:11 pm -<br>Candle Lighting<br>6:15 pm - Kol<br>Nidre          | 8<br><b>YOM KIPPUR</b><br>9:30 am - Services<br>7:21 pm - Havdalah       |
| 9<br>No Sunday<br>School  | 10                    | 11                     | 12<br><b>EREV<br/>SUKKOT</b><br>6:03 pm<br>Candle | 13<br><b>SUKKOT I</b><br>4:30 pm -<br>Hebrew            | 14<br><b>SUKKOT II<br/>TOT<br/>SHABBAT</b><br>6:00 pm -<br>Candle Lighting<br>6:30 pm -<br>Shabbat | 15<br><b>SUKKOT III</b><br>7:10 pm - Havdalah                            |
| 16<br><b>SUKKOT IV</b><br>9 am – Sunday<br>10 am -<br>Hebrew            | 17<br><b>SUKKOT V</b> | 18<br><b>SUKKOT VI</b> | 19<br><b>SUKKOT VII</b><br>5:52 pm –<br>Candle    | 20<br><b>SHIMINI<br/>ATZERET</b><br>4:30 pm -<br>Hebrew | 21<br><b>SIMCHAT<br/>TORAH</b><br>5:49 pm -<br>Candle Lighting<br>7:30 pm -<br>Shabbat             | 22<br>7:00 pm - Havdalah   |
| 23<br><b>Take Down<br/>Sukkah</b><br>9 am – Sunday<br>10 am -<br>Hebrew | 24                    | 25                     | 26  | 27<br>4:30 pm -<br>Hebrew                               | 28<br><b>ROSH<br/>CHODESH</b><br>5:40 pm -<br>Candle Lighting<br>7:30 pm -<br>Shabbat              | 29<br><b>ROSH CHODESH</b><br>6:50 pm – Havdalah                          |
| 30<br>9 am – Sunday<br>10 am –<br>Hebrew                                | 31                    | 1                      | 2   | 3<br>4:30 pm -<br>Hebrew                                | 4<br>5:31 pm -<br>Candle Lighting  | 5<br><b>DEDICATION CEREMONY</b><br>10 am - Shabbat<br>6:42 pm - Havdalah |

