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## From the Rabbi

Dear friends:

By now we are almost at the conclusion of the Holiday period that begins with Rosh Hashannah and ends with Simchat Torah. There is so much to do, so much going on, so many details to which we have to give our attention, that we are left with almost no time for the really "important things." Come to think of it, this is really an accurate reflection of most of our lives. We get so bogged down in the everyday details of living, running errands, working, returning phone calls, checking the email and so forth, that at the end of the day or week or year, for that matter, we not only ask, "where did all the time go?" we also ask why we didn't have the opportunity to get to all those really important things that we now regret having left undone.

Sermons, lengthy treatises, and inspirational volumes have been written about the various solutions for this dilemma. Rather than adding to those hundreds of thousands of words, let me share with you a short story that brings with it a wonderful insight that I hope we can all use to prioritize our use of the most precious commodity we have, namely time!

### Put The Big Rocks In First

(This story is told by Steven Covey in his book "First Things First.")

There was an expert on time management who was speaking to a group of busy executives at a seminar. To make his point, he used this illustration.

He took out a one gallon, wide-mouthed jar and put it on the table in front of him. Then he produced about a dozen fist-sized rocks and placed them carefully, one at a

time, in the jar. When the jar was full to the top and no more rocks could fit inside, he asked, "Is this jar full?"

Everyone in the class said, "Yes."

He said, "Really?" Then he reached under the table and pulled out a bucket of gravel. He dumped some gravel in and shook the jar, so that the pieces of gravel worked themselves down into the crevices between the rocks. Then he asked the group once again, "Is the jar full?" By this time, the class was on to him, so they said, "Probably not."

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### SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES

Friday, October 3 . . . . .	6:18 P.M.
Friday, October 10 . . . . .	6:07 P.M.
Friday, October 17 . . . . .	5:56 P.M.
Friday, October 24 . . . . .	5:46 P.M.
Friday, October 31 . . . . .	5:36 P.M.

### MINCHA-MAARIV TIMES

Saturday, October 4 . . . . .	6:20 P.M.
Saturday, October 11 . . . . .	6:05 P.M.
Saturday, October 18 . . . . .	5:55 P.M.
Saturday, October 25 . . . . .	5:45 P.M.

# RELIGIOUS NEWS...

FROM THE RABBI

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“Good!” he replied. And then he reached under the table and brought out a bucket of sand. He started putting the sand in and it quickly went into all the spaces that were left between the rocks. Then once more, he asked the question, “Is the jar full?”

“No!” the students said. Again he said, “Good.” This time, he took a pitcher of water and began to pour it into the jar until the jar was full to the brim. Then he looked at the class and asked, “What do you think is the point of all this?”

One eager beaver raised his hand and said, “The point is to teach us that no matter how full your schedule is, you can always fit something more into it if you want to.”

The speaker said, “No, that’s not the point at all. The truth that this illustration is meant to teach us is **THAT IF YOU DON’T PUT THE BIG ROCKS IN FIRST, YOU’LL NEVER GET THEM IN AT ALL.**”

What are the big rocks in MY life? What is the project that I really want to accomplish? What is it that I really want to do with my life? Is it raising my children well? Is it having a good education? Is it writing that book? Is it working for a cause in which I believe so deeply? Whatever it is, remember to put the big rocks of your life in first—or you will never get to them at all.

**IF YOU DON’T PUT THE BIG ROCKS IN FIRST,  
YOU’LL NEVER GET THEM IN AT ALL.”**

My best wishes for a wonderful year in which we all succeed in “putting the big rocks in first!”

Sincerely,

*Rabbi Stanley L. Asekoff*

## HAYENU

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## CANDLE LIGHTING BLESSINGS FOR FRIDAY NIGHT

ברוך אתה ה' אלהינו מלך העולם אשר קדשנו

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Baruch attah Adonai Eloheynu melech ha'olam, asher kidshanu b'mizvotav v'tzivanu l'hadlik ner shel Shabbat.

### Friday Night Service Times

**Please Note Time Change In October**

**Beginning on October 3**, all regular Friday evening services (excluding holidays, see Hayenu for times) begin at **6:15 PM**.

