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## RABBI'S MESSAGE

n preparation for her semester of study at Hebrew University, my daughter enrolled in an ulpan at the most advanced level. One morning the teacher initiated what turned out to be a fiery debate topic: "Should Israelis be required to learn Arabic in Israeli schools?" Leanne supported the resolution while most of the class opposed it. She held the belief that because Israel is located in a part of the world that is predominantly Muslim and because there are many communities in which Jews and Muslims live side by side, Jews should become more familiar with the Arab language and Arab culture.

Leanne's classmates consisted mainly of young, Russian students. They argued that because most of the terrorist acts in Israel are perpetrated by Palestinian dissidents and Muslim extremists, Arabic is the language of terrorism. To learn such a language is to learn the language of the enemy.

Leanne bitterly complained to me over the phone. I explained to her that I found this point of view to be ironic. When I visited the Soviet Union in 1981 and 1983, the official government's position towards Hebrew was virtually the same. They espoused the belief that Zionism is racism. Because the state of Israel was founded on Zionist ideology and because Hebrew is her official language, Israel must be a racist state and Hebrew is the language of Zionist racists. Soviet authorities justified their suppression of the Hebrew language on the grounds that it strengthened Russian Jews' attachment to the Zionist enemy. The Hebrew language and exposure to Hebrew texts prevented them from embracing the Marxist-Leninist credo of the Soviet state.

I also explained to Leanne that I went through a lot of trouble to smuggle Hebrews books into the Soviet Union. So paranoid were the Soviet authorities that I was hauled into customs on three separate occasions and interrogated. The last visit to customs involved a strip search when one of the KGB agents realized that I didn't come out with the same Hebrew books that I brought in! I went through this ordeal so that the parents of my daughter's Russian classmates could learn the language of their heritage and be exposed to ideas outside of communist dogma. Yet, these same Russian students looked upon the study of Arabic in the same way that the Soviet authorities looked upon the study of Hebrew. They wanted to cover their eyes and ears to ideas outside of their comfort level.

Openness to new ideas was the hallmark of Leanne's semester of study. From the Palestinian side, she studied modern Palestinian history as well as the subtleties of Palestinian dialect to add to her impressive knowledge of standard Arabic. From the Israeli side, she

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### T'FILLAH SCHEDULE

#### September 2012 ELUL 5772-TISHREL 5773

Saturday, September 1, 2012

**ELUL 14** 

10:00 am: Ki Teitzei

Friday, September 7, 2012

**ELUL 20** 

7:30 pm: Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, September 8, 2012

**ELUL 21** 

10:00 am: Tavo

12:00 pm: Adult Ed with Rabbi Gale

Friday, September 14, 2012

**ELUL 27** 

7:30 pm: Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, September 15, 2012

**ELUL 28** 

10:00 am: Nitzavim

#### **ROSH HASHANAH SERVICES**

Sunday, September 16, 2012

**ELUL 29** 

7:00 p.m: No ticket required

Monday, September 17, 2012

**TISHREI 1** 

9:30 a.m: TICKET REOUIRED

3:00 p.m: Tashlich Services, Meet at 181st & Cabrini Blvd. Bring your own breadcrumbs. No ticket required.

5:00 p.m: (for pre-readers) No ticket required.

Tot Hashanah

6:30 p.m: Family Service. No ticket required.

Tuesday, September 18, 2012

**TISHREI 2** 

9:30 a.m: TICKET REQUIRED

10:30 a.m: Youth Service. No ticket required

Friday, September 21, 2012

**TISHREI 5** 

7:30 pm: Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, September 22, 2012

**TISHREI 6** 

10:00 am: Vayeilech - Shabbat Shuvah

#### YOM KIPPUR SERVICES

Tuesday, September 25, 2012 7:00 p.m: KOL NIDRE. Ticket required **TISHREI9** 

Wednesday, September 26, 2012

**TISHREI 10** 

9:30 a.m: TICKET REQUIRED

Approx. 2 p.m: Yizkor Service, No ticket required.

3:00 p.m: Study Session 5:00 p.m: Afternoon Service

6:30 p.m: Ne'ilah



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### T'FILLAH SCHEDULE

October 2012 TISHREI-CHESHVAN 5773

**Friday,** October 5, 2012 **TISHREI 16** 7:30 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat* 

**Saturday,** October 6, 2012 **TISHREI 19** 10:00 am: *Shabbat Sukkot* 

12:00 pm: Adult Ed with Rabbi Gale

Friday, October 12, 2012 TISHREI 26

7:30 pm: Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, October 13, 2012 TISHREI 27

10:00 am: Bereshit

12:00 pm: Adult Ed with Rabbi Gale

Friday, October 19, 2012 CHESHVAN 3

7:30 pm: Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, October 20, 2012 CHESHVAN 4

10:00 am: Noach

**Friday,** October 26, 2012 **CHESHVAN 10** 7:30 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat* 

Saturday, October 27, 2012 CHESHVAN 11 10:00 am: Lech Lecha

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studied the intellectual history of Modern Zionism with Israeli students.

