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Gan Shabbat, 12:40 p.m.

Friday Evening (Kabbalat Shabbat)

Sanctuary and YouTube, 6:15 p.m.

October Candle Lighting Times

Kol Nidre

Tuesday, October 4 6:29pm

Friday, October 7 6:24pm

Erev Sukkot

Sunday, October 9 6:21pm

Sukkot I

Monday, October 10 7:20pm

Sukkot II

Tuesday, October 11 7:19pm

Friday, October 14 6:14pm

Sunday, October 16 5:14pm

Shmini Atzeret

Monday, October 17 7:10pm

Friday, October 21 6:05pm

Friday, October 28 5:56 pm

Shabbat Morning

Sanctuary and YouTube, 9:30 a.m..

October Torah Portions & Havdalah

Saturday, October 1	Shabbat Shuva Parashat Vayeilech 7:34pm Havdalah
Wednesday, October 5	Yom Kippur 7:28 pm Havdalah
Saturday, October 8	Parashat Ha Azinu 7:23pm Havdalah
Tuesday, October 11	Sukkot II 7:19pm Havdalah
Saturday, October 15	Sukkot VI 7:13pm Havdalah
Tuesday, October 18	Simchat Torah 7:09pm Havdalah
Saturday, October 22	Shabbat Mevarchim Chodesh Cheshvan Bar Mitzvah of Ari Perttula Parashat Bereshit 7:04pm Havdalah
Saturday, October 29	Parashat Noach 6:55pm Havdalah

November Candle Lighting Times (Friday)

November 4	5:48pm
November 11	4:42pm
November 18	4:37pm
November 25	4:33pm

Rosh Chodesh Kislev

November Shabbat Torah Portions

November 5	Parashat Lech-Lecha 6:48pm Havdalah
November 12	Parashat Vayera Wasserman Speaker Ruby Namdar 5:42pm Havdalah
November 19	Mevarchim Chodesh Kislev Parashat Chayei Sara 5:37pm Havdalah
November 26	Parashat Toldot 5:33 Havdalah

The Omer

We are always looking for help and contributions, whether it be first-person articles, poems, art, photos and anything that aligns with our theme of positive, Jewish community.



We are also always in need of copy editors.

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Why I Love Simchat Torah

1. **All you need is Lev.** The last letter of the Torah is Lamed. The first letter is Bet. Put them together as we read the end and beginning of the Torah and you get Lev, the Hebrew word for heart. Our hearts turn to Torah, and the Torah is our heart.
2. **Rabbi Ben Bag Bag.** As this song says, we get to “turn it, turn it, turn it again.”
3. **The Great Roll.** I love watching us unroll the entire Sefer Torah scroll around the room. We use a non Kosher Torah, so even if damaged or dropped accidentally, I am not in a panic.
4. **Children reading Torah.** On Erev Simchat Torah, pre Bar/Bat Mitzvah children are halachically allowed to read the Torah. Hearing those sweet, sweet voices chant is a thing of beauty on multiple levels.
5. **Dance, Dance, Dance.** I love watching and even participating in the dancing, the spontaneous dancing with the Torah and the Israeli dancing we do afterward.
6. **Chocolate Bars.** To emphasize the lesson that Torah is sweet, our custom at TBA is to give children whole chocolate bars after this service. The delight on the kids’ faces is palpable.
7. **The Chagim are over!** It’s a long, exhausting month for rabbis, and as much as I love it, it always feels good to return to normal.

L’shalom,

Rabbi Mark Bloom

Ari Perttula - October 2, 2022

Bar Mitzvah

Hi, I’m Ari Perttula, and I’m an 8th grader at Willard Middle School in Berkeley. I am the oldest kid in a family of six; seven if you count our dog. I have one brother, Asher, who is six years old. I have two sisters, Talia and Simone, who are four years old. I like playing piano, doing yo-yo tricks, and playing video games.

