



Message From The Rabbi



During the 1950's, the President of the United Synagogue in Britain (very different from the United Synagogue here), was a man named Ewen Montagu. But in addition to being a prominent member of the Jewish community, he had another identity—he was a spy, actually one of the most remarkable spies for Britain during World War II.

But let's first trace his family background. His grandfather was a merchant banker and philanthropist, who changed his name—from Montagu Samuel, to Samuel Montagu! A founder of the Federation of Synagogues, Samuel Montagu was also a Member of Parliament. Edwin Montagu, Samuel's son and Ewen's uncle, was Secretary of State for India, and a member of the British Cabinet during World War I, the Cabinet that issued the Balfour Declaration in 1917, the first stepping stone to the establishment of the State of Israel in 1948. But Edwin was far from being a Zionist. On the contrary, as an assimilationist Jew, he was the most vehement opponent of the Balfour Declaration in the Cabinet.

Ewen grew up in this aristocratic family and became a successful lawyer. When World War II broke out, he was serving in the Naval Intelligence Division of the British Admiralty. In this position, he was in charge of running double agents through Europe.

By late 1942, it was clear that an Allied invasion of France would be such a massive undertaking that it would have to wait till 1944. Churchill wanted to use the time to launch an attack on Southern Europe, either through Greece or Sicily. Hitler was, of course, aware of this, but did not know which it would be, although Sicily seemed the obvious choice.

But then the Germans had a stroke of luck.

The body of a British marine, Major William Martin, was found floating in the sea off Southern Spain, and chained to his wrist was a black attaché case containing valuable documents. Though Spain was neutral during the war, many in its army were German supporters, and the documents soon found their way to the German High Command. Included among them was a letter with plans for an Allied invasion of Greece. Once the British learned that the body had been discovered, they made desperate attempts to get back the case. But the Germans already had all the information. German troops in great numbers were now moved to defend Greece from the oncoming invasion.

But this was all a hoax. There was no such person as Major William Martin. He had been dreamed up by Ewen Montagu, assisted by other colleagues. The body was that of an unfortunate tramp who had died. Montagu and his colleagues had created this fictitious person, who had on his body a photo of his fictitious girlfriend, a fake military ID, fake bills from a tailor and a jeweler, fake theater stubs. Needless to say, the military information was also entirely bogus. The Allied invasion was to take place in Sicily.

As a result, when 160,000 Allied troops invaded Sicily in 1943, they faced relatively little opposition and were able to succeed with relatively few casualties. This may well have helped to turn the tide of war in the Allies' favor.

In 1953, Montagu wrote an account of this story called *The Man Who Never Was*, which later became a film of the same name, starring Clifton Webb and Gloria Grahame, and also featured Ewen Montagu himself in a minor role. I am looking forward to the new film of this story planned for next year, starring Oscar-winner Colin Firth.

Rabbi Barry Schechter



Message From Kol Emeth's President



I am once again privileged as president of our Kol Emeth community to be able to thank all who have so generously contributed to our 2019 congregational ad book.

It is through our joint efforts such as this that serve to insure, that Kol Emeth will continue to serve our vital social and spiritual needs.

Sadly, we are currently all too aware of the gathering cloud of anti-Semitism that have once again, as they have all too often in our history, begun to gather over our people both here and abroad. We must, therefore, do whatever we can to further strengthen those institutions which have and shall continue to provide us the strength through community that has been our bulwark against those who would threaten us.

Kol Emeth has continued to thrive when, sadly, others have failed through the selfless efforts of those in our communal family who have persevered in the considerable effort of such projects as the Ad Book as well as those who generously subscribe to it. We are indeed blessed to have among us who so willingly continue to contribute their considerable creative talents and energy which so vividly represents the power that continues to support us now and will serve to propel us into a fulfilling future.

Our final season ends with Tune In Next Week: Radio's Golden Age of Mystery performed on May 18 and 19, 2019. We thank you for your continued support of our theatre company and look forward to entertaining you next season. For tickets please call the synagogue office- 847-673-3370.

With warmest regards,
Bill Raffeld, Artistic Director
Old World Theatre Company

Men's Club News



Coming August 18, 2019 trip to the Horseshoe Casino. This trip is sponsored by the Men's Club and the Sisterhood. More information forthcoming. Start saving your money.



Last Minute Ads?