During the High Holy Days, we take an inventory of our souls and repent our self-defeating attitudes. One major self-defeating attitude is spiritual Mitzrayim or narrow mindedness. In fact, the Hebrew word for Egypt is Mitzrayim. It can be interpreted as "narrow place" or "place of constriction". Slavery is not just about forced labor. Slavery is also about being constrained by a narrow vision of society. One of the main reasons why Moses had so much trouble with our ancestors was that they could not think outside of the box. They had been slaves for so long that they could not readily envision a new reality—the reality of freedom and responsibility for their own destiny.

We do not have to be in Ancient Egypt to experience Mitzrayim. We can experience it in any part of the world by closing our minds to original ideas and new ways of thinking. Indeed, it would be a sad irony of our history for our ancestors to have escaped Mitzrayim thousands of years ago only to have many of their modern descendants in Israel and the Diaspora re-enact it in the twenty first century. We reenact Mitzrayim by holding on to stereotypes of Arabs and Muslims or to stereotypes of any other ethnic group. We re-enact *Mitzrayim* by refusing to learn the history, the culture, the language, or the world view of our neighbors. We re-enact *Mitzrayim* by remaining in our narrow, cultural cubby holes and by making no attempt to reach out to people who do not necessarily share our beliefs and values. Indeed, the worst type of slavery is narrow-mindedness because it is a slavery that we impose upon ourselves. May the new Jewish year, 5773, be a year in which we strive for greater spiritual liberation and see the big picture in world society. Hence, I applaud my daughter's efforts to learn all that she can about Islam and Palestinian culture as well as her efforts to master Arabic to the same level that she has mastered Hebrew. Leanne is truly liberated from spiritual Mitzrayim! So may it be for all of us!

If you or someone you care about is hospitalized, ill, or needs some cheer, contact the Chesed Committee. Neglect is a shame, with everyone to blame. Call the office at 212-568-8304 or e-mail us at HTChesed@gmail.com

## **Hebrew Tabernacle Gay Pride Shabbat And the Shelter of Peace Coalition**

Adapted from Pride Shabbat Drash by Desma Holcomb

arriage equality in New York or even at the Federal level, is not the total solution to the discrimination and injustices that face lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender New Yorkers. I can give two dramatic examples of this and also show how the Torah can lead us to help solve these inter-related problems. The first is bullying of students who are lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender. The second is the rising number of homeless LGBT youth in NYC. Jews here in Washington Heights are touched by both of these issues.

The Gav. Lesbian and Straight Education Network documents experiences of LGBT students in its annual National School Climate Survey. The 2009 survey of 7,261 middle and high school students found that nearly 9 out of 10 LGBT students had experienced harassment at school that year. Bullying is happening: in our children's schools and to our children.

Leviticus provides a Jewish response to bullying. While it is true that some verses in Leviticus have been used to condemn homosexuality, there are other proscriptions in Leviticus that we in Reform Judaism embrace, such as saving some of our harvest for the poor and paying workers' wages on time. As for bullying of LGBT students: Leviticus 9:14 states: "Thou shall not curse the deaf, nor put a stumbling-block before the blind, but thou shall fear thy God: I am Adonai."

What does cursing the deaf or tripping the blind have to do with bullying? Everything. Anyone who has spent time in a school yard or a playground knows that kids tease and pick on other kids frequently. Indeed part of good parenting is teaching your own children not to be mean to other kids. For example, "cursing the deaf," saying something mean to someone who cannot hear, reminds me how spreading rumors and talking behind another student's back creates a circle of curses that the victim can't hear, until it's too late. And "putting a stumbling block before the blind" reminds me of all the physical ways that bullies trip their victims and push them to the ground, while others stand by.

Transgender, gay and lesbian kids are not actually "disabled" like someone who is blind, but they are being cursed and tripped because they are different—or they were born into different families

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#### **GAY PRIDE SHABBAT**

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with two moms or two dads. Let us resolve, as Jews, that we will not curse the deaf nor put a stumbling-block before the blind, and that we will teach our children to do the same.

Sadly, there are young lesbian, gay and transgender kids who are even worse off than these bullied students. On any given night, there are almost 4,000 homeless youths in New York City, and at least 1,000 of them are LGBT, according to a 2008 census released by the City Council. That's right: one out of four homeless youths is transgender, lesbian or gay.

Carl Siciliano decided to do something about this. In 2002 he founded the Ali Forney Center, which has a daytime drop-in center and 47 shelter beds that provide comprehensive health, education and employment counseling for homeless LGBT youth. He named it after a transgender child whose parents kicked him out of his home at the age of 13.

