

The Clarion



Temple B'nai Emet

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HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES

2018

CONDUCTED BY RABBI SHELDON PENNES & STEVEN KAYE

SELIHOT SERVICE - Saturday, September 1, 2018 - 9:00 P.M.

ROSH HASHANAH

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| Evening | Sun. | Sept. 9 th | 7:00 P.M. |
| First Day | Mon. | Sept. 10 th | 9:00 A.M. |
| Second Day | Tues. | Sept. 11 th | 9:00 A.M. |

SUKKOT SERVICES

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| First Day | Mon. | Sept. 24 th | 9:30 A.M. |
| Shabbat | Fri. | Sept. 28 th | 7:00 P.M. |
| Shabbat | Sat. | Sept. 29 th | 9:30 A.M. |

SHABBAT SHUVAH

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| Evening | Fri. | Sept. 14 th | 7:00 P.M. |
| Morning | Sat. | Sept. 15 th | 9:30 A.M. |

SHEMINI ATZERES

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| Morning | Mon. | Oct. 1 st | 9:30 A.M. |
| Yizkor | Mon. | Oct. 1 st | 10:45 A.M. |

KOL NIDRE

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| Evening | Tues. | Sept. 18 th | 6:20 P.M. |
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SIMCHAS TORAH

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| Torah Parade | Mon. | Oct. 1 st | 7:00 P.M. |
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YOM KIPPUR

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| Morning | Wed. | Sept. 19 th | 9:00 A.M. | Mincha | Wed. | Sept. 19 th | 4:45 P.M. |
| Sermon | Wed. | Sept. 19 th | 11:30 A.M. | Ne'ilah | Wed. | Sept. 19 th | 6:15 P.M. |
| Yizkor | Wed. | Sept. 19 th | 12:30 P.M. | Maariv | Wed. | Sept. 19 th | 7:00 P.M. |
| Musaf | Wed. | Sept. 19 th | 1:30 P.M. | Sound Shofar | Wed. | Sept. 19 th | 7:30 P.M. |
| Rest Period | Wed. | Sept. 19 th | 3:00 P.M. | | | | |

FROM THE RABBI

Shalom Haverim,

Greetings to all of you, members and friends of Temple B'nai Emet. On August 12th we will welcome the new month, Elul. Elul is also known as the month preceding Tishrei, the month of Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur and Sukkot; the month of the High Holidays.

We have a long-standing tradition that the letters of “Elul”, (in Hebrew) Aleph, Lamed, Vav, and Lamed, stand for the words: I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine. These words are found in the Bible in the book called the Song of Songs (6:3).

Elul is a wonderful month. Although it has no holy days to celebrate, in a sense every day is a holy day and the entire month is infused with a feeling of growing spiritual exaltation.

Though never singled out for mention in the Torah, rabbinic Judaism endowed Elul with this special significance by making the entire month an introduction and time of preparation for the Yamim Noraim, the Days of Awe that will soon follow in the month of Tishrei.

We cannot simply enter the High Holiday period or the doors of our temple with no preparation and expect it to be meaningful. The interpretation given to the very name of the month, Elul, says it all. Just who is the “beloved” in the verse from Song of Songs? At this time of the year the Rabbis understand this to be God.

Elul, then, becomes the time when we make the attempt to come close to God, to establish that relationship of intimacy, of mutual belonging, of fulfillment of the love that we are to have for God and God has for us, as expressed so well in the love poetry of Song of Songs. The rabbis understood this book as teaching that our ideal relationship to God can only be understood when compared to the love between partners in a relationship.

The Days of Awe are predicated on the concept that human beings are endowed with free will and are responsible for their actions. Therefore, they can choose to do evil or choose to do good. They have the possibility of change and are not doomed to continue the negative habits that cause us to act against our own best interests. That is a fundamental principle of Judaism, taught in the very first stories of Genesis – Adam and Eve, Cain and Abel.

The ancient rabbis took the New Month (Rosh Hodesh) of Tishrei – the seventh month of the year – and turned it into a time in which we celebrate our ability to choose and our ability to change, emphasizing the responsibility we have for our own choices and actions. The month Elul, is an introduction to that concept, for

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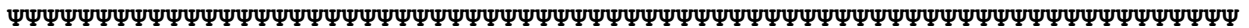
unless one recognizes what one has done wrong and seeks forgiveness for it, change is impossible.

As we confront a new year, we begin to think of what lies ahead – and one never knows what that might be. Uncertainty breeds concern and or fear.