Members—Get your last minute ads in to be sure to

get your EFC to go to the Culminating Event on June 30th. Join us for a dairy lunch and a trip to the Mercury Theatre to

see

Little Shop of Horrors



Sisterhood News

As most of you know, I will be handing over the Sisterhood presidency gavel to Odette Langer this year. I have been Sisterhood president and/or part of the consortium for the past 26 years.

Sisterhood is always more than one and I have been fortunate to have been part of this tremendous group of women who have been dedicated to the ideals and commitment of Sisterhood to the congregation. I thank each and everyone of you who have been on the journey with me these past years and certainly miss those who have passed away during this time but feel their presence each time I come into Kol Emeth.

It has been a pleasure to have the backing of my board all these years. Sarine Rohde has been my right hand throughout the 26 years. In addition to handling membership, all financial responsibilities, New Year greetings, book marks, and everything else sisterhood has ever done, she has truly been my behind the scenes cheerleader.

My current board has been with me for many years. Membership luncheons have been beautifully arranged by Elaine Snow and Fern Katz. Phyllis Projansky has been our Program Chair as well as our corresponding secretary. Sondra Lorig has been recording secretary and part of the Torah Fund Team with Paulette Lieb, Sandy Cochrane, Sue Mandl, and Leigh Sisk, preparing and serving our beautiful lunches. Paulette has also arranged our wonderful summer programs

and book club. Leona Katzman has been sending out our Leagrams for several years.

Our Torah Fund event this year was a huge success and once again we made our quota. Fran Hildebrandt, the region president, came in from Michigan and spoke to us about how our donations help fund the seminaries and help the students. Jenny Riddle told the story of Julie Andrews in a very entertaining character dramatization.

On May 7th the book club reviewed *Becoming* by Michelle Obama. The summer program on July 30th will be a trip to the Halim Time and Glass Museum in Evanston and on August 18th a trip to the Horseshoe casino will be sponsored jointly with the Men's Club. More information will be coming about these events.

Thank each and everyone of you who have helped me running and supporting the Sisterhood all these years. My very best to Odette and her board as she begins her journey. In conclusion, all your donations and good wishes are very much appreciated to help me celebrate all my grandchildren's simchas this month.

Sheila

THANK YOU NOTE



I would like to thank Sheila for her many years of service as sisterhood president. May your next ventures bring you much happiness, enjoyment and satisfaction.

As I consider taking over the reigns of Sisterhood president, I welcome the opportunity to move the Sisterhood forward. In looking at the present board members I see many women who are eager to consider new ideas and projects.

I am hoping that as I speak with each individual board member some will consider remaining on in their present position or taking on a new roll. In the next few months I will be sending out a letter asking for volunteers to be on the Kol Emeth Sisterhood

executive board and to be members at large.

It is my hope to significantly increase Sisterhood's support of Kol Emeth both financially and with new activities that will provide enjoyment to the membership. Increased partnership with the Men's Club will help to provide a wider range of informative lectures. Beginning in August, look for a new format to the book club.

Looking forward to the challenge and to working with the congregation.

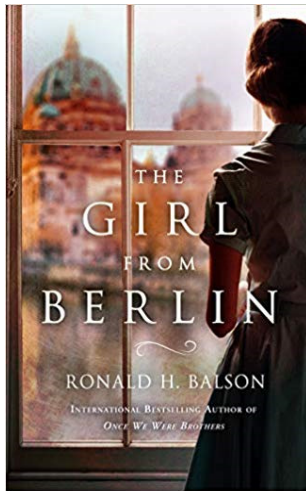
Sincerely, Odette

Sisterhood

Book Review

Tuesday, June 11th

1:30 pm



MARK YOUR
CALENDAR

June 7, 2019 – 7:40 pm Erev Shavuot
Rabbi Barry Schechter will speak on
Anti-Semitism: Right Wing and Left Wing

June 8, 2019—9:30 am Shavuot Festival
Service

June 9, 2019—9:30 am Shavuot Festival
Service and Yizkor

June 11, 2019—1:30 pm Sisterhood Book
Review

June 30, 2019—11:00 am Culminating Event ~
Dairy Lunch and trip to Mercury Theatre to
see Little Shop of Horrors

The Chicago YIVO Society and Congregation Kol Emeth present
a lecture and book signing by Professor Kirsten Fermaglich, Michigan State University



A Rosenberg By Any Other Name

Sunday, June 2, 2019 10:30 AM
Congregation Kol Emeth
5130 Touhy Avenue, Skokie

Free
and open
to the
public

Our thinking about Jewish name changing tends to focus on clichés: ambitious movie stars who adopted glamorous new names or insensitive Ellis Island officials who changed immigrants' names for them. But as Kirsten Fermaglich elegantly reveals, the real story is much more profound.

