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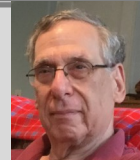
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LET OUR FAMILY WELCOME YOURS

NEW YEAR MESSAGE FROM CO-PRESIDENTS

DAVID SCHWARTZ AND SAM WEISS



Fellow Congregants,

As the summer season started, we truly hoped the pandemic would be receding as the new year approached and that congregational life could return to normal. Unfortunately, that is not the case.

With Covid cases increasing, we've been forced to renew the requirement of wearing face masks during religious services and other events and, in keeping with a New York City mandate, we have also implemented a new rule that members of the congregation and visitors must show proof of vaccination to attend services and participate in other activities at the synagogue. We assume most, if not all, members eligible for the Covid vaccine have already had their shots, so the new rule should not be unduly burdensome. Children under the age of 12, and not yet eligible for the vaccine, will be permitted to attend services as long as they are masked and accompanied by a vaccinated adult.

At the moment, we do not know how long these requirements will last, they have been put into place to give everyone peace of mind and to keep you all healthy and safe. We appreciate your cooperation.

Meanwhile, planning for the High Holidays has been proceeding. Full services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur will be held in the main sanctuary. In addition, there will be Junior Congregation and Tot services outdoors in the synagogue parking lot.

As we did last year, there will be an outdoor shofar blowing on the first day of Rosh Hashanah, and an outdoor Yizkor service on Yom Kippur for those congregants currently uncomfortable with attending services indoors.

Those unable to attend High Holiday services in the sanctuary will be able to Livestream them via the ICCJ website: iccj2004.org.

Of course, soon after, we will celebrate Sukkot and Simchat Torah.

Needless to say, the immediate future remains full of uncertainty, but we fervently hope and pray that the light at the end of the tunnel is near.

As always, along with our families, we wish the entire congregation a very happy, healthy and joyous New Year.

L'Shana Tovah,

David and Sam

FROM OUR RABBI: Rabbi Moshe Saks



There is an old Jewish joke that the Holidays are never on time – they're either early or late (that's because of the Lunar cycle, of course). Well, this year they're very early!

What holiday is most celebrated on earth? It is New Year's Day. All but fifteen Muslim and Buddhist nations observe it. The need to count and define the parameters of time is important for now, and in the past. We are fascinated with questions like: How old is the universe? When did our galaxy appear?

Clearly, we Jews are also keenly interested in time, and we note the passage of time as well. The Talmud tells us: "In Tishrei the world was created." The Rosh Ha-Shannah liturgy states: "Today is the birthday of the world." We, as all humanity, define much of our existence in terms of time.

But the way we Jews view time is special and unique. Dr. Abraham Joshua Heschel taught that Judaism is more a religion of time than space. Yes, we hallow certain places such as Israel, Jerusalem, and the Western Wall. But preeminently, we sanctify time: holy events, sacred occasions, life cycle moments. We mark the years, as on Rosh Ha-Shana. We count the days of the week in relation to Shabbat. We sanctify Yom Tov, Sabbatical cycles, 50-yr. Jubilees; we count the days of the Omer, and so on. Samson Raphael Hirsch aptly described the Jewish calendar as the catechism of the Jew. Life cycle events are marked as special and sacred; birth, *Brit Milah*, baby namings, Bar and Bat Mitzvah, weddings, death, *Yahrzeit* and *Yizkor* are part of our tapestry. We do not take these events for granted, nor do we merely celebrate with a party.

Joyous events such as Bar or Bat Mitzvah, or marriage are accompanied by sacred ritual prayers, blessings, a *Seudah shel Mitzvah* (ritual meal), Torah study and D'var Torah. We even have a *berakhah* to mark the passage of time, notably, *sheh-he-che-yanu*. What other faith has created a special blessing for time? And sad occasions, such as *Yahrzeit* and *Yizkor*, are surrounded by prayer, *tzedakah*, and Torah study. In a word, we sanctify rites of passage and cycles of our life.

Another phenomenon of Jewish Time is that we don't live just for the moment. In today's world, our secular culture is focused only on the present. But that's not the Jewish way with time. We have a past and a future; we have a history and a destiny; we live in time and eternity. And that is what makes us an eternal people.