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## CANTORIAL COMMENTS

By Cantor Elihu Joseph Feldman

### I COULD HAVE DANCED ALL NIGHT

Although Simchat Torah is not a biblical festival; it has turned into one of the most widely celebrated festivals in the Jewish year. The holiday has a liturgy of its own, with unique prayers, songs, music and traditions. While Simchat Torah focuses on the Torah as the beloved companion of our lives, the singing and dancing on Simchat Torah are reminiscent of wedding. As a bride and groom dancing with each other on their big night, so - on Simchat Torah - we desire to hold the Sefer Torah in our arms and dance the night away.

Just when and where did the custom of singing and dancing develop? Jewish musicologists believe that Simchat Torah developed during the Middle Ages and that the dancing and singing are part of a biblical commandment to "Rejoice on our Festivals." Other musicologists provide a simple answer, stating that we are rejoicing in the completion of the Torah. Another opinion found though notes that the origin of making such a celebration upon completing the Torah stems all the way back from the time of King Solomon, who made a feast for all of his courtiers at the time of the dedication of the temple.

But the answer to why dancing and singing permeates Simchat Torah is not that simple. There were communities which wanted to abandon all singing, frivolity and dancing; based on the fact that the removal of the Torahs from the ark demanded a sense of respect and decorum. The Mishna Berurah, though, (O.C. 669) cites a statement of Maharik, who writes that it is not proper for us to forbid dancing and singing which have evolved for the celebration of Simchat Torah. As such, places that refrain from making it a day of celebration are not acting properly.

The liturgy of Simchat Torah evening is unique. The liturgical mode for the maariv (evening service) is that of the High Holydays and sounds very much like Yom Kippur or Rosh Hashonah evening. This motif may be consistent with the approach of those communities which adopted a more somber approach to Simchat Torah. At Ma'ariv (the evening service) on Simchat Torah eve, each member of the congregation recites a verse from "Ata Horeita" - a series of verses praising God and the Torah. The ark is opened and all the Torah scrolls are removed. The person leading the hakafah holds a Torah and recites a prayer, with the refrain "Hoshia Na" (Please Save Us). The other people holding the Sifrei Torah fol-

low the leader as he circles the synagogue. It is customary for the rest of the congregation to kiss the Sifrei Torah as the procession passes by. The act of encircling the synagogue (or the bima) is called Hakafot (singular - Hakafah). After the procession has completed an entire hakafah, the congregation bursts out in joyous song and dance - the focus of all the festivities are the Sifrei Torah. An onlooker would see circles of jubilant frenzy, a muddle of people dancing with Sifrei Torah, children on parent's shoulders and brightly colored flags.

On the night preceding Simchat Torah and again the following morning ("they could've danced all night!"), Jews all over the world (in Israel, Shmini Atzeret and Simchat Torah are rolled into one) dance joyously with the Torah. Each dance is begun with a circuit of the bimah (the central platform in the synagogue from which the Torah is read), which symbolizes the altar in the Temple, by Jews carrying scrolls of the Torah taken from the Ark. This is done seven times, each to its own "lyrics," but all to a standard melody. This is followed by exuberant dancing, to the sound of various Hebrew melodies, ranging from the ancient to the old to the new, a capello (without instrumental accompaniment).

The songs are based mainly on phrases from the Bible, or the Talmud, or Jewish tradition, and the dances continue for an undetermined length of time, or until they are stopped by the Rabbi, for the purpose of allowing the congregants to get some rest, or until the dancers become exhausted, whichever comes first.

After a while, the first hakafah is completed, and the Torah scrolls given to other people - the procession then starts all over again. This process is repeated until there have been seven hakafot (and can continue late into the night). After the final hakafah, all the Sifrei Torah except for one are returned to the ark. Sections of the closing portion of the Torah (VeZot HaBracha) are read, except for the last few lines. The Torah is returned and the service is concluded.