Kirsten Fermaglich is Associate Professor of History and Jewish Studies at Michigan State University. She is the author of *American Dreams and Nazi Nightmares* (2006), co-editor of the Norton Critical Edition of Betty Friedan, *The Feminine Mystique* (2013), and co-editor of the journal *American Jewish History*.

Presented in memory of Ernie Smolen z"l by Renee and Dr. Elliot Roth.

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Coming This Summer



Line Dancing

Starting July
9th

First Class FREE

Additional classes \$3 for members and
children under age 13. \$5 for non-members

July 9, 2019

July 23, 2019

August 6, 2019

August 20, 2019

September 3, 2019

September 17, 2019



Ice Cream Social

Watch for
information.



Congregation Kol Emeth is proud to be a
member of the United Synagogue of
Conservative Judaism.

Rummage Sale

Save the Date

**Sunday August
11, 2019**



9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

We will be presenting a fun event for members, non-members, and the community to attend. Please start bringing in your donations, the more we have to offer the better! Bring all your unwanted and gently loved items to CKE. Please call the CKE office to make arrangements for dropping off any donations [847-673-3370](tel:847-673-3370) or email us at office@kolemethskokie.org. All proceeds will benefit CKE. Tax receipts will be provided if requested upon delivery of donated items; it is the donors responsibility to itemize and value the items for tax purposes.

Items that may be donated (some examples):

Collectibles, Knick-knacks	Purses and Clothing*
Costume Jewelry	Toys & Games**
Art deco items	Kitchen items
Paintings and Sculpture	Small Furnishings and
Antiques & Curios	Lamps
Hand tools– Rust Free***	Books
Works of Art	

*Must be in excellent condition and clean

**Must be complete and in good condition

***Especially Needed

Items that may NOT be donated:

Food	Bedding
Stuffed animals	Computers & Other
Shoes & Boots	Electronics
Socks & Underwear	Electric Tools

August 11th is fast approaching and we are urgently in need of many volunteers for this event. We will need people to help wherever they can for however much time they are available. We especially need people from 7am -9am to set up! Please let us know!

If you are interested in getting involved, please let us know in the Synagogue office.

*Set-up volunteers *Clean-up volunteers *Security *Cashiers

And MANY MANY MORE!



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Martin and Ann Moltz
Joshua Orlan and Reni Garman

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Ned and Teri Chamlin
Don and Roberta Charous
Barry and Sharon Curtis
Steven and Amy Elizer
Irv and Rita Federman
Roger and Trudye Fischhoff
Norman and Joyce Leeds
Jeffrey and Ann Mallow
Harriet and Jacob Reifer
Bob and Dawn Rosen

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Sharon Abelman
Barney Berlin
Beatrice Berlin
Beverlee Bernstein
Ruth Bittner
Eunice Bloomenkranz
Ned Chamlin
Rachel Dunn
Vivianna Garbaty-Smith
Jo Ann Greenblatt
Paul Helman
Gail Myers Jaffe
Paulette Lieb
Florie Meron
Zelda Rich
Micki Ross
Lois Schmidt
Leigh Sisk
Aaron Snowsky
Lorraine Trachtenberg



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

David Arieti
Leona Boris
Gabriel Elizer
Shirley Lanoff
Ann Mallow
Michael Okmin
Jacob Orlan
Harriet Reifer
Marion Shrifter
Mishka Snowsky
Brian Weiner
Linda Wolff



Membership Dues covers only about 1/3 of the cost of operating Congregation Kol Emeth. These are some of the ways that you can help to be sure that Congregation Kol Emeth can continue to meet the needs of our members and the community for years to come.

Sponsor a Kiddish or an Oneg Shabbat. Call 847-673-3370 to make arrangements. 2 weeks notice is appreciated in order to give you the most choices possible.