One of my favorite things about the TBA is the Bet Sefer. I learned a ton from kindergarten to 7th grade and I am super excited to start as a madrich this year. One of the great things about the Hebrew school is tefila and music. Both of these are really fun activities that you take part in with your class on Tuesdays and Thursdays. I also liked playing games such as gaga ball and banana tag with classmates during break each day.

My Torah portion is B’reisheit; first triennial. This is the very beginning where G-d creates light and darkness.



WEEKLY TEXT STUDY with Rabbi Bloom

Wednesdays at 9am

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for the location

Bet Sefer in Full Swing

By Susan Simon

Not heat, Covid, or the frantic search for teachers over the summer can stop Bet Sefer from starting up with a bang. August 30th was our annual Back to School event, complete with hot dogs, veggie dogs and even zucchini dogs masterfully grilled by our fabulous custodial staff. Families got to meet the teacher and hear a bit about what to expect this school year. And everyone gathered in our fabulous courtyard to schmooze and eat and play and just be normal. It was a wonderful sight to see.

As the heat continues, we have found ways to adapt, and our tireless students “somehow” managed to gobble down popsicles and run through the spray as I turned the hose on them to cool off a bit. Enjoy some of the pictures that we have taken lately.

Students are refreshing their Hebrew decoding skills and re-learning about the many holidays that are coming up. They are always happy to practice rituals in addition to learning about the stories behind the holidays.

In a few weeks we will start (or re-start after covid) our annual grocery shopping trips to purchase food for clients of the Alameda County Community Food Bank. We rely on financial donations each year to fund this. It is amazing for our students to actually do a mitzvah rather than just donating money. They are always very thoughtful about using the money carefully so that they get the best bang for their buck.

If you would like to support this effort, please email susan@tbaokland.org. I will put the amount you donate on your TBA account – easy peasy. And I promise photos after we have done all of our shopping.

Thank you to our WTBA volunteers who helped with check in for our first day back to school. And, as ever, we appreciate the support of this amazing community in educating our children. And I, particularly, love being in an environment where Jewish education is so valuted.



Fighting Climate Change

By Valerie Milner

Wedged between the high holidays and Simchat Torah, we have Sukkot. During the "Festival of Booths," we celebrate the gathering of the fall harvest and give thanks for the earth's bounty. In keeping with this theme, WTBA board member Shayna Hirshfield has provided us with a list of three ways to fight climate change.

Electrify: Make a plan and work toward holistically electrifying your home and travel. This is one of the most impactful actions you can take, but it also might take the longest. Be patient but diligent. Remember that efficiency is a major component. For travel, that means switching out shorter car trips for buses, cycling, walking or carpooling. For your home, it means things like replacing incandescent or CFL bulbs with LEDs, or insulating your attic and hot water pipes. Then, when you're ready to replace your water heater and furnace, you can look at efficient heat pump options. Your gas stove can give way to a state-of-the-art induction stove. Learn more at www.bayren.org/articles-tools-tips/electrification and www.ebce.org/clean-power-appliances.

Reduce: Everything we buy has an environmental footprint — a much bigger footprint than we might realize, given where, how and with what power it was manufactured, how it was brought to us, and all of the packaging that likely went into it. Getting less stuff is a starter. Think of this as making things more meaningful: eating less but higher quality and sustainably-raised meat; accumulating less stuff; and ensuring that as many of your purchases as possible are local and well-made, so they're not fast-tracked to the landfill. It's true: supporting local businesses can be a real climate mitzvah!

Compost: Maybe one of the easiest (and most fun) climate actions is supporting the carbon cycle. Sound technical? When you make sure that all of your food scraps and yard waste go into the compost bin, when you make sure to lay down compost and mulch in your garden, you're doing just that. Make sure that what you plant is right for the climate: heat- and drought-tolerant whenever possible. Your children (and your neighbor's children) will thank you! Great tips and resources are available at www.stopwaste.org/at-home/home-and-community-gardening.