There is another peculiar Jewish trait: We don't waste or "kill" time; it's far too precious for that. It is a terrible sin to be guilty of "*Batlanut*" - "wasting time", and we have a low opinion of those who do ("*Batlanim*"). I find it illuminating listening to retirees who don't know what to do with the time that hangs heavy on them. They seem bored with life.

What these approaching High Holy Days offer us is an opportunity to make the most of our time - to use it wisely. Are we spending enough time with family? Do we devote the proper amount of time to community service, both in the Jewish world and in general society? Is time allotted each day for prayer and Torah study? These are difficult and important questions - let us make the time to ponder and respond to these questions in the days ahead. The New Year, our Sages teach, should inaugurate a new life.

Rabbi Moshe Saks

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RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS: Michelle Fouks

Shalom from the Religious Affairs Committee,

We hope you are all well and had a wonderful summer. The various committees worked hard over the summer to plan a full year of activities for the congregants and community and hope all will come to fruition.

As the High Holidays are early this year, we have planned many activities around the holidays from an outdoor Shofar blowing (weather permitting) to Tashlich to a wonderful Simchat Torah gathering. As we always say we can plan, but your attendance will make it more meaningful. Also, services will be Livestreamed for those that can't attend in person. Please be sure to join us and watch your e-blasts. Yasher Koach in advance to Rabbi Saks, Cantor Ribowsky and the other members that will be assisting in making the services flow so well.

At Religious Affairs we are happy to listen to any ideas that you may have that can enhance our Synagogue community holiday experiences.

Please remember our weekday minyan from Sunday-Thursday on Zoom at 7:30 PM, our Friday night virtual Kabbalat Shabbat service @ 6:30 PM, in-person Tot Shabbat twice monthly @ 10:30 AM (thanks to the Young Family Committee), and in-person services on Shabbat (Livestreamed) beginning @ 9:30AM, and closing out the Shabbat with Zoom Havdalah. We hope you are enjoying these services, and if you have feedback please feel free to email me at fouksm@gmail.com.

Yossi and I wish you and your family a Happy, **Healthy** and wonderful New Year. Most important stay safe and if you need anything please let us know.

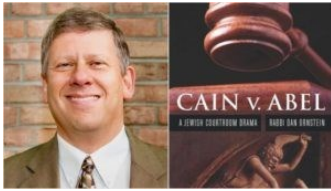


IN MEMORY OF STANLEY BERKSON: Arlene Ratzabi



Eli and I met Stan and Susi around 1982, when we joined the Conservative Synagogue of Jamaica Estates. Stan and Susi have raised a lovely family and what I recall most are the twins, Olivia and Amanda, who have just turned 20, crawling around the CSJE synagogue! But Stan was special in his own way. He was an avid tennis player. His style may have been brusque at times but he was very particular about his work for the synagogue. Stan was the proprietor of his own company, Stanley Graphics Inc. He put together and printed our synagogue bulletin, *Tikvatenu*, for many years. He also did whatever project he was asked to do for any and all synagogue committees and functions, be it table decorations, flyers. I especially appreciated what he did for the Bella M. and Harry Richter Memorial Library. Stan was my go-to person for years for my Book Café brochures and flyers. His work was wonderful and precise...and he was always a reliable resource to me, and others, I am sure. As many of you know, several years ago, Stan became our ICCJ webmaster for a time, and did a great job. The quality of his work was important to him, and he would constantly remind everyone, in his inimitable style, to update information. It was like herding cats! Even when Stan would get upset about something, he would afterwards come by, apologize, and say very kind words because he cared. I will miss Stan and the imprint he left on our synagogue.

EDUCATION: Hannah Feldman & Adam Greebler



The Education Committee welcomes everyone back and hopes you all had a great healthy and happy summer.

This year, we are planning some new and exciting events both on Zoom and in-person so stay tuned to upcoming eblasts and flyers to see what the Education Committee has in store.

This September 26th, at 10:30 AM, we are running a joint program with the Book Café. Our speaker Rabbi

Dan Ornstein, the son of our members Shelly and Sheila Ornstein, will be speaking about his new book "CAIN v. ABEL: A Jewish Courtroom Drama". Please join us for this informative and educational event.

Scholar Stream classes will be starting soon as well, so please check on the ICCJ2004.org website daily to see exactly when the classes will be beginning and how to enroll. These classes are free to all ICCJ members.

