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## JEWISH COMMUNITY OF AMHERST



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### CANDLE LIGHTING

September 7 ~ 6:55 pm  
September 14 ~ 6:43 pm  
September 21 ~ 6:30 pm  
September 28 ~ 6:18 pm

*Times shown are 18 minutes  
before sunset for Amherst, MA*

### SPECIAL EVENTS

**September 6**

New & Prospective  
Member Open House

**September 9**

Project Rehovot Tag Sale

**September 8**

Selichot Program & Service  
at Congregation B'nai Israel

**September 29**

Source to Sea Cleanup

**September 30**

Sukkot B'Yachad

### MEETINGS

**September 5**

Ritual Life Committee

**September 6**

Board meeting

**September 7**

Adult Ed Committee

**September 11**

Spirituality & Social Change

**September 19**

Education Committee

**September 20**

Adult Reading Group

**5773**

**L'SHANA TOVA**



**A Sweet, Healthy, and  
Peaceful New Year to All!**

See page 12 for a schedule  
of High Holidays services.

### Message from Co-President

**Richard Cohen, 256-6145, ra\_cohen@msn.com**

This summer has been a relatively quiet one at the JCA. But as I'm learning as co-president, quiet can be good. We all need time to get outdoors, swim, golf, kayak, read a book, travel and otherwise enjoy the summer and recharge our batteries. Rumor has it that Rabbi Weiner "relaxed" over his July vacation by harvesting potatoes, milking goats and making goat cheese. Each to their own. It probably all had something to do with preparations for fatherhood.

As much as I love the Rabbi's services, it was enjoyable to experience the variety of our volunteer service leaders, Marvin Elin, Rhonda Shapiro-Rieser, Eliza Gouverneur, Gordon Freed, Yossi Charette, Vera Broekhuysen, Ruth Love Barer and Catherine Madsen. We heard many new tunes and insightful davars. We are truly blessed as a congregation to have such knowledgeable, talented members who are willing to give of themselves so generously.

Our visit by Pakistani students in July is becoming a summer tradition already. This year we had almost 20, most of whom were Muslim. The day of their visit was Farbrengen Friday, when we sit around a big table after services, eat, talk Torah and sing. It was emotional and uplifting, to say the least, to welcome the students to the JCA, share a meal, enjoy each other's company and learn about each other's faith. The visit was right before the beginning of Ramadan. We heard much about that important fast, while sharing our Yom Kippur stories. Some of the Pakistani students beautifully chanted from the Koran and Muslim prayers, something I had never experienced. Together we sang *Hine Mah Tov* (Behold, how good and how pleasant when brothers dwell together). More than a few tears were shed. In a world with so much distrust and misunderstanding among religions, this kind of face-to-face interaction can only help.

Despite the quiet summer, our wonderful administrative staff, Marcia Howard, Susan Thomas and Eric Delisle, as always, have been working hard to keep the JCA organized, efficient and on a steady course. Thanks to your generous contributions to the recent Capital Campaign, we were able to install an improved air conditioning system for the office to make the staff's working conditions much more pleasant in the heat. On the subject of capital improvements, the floors in the Library were recently refinished. The next time you're at the JCA, check them out--they look gorgeous. I should also mention, thanks to the Capital Campaign and a generous contribution from the Gladstone family, we will be installing a sound system in the Main Sanctuary to assist the hearing impaired. G-d willing, this will happen before the High Holidays.

On that subject, as the summer winds down and the school year approaches, can the month of *Tishrei* and the High Holidays be far behind? My column next month will focus on the subject of *teshuvah* (returning). But in the spirit of the Holidays, I'd like to offer the following story from Martin Buber's *Tales of the Hasidim* regarding Rabbi Moshe Leib of Sasov (1745-1807): "On the eve of the Day of Atonement, when the time had come to say Kol Nidre, all the Hasidim were gathered together in the House of prayer waiting for the rabbi. But time passed and he did not come. Then one of the women of the congregation said to herself: 'I guess it will be quite a while before they begin, and I was in such a hurry and my child is alone in the house. I'll just run home and look after it to make sure it hasn't awakened. I can be back in a few minutes.' She ran home and listened at the door. Everything was quiet. Softly she turned the knob and put her head

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## JEWISH COMMUNITY OF AMHERST, INC.

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Please refer to your Guidebook for contact information.  
 (If you have not received your Guidebook, call the office.)

## NEWSLETTER

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## Chesed Committee

The Chesed Committee assists JCA members in times of joy, sorrow and need, coordinating volunteers to help with meals, rides, errands, visits, shiva minyans, and other needs. We also welcome new members and babies! Please contact us if you would like to join the committee or be added to our list of volunteers.

Also, if you, someone in your family, or someone in the community is ill, hospitalized, or in need of assistance, please contact us right away. Even if visits or phone calls are not desired, it is important to us as a community to be aware of the health and well-being of our members and their families. We realize that providing this kind of information feels awkward to many people, but it is an important facet of being in community. We cannot help if we do not know.

Contact the Chesed Committee through the JCA office at 256-0160.

## Beit Shalom Committee

The Beit Shalom Committee is available to members of the JCA congregation wishing assistance in addressing personal differences that have arisen between individuals, among committees, or with those in leadership positions within the JCA. Accordingly, if you have concerns or disagreements, or feel a desire to enhance communication with another member, a committee, or leader, please contact a Beit Shalom Committee member to facilitate this process. All such communications will be kept strictly confidential unless agreed upon differently by the participants.

Committee members are:

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## *Devarim:* *Words from Rabbi Benjamin Weiner*



In a previous life, when I was studying literature in Dublin, one of my Irish professors wondered aloud to me why so many Jewish scholars had devoted their careers to James Joyce's *Ulysses*. "I think," he said, "it's because Jews are conditioned to wrap their lives around a very big book, and when they leave the Bible aside, something has to fill the void."

