

CONGREGATION AGUDATH JACOB

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From the Rabbi.

I hope you were pleased with the High Holy Day services here, as I was. We had wonderful numbers for all of our services, great participation from just about everyone (some of which was spur of the moment), and another outstanding break the fast. In a separate place in this newsletter are many thank yous for all the people who helped make our holidays go so smoothly and enjoyably.

The spirit and energy of the services was also excellent. There seems to be a palpable excitement as to how things are going for Agudath Jacob, and I want you all to know that I have noticed, and am grateful.

The month of *Cheshvan* takes up most of the month of October. It is one of the few Jewish months that has no holidays in it. That may feel like a nice break for some of us, but it shouldn't be a break from being Jewish. We all need to find the things in Judaism that draw us in, that make us feel connected.

As I read on an internet site recently, *Standing in a garage doesn't make you a car, and standing in a synagogue doesn't make you a Jew!!* What you choose to do with your life, how you choose to live it, how you develop your spiritual life – those are the things that determine your Judaism. When we study the commandments, we learn more of the kinds of things we should be doing. When we come to services, we develop our sense of spirituality and connection to God and our peoplehood.

Even though there are no holidays this month, we can create opportunities for getting together and living more Jewishly at the same time.

As you'll see later in this newsletter, our *mitzvah* of the month is "*Hachnassat Orchim* – being hospitable". Some of us took the opportunity to do this during the holiday of *Sukkot*, and hospitality is one of its central themes. But any of us can do things at any time to make the members of our community feel more welcome and more connected simply by being more hospitable. Try inviting someone over for a *Shabbat* dinner on a Friday night, or lunch on Saturday after services. Or even if you just meet congregants at local restaurants or coffee places, you will be doing something that is more hospitable and will help us build community. Remember, too, that one of the commandments is to greet everyone "*b'sever panim yafot*" – with a pleasant face.

You should also know that we had a number of visitors from out of town to our High Holiday services. Many of them commented how warm, welcoming, and participatory the services were. This was true even from out-of-towners who have been here many times before. It is also a tribute to how hospitable we can be when we put our minds to it.

Shenizkeh l'mitzvot – may we be privileged to continue doing *mitzvot* together,

Rabbi Gordon Fuller

OCTOBER SERVICE SCHEDULE

Friday, October 1

Candle Lighting 6:56 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 2

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat ends 7:58 p.m.

Friday, October 8

Candle Lighting 6:47 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 9

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat ends 7:49 p.m.

Friday, October 15

Candle Lighting 6:39 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 16

Shacharit 9:39 a.m.
Shabbat ends 7:41 a.m.

Friday, October 22

Candle Lighting 6:31 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 23

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat ends 7:33 p.m.

Friday, October 29

Candle Lighting 6:24 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 30

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat ends 7:26 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m.

OCTOBER BOARD MEETING

CAJ Board Meeting
Wednesday, October 13 - 7:30 p.m.

JCCW Board Meeting
Wednesday October 20 - 7:30 p.m.
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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

10/27 Mr. & Mrs. Morris Marcus

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

10/1 Rebecca Levy
Barry Phillips
10/2 Susan Fuller Goldstein
Loren Schwartz
10/4 Jake Wolf
10/6 Chance Farley
10/9 David Rosen
Donald Lynn
10/19 Meg Looney Spark
Scott Silver
Cissy Chernoff
12/22 Max Schwarz
10/23 David Novy
10/25 Saul B Chernoff
10/26 Barbara Wolpo
10/30 Cheri DeWilde

Mitzvah of the Month

Hachnassat Orchim -- Welcoming
in guests

This was one of Abraham's great characteristics. We can do this by inviting people into our homes, by being present and good hosts for all the visiting classes on Friday nights, and by being more welcoming to the strangers and newcomers to our community, and to those less advantaged (widows, shut-ins, ill, etc.).

CAJ gratefully acknowledges those who contributed so much to the success of all the events, services, and holidays last month.

A big thank you to every one who purchased aliyot (honors) for the Holidays, making our annual fund raiser successful.

Hanna & Barry Phillips who sponsored the August BBQ.

Judy Hersh, Audrey Koss and Ben Tannenbaum (Judy's nephew) for the Selichot Snacks.

Elliot Wolpo for davening Selichot.

The flowers at Rosh Hashanah from Jeff and Colleen Wolf in memory of Manny and Esther Wolf and Robert Handrin, and Abbye and Susan Silver in memory of Jack and Doris Silver.

Lesley Rosen, Chair, and the CAJ Sisterhood for the Rosh Hashanah Oneg.

Yom Kippur flowers given by the Harelik Family in loving memory of our loved ones as well as in memory of the loved ones of all members of Congregation Agudath Jacob."

Harry Harelik and Pearl Jacobson for reading the names at Yom Kippur Yizkor.

Mike Stupak for ushering the floor and making the aliyot run smoothly for all the High Holidays.

David Levy for davening the High Holiday services.

Charlie Levy, Ellie Holgate and Naman Lipinsky for gabbaim, and Charlie for Torah Service davening.

David Jortner for cleaning the playground, working on the Library and helping with the Sukkah.