The Education Committee wishes everyone a L'Shana Tovah and an easy fast.

We look forward to seeing everyone back in our synagogue this year and on Zoom when required. Please remember to wear a mask while in the building and please continue to stay safe.

9/11 MEMORIAL PROGRAM: Lisa Woliner



It's hard to believe that 20 years have passed since that fateful day of Tuesday, September 11, 2001. As I sit here and write this bulletin, I reflect on the people who lost their lives, and their families who also lost a piece of themselves.



This dedication is to the Israel Center of Conservative Judaism. This wonderful community, that I am proud to call my second home, has opened their arms to having a 9/11 Memorial Service every year. I am proud of our members for never forgetting and always coming out either in person, or as of last year, on Zoom, to reflect and pray with us.

Every year, I have tried to bring in a guest speaker to discuss and convey the experience that they personally lived through on that day.

This year, we welcome former Mayor of Gander, Newfoundland, Canada, Claude Elliott. Mr. Elliott was the mayor there on 9/11. Mr. Elliott, and the townspeople of Gander, helped thousands of travelers from New York, Miami, Boston, and Dallas displaced by the 9/11 attack. His tiny community of 9,000, hosted over 6,122 passengers and 473 crew from 38 airlines. Over the course of five days, they fed and cared for these displaced passengers in a true spirit of community.

Please join us on Saturday night, September 11, 2021 at 8pm, via Zoom, when we will welcome Mr. Elliott with open hearts. We look forward to hearing directly from him about the events surrounding those five days.

MEMBERSHIP: Betty Shaffer



The Membership Committee has been busy this summer. Our main focus is getting ICCJ's name out to the greater community. To that end, you will see print advertisements in The Queens Courier and Queens Family. While these ads are nice, and it does get our name out there, our best advertisement is personal referrals. If you know of families or individuals who are looking for a synagogue community, please be

an ambassador. Give them the office number, or the Rabbi's number. Refer them to our website ICCJ2004.org which has been updated and is a great resource for members and non-members alike to see what is going on.

On behalf of the entire Membership Committee, we are sending everyone a sweet and healthy New Year.

L'Shana Tovah!

SISTERHOOD NEWS: Presidents Hannah Feldman & Lisa Woliner

Has a new season already begun? Where did the summer go? We have finally gotten outside to see loved ones and friends. We've enjoyed old and new activities and now we are ready to start over again.

Sisterhood has met over the summer to discuss some new programs and continue with our tried-and-true programs/fundraisers and special events.

Hannah & I look forward to working with our Board and want to welcome Anise Parnes and Johanna Levine to our Board of Trustees.

On behalf of Sisterhood, we want to thank Shari and Linda for their hard work in getting ads for the upcoming calendar and our appreciation goes to Shari

and Paul Zuber in helping with the design and layout. Many thanks to all those in our ICCJ family who participated.

Sisterhood would like to welcome our new members as of June: Florence Blechner, Gabriella Cordova, Rita Kaikow, Barbara Katz, Sharon Miller, and Sharon Steinfeld.

We start the year off with Virtual Bingo and in mid-October we will hold our second Designer Pocketbook Bingo. The beautiful bags promise smiles on the faces of the winners. As we go to press, this activity will be both in-person and on Zoom. Thank you to Mara Gorel for all her continued help to make this event a success.

Dear Friends,

The Torah Fund Campaign is Women's League's dedicated philanthropy, providing financial support to the five Conservative / Masorti institutions, in the US, Israel, Argentina and Germany.

I've been a Torah Fund donor for many years, and I hope that this year you'll join me as a donor, too, continuing Women's League's tradition of contributing student scholarships and educational subsidies. *B'Yachad*, together, let's invest in the Jewish people by supporting our future rabbis, cantors, educators, social workers, camp and Hillel directors and innovative thinkers.

Donations in any amount are welcome and appreciated!

To learn more about how you may be a part of ICCJ's Torah Fund drive, please contact me, Anise Parnes, ICCJ Sisterhood Torah Fund Chair, at: a.parnes8166@gmail.com.

Wishing you and your family *l'shanah tovah tikatevu ve techatemu*. *L'shalom*, Anise



H2I YOUTH GROUP: Youth Director Jennifer Gold

A Joint Venture of HJC, HHBJC & ICCJ



Dear Congregants,

This summer, H2I hit the ground running and began programming for our IN-PERSON programming year!