The month of Elul gives us the opportunity to grapple with these feelings, of accepting responsibility for those things that are within our control, namely our own actions, of seeing how we can improve and, most of all, of moving closer to a loving relationship the source of our creation which will help us to deal with our fears of facing life’s challenges.

So, as we enter into Elul, this month preceding the Holidays, let’s each us begin the process of Heshbon Hanefesh, literally, making an “Accounting of the Soul” or an evaluation of ourselves. Hopefully, when Rosh Hashana is upon us, we will have already begun the process of repentance, that is, returning to our best selves.

Your Rabbi



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The High Holidays are just around the corner, and it is time to begin thinking about seats and High Holiday pledges.

All seats are in the main sanctuary. If you want a specific area of the sanctuary, please contact Val and she will assist you, otherwise seats will be assigned as payments come in. Seats for Temple B’nai Emet members are **\$60.00**. For Non-Members seats are **\$100.00**



FROM YOUR BOARD

Summer is almost gone and the High Holidays will be upon us very soon. The last Clarion had all the forms for holiday greetings, aliyas, and pledges. Val in the office sent out membership renewals at the beginning of July. If you need the forms just call the office or come in and Val will give them to you. Remember, if your list of names for pledges (in honor of or memory of) is the same as last year you can call Val and tell her and you won't have to send in the form.

If you haven't paid your dues, please send them in. As mentioned previously, the dues do not pay all our bills, but they help. If you aren't a member consider joining and attending services. You will not only find new friends, but you will help the temple continue providing services. Sending tributes is a wonderful way to honor family and friends. Because we ask only a \$3 minimum for a tribute, it is decidedly much cheaper than a card from the store and you brighten someone's day!

All our services include a prayer list for those who are ill. If you want a family member or friend's name included in the Mishaberach, which is read at all services, just call the office and Val will include it in the list. Once the person is well, let the office know and their name will be removed from the list. There is no set charge for this—but a donation of your choosing will be greatly appreciated.

We want to remind everyone we could use a couple more Board members. The only requirement is that you are a paid member and you can come in the third Thursday of the month. We want and need other opinions on what we need to do going forth. Please consider joining our Board.

We hope to see you at High Holiday services and the luncheon after Rosh Hashana. L'Shana Tova from your Board.

MINYON THANKS

Thanks to the following for their generous donations for saying Kaddish-El Moley Rachamim on the yorzeit for their beloved ones and prayers for the sick. Also, if needed, the Minyan will say Kaddish for the first year for a donation of \$150.00. If anything is needed from the Minyan, please do not hesitate to call the Temple Office (323) 721-7064.

Mr. & Mrs. Norman Kirschenbaum

In memory of Samuel Arak

Mr. Louie Hasson

In memory of Rita Rica Levey



TEMPLE B'NAI EMET TRIBUTE FUND.....

Send a thoughtful card to a friend or relative for any and all occasions. ALL contributions further the support of our Temple. WE NEED AND WELCOME YOUR SUPPORT.... Val Cook **323/721-7064**.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Avi Kister – on your Graduation from high school. From Judi Tefft.

GET WELL WISHES TO:

Mr. Myron Himel – From Marcy Green, Sandy and Jon Olesen.

Mr. Donald Himel – From Marcy Green, Sandy and Jon Olesen.

CONDOLENCES TO:

The Brewer Family – on the loss of Jim’s sister Carolyn. From Marcy Green, Sandy and Jon Olesen.



CHUCKLES

Growing up Jewish

If you are Jewish and grew up in city with a large Jewish population, the following will invoke heartfelt memories.

The Yiddish word for today is PULKES (PUHL-kees). Translation: THIGHS.

Please note: this word has been traced back to the language of one of the original Tribes of Israel , the Cellulites.

The only good advice that your Jewish mother gave you was: “Go! You might meet somebody!”

You grew up thinking it was normal for someone to shout “Are you okay?” through the bathroom door when you were in there longer than 3 minutes.

Your family dog responded to commands in Yiddish.

Every Saturday morning your father went to the neighborhood deli (called an “*appetizing store*”) for whitefish salad, whitefish “chubs”, lox (nova if you were rich!), herring, corned beef, roast beef, cole slaw, potato salad, a 1/2-dozen huge barrel pickles which you reached into the brine for, a dozen assorted bagels, cream cheese and rye bread (sliced while he waited). All of which would be strictly off-limits until Sunday morning.