Possibly the most visible of all practices on Simchat Torah is that of Hakafot, the walking around the bima with the Torah. Several sources are given for this custom. Ramo says that the practice is to circle the bima while singing praises, and that this is done in imitation of the seven times that we circle the bima on Hoshana Rabba. The

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## SUKKOT HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

### Sukkot

Candle lighting,  
Friday evening, October 10 ..... 6:07 P.M.  
Friday evening, October 10, services ..... 6:05 P.M.  
Saturday and Sunday, October 11& 12,  
services ..... 9:00 A.M. & 6:05 P.M.  
Candle lighting,  
Saturday evening, October 11 ..... 7:07 P.M.

### Hoshannah Rabbah

Friday, October 17 ..... 6:45 A.M.

### Shemini Atzeret

Candle lighting, Friday evening, October 17 . 5:56 P.M.  
Friday evening, October 17, services ..... 5:55 P.M.  
Saturday, October 18 (Yizkor in morning),  
services ..... 9:00 A.M.

### Simchat Torah

Candle lighting, Saturday evening,  
October 18 ..... 6:56 P.M.  
Saturday evening, October 18, services  
Mincha ..... 5:55 P.M.  
Ma'ariv ..... 6:30 P.M.  
Hakafot ..... 6:45 P.M.  
  
Sunday, October 19, services .. 9:00 A.M. & 5:55 P.M.  
Sunday Morning, October 19,  
Hakafot (Torah processions) .... 10:15 A.M. sharp!

### Candle lighting blessings for, Sukkot and Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah

(Include words in parentheses when these holidays coincide with Friday night)

ברוך אתה ה' אלהינו מלך העולם אשר קדשנו  
במצותיו וצונו להדליק נר של (שבת ושל) יום טוב

**Shehecheyanu**, the traditional prayer thanking God for having kept us alive, sustained us, and enabled us to reach this time is recited on the two nights of Sukkot, on Shemini Atzeret and on Simchat Torah immediately after the blessing for the candles: Baruch attah Adonai Eloheynu melech ha'olam, shehecheyanu, v'kiymanu, v'higi-anu lazman hazeh!

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה' אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם שֶׁהַחַיִּינוּ

וְקִיַּמְנוּ וְהִגִּיעֵנוּ לְזִמְנָה הַזֶּה

## COMMUNAL CONCLUSION OF YOM KIPPUR BRING THE KIDS!!! MONDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 6, 7:15 P.M. SHARP! BRING YOUR SHOFAR WITH YOU

Everyone will gather in the main sanctuary for Havdalah and sounding the Shofar at the conclusion of Yom Kippur on Monday evening, October 6, at 7:15 P.M.

The sounding of the shofar at the conclusion of Neilah is a very special event for our congregation. All children come to the Bimah for Havdalah, sounding of the shofar, and dancing to the words "L'shannah ha'ba'ah b'Yerushalyim habenuyah-next year in rebuilt Jerusalem!" All families are invited and encouraged to bring their children to the synagogue for this wonderful, joyous conclusion of Yom Kippur!

**Bring Your Shofar With You and join Rabbi Asekoff in sounding the Tekiah Gedolah that marks the conclusion of the fast!**

## THE KOSHER KORNERS

By Rabbi Stanley L. Asekoff

Keeping you up to date with the latest in the world of Kashrut:

Never let it be said that the Kosher world is without variety and excitement!

**Joseph's Basil Pesto Salad** bears an unauthorized "KVH" (Vaad Harabanim of Massachusetts). It is not certified as Kosher.

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### Why You Can't Find A Kosher Symbol

Kosher Consumers are surprised to find the same product – same product name & same producer – sometimes with and sometimes without the kosher symbol. Here are some of the reasons why.

1. Sometimes companies have their product produced at **multiple plants**, some under kosher certification and some not kosher-certified. They use the kosher label on the kosher product and the non-certified label on the non-kosher product.
2. The product may be in **transition from kosher to non-kosher** or from non-kosher to kosher and old packaging is still available.

3. Many companies have products in stock & labels both with and without a kosher symbol on them. Companies may retain a supply of the labels without the kosher symbol for use **when there is a mixup and they need to sell without the kosher symbol.**
4. **If koshering of equipment is required** before the kosher-certifying agency will allow their logo to be used, a company may use the labels without the kosher logo **when the mashgiach does not come and they need to run the product.**
5. A company will launch a **"test" run of a new product** without the kosher symbol. After market testing, the company will seek certification, which may require reformulation to a different ingredient or supplier to satisfy the kashrut agency.