I'm thinking of this now as I reflect on my own childhood experiences of the High Holidays, which most certainly had a big book at their core. This wasn't the Bible, but rather the Mahzor—the traditional High Holiday prayerbook. My family attended a fairly "maximal" service, which meant that the real effort of these awesome days seemed to be slogging our way through this 700 page tome. Whatever might occur to you spiritually, you certainly arrived at the shofar blast that closes Yom Kippur feeling like you'd accomplished something. "Wow," you might say, "I just read a lot of words!"

I look back at this now with appreciation, though I'd like to think I've come to a more sophisticated understanding of the efforts and accomplishments of Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, and of the role that our big books play in this cause. We put these big books in front of us not for their own sake—as an endurance test or a purely numerical achievement—but because our tradition believes that they can inspire interior conversations that are as deep as the volumes are long. Ideally, these words, to say nothing of the melodies with which we bring them to life, will summon to consciousness the thoughts and feelings we need to review, as we examine the paths our lives have taken and consider where they may be going.

May we find somewhere within them the spirit of reconciliation and forgiveness, the integrity and the fortitude, with which to accept with gratitude another year of life.

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## *Rabbi Liaison Committee*

The committee meets monthly with the rabbi.

The purpose of the Rabbi Liaison Committee is to support and enhance the rabbi-congregational relationship by:

1. Serving as a channel to communicate comments, issues and/or complaints from congregants who would prefer not to contact the rabbi directly.
2. Meeting with the rabbi to help with processing and thinking through issues or concerns that are raised either by congregants or by the rabbi.

All congregants are encouraged to speak to members of the committee about any concerns they may have that they would like to be brought to the rabbi's attention.

All information is shared only with the rabbi and the committee and will be held in confidence.

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*Co-President's column continued from front page*

into the room—and there stood the rabbi holding the child in his arms. He had heard the child crying on his way to the House of Prayer, and had played with it and sung to it until it fell asleep."

For me, this story is a lesson in priorities. The High Holidays are referred to as *Yamim Noraim*, Days of Awe. They convey a sense of formality and high purpose—God is weighing our deeds over the past year and the Gates of Judgement are swinging shut. But while prayer and the right *ka-*

*vanah* (intent) are important, they are not as important as the simple chesed of a rabbi who stops to care for a child. We should never forget, in the words of Rashi, that "The world was created for the sake of kindness." Prayer and *teshuvah* can often lead us to greater chesed, but we should never forget that prayer is not an end in itself, only the means to an end.

Finally, I would be remiss if I didn't express my deep gratitude to the High Holiday Committee, chaired by Yossi

Charette and Bob Solosko. The logistical and other challenges of the High Holidays are daunting, but the Committee is working hard to ensure that things go as smoothly as possible. If you'd like to volunteer, it may not be too late. Please check with Yossi or Bob. *Todah rabah!*

*L'shanah tovah tikatevu v'tichatemu.* May you and your loved ones be written and sealed for a good year!

*B'shalom, Richard*



### *Ritual Life Committee*

**Yossi Breyer-Charette, Co-chair, 860-559-4926, pcharette@lightingaffiliates.com**  
**Sarah Thomson, Co-chair, 413-253-2930, allset22@verizon.net**

#### RELIGION CALENDAR

#### **Shabbat Ki Tetze, Deuteronomy 21:10-25:19**

**August 31, Friday**

6:15 PM

Service Leader: Rabbi Weiner

**September 1, Saturday**

10:00 AM

Service Leader: Rabbi Weiner

D'var Torah: Rabbi Weiner



#### **Shabbat Ki Tavo, Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8**

**September 7, Friday**

Intergenerational Family Service

Service Leader: Rabbi Weiner

Tot Shabbat (concurrent with Family Service)

Potluck supper following both services

**September 8, Saturday**

10:00 AM

Service Leader: Service Leader: Rabbi Weiner

D'var Torah: Rabbi Weiner

8:30 PM

Selichot at Congregation B'nai Israel (see next page)



#### **Shabbat Nitzavim, Deuteronomy 29:9-30:20**

**September 14, Friday**

6:15 PM

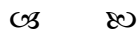
Service leader: Rabbi Weiner

**September 15, Saturday**

10:00 AM

Service Leader: Rabbi Weiner

D'var Torah: Rabbi Weiner



#### **Rosh Hashanah**

**September 16, Sunday**

6:00 PM- Reconstructionist Service

8:00 PM- Masorti Service

**September 17, Monday- 1st Day Rosh Hashanah**

9:00 AM- Reconstructionist Service

9:30 AM- Masorti Service

4:00 pm- Tashlich at Groff Park

**September 18, Tuesday- 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah**

9:30 AM- Masorti Service

10:00 AM- Mountain Hike and Service

(see page 12 for a complete schedule of services)



#### **Shabbat Shuvah, Parashat Vayelekh,**

**Deuteronomy 31:1-31:30**

**September 21, Friday**

6:15 PM

Farbrengen Friday (see next page)

Service Leader: To be announced

**September 22, Saturday**

10:00 AM

Service Leader: Rabbi Weiner

D'var Torah: Rabbi Weiner



#### **Yom Kippur**

**September 25, Tuesday- Kol Nidre**

6:00 PM- Reconstructionist Service

8:00 PM- Masorti Service

**September 26, Wednesday- Yom Kippur**

9:00 AM- Reconstructionist Service

9:30 AM- Masorti Service

4:30 Minchah Service

(see page 12 for a complete schedule of services)



#### **Parashaat Ha'azinu, Deuteronomy 32:1-32:52**

**Friday September 28**

6:15 PM

Service leader: Rabbi Weiner

Speaker: Norbert Goldfield

**Saturday, September 29**

10:00 AM

Service Leader: Rabbi Weiner

D'var Torah: Rabbi Weiner



Check the JCA website at:  
[www.j-c-a.org/services.html](http://www.j-c-a.org/services.html)  
 for updated religion calendar  
 information.

## ***Kiddush and Oneg Sponsors***

If you would like to help with or sponsor a kiddush, please contact Karen Loeb at: 256-0160 ext. 207

### **Shacharit (morning) Minyan**

The weekday shacharit minyan continues to meet every Tuesday at 7:30 am in the small sanctuary.

### **Meditation Minyan**

The weekday meditation minyan continues to meet every Wednesday at 7:30 am in the small sanctuary.