Every Sunday afternoon was spent visiting your grandparents and/or other relatives.

You experienced the phenomenon of 50 people fitting into a 10-foot-wide dining room hitting each other with plastic plates trying to get to a deli tray.

You had at least one female relative who penciled on eyebrows which were always asymmetrical.

You thought pasta was stuff used exclusively for Kugel and kasha with bowties.

You were as tall as your grandmother by the age of seven.

You were as tall as your grandfather by age seven and a half.

You never knew anyone whose last name didn’t end in one of 5 standard suffixes (berg, baum, man, stein and witz).

You were surprised to discover that wine doesn’t always taste like cranberry sauce.

You can look at gefilte fish and not turn green.

CHUCKLES CONT.

When your mother smacked you really hard, she continued to make you feel bad for hurting her hand.

You can understand Yiddish but you can't speak it.

You know how to pronounce numerous Yiddish words and use them correctly in context, yet you don't know exactly what they mean.

Kaynahurra.

You're still angry at your parents for not speaking both Yiddish and English to you when you were a baby.

You have at least one ancestor who is somehow related to your spouse's ancestor.

You thought speaking loud was normal.

You considered your Bar or Bat Mitzvah a "Get Out of Hebrew School Free" card.

You think eating half a jar of dill pickles is a wholesome snack.

You're compelled to mention your grandmother's "steel cannonballs" upon seeing fluffy matzo balls served at restaurants.

You buy 3 shopping bags worth of hot bagels on every trip to Stamford Hill or Edgware and carefully *shlep* them home like glassware. (Or, if you live near Chigwell, Manchester or another Jewish city hub, you drive 2 or 3 hours just to buy a dozen "real" bagels.) Western Bagel and Brent's in the San Fernando Valley . Factor's or Canter's deli in West L.A.

Your mother or grandmother took personal pride when a Jew was noted for some accomplishment (showbiz, medicine, politics, etc.) and was ashamed and embarrassed when a Jew was accused of a crime as if they were relatives.

You thought only non-Jews went to sleep-away colleges. Jews went to city schools... unless they had scholarships or made an Ivy League school.

And finally, you knew that Sunday night and the night after any Jewish holiday was designated for Chinese food.

Zei gezunt!!

CONTRIBUTIONS

YORZEITS

Eleanore Smith
In memory of Genevieve
Mrs. Beverly Weiss
In memory of Benjamin Waldman
Mrs. Zippy Gilman
In memory of Harry Horberg
Mrs. Marion Barsky
In memory of Howard Barsky
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In memory of David Feuerstein
& Melvin Harris
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In memory of Harry Avirom
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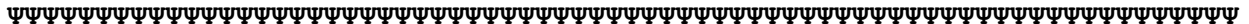
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Lou & Bea Danoff
Mrs. Jackie Gross
Mrs. Gracia Brown



HAPPY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Tova Rosenbaum | August 3 rd |
| Sean Olesen | August 5 th |
| Sydney Dickman | August 9 th |
| Brenda Cohen | August 12 th |
| Alex Wenger | August 12 th |
| Rebecca Neshkes | August 20 th |
| Douglas Graff | August 23 rd |
| Martin Segal | August 24 th |
| Lila Gordon | August 28 th |
| Sylvia Dozal | August 30 th |
| Norman Kirschenbaum | August 30 th |
| Robert and Pamela Neshkes | August 5 th |
| Norman and Theola Kirschenbaum | August 25 th |
| Alex and Berta Wenger | August 28 th |