Judy Hersh and the Board of Directors for the Break the Fast.

Food for Thought Sponsors and helpers in the Sukkah.

Melanie & Rick Bauer for the schach for the rabbi's Sukkah

Elliot Wolpo for the schach for the shul.

Aislin Brooks and Jayden Mayette for putting out the Machzorim

Inez Bonneville for planning and leading all the youth services during the High Holidays.

Colleen & Jeff Wolf who provided High Holiday Security in memory of his parents Esther & Manny Wolf, and Colleen's father, Robert Handren.

We have endeavored to thank everyone; if we have missed anyone, we apologize. Let us know and will make the correction in the next newsletter.

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No Food for Thought Lunch & Study in October.

Bon Voyage!
Rabbi & Sharon will be on vacation
October 27 – November 7.

IN MEMORY OF:

Madelyn Taub

Linda & Harry Frauman

Ellen & Richard Shaw

Deana Stupak

Harriet Stupak

Mike Stupak

Isidor Podrizki

Serge Podrizki

Sherwin Fischman

Marilyn Fischman

Jack Schaevitz

Wendy & Alan Schaevitz

Samuel Schaevitz

Wendy & Alan Schaevitz

William Bell

Margie & Gary Bell

Rae Trustman

Hanna & Barry Phillips

Donna Ruttenberg

Hilda Ruttenberg

BIRTHDAY:

Lorraine Hoppenstein

MAZEL TOV

Hilda Ruttenberg

On the birth of her great-grandson

Pearl Jacobson

Audrey & Nate Koss

RABBI'S DESCRETIONARY FUND:

Robert Hyman

Laurieanne Tuttle

SPEEDY RECOVERY:

Ida Harris

Shirley Hoppenstein

Barbara & Elliot Wolpo

David Hoppenstein

Shirley Hoppenstein

Jan Ruttenberg

Hilda Ruttenberg

Ellen Schwartz

Hilda Ruttenberg

SHABBAT DONATIONS:

8/21/10

Simone & Jake Bauer

Florence & Stanley Hersh

Judy Hersh

Lorraine & David Hoppenstein

Pearl Jacobson

Esther & Naman Lipinsky

08/28/10

Simone & Jake Bauer

Florence & Stanley Hersh

Judy Hersh

Lorraine & David Hoppenstein

Pearl Jacobson

Esther & Naman Lipinsky

Margie & Morris Marcus

09/04/10

Lorraine & David Hoppenstein

Pearl Jacobson

Esther & Naman Lipinsky

09/11/10

Simone & Jake Bauer

Florence & Stanley Hersh

Lorraine & David Hoppenstein

Pearl Jacobson

Margie & Morris Marcus

If you do not see your contribution listed, it will be in the next newsletter

Students from Baylor University will be visiting Friday night services October 1, 8 and 22.

Acclaimed Klezmer violinist, Steven Greenman, will perform at Baylor University on Thursday, October 7th.

He will be conducting a lecture demonstration clinic on Klezmer technique with the Baylor Campus Orchestra in Jones Concert Hall (McCrary Music Building) from 12:30-1:45pm. The clinic is free and open to the public. Visitors should park in the visitor parking spots at the Visitors center (directly across from the McCrary building). For further information call 254-710-6579.



Please join us as our beloved daughter

Eleanor Katherine Hargrove

is called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah

Saturday, October 9th at 9:30 AM
Congregation Agudath Jacob
Waco, Texas

Kiddush luncheon following services

M. Blake & Debra Hargrove

INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18 - 7:00 PM

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1100 AUSTIN AVENUE

Join us for an Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration with a program that will include songs, readings and prayers, offered by various religious traditions.

Please bring a non-perishable food item to offer to the "Food for Families" Food Bank Drive.

The Greater Waco Interfaith Conference (GWIC) is sponsoring this Thanksgiving Celebration. The GWIC is committed to dialogue and understanding among the Baha'i, Christian, Hindu, Jewish, Muslim and Unitarian Universalist traditions. Let us share our faiths, in a spirit of thanksgiving.