The process of replacing our chumashim in the sanctuary continues.

Our only source of revenue for this is from your donations to the prayerbook fund. Please consider aiding this effort.

Donations of any amount are gratefully accepted, however a minimum donation of \$65.00 is required for a book dedication plate.

## ***First Friday Evening Family Service***

Please join us on Friday September 7th at 5:30 pm for a brief child oriented service followed by a potluck supper. Although the service is geared towards young children, it contains all the elements of a regular Friday evening service, including mourner's kaddish. People of all ages are encouraged to attend. It's a wonderful opportunity to get to know each other in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

### ***Farbrengen Friday:***

The tradition of a farbrengen, a joyous gathering for melody and learning in honor of holy Jewish time, comes out of Chabad-Lubavitch Hasidism. The JCA's farbrengen begins with a Kabbalat Shabbat service in which we emphasize the singing of, and absorption in, Jewish liturgical music over and above excessive words of orientation and explanation--something that can captivate the spirit even if you don't happen to be an expert in this music.

Following the service, we have a potluck supper, and as we sit around sharing our Shabbat meal, we sing zemirot and niggunim, (songs and wordless melodies) and invite people to offer words of Torah and wisdom, and maybe even explore other ways to experience our creativity in celebration of Shabbat.

We hope you will join us in the evolution of this program.

### ***Torah Reading Co-ordination***

If you are interested in reading Torah and would like to schedule a time to read, please contact:

**Gordon Freed, 256-0355, g.freed@comcast.net** (for reading in September)

**Randi Stein, 549-0526, randistein@earthlink.net** (for reading in October)

**Ruth Love Barer, 253-4923, ruthlove7@hotmail.com** (for reading in November)

**Eliza Gouverneur, 256-6145, elizgouv@msn.com** (for reading in December)

If you would like to learn to read Torah, or would like help choosing or preparing a reading, please contact **Batya Perman, 549-4853, batya1818@gmail.com**.

### ***Thank You To Volunteers***

The ritual life committee would like to thank those who have given their time and expertise in service to the ritual life of the community:

- our lay service leaders: **Ruth Love Barer, Aaron Bousel, Vera Broekhuysen, Gordon Freed, and Rhonda Shapiro-Rieser,**
- our Torah readers: **Aaron Bousel, Sam Gladstone, Hadar Grabel, Rebecca Meyers, Elissa Rubinstein,**
- D'var Torah giver and Torah study leader: **Daniel Berlin** and D'var Torah giver: **Aaron Bousel**

### ***Selichot--Four Communities, One Service***

Please join us as we partner with Congregation B'nai Israel, Beit Ahavah, and Temple Israel for an evening of prayer, song and meditation to mark Selichot.

Traditionally, Selichot is a spiritual preparation for the teshuvah, the turning inward, toward each other, and to God, that is central to the High Holidays. In this service, led by Rabbis Benjamin Weiner, Justin David, Riqi Kosovske, and Efraim Eisen, we will thoughtfully combine the creative range of traditional and contemporary practice for an evening that we hope will draw us more deeply into the Days of Awe.

Saturday, September 8, 8:30pm At Congregation B'nai Israel 253 Prospect St., Northampton, MA (413) 584-3593

ALL ARE WELCOME

### ***Chemical Sensitivities***

A number of our members have allergies to perfumes, colognes and other fragrances. Please try to minimize the use of these products when coming to the JCA. Thank you.

## Education News

**Jody Rosenbloom, Director of Life Long Learning, 256-0160, ext. 203**



### Welcome Back – School Year 5773

Friday Eve, September 7: Start the year out with Shabbat together. The intergenerational “learner’s minyan style” service starts at 5:30 followed by a potluck dinner. Concurrent Tot Shabbat.

Saturday, September 8: Info session for 7th graders and their parents. 10-11am followed by services.

Sunday, September 9: Our opening day of school provides opportunities for getting to know each other - students to meet their teachers, parents meet each other, and we all join together for joyous connection and learning. The day focuses on High Holiday activities, and community building (intro to the havurot initiative, access to car pool lists, weaving the “communal fabric”). We have returning teachers **Talia Laster** ( 3rd grade), **Rebecca Berger** (Wednesday 4th grade), **Howie Feibusch** (Wednesday 7th grade) and **Melissa Zeitz** (Shalom Sunday) and many new teachers (TBA).

Wednesdays beginning September 12, for grades 3-6 will continue to have a Hebrew focus with on-going student assessments, individual and small group independent study, review games, and recess. 7th grade will focus on a variety of topics related to becoming adults in the Jewish community.

For our families, we have scheduled Shabbat dinners and family education programs as part of our curriculum. Watch the Thursday email for up to date announcements & opportunities. L’Shana Tova – To a Happy New Year 5773.

### The Sooner The Better

#### Shalom Sunday Group Starting September 9

If your children or grandchildren are 4-6 years old, have them come to our Sunday morning play & learn group. Shalom Sunday meets once a month from 10:00am-12 noon and is led by veteran teacher, **Melissa Zeitz**. We facilitate a concurrent parent/grandparent discussion group every other month. This group is open to members and non-members for a small fee. Pre-registration is required. Contact Nora at 256-0160 or edassist@j-c-a.org.

### Our Easy Fundraisers Help Subsidize Tuition & Expenses

1. Bring in those Box Tops for Education. We redeem them twice a year for about \$300 which helps cover the cost of our textbooks.

2. Support your coffee buzz & order Deans Bean’s Fair Trade Coffee. We need someone to take over the 1-3 hours/month organizing of this – it substantially offsets tuition increases by raising over \$2000 annually.

3. Bring in shoes in decent condition (no boots or formal shoes). Run a collection in your neighborhood or sports team (cleats and tennis shoes). Shoes are recycled/ and repurposed and we receive a donation/pound. Last year we earned over \$150.