Celebrating Birthdays at Gan

By Rachel Fenyves

Celebrating a birthday is the most exciting and important event in a young child's life. They talk about it all year long. They start counting down months in advance. They make plans about parties, friends, treats, and of course gifts. Celebrating a birthday is a time when a child feels super special as well as accomplished. They are turning a year older, and they often reflect on what they couldn't do when they were younger and what they are able to do now that they're older. We understand that birthdays are an important milestone for young children, and we make sure to celebrate them at Gan. Each classroom has their own way of celebrating birthdays. They have some similarities and some ways that they are different and special for their class.

Kitah Gimmel (4-5-year-olds)

In Kitah Gimmel, we celebrate birthdays by singing Happy Birthday at circle time in Hebrew and English. Then the birthday child blows out a pretend candle on a decorated (play dough) cupcake. We enjoy a special birthday treat

courtesy of the birthday friend's family at snack time. All year long we have our birthday board on display; the children love to look at the *hamsas* they water colored and discuss all things birthday!

Kitah Bet (3-4-year-olds)

In Kitah Bet, we gather on a festive blanket for a picnic style birthday lunch. We sing "Happy Birthday" in the language requested by the child and then watch them make a wish and blow out the candles on the play dough cupcake. We also sing the Shehechianu. Families donate a book for our library that we read during the birthday lunch. We also ask families to fill out an "All About Me" page for the birthday child to share with the class.

Kitah Alef (2-3-year-olds)

In Kitah Alef we celebrate birthdays during circle time. We gather around the birthday child with a candle in a cupcake (play doh of course) and we sing happy birthday in English and in Hebrew. We also read a special book that the birthday child has brought in to donate to our Gan library.

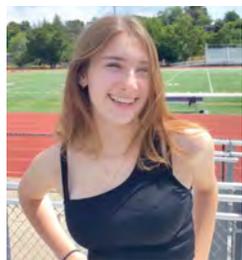




Grateful for my trip to Israel

By Zach Fickes

During the month of July, I was fortunate enough to spend three weeks on a BBYO trip experiencing Israel. It was truly a once-in-a-lifetime experience being able to explore Israel with all of my friends from around the United States and even the world. During the trip, I was able to create new friendships, build on old ones, eat amazing food, and explore all throughout Israel including the Dead sea, Masada, Tel Aviv, Haifa, and The Western Wall. One of my favorite parts of the trip was really diving into my Jewish identity and exploring my Judaism. One key takeaway I have from this, especially being surrounded by so many amazing people on and off of my program, was that being a Jew is so much more than believing in G-d. Being a Jew is about being part of a community, having people to lean on and support you, working with others, and learning from each other. I am truly grateful to the Hertz Fund for helping and supporting me in going on this amazing trip. The people, food, lessons, and experiences were all so eye-opening and I can't wait to share my experience with everyone.



Enjoying the Kotel

By Avria Ben-Zeev

As a 16-year-old just starting my junior year, I never thought I would be able to experience a trip as phenomenal as the one I took to Israel with BBYO this summer. On June 14th, I flew to the JFK airport to

meet the rest of the travelers, not knowing what to expect. I ended up meeting the most amazing people with all one thing in common, wanting to travel to the holy land with a bunch of other Jewish teens. My trip to Israel was extremely eye opening to the differences and similarities in the cultures and to how Judaism is such a welcoming and supportive community. I honestly felt such a deep connection being there and was able to take part in all aspects of Judaism. I will never forget the 3rd shabbat

we had together; we walked to the Kotel on Friday night and our group started singing together and had others voluntarily join us in song and prayer. At that moment, I felt so fulfilled with joy and amazement I realized I was so lucky to have the opportunity to have that incredible evening. Thank you to my family and the Hertz Fund for making the trip a possibility into a reality!



When an Israel trip coincides with the NBA playoffs

Abe Barnes

This summer, I was fortunate to participate in Onward Israel, a program that helps to facilitate summer internships in Israel for college students.

The night before leaving, I talked with friends who recently returned from a gap year in Israel. Along with giving me fabulous tips, they said it was an experience that I would not forget - and they could not have been more correct.