Get ready for awesome programs like Challah Baking, H2I Family Feud, Laser Tag and more!

Calendar is coming soon!

If any questions arise, please feel free to reach out at any time at my email:

h2iyouthgroup18@gmail.com

CHAVERIM: Co-Presidents Susan Losow & Betty Shaffer

It was such a wonderful feeling to finally have an in-person synagogue social event. A small but hardy group of hometown tourists took in the historic sights of lower Manhattan and the financial district as well as visiting some of the new buildings in the area. It was interesting to see the contrast between the architecture of New York City of old and the newer additions to the skyline.

Some of the highlights of our tour included the site where Shearith Israel, the first Jewish congregation in North America once stood, the New York Stock Exchange, St Paul's Chapel where George Washington worshipped on his inauguration day and attended services while NYC was the nation's capital, Federal Hall where Washington was sworn in, City Hall, Battery Park and Newspaper Row where the first NY Gazette was published. The list goes on and on. We then jumped back to the present with a visit to the new World Trade Center, the reflecting pools, and the Oculus, the transportation hub serving the World Trade Center and the surrounding area.

Our walking tours are always interesting and informative and this was no exception. Once again, we

were all highly impressed with Sam Weiss's vast knowledge of New York history.

We wish you all a very happy, healthy holiday season and we hope to see you at our next event.



YOUNG FAMILIES: Nina Greebler & Emilee Wyner

September brings an end to summer and a start of the ICCJ New Year which we are looking forward to as well as the Jewish High Holidays.

We are honored to have both Hannah Brenman and Shari Zuber run programs over the Jewish Holidays for children of all ages. On Rosh Hashanah, September 7 and 8 and Yom Kippur, September 16 @ 10:30 AM, Hannah will lead our Tot program for ages 0 to 5 years of age and Shari will lead our Junior Congregation program for ages 5 and up.



September 12 brings us our Annual Multi-generational Tashlich gathering at Goose Pond at Captain Tilly Park. We hope to see everyone there.

On September 25, Young Families will be hosting a Sukkot Havdallah Social. Then, on October 3rd, we are looking forward to joining together with our very own Chaverim for a special event. Details to follow.



Tot Shabbat, led by Hannah Brenman, returns on October 9th. RSVPs are required. Watch your eblasts for further details.

Please remember when entering the synagogue that masks and vaccination cards are required as mandated by NYS.



Looking Back and Ahead

This has been both an unusual and extraordinary year for Ohr Chadash. The pandemic necessitated our reconfiguring the school model. However, our teachers and students persevered and our school family was the stronger for it. As the vaccine became readily available and the infection rate was reduced, several of our remote learners came back to in-building study, confident that they were well protected by our instituted protocols. We thank Hillcrest Jewish Center for providing a safe environment in which our student body could learn and our teachers could provide instruction.

Our school year concluded with a video retrospective of Ohr Chadash events from September through May, a Jewpardy competition, which included both remote and in-person learners, and an ice cream and cake celebration.

As we relocate to Congregation Etz Hayim at Hollis Hills Bayside for the upcoming fall semester, we happily anticipate full in-person attendance of our enrollees. We also look forward to the reinstatement of our Geshher program, which teaches our oldest and post-Bar/Bat Mitzvah students the multi-faceted aspects of Judaism at the age appropriate level of the Geshher students.

The Geshher Program affords our recent Bar and Bat Mitzvah students, as well as our school's oldest students the opportunity to expand their Jewish educational horizons. They will be able to build upon

their acquired knowledge of Hebrew and learn to engage in conversational Hebrew and become well-versed in Hebrew grammar. Israeli current events and the lifestyle of their contemporaries in the Jewish homeland will be explored and discussed. The rabbis of the three synagogues will make rotating visits to the Geshher class and engage the students in debate and thought provoking experiences in education.

Our Open House was held at Congregation Etz Hayim, located at 210-10 Union Turnpike, on Sunday morning, August 22nd.