### Thank you to:

**Ann Hastings** for donating a picture book about Jerusalem.

**Sara Berger** for assorted books and supplies.

## Calendar

Fri, Sept. 7	Intergenerational Family Shabbat followed by potluck dinner.
Sat, Sept. 8	7th Grade w/Parents, 10:00-11:00 am
Sun, Sept. 9	First Day for Grades 1-6 w/Parents, 10:00 am-12:15 pm Shalom Sunday (for 4-6 year olds) begins 10:00 am-12:00 pm
Wed, Sept. 12	Grades 3-7 from 4:00-5:30pm
Sat/Sun, Sept. 15/16	No Class – Rosh Hashanah Preparations
Wed, Sept. 19	Education Committee at 7:00pm
Wed, Sept. 26	No Class – Yom Kippur
Sun, Sept. 30	Sukkot Family Program 10-12:15

### New Havurah Forming

**Havurah HaMakom**, a newly forming group, seeks JCA member families with all children 4 years old and over. Ritual & discussion, enhanced with song & music. This is a one-year “pilot.” Please commit to attending when you’re in town.

For more information, contact Madeleine at 549-5707 or greenzinnia@hotmail.com.

### JCA Adult Reading Group

The 1st meeting of the year of the ARG will be on Thursday September 20th at 7:30 PM in the JCA library. We will be discussing the novel, *The Dovekeepers*, by Alice Hoffman. This book is regarded as “her most ambitious and mesmerizing novel, a tour de force of imagination and research, set in ancient Israel” and takes place at Masada. It is available in paperback. New participants are always welcome. Any questions, please call Ken Talan, 253-2248

## Welcome Back – School Year 5773

Friday Eve, September 7

**\* Everyone is Invited \***

Start the year out with Shabbat together.  
The intergenerational “learner’s minyan style” service starts at 5:30 in the main sanctuary.

- **Concurrent:** Tot Shabbat will be led by Family Educator, Marlene Machel with members of the havurah ketanah in the small sanctuary.

**Followed by a Potluck Dinner in the Social Hall**

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Saturday, September 8 – **Opening day of 7th Grade**

10-11am Programming for parents and students followed by services.

Sunday, September 9 - **\* Opening day of JCA School \***

10am-12:15pm Programming for parents and students in grades PK-6.

***L’Shana Tova U’Metukah – To a Sweet New Year***

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Sunday, September 30, 2012

**\* Sukkot B’yachad (Think Sukkahfest or Lulavapalooza) \***

Please join the JCA community from 10am-12:15  
A fun-filled morning of lulav shaking, sukkah decorating, and lots more.

A program generously funded by  
The Family Education Initiative of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation.

**We don’t call Sukkot “the time of our joy” for nothing!**

### ***Adult Education Committee Preparing Incredible Fall Offerings***

Watch your mailbox for the brochure announcing this fall’s adult education programs. Beginning in October, lots of terrific classes and workshops are being offered. We are grateful to these experienced and generous instructors for the skills and ideas they’ll be offering. Their contributions will enrich Jewish life here in the valley. For more information, see page 11.

Thanks to committee members Janis Wolkenbreit, David Glassberg, Boris Wolfson, Phyllis Herda, Margaret Mastrangelo, Ted Slovin, Donna Baron, Sam Gladstone, and Rabbi Weiner for tremendous effort, to Marcia and Susan in the office, and to Santo for his logistical support.

Barbara Burkart, committee chair, (barbruth@comcast.net)

### ***Visual Arts Committee***

The Hall Gallery is pleased to be exhibiting paintings by Susan Pepper Aisenberg. The August 2nd Amherst Art Walk brought a number of people to the JCA, the result of which may be 2 outside commissions for Susan. On Thursday, September 6th, she will be participating in a second Art Walk for which she will have several new paintings on Judaic themes. Susan was our first exhibitor in the Hall Gallery and her show marks our third year as an exhibition space. Please be sure to stop by to see this very special show.



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SEPTEMBER 2012  
**TEEN PROGRAMMING**  
*for Jewish teens in the region*

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<http://jewishteenprogramming.eventbrite.com/>



**L' Shanah Tovah**  
 Have a sweet year!

Jewish Community of Amherst  
 Teen Programming

**JCA Teen Programming & JTOV welcomes you back! We hope you had a great summer and can join one of our fabulous programs this year!**

**SHANA TOVA! HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

As the leaves show the beginning stages of fall and we plan for the high holidays, JTOV & the JCA Teen Program are getting started as well. This year, we return with the programs you have loved, including JTOV sponsored **Rosh Hodesh: It's a Girl Thing** groups for grades 6-11, with leaders **Becky Lederman** and **Marlene Rachelle**, as well as **Shevet Achim: The Brotherhood**, a new program for grades 8-9 with **Howie Feibusch**.

JCA Sponsored **JVCorps: Jewish Volunteer Corps for Teens** will continue to perform mitzvah after mitzvah, month after month, by preparing, serving, and cleaning up meals at the Amherst Survival Center.

**Rabbi Ben Weiner** and **Howie Feibusch** are excited to offer confirmation class for 10-12th graders this year, running October through May. We are also excited to start a new program, **Teva Torah**, an agriculturally-based JCA sponsored program led by **Cara Silverberg**, for teens in grades 7-9.

We hope you will join us for **Rosh Hashana Teen Services** on Sunday, September 16th, from 5:45-7:15pm, at the JCA. We also hope you join us for the **Informational Session** to learn about all these programs on Wednesday, September 12th from 5:45-7pm. **If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me at [teendir@j-c-a.org](mailto:teendir@j-c-a.org).**

**Bee Shally,**  
**Rachael Goren-Watts**  
**Director of Teen Programming**

**This Month's Events**

**A Taste of Rosh Hodesh & Shevet Achim**

**SHEVET ACHIM-**  
*The Brotherhood*  
 a program of Moving Traditions



**Sunday, September 23rd**  
**Lander Grinspoon Academy**  
 Join us for **A Taste of Rosh Hodesh** from 1:15-3:15pm, or **A Taste of Shevet Achim** from 4-6pm, for a chance to meet the leaders, learn about the program, and enjoy an ice cream sundae bar! More information can be found at <http://jtovteens.eventbrite.com>.