Support fund raisers such as:

- Reserve Fund Replenishment
- Annual Rummage Sale
- Holiday Craft Fair

Synagogue Wall Recognition

- Memorial Plaque
- Tree of Life—acorn, leaf, or rock

Books, Ads, and Listings

- Shabbat and Festival Prayer Book
- Etz Hayim Chumash
- High Holiday Prayer Books
- HaKol Thank Yous
- Ad Book
- Book of Remembrance

Letters and Remembrances*

- Yahrzeit Donations
- Donations upon the death of a friend or family member
- Get well wishes
- Mazel tov on a life cycle or special event

*Except for your own yahrzeits letters are sent to acknowledge your donation to friends and family members in their honor or the memory of a loved one

General Donations

Get
Well
Soon



Jane Halpert
Leona Katzman
Ron Orlean



Robert Rohde – I want to thank everyone for my Leagrams, phone calls and cards to help me celebrate my birthday. I can't tell you how much all this meant to me. I really appreciate it. Thank you to one and all.

CONDOLENCES

To the family of J. Herman Sitrick,
long time friend of CKE



David Schimel and Susan Schnapp
on the passing of their father, long
time congregant, Sam Schimel



To Joel and Barbara Falk on their new home

To Sheila Wexler on the graduation of 5
grandchildren from college



Larry and Vicki Rabyne on their
daughter, Jeri's, graduation from law
school

Mike and Iris Okmin on the graduation of their
granddaughter, Alexa, from high school

Mazel
Tov!

Mike and Iris Okmin on the Bar Mitzvah
of their grandson, Nathan

Bob and Sarine Rohde on the Bat
Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Sara

Lisa Garbaty and Thomas Smith
on the birth of their grandson



Derrick and Stacey Cork on the
birth of their son

PAC COMMITTEE UPDATES



Watch for the 2019—2020—5780 Schedule of
holidays and Shabbat Dinners

Odette Langer—Thank you to everyone who
thought to send me Leagrams for my birthday. It
helped to make it very special

Robert and Sarine Rohde—Thank you to everyone
who sent letters, cards, phone calls and gifts in
honor of our granddaughter Sarah's Bat Mitzvah.
She did great and it was a wonderful event. We
really appreciate it.

Summer is almost here...

High Holidays are close behind

Now is the time to:

- Renew your membership in CKE
- Join CKE and get the benefits of membership starting even before the High Holidays
- Make sure that we have correct mailing information
- Mark your calendars for the High Holidays

Selichot:

September 21, 2019

Rosh Hashanah:

September 29, 30 & October 1

Yom Kippur:

October 8 & 9

YAHREZEIT DONATIONS
March 6, 2019—May 20, 2019



Maurice and Eve Alfille
Samantha Allinson
Nata Andinysh
Sandy Attanasio
Leonard and Diane Balter
Nissin and Olema Behar
Isaac and Tamila Bekker
Berta Benhabib
George and Judy Blinick
Rich Bloom and Micki Ross
Eunice Bloomenkranz
Ned and Teri Chamlin
Don and Roberta Charous
Maureen Cohen
Len Colen
Rick Daitchman
Sheldon and Lois Eisenberg
Helene Ellis
Harold Finkelstein
Robert and Sandy Frankenbush
Scott and Amy Gilbert
Bernard and Ruth Gildin

David Goldberg
Francis Grego
Jane Halpert
Elaine Helig
Rosalie Isaacson
Marlene Iser
Bill and Betty Klein
Howard Korey and Sharon Pomerantz
Shayna Kreslya
Odette Langer
Shirley Lanoff
Allen Lefkowitz
Kenny and Marcy Levin
Edward and Lauren Levy
Michael and Ludmila Livshultz
Rita Loew
Jeffry and Ann Mallow
Manuel B. Martinez
Ellen Marchi
Martin and Ann Moltz

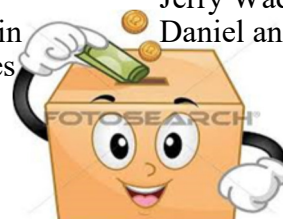
Diane Mulkerin
Michael and Iris Okmin
Sahalee Price
Bill Raffeld
Harriet and Jacob Reifer
Marilyn Rogoff
Robert and Sarine Rohde
Richard and Denise Rosen
Jean Rosenblum
Ron Roth
Fran Rubin
Lois Schwartz
Thomas Smith and Lisa Garbaty
Richard and Elaine Snow
Steven and Maxine Sukernik
Perry and Susan Weinraub
Charlene Urow
Arnie and Susie vander Nat
Phyllis Victorson
Brian Weiner and Rivka Coren-Weiner
Linda Wolff
Daniel and Eleanor Zeff