For those who have not yet registered for the 2021-2022 school year, you can do so online via the Ohr Chadash website:

www.ohrchadashqueens.org, or by calling the school office at 718-591-5353 and asking for Mady. Please be aware that there is a new tier of membership which affords our families a more economical tuition schedule. If a grandparent of a potential Ohr Chadash student is a member of one of the school's three sponsoring synagogues, the membership discount is applicable, which makes attendance at our school more affordable than ever.

The first day of classes begins on Sunday, September 12, 2021, at 9 AM, at Congregation Etz Hayim at Hollis Hills Bayside. We look forward to an exciting year with numerous enrichment programs which will highlight celebrations on the Jewish calendar. Also anticipated are visits by children's authors who will read and discuss their youth-oriented Jewish literature with our students.

We also wish to bid a fond farewell to our Educational Director, Rabbi Boaz Tomskey, for his years of dedicated service to Ohr Chadash. Rabbi Tomskey has left us to pursue other endeavors and we wish him much success.

May all our families and their loved ones have a healthy and happy Rosh Hashanah and a safe New Year. We look forward to seeing our students at Congregation Etz Hayim at Hollis Hills Bayside on Sunday morning, September 12, 2021.



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is available to read online
@ iccj2004.org



This past June, I had the privilege of attending the Association of Jewish Libraries Conference 2021 "Moving Forward." Our library has been a member for many years and holds a certificate of Advanced Accreditation from AJL, meaning we adhere to the high standards of library management and organization. We belong to the Synagogue, School, Center and Public Libraries Division (SSCPL). I am a member of the Accreditation Committee.

At our summer conference, which for the second year in a row, was virtual, there were many interesting and useful sessions. AJL sessions included Advocacy Through Influence, Managing the Synagogue Library, Accreditation of New Libraries, Sydney Taylor Book Awards (including authors) for Outstanding Children's Literature, AJL Fiction Awards (including authors), Jewish Women Who Changed the World, Book discussions, and more. We also had the opportunity to meet professional librarians from around the world at the International Librarians Roundtable. One particularly timely session was "Documenting the Covid-19 Pandemic and the Conservative Jewish Experience at the Library of the Jewish Theological Seminary."

As a member of the Jewish Book Council, The Richter Memorial Library is also working with various synagogue committees to bring relevant programming to ICCJ. In the meantime, we have two upcoming programs to share with you. We are very excited to welcome **Rabbi Dan Ornstein**, son of Sheila and Sheldon Ornstein, on **September 26, at 10:30 AM**, via Zoom, who will speak about his book "**Cain V. Abel: A Jewish Courtroom Drama**." On October 2, we will read the famous story in Genesis 4. So enter the packed courtroom and take your seat as a juror on the *Cain v. Abel* trial. Soon, the prosecution and defense attorneys (angels from Jewish legend) will call Cain, Abel, Sin, Adam, Eve, and God to the witness stand to present their perspectives on the world's first murder. I encourage you to read the book before Rabbi Ornstein's presentation.

On **October 17, 2021**, the ICCJ Book Café returns with our first book talk of the season, **Joshua Henkin's *Morningside Heights*, a novel**. Henkin's novel is about a marriage surviving hardship. It's about the love between women and men, and children and parents; about the things we give up in the face of adversity; and about how to survive when life turns out differently from what we thought we signed up for.

Wishing Everyone a Happy and Healthy Holiday season!

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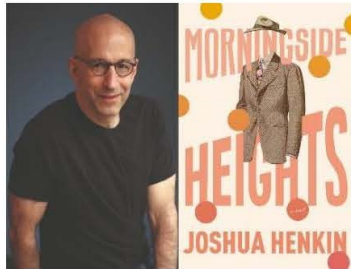
FOOD DONATIONS: ICCJ is collecting non-perishable food

Please do what you can to help our **on-going food collection**.

Suggestions: Canned Fish, Beans, Vegetables & Soups, Cereal, Boxed Juice, Pasta, Rice and Grains.

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ICCJ BOOK CAFÉ
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021 @ 10:30 AM
WHEN WE WILL DISCUSS



“Morningside Heights, A Novel” by Joshua Henkin

The Book

When Ohio-born Pru Steiner arrives in New York in 1976, she follows in a long tradition of young people determined to take the city by storm. But when she falls in love with and marries Spence Robin, her hotshot young Shakespeare professor, her life takes a turn she couldn't have anticipated. Thirty years later, something is wrong with Spence. The Great Man can't concentrate; he falls asleep reading *The New York Review of Books*. With their daughter, Sarah, away at medical school, Pru must struggle on her own to care for him. One day, feeling especially isolated, Pru meets a man, and the possibility of new romance blooms. Meanwhile, Spence's estranged son from his first marriage has come back into their lives. Arlo, a wealthy entrepreneur who invests in biotech, may be his father's last, best hope.