**JVCorps**



**Thursday, Sept. 27th, 4:30-6:30pm**  
**JCA**

Teens in grades 6 and up are invited to attend the **JVCorps: Jewish Volunteer Corps for Teens Orientation & Training**. Any teen interested in volunteering with the Amherst Survival Center through our JVCORPS program must attend (new and returning teens). This program is sponsored by the JCA. Visit <http://jvcorsorientation2012.eventbrite.com> for more information.

**Rosh Hashana Teen Services**



**Sunday, September 16th**  
**5:45-7:15pm**  
**JCA**

Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to the **Rosh Hashana Services & Schmooze** for pizza, services, and discussion. There is no fee and any interested teen can attend. This is sponsored by the JCA. Email [jcateengroup@gmail.com](mailto:jcateengroup@gmail.com) for more information.






# Jewish Teen Info Fair



Join us to learn about JCA & Regional Teen Programming  
 Wednesday, September 12, 5:45-7pm  
 JCA, 742 Main St., Amherst  
 Pizza & Refreshments Served


**Learn about a number of JCA & JTOV programs including:**

Confirmation Class  
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 Teva Torah  
 Rosh Hodesh: It's a Girl Thing Groups  
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Open to teens in grades 6-12 & their parents.  
 Read more at:  
<http://jcateens.eventbrite.com>  
<http://jtoventeens.eventbrite.com>

Questions?  
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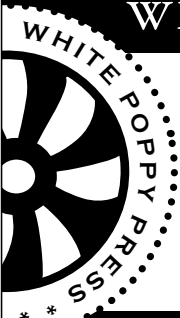
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## Open House for New and Prospective Members

Thursday, September 6, 2012  
5:30-7:00 PM in the JCA Social Hall

Meet Rabbi Ben Weiner,  
Educational Director Jody Rosenbloom,  
our board and other members, learn about our community,  
educational opportunities, plans for the High Holidays  
and for the upcoming year.

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An incredible roster of lectures, courses and activities to stimulate, inspire, enrich, relax and entertain you this fall.

More detailed information will be available in the soon-to-be-mailed Adult Education booklet.

### **Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Weiner: The History and Future of Halakha (Jewish Law)**

Every Wednesday beginning on September 5 - 12:15 - 1:15 PM in the Small Sanctuary

### **Shabbat Yoga (back by popular demand!)**

Stay tuned for dates and times...

### **American Jewish History: two lectures by Cynthia Gensheimer**

Oct. 11: 7:30 - 9:30 PM Annie Jonas Wells: Jewish Daughter, Episcopal Wife, Independent Intellectual

Nov 1: 7:30 - 9:30 PM The Lord Our God Be With Us: Nineteenth Century Jewish Women Caring for One Another, Their Synagogue and Their Small-Town Illinois Community

### **The Teachings of Rebbe Nachman of Bratslav: a 4-session course by Larry Fine**

Sundays, Oct. 14, 21, 28, Nov. 11 7:00 - 9:00 PM

### **The Basics of Jewish Prayer: a 7-session course by Shoshana Zonderman**

Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:30 PM Oct. 16, 23, 30; Nov. 6, 13, 27; Dec. 4, 2012

### **Beginning Knitting and Making a Kippah: a 4-session course with Phyllis Herda**

Mondays, Oct. 22, 29, Nov. 5, 12 7:15 - 8:45 PM

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Mondays, Oct. 22, 29, Nov. 5, 12 7:15 - 8:45 PM

### **Introduction to Lowbrow Jewish Film: screenings and discussion led by David Glassberg**

Nov. 3, 10, 17 7:30—9:30 PM

### **Jews of Alaska: a talk by Catherine Madsen**

Sunday, Dec. 9, 2012 - 2:00 pm

### ***The High Holidays Committee***

The High Holidays Committee welcomes your comments and constructive suggestions about how services are structured and we also invite you to volunteer to assist with making it all happen.

Please email Paul Charette (pcharette@lightingaffiliates.com) about service structure and content or Bob Solosko (rbsolosko@verizon.net) to offer to volunteer in any capacity.

*B'Shalom,*

*Bob Solosko and Paul Charette, co-chairs*

### ***JCA 2012/5773 High Holidays Service Schedule***

#### **Rosh Hashanah Eve – September 16**

Reconstructionist Service: 6:00 pm

Teen Schmooze/Service: 6:00 pm

Masorti Service: 8:00 pm

*There will be an oneg following each service.*

#### **1st Day Rosh Hashanah – September 17**

Reconstructionist Service: 9:00 - 11:00 am

Masorti Service with Musaf: 9:30 am

(Musaf: 12:15 pm, approximately)

Shofarot Program for ages 10-12: 10:00 - 11:15 am

Family Service: 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Tashlich at Groff Park: 4:00 pm

#### **2nd Day Rosh Hashanah - September 18**

Masorti Service with Musaf: 9:30 am

(Musaf: 12:15 pm, approximately)

Mountain Service: 10:00 am

(Meet at Notch Visitor's Center, Route 116)

#### **Kol Nidre – September 25**

Reconstructionist Service: 6:00 pm

Masorti Service: 8:00 pm

#### **Yom Kippur – September 26**

Reconstructionist Service: 9:00 - 11:00 am

Masorti Service with Yiskor and Musaf: 9:30 am

(Yiskor: 11:45 am, Musaf: 12:15 pm, approximately)

Shofarot Program for ages 10-12: 10:00 - 11:15 am

Family Service: 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Minchah Service: 5:00 pm

Ne'ilah Service: 6:20 pm (approximately)

Tekiah Gedolah: 7:22 pm

#### **Sukkot - October 1 (at sundown)**

#### **Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah - October 8**

Shemini Atzeret Service: 9:30 am (with Yizkor)

Simchat Torah Celebration: 7:00 pm

## *Tikkun Olam News & Opportunities*

### **Ride To Provide**

A bike ride, to celebrate the season and help raise money to support UMass Hillel's community service programs and environmentally-friendly projects. This year's ride is on Sunday, October 14, 2012 with planned 9, 18 and 36 mile bike routes through the picturesque autumn foliage of Amherst and surrounding towns. New this year is a Walk to Provide on the beautiful UMass Amherst campus! Sponsorship and participation of groups from synagogues and other community organizations is encouraged! Last year's Ride to Provide raised nearly \$55,000 for UMass Hillel students to participate in tikkun olam (repairing the world).



