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HaKol

Congregation Kol Emeth

The Voice of

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Message From The Rabbi



Many years ago, a Rabbi who wrote for the Sentinel, a Jewish Newspaper we used to have in Chicago, was asked a question: "Rabbi, I will be on a business trip during the holidays, and I will

be too busy to attend synagogue for Yiskor. But I want to say a prayer for my late parents. Could I stay in my hotel room and play a recording of Yizkor? The Rabbi replied: I think G-d would know that it was a recording.

We can now communicate, consult, make decisions, do all kinds of things, without any face-to-face contact. Our computers, phones, iPhones, iPads, iPods, and heaven knows what other instruments, can be used to call, fax, e-mail, text friends, associates, business partners, rivals, people we have never met and will never know, people whose names we do not even know.

Much of this marks a wonderful leap forward to technology. Access to knowledge has been multiplied a million-fold. The homebound who are unable to move can reach out and learn and teach and talk to friends, teachers, students. I know of a Hebrew class conducted on the internet, where the teacher is in Israel, one student in Chicago, another in the Philippines etc.

But at the same time, there are some activities that cannot, should not be conducted this way. We cannot e-mail G-d. We cannot text G-d. There are no technological shortcuts to prayer. For this we must and should do what we have always done: come together as a community, as a family, pray together, for ourselves, for each other, see each other, greet each other *in person*, feel each other's presence. Especially at this time in history, when we are concerned about our world, our political life, the fate of Israel, it is important that we come together physically and lift our spirits.

This we shall do on Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur at our beloved Kol Emeth. I look forward to being with you at that time and greeting you in person. Julie and I wish all of you a healthy, happy, blessed 5779.

SELICHOT SERVICES
Saturday, September 1st
Reception—9:00 pm

Service—10:00 pm



Message From Kol Emeth's President



I am honored to be asked to extend a few thoughts for HaKol. I suspect that we are all aware that the cycle of our religious year is drawing to its conclusion. As the days grow shorter we approach both a culmination and a new

beginning that High Holidays so meaningfully represent. In this, we renew our continuity with generations past and help insure that our future will be secure. In respect to this our Kol Emeth weekly Sabbath services continue to both nurture and inspire us.

On Friday evening and again on Saturday morning we gather together, led by our splendid Rabbi Schechter, to reaffirm in word and song our ageless heritage. Each Sabbath, we greet old friends and new in our journey through the months. Our services are both welcoming and inspiring by the unfailing warmth of our rabbi. All are valued no matter their background or ability.

In a sense our Sabbaths recapitulate our ancient forty year sojourn through the wilderness, wandering from one resting spot to another. In this respect, our weekly services can be likened to an oasis at which we can rest and renew ourselves before moving on. Our Sabbaths are in some ways similar but in other respects quite unique but all can be a respite and a source of spiritual renewal.

I look forward to greeting everyone in our Kol Emeth family at the Holidays this month but would love to see many on a more regular basis. As it is often said. "Don't be a Stranger!"

Welcome Cantor Zachary Mondrow



Hazzen Mondrow comes to us with an extensive background. You will find his baritone voice most enchanting. He has a Masters in Sacred Music and a Diploma of Hazzen from the

Jewish Theological Seminary. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Music from Kalamazoo College.

Cantor Mondrow has also performed outside of his synagogue duties. In 2012 he performed with the Cantor's Assembly Mission to Germany and Israel. On July 4th, in Herkulessaal, he sang "If Ever I would Leave You" from Camelot and at the Berlin National Concert Hall, Friday Night Services, he sang "Adon Olam." During the 2010 Cantor's Assembly to Poland and Israel, Hazzen Mondrow performed at the National Yiddish Theatre of Warsaw. His vocal performances can be heard on utube.

We welcome Cantor Zachary Mondrow and look forward to hearing him on the High Holidays.



Sisterhood News

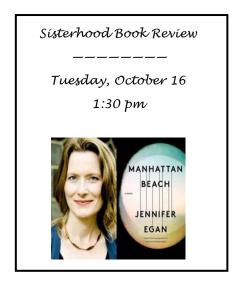


Our summer program at the Botanic Gardens was a real treat for those who joined us. The gardens were in full bloom and, as an attraction, we viewed the extraordinary exhibit of Penelope Gottlieb's art work.

The annual Membership Luncheon will be October 11th and you will be receiving your invitation and details shortly. We look forward to our joint evening with the Men's Club November 13th. Be sure to send in your New Year Greeting info to Sarine before August 31st.

As Conservative Judaism enters its second century, the Torah Fund pin represents the future, Atid. My wish for the future year is for everyone to have a year of good health and a year filled with many blessings for you and your families.

Sheila Wexler



Men's Club News



The Men's Club, led by Larry Rabyne, has provided us with many wonderful activities this past year. He has worked diligently to bring to our membership a variety of activities that would please a variety of tastes.