Morningside Heights is a sweeping and compassionate novel about a marriage surviving hardship. It's about the love between women and men, and children and parents; about the things we give up in the face of adversity; and about how to survive when life turns out differently from what we thought we signed up for.

The Author

Henkin was born in New York, NY, the son of Louis Henkin, a human rights scholar. He holds a BA from Harvard University and an MFA from the University of Michigan. He began his career as a Fiction reader for a magazine in San Francisco, CA, during the late 1980's, then moved to Tikkun magazine as assistant editor, 1987-89. He taught independent creative writing classes and was a freelance writer. He joined the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, as instructor in creative writing, beginning 1997; Unterberg Poetry Center, instructor in fiction writing, 1999—; Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY, instructor in creative writing. Joshua Henkin is the author of the novels *Matrimony*, a New York Times Notable Book, and *Swimming Across the Hudson*, a Los Angeles Times Notable Book and *The World Without You*, winner of the 2012 Edward Lewis Wallant Award for Jewish American Fiction and a Finalist for the 2012 National Jewish Book Award. His short stories have been published widely, cited for distinction in Best American Short Stories, and broadcast on NPR's "Selected Shorts." He has received numerous literary awards. He currently lives in Brooklyn and has two children.

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BELONGING AND AGING: Sheldon Ornstein Ed.D, RN, LNHA



In this article I will be examining the concept of belonging, i.e. relationships with family, friends, and community as it relates to the aged individual.

There is a classic study by the researchers Lowenthal and Haven who qualify the importance of a caring relationship as a buffer against, what they declare “age-linked social losses.”

The above study reminds me of a patient who epitomized the concept of age-linked social losses with the following remark: “I feel so incomplete and without my mother or wife, I wonder how often I have made a fool of myself and no one would tell me.”

Maintenance with a stable and intimate relationship is more closely associated with good health and high morale than a high level of activity or an elevated role status. In other words, one seems to be able to manage stress if the relationship is close and sustaining. But if it is not, then prestige and keeping busy may not always prevent depression.

An intimate, confiding relationship can be a buffer against stress and illness. Social bonding increases health status through, as yet undetermined, physiologic pathways. Belonging suggests a network of kin, friends and acquaintances that can sustain the old and give life meaning.

I recently found an analogy that can be applied to the subject of old age, and as it relates to the concept of belonging. It pertains to a tree that withstands storms and drought through an extensive root system which provides stability and nourishment. However, in order to keep it thriving, the ground around the tree must be continually tended.

Role reversal can, however, erode that social support if and when an adult child is often reversing their role with parents and when that parent becomes fragile and dependent in their later years. This can eventually have a demeaning effect and where the elderly parent can become, in the eyes of an adult child, a child again.

The research declares that more than six million people need and get some form of assistance from family and friends that allows them to live at home. In fact, relatives provide 85% of all care to elderly males and 79% to females. More than 1 in 3 elderly men need assistance and are cared for by a wife, while only 1 in 10 disabled elderly women are cared for by a husband.

If an aged parent is beginning to need help, the following suggestions to family members may be useful:

- Involve the parent in all decisions that affect their care.
- Assist the elderly parent to remain as independent as possible.
- Provide only for those things that are especially stressful or depleting.
- Seek resources that provide options between independent living and facility placement.

If an adult child is planning on welcoming an aged family member to their household, the questions that need to be considered and that may be fraught with conflict, might be the following:

- How to respect everyone’s privacy such as use of bathroom facility and its availability without causing a scheduling conflict.
- How to designate space allocation in that home.
- What furnishings can be fitted into the living space provided, such as a favorite chair, books, etc.

Louise Aronson, professor of geriatrics at the University of California succinctly stated in a recent New York Times article, “Life is different in our old age and that old age can be just as meaningful and enjoyable as earlier adulthood, but even better.”