October 2010
23 Tishri 5771 - 23 Heshvan 5771

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 7:23AM/7:15PM \$8:00PM/jj6:57PM SIMCHAT TORAH Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m. 23 Tishri Avodah Zarah 48	2 7:23AM/7:14PM \$7:59PM Shacharit 9:30 a.m. 24 Tishri Avodah Zarah 49
3 7:24AM/7:13PM 25 Tishri Avodah Zarah 50	4 7:25AM/7:11PM 26 Tishri Avodah Zarah 51	5 7:25AM/7:10PM 27 Tishri Avodah Zarah 52	6 7:26AM/7:09PM 28 Tishri Avodah Zarah 53	7 7:27AM/7:08PM 29 Tishri Avodah Zarah 54	8 7:27AM/7:06PM jj6:48PM ROSH HODESH I Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m. Katie Hargrove Bar Mitzvah 30 Tishri Avodah Zarah 55	9 7:28AM/7:05PM \$7:50PM ROSH HODESH II Shacharit 9:30 a.m. Katie Hargrove Bat Mitzvah 1 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 56
10 7:29AM/7:04PM 2 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 57	11 7:29AM/7:03PM 3 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 58	12 7:30AM/7:01PM 4 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 59	13 7:31AM/7:00PM CAJ Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. 5 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 60	14 7:31AM/6:58PM 6 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 61	15 7:32AM/6:57PM jj6:39PM Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m. 7 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 62	16 7:33AM/6:56PM \$7:41PM Shacharit 9:30 a.m. 8 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 63
17 7:33AM/6:55PM 9 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 64	18 7:34AM/6:53PM 10 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 65	19 7:35AM/6:52PM 11 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 66	20 7:36AM/6:51PM JCCW Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. TRS 12 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 67	21 7:36AM/6:50PM 13 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 68	22 7:37AM/6:49PM jj6:31PM Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m. 14 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 69	23 7:38AM/6:48PM \$7:33PM Shacharit 9:30 a.m. 15 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 70
24 7:39AM/6:47PM 16 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 71	25 7:39AM/6:46PM 17 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 72	26 7:40AM/6:45PM 18 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 73	27 7:41AM/6:44PM Rabbi leaves for vacation 19 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 74	28 7:42AM/6:43PM 20 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 75	29 7:43AM/6:42PM jj6:24PM Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m. 21 Heshvan Avodah Zarah 76	30 7:43AM/6:41PM \$7:28PM Shacharit 9:30 a.m. 22 Heshvan Horayos 2
31 7:44AM/6:40PM 23 Heshvan Horayos 3						

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HOW TO OBSERVE THE YAHRZEIT

It is traditional to kindle a Yahrzeit Candle in the home on the evening Yahrzeit begins. It should remain lighted until sunset the next day. Possible prayer before lighting a Yahrzeit candle: Eternal God, I/we light this candle in memory of (name) _____, my/our beloved (relationship) _____. The light of the flame rekindles all the warm memories of the moment we shared together, and reassures me /us that a piece of his/her soul dwells in my/our heart(s) forever. May his/her soul be bound up with the bonds of eternal life. Amen. Candles are available at the Gift Shop. Every effort should be made to say Kaddish at congregational services. It is meritorious to perform some Mitzvah or to contribute to the Synagogue in commemoration of the deceased.

Kaddish will be said October 1

Tishri 24 Mark Harris
Sarah Levy Bell
Joe Rubel
Bernice Shapiro

Tishri 25 A. Rubinsky
Eli Marks

Tishri 26 Samuel Patlis
Joe Schwartz

Tishri 27 Baby Harelik
Eric Engleman
Gertrude Harris

Tishri 28 Rebecca Jacobson

Tishri 30 Harvey Goldfeder
Annie Harris
Mrs. Louis Gerson
Yisrael Podrizki

Kaddish will be said October 8

Cheshvan 1 Stanley Ray Chodorow
Mrs. B. Bauer
Irving Berkman
Julius Genecov
Mrs. Irving Kippur

Cheshvan 2 Herman Rosenbaum
Ida Segal

Cheshvan 3 Aaron Kalber
Chas Novak
Mrs. Harry Udashen
Harold Fitterman

Cheshvan 4 Lazare Heyman
Hymie Hoffman

Cheshvan 6 Israel Ellis

Cheshvan 7 Willie Lipinsky
Louise Busch

Kaddish will be said October 15

Cheshvan 8 Daniel Adams
Esther Hoffman
Solomon Shifrin
Yaakov Belove

Cheshvan 9 Mrs. Max Harelik

Cheshvan 10 Bill Ellis
Mrs. Ruben Gandler

Cheshvan 11 Louis Lipsitz

Cheshvan 12 Esther Beerman
Betty Greenbaum
Bettylee Greenberg
L. Rosen
Hyman Rosenberg

Cheshvan 13 Mrs. Max Siegel
Max Beerman
Morris Comer
Helen Fred
Ann Frindell
Sarah Hoppenstein
Mrs. Toby Novich

Cheshvan 14 Sophie Levy
Sophie Rosen

Kaddish will be said October 22

Cheshvan 15 Abe Cohen
Daniel Stuart Eskow
Jennie Greenberg
Sam Reed

Cheshvan 16 Joseph Lebowitz
Rabbi Max Zucker

Cheshvan 18 Aaron Esserman
Jack Shaw

Cheshvan 19 Elaine Berman
Maynard (Sonny) J Wizig

Cheshvan 20 Abe Lowich

Cheshvan 21 Kittie Heineman
Max Schwartz

Cheshvan 23 Mrs. Dave Adams
Ida Goldreyer

Cheshvan 24 Ephraim Levin
Gershon Epstein
Betty Rosen

Cheshvan 25 Al Budin
Anna Korsch
Mayer Lipshitz

Cheshvan 26 Joseph Levine
Joe Harry Lewis
Mollie Roberts
Max F. Starr

Cheshvan 27 Nathan Feldt
Jennie Rubin

Cheshvan 28 Hyman Lyons
Harry Smith
Max Schwartz

Kaddish will be said October

Cheshvan 23 Mrs. Dave Adams
Ida Goldreyer

Cheshvan 24 Ephraim Levin
Gershon Epstein
Betty Rosen