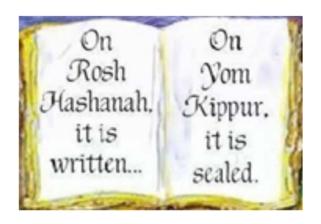
If you have any suggestions or ideas for future events or you would like to make a presentation do not hesitate to contact Larry at larryrabyne@sbcglobal.net. He is always open to ideas and suggestions.

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK LARRY



The Old World Theatre Company will be having its Meet and Greet on the evening of September 26th. The event is free and will give everyone a chance to meet the players for the upcoming season and to find out what great plays will be presented for your enjoyment.

Your support of the OLD WORLD THEATRE COMPANY, directed by our very own Bill Raffeld, also helps support CKE.





From the Editor's Desk

I would like to thank everyone who volunteered to help at the many events we had this year. Without your continued help the events would not have been as successful as they were. When you see a call for volunteers in the weekly email pick up the phone and volunteer. All we ask is that you give an hour or two of your time to the person coordinating the event. Many hands produce successful events.

Sanctuary seats are being reupholstered and new padding has been added to the seats making sitting comfortable and supportive. This is another step to making attending services more enjoyable.

We will also have a new sukkah this Sukkot. Age has taken its toll on the old one. The new sukkah has a window, is easy to assemble and requires no tools.

Thanks to all who contributed to the rummage sale. Although we did not make as much as last year the amount will be used to benefit the members of CKE. Next year, we hope to increase the types of merchandise sold. Among things that will be needed are tools and any items or gadgets that men might be interested in buying. Jewelry was a big seller, so don't throw away the costume jewelry you no longer want, save them for the next rummage sale.

As our year comes to a close, let us remember the past year with fond memories of good times, the family and friends that shared our lives, the wishes that came true and the mitzvahs that brought us joy and happiness. The loved ones who are no longer with us will always be in our hearts as we remember the love, joy and good times that were shared.

As the old year ends, let us pray that the "gate closes" on the anger, violence and hatred that has become so prevalent in our world. I wish you all a year of peace, health and happiness.

Shona Tova, Odette





Jeffry and Ann Mallow – We wish to, belatedly, thank all of you who so kindly sent us Leagrams in June for our birthdays and anniversary. Ann and Jeffry Mallow.



GENERAL DONATIONS July 14 — August 28, 2018

Sandy and John Cochrane
David Goldberg
Howard and Carol Gopman
Stephen and Gail Myers Jaffe
Brian Katzman
Leona Katzman
Jeffry and Ann Mallow
Michael and Iris Okmin
Larry and Vicki Rabyne
William Raffeld



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Susan Ballin
Helene Ellis
Blanche Feldman
Julie Foreman
Meryl Goldman-Wise
Fabiana Goodman
Herbert Heller
Hersch M. Klaff
William Klein
Sondra Lorig
Howard Mandell
Lynda Orlean
Larry Rabyne
Thomas Smith

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Lester Ascher
Howard Bernstein
John Burns
Ronald Cooper
Barbara Eres
Neil Handelman
Sheldon Mandell
Judy Mazor
Janine Oberrotman
Josh Orlan
Lois Schwartz
Andra Snowsky
Mitchel Sweig
Daniel Zeff



YAHRZEIT DONATIONS July 14—August 28, 2018

Nata Andinysh Howard and Beverlee Bernstein Ned and Teri Chamlin Helene Ellis Elisa and Michael Helford Brian Katzman Leona Katzman William and Betty Klein Sunnie Levin Jav and Susan Mandell Gloria Manus Wendy Mitchell Jerry and Trudy Myers Herman and Ruth Nussbaum Mike and Iris Okmin **Dmitriy** and Irina Polevoy Larry and Vicki Rabyne William Raffeld Bob and Sarine Rohde Lora Sattler and Randall Diner Lois Schwartz Jerry Wadro and Bernie Perlstein Brian Weiner and Rivka Coren-Weiner



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Bill Dunn and Jennifer Blitz
Ellis & Gillian Goodman
Dr. Paul Helman and Ruth Bittner
Michael and Donna Puccini
Larry and Vicki Rabyne
Mishka and Andra Snowsky
Barry and Patricia Weiss

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Ronald and Lynda Orlean Howard and Beverlee Bernstein Howard and Sandra Mandell



Brian Katzman Phyllis Sherman Neil Siegel

Mazel Tov to Len Colen on his grandson's graduation





Congratulations to George and Judy Blinick on their 65th wedding anniversary and on their 50th year of being members of Congregation Kol Emeth. We all wish

you both, many more years of togetherness and happiness.





Mazel Tov to Howard and Florie Meron on the birth of their granddaughter.