The literature declares that those who are more positive about growing old are significantly less likely to mentally decline over the next five years. If the statement truly “holds water,” it is important to foster in our lives “the power of positive thinking.” Consider: brighter tomorrows are always possible!

Quotable quote: “When we seek to discover the best in others, we somehow bring out the best in ourselves” – Wm. Arthur Ward.

COMMUNICATIONS: Nina Greebler & Linda Korobelnik

We hope you had a safe and enjoyable summer. The Communication Committee worked throughout the summer keeping the website, flyers, eblasts, Facebook page and bulletin up and running efficiently. These sites and publications are available to all our congregants.

Please remember when entering the synagogue that masks and vaccination cards are required as mandated by NYS.

To update the website and to keep it fresh, we urge heads of committees and members to submit pictures from previous years' events or from any Zoom events that have taken place. Please be sure to identify the event and add the year. Please send any and all photos to Nina Greebler at nhgreebler@yahoo.com.

On Sunday, October 24, 2021, the Membership and Communications Committees are planning an Open House to welcome potential new members. Tables will be set up by committees to answer questions about



ICCJ and all we have to offer as a Conservative Egalitarian Synagogue. More details will follow in the coming weeks.

Just a reminder that you can find this issue of the September/October bulletin on the website iccj2004.org under Publications.

Wishing you and your families a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Linda, Nina and Helena

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In honor of the birth of Rita Ash's grandson, Solomon Milo Lehmann-Ash - *Cynthia Begel*

In honor of the birth of Irma Goldman's great-grandson, Matthew Joshua Goldman - *Cynthia Begel*

In honor of the marriage of Marilyn Kaufman's grandson, Jason Kaufman to Megan Fishman - *Cynthia Begel*

In honor of the marriage of Shelly & Sheila Ornstein's granddaughter, Marni Ornstein to David Bernheim - *Cynthia Begel*

In honor of the marriage of Rabbi & Rebbetzin Saks' daughter, Eliana Maya to Moshe Hezekiah Nwafor - Faye Rutcofsky

In honor of Betty & Chuck Shaffer's 50th Anniversary - *Cynthia Begel and Faye Rutcofsky*

Refuah Shlema to Maxwell Greebler - *Faye Rutcofsky*

In memory of Susi Berkson's husband, Stanley - *Edie Coan, Idan Corsentino, Nancy Fadem, Hannah Feldman, Irma Goldman, Marilyn Kaufman, Irene & Barry Mandell, Iris M.*

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In memory of Mara Gorel's mother, Gail Sutter - *Hannah Feldman, Irma Goldman, Marilyn Kaufman, Faye Rutcofsky, Chuck & Betty Shaffer and Laura Silverberg*

In memory of Richard Kass' father, Seymour Kass - *Marilyn Kaufman*

In memory of Joan Sauber's husband, Arthur - *Phil Brody, Irma Goldman, Marilyn Kaufman, Bonnie Nankin, Faye Rutcofsky, Betty & Chuck Shaffer and Laura Silverberg*

In memory of Larry Rubin - *Faye Rutcofsky*

In memory of Elaine Soffer's father, Herbert Soffer - *Marilyn Kaufman*



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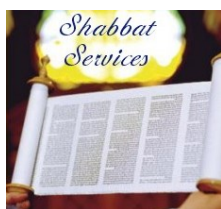
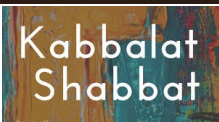
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CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER



9/3 - 7:05 PM - *Nitzavim*
9/6 - 7:01 PM - ***Rosh Hashanah***
9/7 - 7:59 PM - ***Rosh Hashanah***
9/10 - 6:54 PM - *Vayeilech*
9/15 - 6:46 PM - ***Yom Kippur***
9/17 - 6:42 PM - *Ha'azinu*
9/20 - 6:38 PM - ***Erev Sukkot***
9/21 - 7:35 PM - ***Sukkot***
9/24 - 6:31 PM - *Sukkot*
9/27 - 6:26 PM - ***Shmini Atzeret***
9/28 - 7:23 PM - ***Simchat Torah***



10/1 - 6:18 PM - *Bereshit*
10/8 - 6:07 PM - *Noach*
10/15 - 5:56 PM - *Lech-Lecha*
10/22 - 5:46 PM - *Vayera*
10/29 - 5:36 PM - *Chayei Sara*