### **Source to Sea Cleanup**

A JCA team is needed for the Source to Sea Cleanup. Saturday morning, September 29th. This event is organized by the Connecticut River Watershed Council. We will be meeting at a nearby spot on the Connecticut River and will spend the morning pulling trash out of the river. It's a great event for families. Contact Judith Souweine (judithsouweine@gmail.com ) with questions.



### **Not Bread Alone**

#### **Urgent Need for Soup Kitchen Volunteers**

The JCA Committee for Not Bread Alone prepares the midday meal at Not Bread Alone, Amherst's local soup kitchen, the second Sunday of each month. We need several new volunteers for the prep/cooking shift (9:30 a.m. - Noon) and the Clean-up shift (Noon - 2 pm.) to replace people who are leaving.



Substitutes are on call to fill in when regular volunteers cannot be there. In addition to the openings for monthly cooking volunteers, we are always seeking additional volunteers for our substitute list.

Volunteering at Not Bread Alone is a Mitzvah -- and it's fun! Teens, families, individuals, those preparing for Bar/Bat Mitzvah -- all are welcome!!

Please help the JCA continue our 22 year commitment to this important community effort.

To volunteer or for more information, please contact:

Devorah Jacobson at devorahj@comcast.net or 413-256-6431

## **Yom Kippur Food Collection**

During Yom Kippur, the Haftorah we read includes Prophet Isaiah's words imploring us, as we fast, *to share your bread with the hungry* (58:7). Please bring non-perishable food donations to help stock the Amherst Survival Center's Emergency Food Pantry, serving those in need in our community. The number of families depending on the Survival Center has increased dramatically over the past several years. As you may know, funding and other sources of food have significantly decreased. When you enter the JCA lobby on Kol Nidre and Yom Kippur Day, please deposit your greatly needed donations, perhaps the equivalent of one day's food, in the collection boxes. A collection box will be in place anytime before or after Yom Kippur if you wish to contribute then. THANK YOU!

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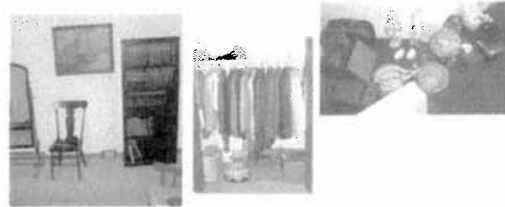
# TAG SALE FOR PROJECT REHOVOT

Date: Sunday, September 9, 2012

Time: 8AM TO 3 PM

In the yard of Jody Wax and Tom Butler  
433 South Pleasant Street, Amherst (corner of Memorial Drive)

Since 1992, the Jewish Community of Amherst has sponsored a unique program in several elementary schools in Rehovot, Israel. Now we are focusing on one project designed to assist immigrant children, primarily Ethiopian, in their difficult integration into a new country. This tag sale is very important for the JCA. It will enable us to continue to support a part-time art teacher/therapist in Maalot Meshulam, an elementary school in Rehovot, Israel.



- Please bring any items you wish to donate for this event beginning on Thursday, Sept 6. Call Jody Wax @ 256-0250 in the evening to make arrangements.
- Furniture, clothes, children's stuff, small kitchen appliances, in reasonably good condition will be welcome.

## *Volunteer Opportunities and Programs*

Volunteers are needed IMMEDIATELY for several important committees at the JCA:

**The Personnel Committee** is looking for 1-2 new members, and especially needs someone to take over the job of Chairing that committee. The current Chair is Richard Cohen, one of the JCA Co-Presidents (who is already doing more than anyone can imagine). If you have the interest and skills for helping with the Personnel Committee, please be in touch with Richard at ra\_cohen@msn.com.

**The Membership Committee** needs more active and enthusiastic members, to help welcome new members to the JCA, and create more ways for members - new and old - to get to know each other. Please get in touch with current Chair Oran Kaufman if you are interested. orankaufman@verizon.net.

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WE NEED 10-12 people as part of a newly forming, rotating KITCHEN CREW to keep the kitchen running smoothly, and help out with kiddushes on a sign-up basis. This is NOT a committee (no meetings) just a one-time training, sign-up sheets, and COOKING CLASSES just for you.

### **Kitchen Crew Training**

*September 9, 1-3, In The JCA Kitchen.*

Uncover the Mysteries of the JCA Kitchen. The secrets of the coffee pots. Does the dishwasher really work that fast? Where is all the good stuff hidden? And does the garden have something to do with this too?

In the meantime, enjoy a bowl of Karen Loeb's super-secret soup and find out how you can help things run more smoothly when food is involved. (And what event of any importance doesn't have food?)

### **Stay Tuned For Dates Of Fall Classes**

#### **For All Those Who Help Out In The Kitchen:**

- Canning tomatoes, making tomato sauce with Josette Henschel
- Holiday cooking with Karen Loeb

## *Celebrating Babies*

Know any new babies in the community?

The JCA's Chesed and Membership Committees have teamed up with Havurah K'tana (Little Friends Circle) to welcome new babies into our community with a Shalom Baby Basket.

Please contact us when you learn of families with a new baby (JCA members or potential members).

We will stop by with a decorated basket containing a menorah, PJ Library book, and a card made by children in the JCA Religious School as well as information about area Jewish resources for families. We'll also bring a meal and a plate of goodies for the family!

Please contact Ariella Schwell at ariellachef@yahoo.com or 230-3694 or Reed Alper at reedmangels@comcast.net or 549-0438.

## **Angels and Messengers Among Us**

Save the date for these two special weekends when we will honor, learn about, and hopefully recruit other members for these important committees:

### *November 3, Parashat Vayera*

JCA members who serve on the Chesed Committee, Tik-kun Olam Committee, Not Bread Alone, and Craig's Door will receive a special aliyah and be honored at the kiddush.

The dvar Torah will be offered by Marcia Black on the theme of Angels and Messengers Among Us.