Caveat Emptor! Let the buyer beware.

### CANTORIAL COMMENTS

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Mishna Berura also notes this as a reason, although he also notes that there are those who only circle the bima three times. Otzar Ta'amei Minhagim (by Shmuel David Gelberd) writes that seven hakafot is the custom of the Arizal, and is done either due to the link to Hoshana Rabba (as brought down by the Sha'arei Knesset HaGedolah) or as a reminder of the battle against Yericho, when the Jews circles the city seven times with the Ark containing the Torah.

Rav Shlomo Yoseif Zevin notes that the practice of hakafot at night, first appears in the customs of Rav Issac Tirana, while it is Ramo who first mentions doing so during the day. The practice of reciting the set of verses that begin with "Ata Har'eita" stems from the Machzor Vitri and Maharam MiRutenberg.

At the morning service, hakafot are repeated as the night before. Simchat Torah is a time for celebration! Won't you please join us and make this year's Simchat Torah celebration the best of all.

Sincerely,

*Cantor Elibu Feldman*

## KAPPAROT

Rabbi Stanley L. Asekoff

“A widespread erev Yom Kippur custom that had fallen into disuse and is now seeing a rebirth is “Kapparot,” which comes from the Hebrew word meaning “atonement.” It was the practice to wave a rooster in the case of a male, and a hen in the case of a female, three times in a circular motion around one’s head while reciting appropriate prayers. The fowl was then slaughtered in the manner prescribed, and the meat, or its monetary value, was given to the poor.

Although there was a great deal of rabbinic objection to this practice, it became widespread and accepted. Today many people have substituted charitable contributions. Even before, some authorities suggested that the ritual should be performed with money rather than with a fowl.” (*Rabbi Isaac Klein, “A Guide To Jewish Religious Practice.”*)

Join Rabbi Asekoff

In The Synagogue

Sunday Morning, October 5, 10:00

For A Kapparot Ceremony!

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For a good new year!!!

## Sukkot-Shemini Atzeret-Simchat Torah

### Save The Dates:

Sukkot: Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday October 10, 11, 12

Hoshannah Rabbah: Friday morning, October 17, services at 6:45 A.M.

Shemini Atzeret: Friday night and Saturday October 17 and 18

Yizkor: Saturday morning, October 18 during morning services

Simchat Torah: Saturday evening and Sunday, October 18 and 19

### Special Simchat Torah Events:

Hakafot (Torah processions), singing, dancing, jelly apples: Saturday evening, October 18. 6:45 P.M.

Hakafot, singing dancing, an aliyah to the Torah for each person in synagogue, and a deli kiddush luncheon following for everyone!

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## ETROG AND LULAV

**ETROG AND LULAV** The four species (citron-the yellow, citrus, lemon like fruit called “Etrog” in Hebrew, palm- “lulav” in Hebrew, willow-“aravah” in Hebrew, and myrtle-“hadas” in Hebrew) represent a wonderful taste of nature, Eretz Yisrael, and the joy of being Jewish and living in a Jewish way. Each day of Sukkot (with the exception of Shabbat), at home and in the Synagogue, they are held as a blessing is recited over them. In the Synagogue there are special processions in which all those possessing an Etrog and Lulav march and participate. Why not purchase your own set, enjoy it, and explain its meaning to the children, who will delight in having and using it.

**ABOUT THE SUKKAH:** Sukkot are not just for synagogues. They are for people-for ALL OF US-to have in our homes. Build one, decorate it, eat in it, enjoy it, invite friends and entertain in it. Of course, the Sukkah represents the small huts that our ancestors built and in which they lived in the desert and later in the fields in the promised land during the harvest period. But they also represent the wonderful staying power of the Jewish People. Although we seem fragile and temporary, just like the Sukkah- we have great survival power and are still here! The Sukkah also represents the wings of the Holy One Blessed Be He under whose loving care we find protection. It also represents, because of all the happy events and entertaining that take place within it, the joy and happiness of Jewish living. Contact the Rabbi at once for directions on how to build your own Sukkah this year!! And then, why not invite the Rabbi over during the intermediate days of Sukkot so that he, too, can “schepp nachas”!!!