I was a bit nervous before departing for the 8-week experience because I didn't really know the other participants assigned to my "track." But, within the first few days, it was evident that this would be an opportunity to create new connections with college students from across the country.

I will note that the first week and a half that I was in Israel coincided with the NBA playoffs, which meant that I was watching games at 4 a.m. in order to cheer on the Warriors. Although there were no other Bay Area people on my "track," they were all forgiving of my early morning screaming and yelling in support of the Warriors.

I was thankful for my internship with the Israel Association of Baseball. During June, I created graphics for social media posts. In July, I worked the Maccabiah Baseball Tournament in Ra'anana, a suburb of Tel Aviv. As you may guess, the Israel Association of Baseball is largely supported by Americans who made aliyah and are determined to bring our national past time to Israel. During the tournament, I ensured that all games were set up properly while also serving as the PA announcer and helping to manage the merchandise table.

Spending two months in Israel allowed me to immerse myself in Tel Aviv society. In addition, Onward planned excursions to other parts of the country that I took advantage of. I am deeply grateful to the Hertz Fund for supporting this once-in-a-lifetime experience. I will never forget the friendships and memories that I made this summer.

Nothing Says Simcha Like an Ice Cream Cake!

By Faith Kramer

Nothing says “let’s celebrate” in our house like this Ice Cream Simcha Cake. It seems to always get served whenever good times prevail, so for us, it is definitely associated with birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, and other simchas.

Birthday celebrants get to choose their own ice cream flavors. Other times I’ll pick flavors that complement my menu. Choose dairy-free ice creams, sorbets and other ingredients for parve or vegan desserts. The cake goes into the host’s freezer upon arrival, so make sure there’s room in advance.)

Below is my basic dessert. I do sometimes get fancier. See my variations after the recipe for these adaptations. Packaged angel food cake has become harder to find, so substitute pound cake or yellow or chocolate cake. I have even made this with frozen pound cake (such as Sara Lee) and purchased, frosted cupcakes with great results. Want to use more than two flavors? Go for it! You’ll just need less of each ice cream.

ICE CREAM SIMCHA CAKE

Serves 8-10

Make sure your ice cream flavors are compatible or complimentary. I like to buy at least one of the ice creams in half gallon sizes so I know I’ll have plenty to pack into the cake. Leftover ice cream cake, if you have any, freezes well and make a nice dessert or treat. You can use any other deep metal pan or even plastic food storage container if you don’t have a spring form, but be sure you line the inside bottom and sides completely with foil as directed below so you can get the cake out of the pan. I have also made individual Ice Cream Simcha Cupcakes by making the recipe in individual foil cupcake liners. (Serve in liners.)

About 1 quart of dairy or non-dairy ice cream, sorbet, or frozen yogurt flavor of your choice, softened for scooping

About 1 quart of a second dairy or non-dairy ice cream, sorbet, or frozen yogurt flavor of your choice, softened for scooping

One 9-10” angel food cake or 16 oz. pound or other cake, torn into 1-to-2 inch chunks

Chocolate syrup

Caramel ice cream syrup

Dairy or non-dairy whipped cream (for decoration, optional)

Line a 9-to-10 inch spring form pan bottom and up the sides

with a single sheet (or overlapping sheets if necessary) of aluminum foil (prevents spring form leaks and makes removal easier). Scatter a handful or two of the cake chunks inside the pan. Alternate scoops of the two ice creams around them. Drizzle the chocolate and caramel syrup in ribbons around the cake and ice cream. (I have never measured how much syrup I add, but I like lots of syrup.) Press down with the back of the ice cream scoop until the cake and ice creams form a fairly level layer without air spaces. Repeat until you run out of ice cream and/or cake or reach within a ¼” of the top of the pan.

Smooth out the top layer with the back of the scoop. (If desired you can write birthday messages in chocolate syrup on the top. Wrap well with plastic wrap and place in the freezer for at least 4 hours (can be made well ahead). Bring out about 20 minutes before serving. Just before serving remove wrap, release the catch on the side of the spring form pan and remove cake. Remove foil and place cake on serving plate. Decorate with whipped cream. Add birthday candles if appropriate. Serve to admiring crowds, but don’t let them know how easy it all was.