Following Kiddush, from 1-2, join us as committee members share how engaging in acts of loving-kindness has deepened their spiritual life.

Then, from 2-3, don't miss the chance to see the uplifting and humorous short documentary, *Turn to Me*, about *Bikur Cholim* (visiting the sick).

Following the film we will discuss the work of *Bikur Cholim* and see who feels called to help create a *Bikur Cholim* group at the JCA (under the wings of the Chesed Committee)

### *November 11, Parashat Chayei Sarah*

JCA members who serve in the Holy Societies of the *Chevra Kadisha* and *Shomerim*, as well as the Cemetery Committee will receive a special aliyah and be honored at the kiddush.

Following kiddush, from 1-2:30 join us as we learn about Jewish Burial Practices at the JCA.

Members of the *Chevra Kadisha*, *Shomerim*, and the Cemetery Committee will join Rabbi Weiner in an informative and uplifting discussion about the experiences of caring for those who have died, as well as tending to the needs of their family.

Members of these committees will be available to talk one-on-one with anyone who is interested in joining one of the Holy Societies or the Cemetery Committee.

## *The Deadline for the October Newsletter is September 12th*

All submissions MUST be made either by e-mail or e-mail with a file attached.

If you do not have access to a computer or email, please contact the editor.

PLEASE RESPECT THE DEADLINE!

Thank you, Aaron Bousel,  
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## Donations

### Adult Education

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### Chevra Kadisha

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In memory of Fran Said (Susan Mosler & Alan Peterfreund)

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In honor of Rabbi Weiner for all his support to me over the  
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In honor of Irv Seidman (Reed & Arnie Alper)  
In honor of the wisdom of Florence Cohen  
(Jeff Cohen & Lori Holder-Webb)  
To commemorate the Jerome Liebling Yahrzeit, 7/27/12  
(Jules Chametzky)  
In celebration of Rabbi Ben Weiner & Cantor Elise Barber's  
new baby (Judy & Allen Davis)  
In honor of Rabbi Weiner & Cantor Elise Barber's baby's  
bris (Catherine Madsen & Sarah Thomson)

Mazel Tov & all best wishes to Rabbi Weiner, Cantor Elise  
Barber & their baby (Ellen & Jack Middleton)  
In honor of the birth of Rabbi Weiner & Cantor Elise  
Barber's son (Elissa & Bernard Rubinstein)  
In honor of Rabbi Weiner & Cantor Elise Barber's new son  
(Susan Mosler & Alan Peterfreund)  
In honor of Rabbi Weiner & Cantor Elise Barber's son  
Efraim's brit (Sheldon & Marcia Goldman)  
Mazel tov on the arrival of Rabbi Weiner & Cantor Elise  
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In honor of the birth of Rabbi Weiner & Cantor Elise  
Barber's son (Marcia, Eric & Susan)  
In honor of the birth of Rabbi Weiner & Cantor Elise  
Barber's son (Janet Bordwin Kannel)  
Welcoming Efraim Dean (Barbara & Normand Berlin)  
Mazel Tov to Michael & Esther Wishnow on their daughter  
Lauren Sydney's Bat Mitzvah (Vera & Laurie Wishnow)  
Best wishes to Sam & Syd Wishnow on their birthdays  
(Vera & Laurie Wishnow)  
In honor of the birth of Rabbi Weiner & Cantor Elise  
Barber's son, Efraim Dean (Aaron & Patience Bousel)

### Tzedakah Fund

In honor and gratitude to all those who have supported me  
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Hadar Gabel, Irv Seidman, Eliza Gouverneur, Richard  
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of course, Rabbi Bauer & Rabbi Weiner  
(Ziva Me'ira Harmatz)  
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## New or Returning Members

We warmly welcome the following people to the JCA  
community:

Dorothy & Robert Pam  
Ken Schoen & Jane Trigrere  
Woody & Mila Sherman

If someone in your family, or someone you know in  
the community, is ill and/or in the hospital, please contact  
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***New Book By JCA Member Jules Chametsky***

Jules Chametzky has a new book out called *Out of Brownsville: Encounters With Nobel Laureates and Other Jewish Writers--A Cultural Memoir*. It is available on Amazon.com, and at Amherst Books and Broadside in Northampton (where he will be doing readings in October), or through the publisher, Meredith Winter Press, 7 Shepard St., Cambridge Ma 02138. Official publication date is Sept 29, 2012. The book is a collection of short essays, which Ilan Stavans describes in a dedication as “autobiography at its cleanest: one’s life through the eyes of others. His astute, personable dispatches are a map of Jewish intellectual trends in the United States in the second half of the twentieth century.”

***Co-President Areas Of Responsibility***

Through this division we hope to respond to your suggestions and concerns more promptly. Please feel free to contact either of us with your concerns and/or suggestions

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## Community Announcements

### Hadassah

Save The Date:

OCTOBER 3, 2012, 7 P.M.  
at Congregation B'nai Israel

**Hadassah's Opening Meeting:**  
BEFORE ISRAEL: THE JEWS WHO  
WERE 'ALWAYS THERE'

*Guest Speaker:*

*Professor Linda Dittmar*

This talk is co-sponsored by the Greenfield and Northampton-Amherst Chapters of Hadassah.

The public is cordially invited to this very interesting program.

Linda Dittmar is Professor Emerita of English from the University of Massachusetts, Boston. She has also taught at Tel Aviv University and at the University of Paris.

Dr. Dittmar is a descendent of the old Jewish Yishuv community, in what was then Palestine.

Refreshments will be served

***A Celebration Of Amy Shulman's  
60th Birthday And A Fundraiser  
For Medical Expenses.***

October 27th, 2012 Pioneer Valley Cohousing, Amherst, MA, 5-10 pm (approx) More information about the event and the family's journey in September. We are looking for people to COORDINATE and oversee volunteers in the following areas: SILENT and LIVE AUCTION, MUSIC and ENTERTAINMENT, EVENT SET-UP and CLEANUP. Call Bob Kumin or Amy Shulman at 413-549-0144 or email to bobkumin@gmail.com.