YORZEITS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3RD

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| Max Kerr | Aug. 3-4 |
| Margaret Rashoff | Aug. 3-4 |
| Abraham Allen | Aug. 4-5 |
| Esther Benisty | Aug. 4-5 |
| Leo Bran | Aug. 4-5 |
| Yakov Gelmis | Aug. 4-5 |
| Lucille Goldberg | Aug. 4-5 |
| Ira Haber | Aug. 4-5 |
| Samuel Levy | Aug. 4-5 |
| Hyman Abkowitz | Aug. 5-6 |
| Ethel Baron | Aug. 5-6 |
| Samuel Drelach | Aug. 5-6 |
| Charles Harris | Aug. 5-6 |
| Nathan Meyer Lichtbach | Aug. 5-6 |
| Dora Loober | Aug. 5-6 |
| Charna Rickey | Aug. 5-6 |
| Annette Savad | Aug. 5-6 |
| Eric Dirksen | Aug. 6-7 |
| Harry Fonstein | Aug. 6-7 |
| Annie B. Groupp | Aug. 6-7 |
| Eve Ann Klasky Levy | Aug. 6-7 |
| Alan S. Maid | Aug. 6-7 |
| George Pfeffer | Aug. 6-7 |
| Vera Rothstein | Aug. 6-7 |
| Frieda Rudnick | Aug. 6-7 |
| Gene "Red" Stern | Aug. 6-7 |
| Dolores Fain | Aug. 7-8 |
| Isidore Feiles | Aug. 7-8 |
| Oscar Gelber | Aug. 7-8 |
| David Ginsburg | Aug. 7-8 |
| Marjorie Kastel | Aug. 7-8 |
| Sydney Levine | Aug. 7-8 |
| David Melchior | Aug. 7-8 |
| Jean Pike | Aug. 7-8 |
| Anna Mannheim | Aug. 8-9 |
| Marvin Schwartz | Aug. 8-9 |
| Schlomia Wildbaum | Aug. 8-9 |
| William Becker | Aug. 9-10 |
| Sydney Brotman | Aug. 9-10 |
| Marci Kasper | Aug. 9-10 |
| Hilda Katz | Aug. 9-10 |
| John Kronenfeld | Aug. 9-10 |
| Shelley Markenson | Aug. 9-10 |
| Hy Neshkes | Aug. 9-10 |
| Solomon Kaspin | Aug. 10-11 |
| Ernestine Wolff | Aug. 10-11 |
| Abraham Cohen | Aug. 11-12 |
| Stephenie Blasnick | Aug. 11-12 |
| Rebecca Graves | Aug. 11-12 |
| Fannie Mahler | Aug. 11-12 |

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10TH

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| Clara Pieter | Aug. 11-12 |
| Miriam Rosenberg | Aug. 11-12 |
| Leonard Stanley Taylor | Aug. 11-12 |
| Hyman Cadkin | Aug. 12-13 |
| Jacob Dell | Aug. 12-13 |
| Orah Gross | Aug. 12-13 |
| Sarah Simon | Aug. 12-13 |
| Kathryn Sodikoff | Aug. 12-13 |
| Dinah Stone | Aug. 12-13 |
| Morris Brandman | Aug. 13-14 |
| Abraham Eiser | Aug. 13-14 |
| Aaron Gold | Aug. 13-14 |
| Joseph Keller | Aug. 13-14 |
| Abe Green | Aug. 13-14 |
| Anna Shaevitz | Aug. 13-14 |
| Moses Toibin | Aug. 13-14 |
| Edwin Wandt | Aug. 13-14 |
| Frederick Brown | Aug. 14-15 |
| Rosalind Herrmann | Aug. 14-15 |
| Alice Hahn | Aug. 15-16 |
| Ida Michlin | Aug. 15-16 |
| Sol Weinberg | Aug. 15-16 |
| Freidl Applebaum | Aug. 16-17 |
| Abraham Braunstein | Aug. 16-17 |
| Esther Covens | Aug. 16-17 |
| Irving Dickman | Aug. 16-17 |
| Helen Goldfarb | Aug. 16-17 |
| Ira Miller | Aug. 16-17 |
| Rebecca Smtih | Aug. 16-17 |

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17TH

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| Ruth Blasnick | Aug. 17-18 |
| Joseph Brodsky | Aug. 17-18 |
| George Bernard Fink | Aug. 17-18 |
| Israel Reidman | Aug. 17-18 |
| Samuel Weinberg | Aug. 17-18 |
| Phil Goldberg | Aug. 18-19 |
| Minnie Itzkovitz | Aug. 18-19 |
| Louis Kleinman | Aug. 18-19 |
| Archie Joseph Levin | Aug. 18-19 |
| Eli Levy | Aug. 18-19 |
| Herman Renkin | Aug. 18-19 |
| Arnold Bukshpan | Aug. 19-20 |
| Esther Eskanazi | Aug. 19-20 |
| Celia Gersh | Aug. 19-20 |
| Herbert Jaffee | Aug. 19-20 |
| Abraham Karlinsky | Aug. 19-20 |
| Louis Walder | Aug. 19-20 |

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17TH CONT.