Banana Split Variation: This is closer to Joan’s original recipe. Leave out the caramel syrup, scatter in chopped bananas, nuts, and maraschino cherries or strawberries.

Other Variations:

Ice Cream Sundae Cake: Use any of your favorite sundaes for inspiration and add in pretty much any dessert topping or ice cream mix-in. From malt powder to marshmallow topping they’ll all work. Just be careful of items that could freeze hard enough to chip a tooth.

Whipped Cream Extravaganza: Between clumps of ice cream and chunks of cake and lashings of syrups I add big squirts of whipped cream from a can. For vegan or parve desserts I use canned coconut milk whipped topping (available in natural foods stores and some supermarkets.) You can add this to any of the variations. You may need slightly less ice cream.

Ice Cream Layer Cake: If I’m using pound, yellow, or chocolate cake, instead of chunks, I’ll cut the cake into thin slices which I will layer. So cake layer, toppings, and ice cream, cake layer etc. I like to end on ice cream

I sometimes now frost the top of the Ice Cream Layer Cake before it goes into the freezer with a smooth layer of ice cream and decorate that with more whipped cream, candies, cookies, syrups, etc. Sometimes I’ll top the undecorated frozen cake with a layer of hard chocolate coating. Magic Shell is the commercial version, but it is very easy to make your own. (See my recipe here: <https://tinyurl.com/magicchocolatecoating>. Leftover coating freezes well. Reheat to reuse.) After the coating hardens I’ll decorate on top of that either before putting back in the freezer or just before serving.

Faith Kramer writes a food column for the j., the Jewish News of Northern California (<https://www.jweekly.com/author/faith-kramer/>). She is the author of *52 Shabbats: Friday Night Dinners Inspired by a Global Jewish Kitchen* (<https://thecollectivebook.studio/52-shabbats>). Visit her website at www.faith-kramer.com. Contact her at fjkramer@msn.com.

October & November Yahrziets

המקום ינחם אתכם בתוך שאר אבלי ציון וירושלים

May God comfort you among all the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem

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Abraham Maltzman
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Ellen Goldstein
Jack Lorber
Emanuel Riter
Faye Selinger
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OCTOBER 15 - 21**20 - 26 Tishrei**

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Siegfried Sanders
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Morris Triebwasser
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Henry Garfinkle
Henry Schmulowitz
May Shane
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Recent Deaths in Our Community

Vera Zatkan, Mother of Steve (Vicki) Zatkan

May her memory be for a blessing

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Contact TBA's Executive Director Rayna Arnold for further details

(510) 832-0936 or rayna@tbaoakland.org.

You are never too young to plan for the future!

MEMORIAL PLAQUE

Anyone wishing to purchase a memorial plaque, please contact the synagogue office at (510) 832-0936. If you do not know the location of a Memorial Plaque for your loved one, simply find the Memorial Plaque binder located on the back table in the Sanctuary. This book lists all Plaques in alphabetical order by the last name of the deceased and will be updated as new Plaques are hung. Please do not remove the binder from the Sanctuary.

AUGUST DONATIONS

Charity is equal in importance to all the other commandments combined.

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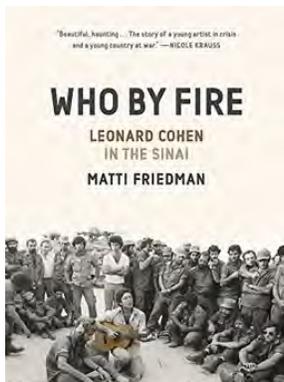
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in memory of Omama Frieda Nemon



We will meet on Tuesday, October 25, at 7:30 via Zoom to discuss the nonfiction book, *Who By Fire: Leonard Cohen in the Sinai*, by Matti Friedman. The book is a hardcover, 224 pages, and was published in April 2022.

The little-known story of Leonard Cohen's concert tour to the front lines of the Yom Kippur War, including never-before-seen selections from an unfinished manuscript by Cohen and rare photographs.