### Amherst Leisure Services

#### Community Theater

Amherst Leisure Services Community Theater announces auditions for

#### *Fiddler on the Roof*

September 6, 7, 8, and 9, 2012

Bangs Community Center in Amherst  
Performances in January 2013 at  
Bowker Auditorium at UMass Amherst  
For more information please visit:

<www.alsct.org>

#### Meditation Group

Thursday Morning "Lecha Dumiyah  
Tehillah"\* Meditation Group

Every Thursday in the CBI Library,  
from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m.

Led by Rabbi Nancy Flam

Please know that is not an instructional group. Rather, each of us comes with our own silent meditation or prayer practice and draws strength and affirmation for our deep, inner work by being together in community.

- Arrive & Settling In:  
8:00 – 8:15 a.m.
- Setting of Kavvanah/Teaching:  
8:15 – 8:25 a.m.
- Bell to begin silent meditation:  
8:25 a.m.
- Bell to end silent meditation:  
8:55 a.m.

\* "To You silence is praise."

Psalm 65:2

#### Melton Adult Education

The popular Melton Adult Education course on Jewish living is enrolling now for the coming year. Thirty weeks of two classes will be held at Lander Grinspoon Academy in Northampton

from 7:00-9:00pm on Wednesday nights, beginning October 17, 2012.. Topics include: The Dramas of Jewish Living (a history course) and Ethics of Jewish Living (weekly topics on ethics). A team of rabbis and Shoshana Zonderman are the instructors. \$360 for all materials. Subsidies available. Contact Shoshana with questions 584-7743. This is the second year of the two year course but new students are encouraged to join the class! No prior knowledge needed; no homework; interfaith family members welcome! To enroll, phone Lisa Laudato at 413-733-4149 (Temple Beth El.). Watch a short video about the Melton course at [www.facebook.com/FMAMS](http://www.facebook.com/FMAMS)

#### Possible Fall 2012

#### Language Classes At CBI

We are currently planning the adult language classes for the Fall 2012 semester.

Some of the considered courses are:

1. Basic Hebrew reading skills
2. Prayerbook Hebrew--Beginning
3. Prayerbook Hebrew--Intermediate
4. Modern Conversational Hebrew--Beginning
5. Modern Conversational Hebrew--Intermediate
6. Yiddish Language

If you are interested in any of these classes, please contact Henia Lewin by email [HennyLewin@Yahoo.com](mailto:HennyLewin@Yahoo.com) or by phone 413-253-8836

Also being considered are days and times of instruction, so we need to hear from you!

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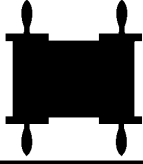
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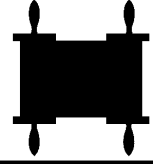
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JEWISH COMMUNITY OF AMHERST  
**September 2012**  
 14 Elul 5772 ~ 14 Tishre 5773



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 14 ELUL ■ Ki Tetze 10:00 am Shabbat Services
2 15 ELUL	3 16 ELUL ■ Labor Day	4 17 ELUL 7:30 am Shacharit Minyan	5 18 ELUL 7:30 am Shacharit Meditation 12:15 pm Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Weiner 7:30 pm Ritual Life Committee	6 19 ELUL 5:30 pm New and Prospective Member Open House (see page 10) 7:00 pm Board Meeting	7 20 ELUL ⦿ 6:55 12 Noon Adult Ed Committee 5:30 pm Intergenerational Family Service and concurrent Tot Shabbat followed by potluck supper	8 21 ELUL ■ Ki Tavo 10:00 am Shabbat Services 10:00 am Intro to 7th Grade 8:30 pm Selichot Program and Service at CBI (see page 5)
9 22 ELUL ⊗ Selichot Begin 8:00 am-3:00 pm Project Rehovot Tag Sale (see page 14) 10:00 am Opening JCA School and Shalom Sunday	10 23 ELUL	11 24 ELUL 7:30 am Shacharit Minyan 7:00 pm Spirituality Social Change	12 25 ELUL 7:30 am Shacharit Meditation 12:15 pm Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Weiner 5:45 pm Teen Programming Info Fair (see page 9)	13 26 ELUL	14 27 ELUL ⦿ 6:43 6:15 pm Shabbat Services	15 28 ELUL ■ Nitzavim 10:00 am Shabbat Services
16 29 ELUL ⊗ Erev Rosh Hashanah ⦿ 6:39 NO JCA SCHOOL	17 1 TISHRE ⊗ Rosh Hashanah - Day 1 High Holiday Schedule (see page 12) OFFICE CLOSED	18 2 TISHRE ⊗ Rosh Hashanah - Day 2 High Holiday Schedule (see page 12) OFFICE CLOSED	19 3 TISHRE ⊗ Fast of Gedalyah 7:30 am Shacharit Meditation	20 4 TISHRE 7:30 pm Adult Reading Group	21 5 TISHRE ⦿ 6:30 6:15 pm Farbrengen Friday	22 6 TISHRE ■ Vayelech 10:00 am Shabbat Services
23 7 TISHRE	24 8 TISHRE	25 9 TISHRE ⊗ Erev Yom Kippur ⦿ 6:23 7:30 am Shacharit Minyan	26 10 TISHRE ⊗ Yom Kippur High Holiday Schedule See Page NO JCA SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED	27 11 TISHRE 4:30 pm JV Corps Orientation (see page 8)	28 12 TISHRE ⦿ 6:18 6:15 pm Shabbat Services	29 13 TISHRE ■ Ha'azinu 10:00 am Shabbat Services Tikkun Olam-Source to Sea Cleanup (see page 13)
30 14 TISHRE ⦿ 6:14 ⊗ Erev Sukkot 9:00 am Family Education Sukkot B'Yachad (see page 7)						

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*September 6*  
**New & Prospective Member Open House**  
(see page 10)

*September 8*  
**Selichot Program & Service at  
Congregation B'nai Israel (see page 5)**

*September 9*  
**Project Rehovot Tag Sale ( see page 14)**

*September 29*  
**Tikkun Olam - Source to Sea Cleanup (see page 13)**

*September 30*  
**Sukkot B'Yachad (see page 7)**