**Supper in the Sukkah** On Thursday, October 16, our Men’s Club serves a barbecue supper in the Sukkah following Hebrew School. This event is for EVERY ONE OF ALL AGES! Hot dogs, hamburgers, soda, chips, dessert, coffee, and tea are available at reasonable prices. Come and enjoy!!

**Luncheon in the Sukkah** is sponsored by our Sisterhood. Advance reservations are necessary! Reserve Shabbat, October 11, for this enjoyable event. Join us for Sukkot services at 9:00 A.M. followed by the luncheon.

## SIMCHAT TORAH REMINDER

Simchat Torah (Rejoicing in the Torah) is one of the most joyous occasions on the calendar. We mark the annual conclusion of the reading of the Torah Scroll by chanting aloud the last verses and then rolling the scroll to the very beginning where we start all over again. It is celebrated with singing, dancing, processions with the Torah Scrolls on both Saturday Night October 18 and Sunday Morning October 19. It is a wonderful time for children to experience unbridled rejoicing. On Sunday morning each person in the synagogue is called to the Torah for an aliyah and at the conclusion of services many of our families sponsor a wonderful luncheon Kiddush to which all are invited. Plan to join us!

### THE WALTER BRITNER CHESSED FUND

The Walter Brittner Chessed Fund has been established in memory of our beloved member Walter Brittner, husband of Shelly and father of Mindy. Its original purpose was to provide assistance to Walter’s family to help meet the overwhelming medical bills they faced during his illness. After his death the family, in consultation with the synagogue, decided to maintain the fund in Walter’s memory. Its resources will be used to help other families in need. Donations to the fund may be made “in honor,” or “in memory” and will be appropriately acknowledged.

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# SYNAGOGUE NEWS...

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## BAR/BAT MITZVAH BIOS

Bar Mitzvah's Name     **Adam Butensky**  
Date of Bar Mitzvah     September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2003  
Parent's Name             Art & Debbie Butensky  
Date of Birth                August 17, 1990  
School                        SSDS  
Grade                         8<sup>th</sup>  
Achievements             Honor Student  
Interest & Hobbies        1<sup>st</sup> trumpet in Essex County  
                                     Youth Orchestra  
Additional Comment:     Baseball pitcher

Bar Mitzvah's Name     **Samuel Nathan Haberman**  
Date of Bar Mitzvah     October 25, 2003  
Parent's Name             Judith & Jess Haberman  
Date of Birth                October 8, 1990  
School                        Roosevelt Middle School  
Grade                         8<sup>th</sup>  
Achievements             President's Education Award  
                                     for Outstanding Academic  
                                     Excellence  
Interest & Hobbies        Reading, video games, basket-  
                                     ball and card games  
Additional Comment:     Samuel is kind, helpful and  
                                     protective of his brother Ben-  
                                     jamin. He has a great sense of  
                                     humor, is a good friend and an  
                                     honor student.

Bar Mitzvah's Name     **Joshua Adam Riback**  
Date of Bar Mitzvah     November 8, 2003  
Parent's Name             Valerie & Norman Riback  
Date of Birth                October 27, 1990  
School                        Heritage Middle School  
Grade                         7<sup>th</sup>  
Achievements             Honor Roll, Pictures in  
                                     Livingston Art Show  
Interest & Hobbies        Tennis, Drama

## MAZEL TOV

Nancy & Gary Silver upon the birth of their daughter,  
Michelle Hannah

Pearl & Phil Perlstein upon the marriage of their son,  
Cory Perlstein to Amelia Seiden

Martin & Janet Mellinger upon the marriage of their  
daughter, Sara Mellinger to Jeffrey Kantor

Mary & Robert Mandel upon the marriage of their  
daughter, Mollie Mandel to Jonathan Stein

Mollie Mandel on her marriage to Jonathan Stein

## WISHING A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO

Rhoda Manheim

Emanuel Goldmunz

Robert Lieberman

Jack Yecies

Gloria Schanerman

## CONDOLENCES TO

Mae Tessler on the loss of her husband, Lou Tessler

Max Bear & Tina Kaplan on the loss of their wife &  
mother, Ethel Bear

Susan Galatz on the loss of her mother, Abigail Larkey

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## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS...