Anyone interested can contact Judy Glick at judyglick@gmail.com for more information.

Mazel Tov to:

Costa Mouratidis & Sophie Sharp
on the birth of their son,
Arkot Aether Sharp



Brandon & Melissa Bercovich on the
birth of their daughter, **Luna Ellen**

*Welcome New Members*

Kate Cook

Tali Krakowsky Apel.

Children **Noam & Maya**

Misha & Mira Krakowsky.

Parents of **Tali**

Tommy Kedar & Skye Morgan

Ari Haber & Beryl Sanders.

Infant **Noa**

Ann Gordon.

Daughter **Margo**

Randy Baum

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OCTOBER CALENDAR

OCTOBER 2022			6 TISHREI – 6 CHESHVAN 5783			
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 (6 Tishrei) <u>Shabbat Shuva</u> <u>Parashat Vayelech</u> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services Childcare available 7:43p Havdalah (42 min)
2 (7 Tishrei) 7:00pm Adult Ed – Signed & Sealed	3 (8 Tishrei) 8:00am Morning Minyan	4 (9 Tishrei) Kol Nidre Gan Closes at 1:00 Kol Nidre Service 6:00pm 6:29 Candle lighting	5 (10 Tishrei) Yom Kippur 9:00am Family Service 9:30am Main Service 9:45am Youth Service 11:00am Yizkor 4:00pm Martyrology & Mincha 6:00pm Neilah 7:28 Havdalah (42 min)	6 (11 Tishrei) 8:00am Morning Minyan	7 (12 Tishrei) 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 6:24p Candle lighting	8 (13 Tishrei) <u>Parashat Ha'Azinu</u> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services with Childcare available 12:45pm Mah Jongg 7:23p Havdalah (42 min)
9 (14 Tishrei) Erev Sukkot 10:00am Rabbi class about Shiva, Shloshim & death rituals 6:21 Candle lighting	10 (15 Tishrei) Sukkot Day 1 Gan & Office Closed 9:30am Sukkot 1 Service with Kiddush 7:20p Candle lighting	11 (16 Tishrei) Sukkot Day 2 Gan & Office Closed 4:00pm Bet Sefer with Sukkot Festival 7:19p Havdalah	12 (17 Tishrei) Sukkot Day 3 9:00am Weekly Text Study 7:00pm Adult Hebrew Alef Bet class	13 (18 Tishrei) Sukkot Day 4 8:00am Morning Minyan 4:00pm Bet Sefer 7:00pm WTBA Supper in the Sukkah	14 (19 Tishrei) Sukkot Day 5 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 6:05p Candle lighting	15 (20 Tishrei) <u>Sukkot Day 6</u> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services with Childcare available 7:13p Havdalah (42 min)
16 (21 Tishrei) Sukkot Day 7 10:00am Gloria Saltzman class about grief & support for those grieving 6:11p Candle lighting	17 (22 Tishrei) Shmini Atzeret Gan & Office Closed 9:30am Shmini Atzeret with Yizkor followed by Kiddush 7:30p Family Simchat Torah Service 7:10p Candle lighting	18 (23 Tishrei) Simchat Torah Gan & Office Closed 9:30am Simchat Torah Service 7:09p Havdalah	19 (24 Tishrei) 9:00am Weekly Text Study 7:00pm 8 th & 9 th grade Tichon	20 (25 Tishrei) 8:00am Morning Minyan 4:00pm Bet Sefer	21 (26 Tishrei) 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 6:05p Candle lighting	22 (27 Tishrei) <u>Shabbat Mevarchim</u> <u>Chodersh Cheshvan</u> <u>Parashat Bereshit</u> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services with Bar Mitzvah of Ari Perttula with Childcare available 12:45pm Mah Jongg 7:04p Havdalah (42 min)
23 (28 Tishrei) 10:00am Adult Ed with Nitzhia Shaked 5:00pm Mechina Family Ed Day 7:00pm Confirmation Class with Rabbi 8:00pm Intro to Judaism with Rabbi 6:43p Candle lighting	24 (29 Tishrei) 8:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am Rosh Chodesh meeting 7:38 Candle lighting	25 (30 Tishrei) Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan 4:00pm Bet Sefer 7:30pm TBA Book Club 7:37p Havdalah	26 (1 Cheshvan) Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan 9:00am Weekly Text Study 9:40 & 11am Kindergym 7:00pm Adult Hebrew Alef Bet class	27 (2 Cheshvan) 8:00am Morning Minyan 9:40 & 11am Kindergym 4:00pm Bet Sefer	28 (3 Cheshvan) 9:40 & 11am Kindergym 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:56p Candle lighting	29 (4 Cheshvan) Parashat Noach 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services with Childcare available 6:55p Havdalah (42 min)
30 (5 Cheshvan) Erev Rosh Hashanah 10:00am Adult Ed with Nitzhia Shaked	31 (6 Cheshvan) 8:00am Morning Minyan					