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| Fanny Bornstein | Aug. 20-21 |
| David Feuerstein | Aug. 20-21 |
| Isaac Lubovsky | Aug. 20-21 |
| Jack Myers | Aug. 20-21 |
| David Abraham Prager | Aug. 20-21 |
| Samuel Franklin | Aug. 21-22 |
| Lena Glick | Aug. 21-22 |
| Bessie Gordon | Aug. 21-22 |
| Joseph Kaplan | Aug. 21-22 |
| George Resnick | Aug. 21-22 |
| Max Rosenstock | Aug. 21-22 |
| Leonard Mink | Aug. 22-23 |
| Al Stewart | Aug. 22-23 |
| Fannie Golden | Aug. 23-24 |
| Albert Greengood | Aug. 23-24 |
| Sam Grossberg | Aug. 23-24 |
| Nathan Lager | Aug. 23-24 |
| Mike Madnick | Aug. 23-24 |
| Florence Rightman | Aug. 23-24 |

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24TH

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| Bess Chudacoff | Aug. 24-25 |
| Solomon Gilderman | Aug. 24-25 |
| Irving Polin | Aug. 24-25 |
| Louis Silbert | Aug. 24-25 |
| Ida Silver | Aug. 24-25 |
| Anna Toledo | Aug. 24-25 |
| Helen Abcug | Aug. 25-26 |
| Pat Marks Boardman | Aug. 25-26 |
| Sarah Feldman | Aug. 25-26 |
| Larry Horberg | Aug. 25-26 |
| Rebecca Kaplan | Aug. 25-26 |
| David Maretsky | Aug. 25-26 |
| Sol Richer | Aug. 25-26 |
| Malka Behar | Aug. 26-27 |
| Jennie Caro | Aug. 26-27 |
| Raymond David Chesler | Aug. 26-27 |
| Julius Dickman | Aug. 26-27 |
| Alice Haller | Aug. 26-27 |
| David Kodner | Aug. 26-27 |
| Jack Lefkowitz | Aug. 26-27 |
| Stanley Martin | Aug. 26-27 |
| Morris Meyerson | Aug. 26-27 |
| Freda Smoler | Aug. 26-27 |
| Bella Weiss | Aug. 26-27 |
| Samuel Adler | Aug. 27-28 |
| Ethel Dubelier | Aug. 27-28 |
| Minna Davidson | Aug. 27-28 |
| Max Friedman | Aug. 27-28 |
| Hannah Goltz | Aug. 27-28 |
| Gertrude Himel | Aug. 27-28 |
| Kalmer Rosenstein | Aug. 27-28 |
| Robert Simon | Aug. 27-28 |

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24TH CONT.

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| Alva Friedman | Aug. 28-29 |
| David Golden | Aug. 28-29 |
| Rose Greenblatt | Aug. 28-29 |
| Melvin Harris | Aug. 28-29 |
| Dora Pine Weiner | Aug. 28-29 |
| Stanley Stone | Aug. 28-29 |
| Reva Weisman | Aug. 28-29 |
| Lillie Applebaum | Aug. 29-30 |
| Rebecca Fridman | Aug. 29-30 |
| Morris Kurtz | Aug. 29-30 |
| Richard Mirzaians | Aug. 29-30 |
| Yisruale Moskovitz | Aug. 29-30 |
| Albert Trunk | Aug. 29-30 |
| Max Boronstein | Aug. 30-31 |
| Jacob Hasson | Aug. 30-31 |
| Jacob Sapiro | Aug. 30-31 |
| Carl Schwartz | Aug. 30-31 |
| Mary Weingart | Aug. 30-31 |
| Sylvia Schultz | Aug. 30-31 |

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31ST

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| John Barsky | Aug. 31-Sept. 1 |
| Gertrude Bukshpan | Aug. 31-Sept. 1 |
| Jacob Katz | Aug. 31-Sept. 1 |
| Max Pazornik | Aug. 31-Sept. 1 |
| Rita Rica Levey | Sept. 1-2 |
| Sam Blass | Sept. 1-2 |
| Myrna Bolinger | Sept. 1-2 |
| Murry Porges | Sept. 1-2 |
| Shane Leya Taylor | Sept. 1-2 |
| Max Applebaum | Sept. 2-3 |
| Isaac Hanan | Sept. 2-3 |
| Herman Perlmutter | Sept. 2-3 |
| Minnie Pike | Sept. 2-3 |
| Reuben Ruttenberg | Sept. 2-3 |
| Lawrence Schwartz | Sept. 2-3 |
| Henry Tobin | Sept. 2-3 |
| Aaron Balowitz | Sept. 3-4 |
| Max Kagen | Sept. 3-4 |
| Ida Becker | Sept. 4-5 |
| Ruth Feinstein | Sept. 4-5 |
| Harry Gilston | Sept. 4-5 |
| Joseph Schneider | Sept. 4-5 |
| Jack Breton | Sept. 5-6 |
| Jack Braunstein | Sept. 5-6 |
| Irving Gilman | Sept. 5-6 |
| David Kaufman | Sept. 5-6 |
| J. Marian Kister | Sept. 5-6 |
| Rodney Cousens | Sept. 6-7 |
| Anna Brooks | Sept. 6-7 |
| Rachel Schragar | Sept. 6-7 |
| Sarah Lea Tarlow | Sept. 6-7 |
| Nellie Brody Werner | Sept. 6-7 |