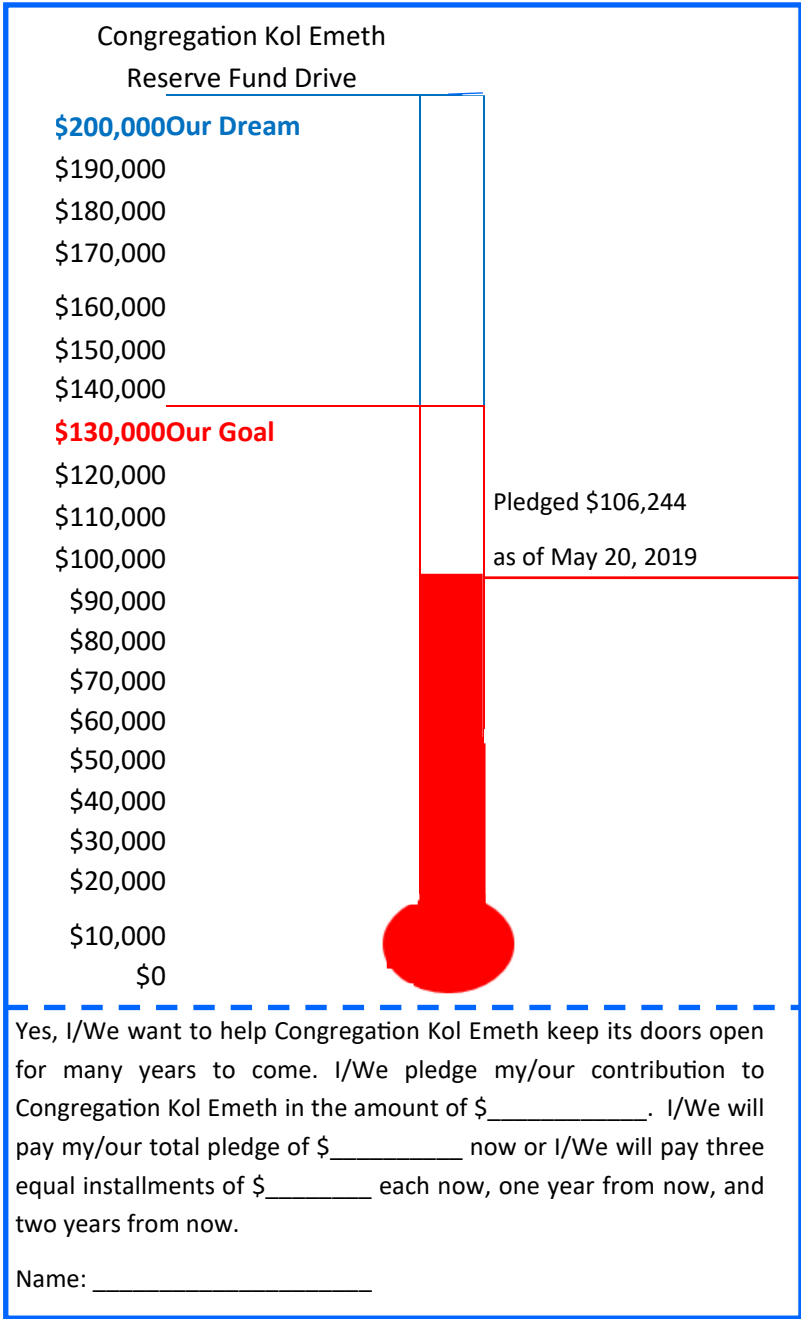
GENERAL DONATIONS
March 6, 2019—May 20, 2019

Lester Ascher
Maurice and Eve Alfille
Sandy Attanasio
Nissan and Olema Behar
Isaac and Tamila Bekker
Eunice Bloomenkranz
Ned and Teri Chamlin
Don and Roberta Charous
Len Colen
Bill Dunn and Jennifer Blitz
Sheldon and Lois Eisenberg
Steven and Amy Elizer
Helene Ellis
Joel and Sally Feder
Elissa Feldman-Curth
Bernard and Ruth Gilden
Howard and Carol Gopman