What an exciting month we have had. Primary opened on September 7, with happy, smiling faces. On the 14<sup>th</sup>, the children began working on their apple plaques, and on the 21<sup>st</sup>, the entire Primary enjoyed a Tishrei workshop. The children did a variety of projects for Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah. They packed a lot in two hours, because there will be no Sunday sessions until October 26 since all the holidays fall on weekends.

Hebrew school opened on Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. It was a pleasure to welcome the familiar faces back, and to greet the new ones. The entire school had Hebrew testing during the week of the 16<sup>th</sup>. Now we can be sure that each child is being given the appropriate Hebrew education, no matter what his or her level of learning. The culminating activity was a Hebrew Read-a-thon, held on Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. We ended the day with apples and honey.

We are using many new and innovative texts this year. Indeed, the Aleph class is doing some of their homework on-line. In addition, our entire curriculum has been rewritten to bring it into the 21<sup>st</sup> century, and to make it relevant to our school population.

As you may or may not know, the Hey class meets only on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Each Hey student is required to complete 18 Mitzvah points by the beginning of May. To facilitate this process, The Hey class parents met on September 14. There will be frequent updates on point earning opportunities.

Our High Holiday Children's programming got off to a great start, with a packed house on Rosh Hashanah. There is still time to register your child for Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah. There is no charge for the programs, but registration would be appreciated, since we need to purchase adequate supplies.

Once again, welcome back, and thank you for all your support and kind words. I can be reached at 973-731-3720, almost every day.

*Rena Casser  
Principal*

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## NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS...

What a wonderful year we are having so far. Soon it will be celebrate, celebrate and celebrate some more! We have brought in the New Year with Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, decorated the sukkah for Sukkot and are busy getting ready for Simchat Torah. The children were very busy making their shofars, sukkahs, flags and Torahs as well as learning new songs for these joyous holidays.

Our children are all adjusting well to their new school environment. We are still settling in some of our younger ones, however, before you know it they will be ready to say "see you later to their Moms and Dads. The 3 and 4 Year Olds, our veterans, are are fully into the swing of things. They always look forward to the start of school and being back with all of their B'nai Shalom friends.

This year we have had the opportunity to employ two new teachers. Lauren Yellin will be working with our 2 year old children and Nancy Goldman will be working with our Young 2s children. We also welcome back Wally Paul, Debbie Markus, Bev Nordmann and Diane Gianas. The teachers are anticipating another great year.

Don't miss out on a wonderful program. Please stop by and take a look for yourself.

L'Shana Tova for a sweet and wonderful year.

*Michele Weiss  
Nursery School Director*

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In the MetroWest Jewish Community, because of the downturn in the economy, many of our relatives and friends find themselves either unemployed or underemployed. These highly qualified and previously very successful men and women need your invaluable assistance in uncovering job openings and obtaining networking/company contact names. The 'over 45' unemployed are having a particularly difficult time making employment connections. The Jewish Vocational Service and its MATURITY WORKS initiative ask that congregants perform a Mitzvah by helping our job candidates again become productive and financially supportive members of our community. JVS charges NO fees to either employer or job seeker—so why not call us first when any employment opportunities or job leads arise? Please contact: Linda Popick, Community Outreach Coordinator- MATURITY WORKS program at JVS (973) 674-6330/ Lpopick@jvsnj.org

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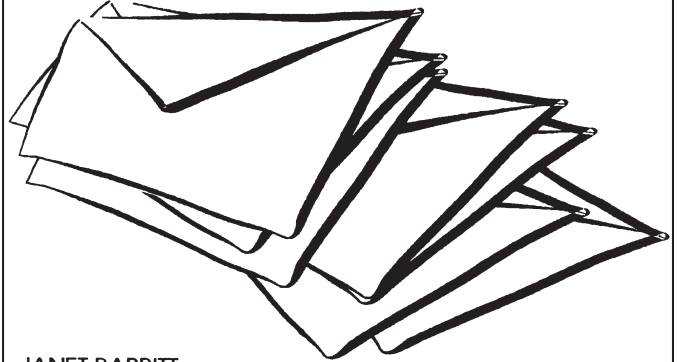
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# October 2003