David Arieti Scott Katz Dan Aronson Brian Katzman Bettina Birkner Leona Katzman George Blinick Odette Langer Judy Blinick Ann Mallow Jennifer Blitz Jeffry Mallow John Cochrane Mike Okmin Sandy Cochrane Josh Orlan Esther Peven Len Colen Joel Falk Larry Rabyne Elissa Feldman-Curth Vicki Rabyne Roger Fischoff Bill Raffeld Lisa Garbaty Bob Rohde Yona Gelfand Herb Root Alex Grunberg Bob Rosen Dawn Rosen Dr. Paul Helman Bernard Katz Ron Roth Fern Katz Sam Sulaka



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



Besides sponsoring an Oneg or a Kiddush and general donations you can support Congregation Kol Emeth by purchasing any of the following:

- Shabbat and Festival Prayerbook
 - Etz Hayim Chumash
 - High Holiday Prayer Books
- Tree of Life acorn, leaf, or rock
 - Memorial Plaque Or by making
 - Good Will Donations
 - Yahrzeit Donations



If you would like to sponsor a Kiddush or Oneg Shabbat please call Judy in the Synagogue office at 847-673-3370 to find out more details and make arrangements. You may partner with one or more other people to sponsor an Oneg or Kiddush. We need to have at least 2 weeks notice prior to any sponsorship in order to get the appropriate food ordered. Payment for any sponsorship is also due at least 2 weeks prior to the event.

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Schedule of High Holiday Services 2018-5779

SELICHOT SERVICES – SATURDAY, September 1 Reception	9·00 PM	
Services1	0:00 PM	
ROSH HASHANAH SERVICES Sunday September 9 Monday, September 10 Tuesday September 11	9:00 AM	
YOM KIPPUR SERVICES Tuesday, September 18	6:15 DM	
Doors OpenKol Nidre	.6:45 PM	
Wednesday September 19	9:00 AM	
Concluding Services		
MINCHASHOFAR		
SUKKOT		
Monday, September 24		
SHEMINI ATZERET Monday, October 1YIZKOR will be recited	.9:30 AM	
SIMCHAT TORAH		
Monday October 1 Tuesday, October 2		

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT JUDY IN THE CKE OFFICE 847-673-3370 office@kolemethskokie.org

SHABBAT AND MINYAN SERVICE SCHEDULE SEE PAGE 7 FOR THE SELICHOT AND HIGH HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

September 1 Followed by a light ki	Service at 9:30 am
September 2 Sunda	ay Morning Minyan 9:15 am
September 7 Followed by an Oneg	Service at 8:00 pm Shabbat
September 8 Followed by a light ki	Service at 9:30 am
September 9 Sunda	ay Morning Minyan 9:15 am
September 14 Followed by an Oneg	Service at 8:00 pm Shabbat
September 15 Followed by a light ki	Service at 9:30 am
September 16 Sund	ay Morning Minyan 9:15 am
September 21 Followed by an Oneg	Service at 8:00 pm Shabbat
September 22 Followed by a light ki	Service at 9:30 am
·	ay Morning Minyan 9:15 am
September 28 Followed by an Oneg	Service at 8:00 pm
September 29 Followed by a light ki	Service at 9:30 am
September 30 Sunda	ay Morning Minyan 9:15 am
October 5 Followed by an Oneg	Service at 8:00 pm Shabbat
October 6 Followed by a light ki	Service at 9:30 am
October 7 Sunday	Morning Minyan 9:15 am
October 12 Followed by an Oneg	Service at 8:00 pm Shabbat
October 13 Followed by a light ki	Service at 9:30 am
	ay Morning Minyan 9:15 am
October 19 Followed by an Oneg	Service at 8:00 pm
October 20 Followed by a light ki	Service at 9:30 am
October 21 Sunday	Morning Minyan 9:15 am
October 26	Service at 6:15 pm at dinner. Info. to follow.
October 27 Followed by a light ki	Service at 9:30 am
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Sunday Morning Minyan 9:15 am

October 28



CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES

September 7, 2018	6:54 pm	
Rosh Hashanah	-	
September 9, 2018	6:50 pm	
September 10, 2018	7:51 pm	
September 14, 2018	6:42 pm	
Yom Kippur	-	
September 18, 2018	6:35 pm	
September 21, 2018	6:30 pm	
Sukkot	-	
September 23, 2018	6:26 pm	
September 24, 2018	7:26 pm	
September 28, 2018	6:17 pm	
Shemini Atzeret		
September 30, 2018	6:14 pm	
October 1, 2018	7:13 pm	
October 5, 2018	6:05 pm	
October 12, 2018	5:54 pm	
October 19, 2018	5:43 pm	
October 26, 2018	5:33 pm	
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The next issue of HaKol (November/December 2018) will come out November 1st. All contributing articles are welcome. All articles must be in no later than October 15, 2018. Please send to langero50@gmail.com.

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