Linda Green
Jane Halpert
Rosalie Isaacson
Stephen and Gail Myers Jaffe
Irv and Ellen Kahn
Bernard and Fern Katz
Steven Klaiman
Stephen and Gail Myers Jaffe
Bill and Betty Klein
Phillip and Lois Kupritz
Odette Langer
Shirley Lanoff
Marda LeBeau
Paulette Lieb
Jeffry and Ann Mallow
Eileen Medansaky
Michael and Iris Okmin
Rocio Palma Cervantes

Larry and Deborah Prentiss
Sahalee Price
Bill Raffeld
Marilyn Rogoff
Bob and Sarine Rohde
Herb and Joyce Root
Jean Rosenblum
Ron Roth
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Thomas Smith and Lisa Garabaty
Charles Strulovich
Lorraine Trachtenberg
Charlene Urow
Arnie and Susie vander Nat
Phyllis Victorson
Jerry Wadro and Bernie Perlstein
Daniel and Eleanor Zeff





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THE FESTIVAL OF
SHAVUOT

begins in the evening of

Saturday, June 8, 2019

7:40 p.m.

Coffee & Cheesecake will be served

Festival Service followed by a

Shavuot Lecture by:

**Rabbi Barry
Schechter**

**Anti-Semitism:
Right Wing and
Left Wing**

Everyone welcome Please make reservations!

Respond by E-Mail: barryschus@aol.com

Or Phone: 847-673-3370

Festival Service

Sunday, June 9th at 9:30 a.m.

Monday, June 10th at 9:30 a.m. YIZKOR



Congregation Kol Emeth
Invites you to attend
Our annual culminating event

Little Shop of Horrors

Sunday, June 30, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

Dairy Buffet Brunch at Congregation Kol Emeth
5130 W. Touhy Avenue, Skokie

Followed by a matinee performance
of the Tony Award winning musical



Mercury Theatre
3745 N. Southport, Chicago
Coach bus to / from the theatre will be provided *

Doors open - 11:00 a.m.

Brunch served - 11:30 p.m.

Raffle - 12:30 p.m.

Depart for Theatre - 1:30 p.m.

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS - 3:00 p.m.

Arrive back to CKE around - 5:45 p.m

Members \$100 ~ Non-members and Guests \$125 Call the office for EFC information.

**We look forward to sharing an afternoon of good food,
superb entertainment, and great company!**

SHABBAT, MINYAN, AND SHAVUOT
SERVICE SCHEDULE

May 24 Service at 8:00 pm
Followed by an Oneg Shabbat

May 25 Service at 9:30 am
Followed by a light kiddush

May 26 Sunday Morning Minyan 9:15 am

May 31 Service at 8:00 pm
Followed by an Oneg Shabbat

June 1 Service at 9:30 am
Followed by a light kiddush

June 2 Sunday Morning Minyan 9:15 am

June 7 Service at 8:00 pm
Followed by an Oneg Shabbat

June 8 Service at 9:30 am
Followed by a light kiddush

June 8 Shavuot Festival Service 7:40 pm
Rabbi Barry Schechter Shavuot Lecture
Anti-Semitism: Right Wing Left Wing
Followed by traditional dairy deserts

June 9 Shavuot Festival Service 9:30 am

June 10 Shavuot Festival Service 9:30 am
Yizkor will be recited

June 14 Service at 8:00 pm
Followed by an Oneg Shabbat

June 15 Service at 9:30 am
Followed by a light kiddush

June 16 Sunday Morning Minyan 9:15 am

June 21 Service at 8:00 pm
Followed by an Oneg Shabbat

June 22 Service at 9:30 am
Followed by a light kiddush

June 23 Sunday Morning Minyan 9:15 am

June 28 Service at 8:00 pm
Followed by an Oneg Shabbat

June 29 Service at 9:30 am
Followed by a light kiddush

June 30 Sunday Morning Minyan 9:15 am



CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES

May 24, 2019	7:53 pm
May 31, 2017	7:59 pm
June 7, 2019	8:04 pm
June 8, 2019 Shavuot	9:15 pm
June 9, 2019 Shavuot	9:16 pm
June 14, 2019	8:08 pm
June 21, 2019	8:10 pm
June 28, 2019	8:11 pm



BRING PEACE TO YOUR HOUSE AND
TO ALL OF ISREAL



We are pleased to announce that our new camera security system and access control/intercom system are up and running. There are 8 exterior

cameras as well as 17 on the lower level and 5 upstairs.

The next issue of HaKol will be for (July/August 2019). All contributing articles are welcome. Please hand in all articles by June 19, 2019 to langer50@gmail.com

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