

CONGREGATION AHAVATH ISRAEL

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As the High Holidays approach, we'd like to inform you about what's going on in the Synagogue.

First of all, the board would like to thank Matthew Hindin for his hard work and dedication in publishing the "Monthly Bulletin". Matthew and his wife have moved out of Staten Island to pursue their careers, start a family and have joined a Congregation in their new community. Until further notice, we will not be printing a newsletter and we ask that you consult with the Congregation Ahavath Israel website at (www.congregationahavathisrael.com) where service times, special occasions, events and dates Rabbi Maza will be in attendance will be posted. If you wish to be notified by e mail, send your e mail address to Laurie Rottenberg at Imr613@aol.com.

HIGH HOLY DAYS TICKETS AND DUES

It's that time of the year again and the synagogue is having two dates for you to pick up High Holy Day tickets, pay your annual membership dues and purchase guest tickets for \$50.00 each. The two dates to pick up tickets are Sunday, September 11th from 9:00 am to noon and Thursday evening, September 22nd from 7:00 – 9:00 pm.

SCHEDULE OF HIGH HOLY DAYS SERVICES – 5777

ROSH HASHANAH

Sunday, October 2nd: Erev Rosh Hashanah

Evening Service: 6:15 pm

Monday, October 3rd: Rosh Hashanah Day 1

Morning Service: 9:00 am

Tashlikh: 5:30 pm followed by

Evening Service: 6:30 pm

Tuesday, October 4th: Rosh Hashanah Day 2

Morning Service: 9:00 am

YOM KIPPUR

Tuesday, October 11th: Kol Nidrei

Evening Service: 6:15 pm

Wednesday, October 12th: Yom Kippur

Morning Service: 9:00 am

Yizkor approximately 11:30 am

Mincha: 5:15 pm

Ne'ilah/Ma'ariv: 6:15 pm

Tekiat Shofar/End of Fast: 7:01 pm

**High Holy Day Services will be conducted by Rabbi Avraham Maza and service leader, Joel Russo.

** A break fast will be sponsored by Gail Fishbein in honor of her grandson.

GIVING

Those of you who attend services in other synagogues may notice that congregants who receive the honor of being called to the Torah for an Aliyah often pledge a donation, and in some synagogues, the donation is mandatory and only the amount is voluntary. In other synagogues you may also notice that those who give names for the MiShebeirach prayer for the healing of the sick and/or give names of a deceased one at their Yahrzeit also give a donation in their honor or memory. The irony is that many synagogues don't need the money but our synagogue does. The custom of giving should be passed down from generation to generation, let's try to keep our synagogue alive.

Other ways to sustain and support our synagogue is to purchase a leaf on our Tree of Life for \$118.00 or a Memorial Plaque for \$350.00. This can be done by contacting our Financial Secretary, Jeff Doctor, or making donations in honor or in memory of loved ones whenever you wish.