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2022			7 CHESHVAN - 6 KISLEV 5783			
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 (7 Cheshvan) 10:00am Red Cross Blood Drive 4:00pm Bet Sefer	2 (8 Cheshvan) 9:00am Weekly Text Study 9:40 & 11am Kindergym 7:00pm 8 th & 9 th grade Tichon	3 (9 Cheshvan) 8:00am Morning Minyan 9:40 & 11:00am Kindergym 4:00pm Bet Sefer	4 (10 Cheshvan) 9:40 & 11:00am Kindergym 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:48p Candle lighting	5 (11 Cheshvan) <u>Parashat Lech-Lecha</u> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services Childcare available 6:48p Havdalah (42 min)
6 (12 Cheshvan) STANDARD TIME – CLOCKS <u>BACK</u> 1 HOUR 10:00am Adult Ed with Nitzhia Shaked 10:30am WTBA Membership Event 4:00pm Bet Sefer Kitah Alef & Bet Family Ed Day	7 (13 Cheshvan) 8:00am Morning Minyan	8 (14 Cheshvan) 4:00pm Bet Sefer	9 (15 Cheshvan) 9:00am Weekly Text Study 9:40 & 11am Kindergym 7:00pm 8 th & 9 th grade Tichon	10 (16 Cheshvan) 8:00am Morning Minyan 9:40 & 11:00am Kindergym 4:00pm Bet Sefer 7:00pm Men's Club Poker	11 (17 Cheshvan) 9:40 & 11:00am Kindergym 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 4:42p Candle lighting	12 (18 Cheshvan) <u>Parashat Vayerea</u> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services with Wasserman Speakers Ruby Namdar & Childcare available 10:00am Junior Congregation 12:45pm Mah Jongg 5:42p Havdalah (42 min)
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20 (26 Cheshvan) 10:00am Adult Ed with Nitzhia Shaked 7:00pm Confirmation Class with Rabbi 8:00pm Intro to Judaism with Rabbi	21 (27 Cheshvan) 8:00am Morning Minyan	22 (28 Cheshvan) NO Bet Sefer	23 (29 Cheshvan) 9:00am Weekly Text Study NO 8 th & 9 th grade Tichon	24 (30 Cheshvan) Office Gan & Bet Sefer closed for Thanksgiving 8:00am Morning Minyan	25 (1 Kislev) Office & Gan closed for Thanksgiving 6:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat 4:33p Candle lighting	26 (2 Kislev) <u>Parashat Toldot</u> 9:00am A Taste of Text Study 9:30am Shabbat Services with Childcare available 12:45pm Mah Jongg 5:33p Havdalah (42 min)
27 (3 Kislev) NO Adult Ed	28 (4 Kislev) 8:00am Morning Minyan 10:00am Rosh Chodesh meeting	29 (5 Kislev) Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan 4:00pm Bet Sefer	30 (6 Kislev) Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan 9:00am Weekly Text Study 9:40 & 11am Kindergym 7:00pm 8 th & 9 th grade Tichon			

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