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			<b>1</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>2</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Board Meeting Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>3</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Friday Night Services 6:15PM	<b>4</b> Morning Services 9:00AM AM Bar Mitzvah of David Winter Congregant Led Minyan Learners Minyan Evening Services 6:20PM
<b>5</b> Morning Services 9:00AM Kol Nidre 6:15PM	<b>6</b> Yom Kippur Morning Services 9:00AM Afternoon Services 4:35PM Netilah 5:55PM Shofar Sounding 7:15PM	<b>7</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>8</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Double Chai Meeting Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>9</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>10</b> Erev Sukkot No Nursery School Morning Services 7:00AM Friday Night Services 6:05PM	<b>11</b> <b>[10/11] - [10/13]</b> -Sukkot Morning Services 9:00AM Sukkot Luncheon Evening Services 6:05PM
<b>12</b> Sukkot Morning Services 9:00AM Shabbateinu Evening Sukkot 6:05PM	<b>13</b> Morning Services 7:00AM New Member Tea & Board Meeting Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>14</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>15</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>16</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Sukkot/Barbeque Executive Board Meeting Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>17</b> Morning Services 6:45AM Hoshannah Rabbah Friday Night Services 5:55PM	<b>18</b> Shimni Atzeret Services 9:00AM (Yizkor) Simchat Torah - Evening Evening Services 5:55PM Hakafoi 6:45PM
<b>19</b> Morning Services 9:00AM Simchat Torah Evening Minyan 5:55PM	<b>20</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>21</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>22</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>23</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Religious Activity Meeting Talmud Class Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>24</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Friday Night Services 6:15PM	<b>25</b> Morning Services 9:00AM David Twersky AM Bar Mitzvah of Samuel Haberman Congregant Led Minyan Minyan Meyuchad Evening Services 5:45PM
<b>26</b> Morning Services 9:00AM 10 AM Bar Mitzvah of Harris Kaplan Ehrenkrantz Evening Minyan 8:00PM	<b>27</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>28</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>29</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Religious School Board Meeting Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>30</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Talmud Class Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>31</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Friday Night Services 6:15PM	

# November 2003

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> Morning Services 9:00AM AM Bat Mitzvah of Stacey Cohenson Learners Minyan Evening Services 5:35PM
<b>2</b> Morning Services 9:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>3</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Sisterhood Paid up dinner & Fashion Show Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>4</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Haddassah – 11AM – 3PM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>5</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>6</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Nursery School close Religious School close Board Meeting Talmud Class Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>7</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Nursery School close Friday Night Services 6:15PM	<b>8</b> Morning Services 9:00AM Congregant Led Minyan AM Bar Mitzvah of Joshua Riback PM Bat Mitzvah of Miriam Grossman Reception for Grossman Evening Services 4:30PM
<b>9</b> Morning Services 9:00AM No Religious School Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>10</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>11</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>12</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>13</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Talmud Class Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>14</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Friday Night Services 6:15PM	<b>15</b> Morning Services 9:00AM AM Bar Mitzvah of Jeffrey Citron Minyan Meyuchad Evening Services 4:20PM
<b>16</b> Morning Services 9:00AM Kindergarten Torah Workshop Nursery School Shabbat Workshop 1:30pm Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>17</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Sisterhood Board Meeting Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>18</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Religious School Back to School 7:30PM Nursery School closed Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>19</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>20</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Talmud Class Executive Board Meeting Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>21</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Friday Night Services 6:15PM	<b>22</b> Morning Services 9:00AM Shabbateinu Evening Services 4:15PM
<b>23</b> Morning Services 9:00AM Bagle Bunch Tefilla Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>24</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>25</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>26</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Half day for Nursery School dismissal 11:30 am Religious School Board Meeting Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>27</b> Thanksgiving Nursery School close Religious School close Morning Services 9:00AM Evening Services 8:00PM	<b>28</b> Morning Services 7:00AM Nursery School close Friday Night Services 6:15PM	<b>29</b> Morning Services 9:00AM Congregant Led Minyan AM Bar Mitzvah of Garret Ohringer PM Bar Mitzvah of Corey Madden Evening Services 4:15PM

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