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DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST

23rd - Board Meeting **10:00 a.m.**

DATED MATERIAL

PLEASE EXPEDITE

President.....Lou Danoff
Rabbi.....Sheldon Pennes
Secretary.....Valerie Cook

Schedule of Services



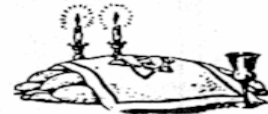
Services are held on:

Friday at 7:00 P.M.
Saturday at 9:00 A.M.

Services are held at other times by
special arrangements with the Minyonaires

Candle Lighting Time

“Beautify the Sabbath and
Your Home”



August 3..... 7:33
August 10..... 7:26
August 17..... 7:18
August 24..... 7:10
August 31..... 7:01

CHUCKLES CONT.

Brisket is not the same as Corned Beef!

This goes back 2 generations, 3 if you are over 50. It also explains why many Jewish men died in their early 60's with a non-functional cardiovascular system and looked like today's men at 89.

Before we start, there are some variations in ingredients because of the various types of Jewish taste (Polack, Litvack, Deutch and Gallicianer). Sephardic is for another time.

Just as we Jews have six seasons of the year (winter, spring, summer, autumn, the slack season, and the busy season), we all focus on a main ingredient which, unfortunately and undeservedly, has disappeared from our diet.. I'm talking, of course, about SCHMALTZ (chicken fat).

SCHMALTZ has, for centuries, been the prime ingredient in almost every Jewish dish, and I feel it's time to revive it to its rightful place in our homes. (I have plans to distribute it in a green glass Gucci bottle with a label clearly saying: "low fat, no cholesterol, Newman's Choice, extra virgin SCHMALTZ." (It can't miss!) Then there are grebenes – pieces of chicken skin, deep fried in SCHMALTZ, onions and salt until crispy brown (Jewish bacon). This makes a great appetizer for the next cardiologist's convention.

There's also a nice chicken fricassee (stew) using the heart, gorgle (neck) pipick (gizzard – a great delicacy, given to the favorite child), a fleegle (wing) or two, some ayelech (little premature eggs) and other various chicken innards, in a broth of SCHMALTZ, water, paprika, etc. We also have knishes (filled dough) and the eternal question, "Will that be liver, beef or potatoes, or all three?"

Other time-tested favorites are kishkeh, and its poor cousin, helzel (chicken or goose neck). Kishkeh is the gut of the cow, bought by the foot at the Kosher butcher. It is turned inside out, scalded and scraped. One end is sewn up and a mixture of flour, SCHMALTZ, onions, eggs, salt, pepper, etc., is spooned into the open end and squished down until it is full. The other end is sewn and the whole thing is boiled. Often, after boiling, it is browned in the oven so the skin becomes crispy. Yummy!

My personal all-time favorite is watching my Zaida (grandpa) munch on boiled chicken feet.

For our next course we always had chicken soup with pieces of yellow-white, rubbery chicken skin floating in a greasy sea of lokshen (noodles), farfel (broken bits of matzah), tzibbeles (onions), mondlech (soup nuts), kneidlach (dumplings), kasha (groats), kliskelech and marech (marrow bones) . The main course, as I recall, was either boiled chicken, flanken, kackletten, hockfleish (chopped meat), and sometimes rib steaks, which were served either well done, burned or cremated. Occasionally we had barbecued liver done to a burned and hardened perfection in our own coal furnace.

Since we couldn't have milk with our meat meals, beverages consisted of cheap soda (Kik, Dominion Dry, seltzer in the spritz bottles). In Philadelphia it was usually Franks Black Cherry Wishniak (vishnik).