As some states legalize gay marriage and the military welcomes openly gay soldiers, "many kids think, 'Oh, I'm ready to come out," says Siciliano. As a result, the average age of young people declaring their sexuality – or at least sharing their doubts – has dropped dramatically in recent years to as young as the early teens, according to the Family Acceptance Project. Transgender kids are also telling their truth to parents at an early age.

Here is just one story of homeless young New Yorker: Gizmo Lopez, 19, comes from a staunchly Catholic family with Puerto Rican roots. She now sleeps on the subway. I'm bisexual, and my stepfather didn't approve; he said it's wrong," said the teenager, whose mother died two years ago.

When her father moved to Puerto Rico with her two half-brothers, he left her behind – alone in the family's apartment on Manhattan's Lower East Side. One afternoon, when she came home from school, "I found a pink slip on the door." It was a notice of eviction. "I took my stuff, cried and left," she says. "We are nomads."

Once again, a verse in Leviticus can help guide our steps. Leviti-

cus 9:33-34 tells us, "And if strangers sojourn with you, in your land [or in your city], you shall not do them wrong. The strangers that sojourn with you shall be unto you as the home-born among you, and you shall love them as yourself; for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. I am Adonai, your God."

In Reform Judaism, we often think of "strangers" as the immigrants in our nation. But as long as we or our children think of LGBT students as somehow "strange," they are also "the strangers who sojourn with us, in our land." And surely the LGBT youth who have been expelled by their families and who have fled to the "gay haven" of New York City are "strangers who sojourn in our city."

So what can we do to "love these strangers as ourselves, since we were strangers in the land of Egypt"? Let's teach our children and grandchildren not to bully other students. Let's support and praise your children and grandchildren when they stand up to bullies. Let's let them know that standing for the oppressed is essential to our faith.

As for homeless youth, government funds and private donations cover less than 350 beds for homeless youth in New York shelters. Providers say that hundreds more are waiting. For the past two years, the New York legislature has cut funding to support homeless youth shelters. I am proud to report that Hebrew Tabernacle and Rabbi Gale were represented at a recent gathering of diverse faith communities in support of the young strangers: The Shelter of Peace coalition. Shelter of Peace advocates for more city and state funding to provide safe shelter, education and counseling to help LGBT youth get off the streets and on their feet.

Rabbi Gale is planning to bring a speaker from Shelter of Peace to our synagogue sometime after the High Holidays. Then let us begin to discuss the possibility of Hebrew Tabernacle and Beth Am working together, perhaps on Martin Luther King's Birthday weekend, to prepare or serve a meal to these young people at a shelter such as the Ali Forney Center. Pride Shabbat was just the beginning of our education and opportunities to help make our city less dangerous for the vulnerable strangers in our midst.

## **HT UNVEILS NEW WEBSITE**

n July, work began on the new Hebrew Tabernacle website. Our old website was doing its job, but it was pretty old and past time to move it to a newer platform. Our website is now hosted on URJ's RJ WebBuilder 2.0 platform, which is so much more powerful and feature-rich than the old website.

HT's web development team has been busy migrating the content from the old website to the new one, and adding many new features. A new feature that many people wanted was the ability to make an on-line payment (your synagogue bill, a Shabbat dinner, or a donation). You'll be able to do that with PayPal, and yes, you can use a credit card!

Our go-live date is tentatively scheduled for mid-August. At that time, browsing to http://hebrewtabernacle.org will automatically bring you to the new website. In the weeks after we go live, you'll see more and more features being added, so check back frequently.

Mitch Gershonowitz, HT Webmaster





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## **Meet Our New Cantor!**

Joshua Finkel hails from St. Louis, Missouri, where he showed interests in music and Judaism from an early age. He is proud to now represent Hebrew Tabernacle as its Student Cantor, and to honor its special place in a vast and vibrant Jewish musical history while providing opportunities for it to shape its own musical direction as a praying and singing community.

Joshua is unrepentantly proud of his ability to sing in many genres of Jewish music, and is equally comfortable singing 18th century Eastern-European Cantorial recitative as he is in the American folk tradition. Music, prayer and Jewish community are among his greatest joys in life and he feels especially privileged to combine them in a career of Jewish service. His other greatest joys are his incredible wife, Emily and their baby Sophia. He also enjoys writing his own music in a number of genres.

Joshua attended Parkway North High School in St. Louis Missouri, during which time he professionally performed in musical theater and competed internationally in solo piano playing. He then attended Bard College where he double majored in theater and film and electronic arts, with the goal of writing and directing for television. Finding this unfulfilling, he decided to return to his roots in music and spirituality and began studying to join the Cantorate. He previously served as Student Cantor for two years with Reform Congregation Oheb Shalom in Reading, Pennsylvania where he led services with Rabbi Brian Michaelson. He is excited to work with Rabbi Gale and take advantage of Hebrew Tabernacle's exceptional cast of characters in developing engaging services and programming.

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Marianne Osers Dr. Nathan Roos Seymour Roth Isidor H. Scheirer Dr. Charles Spiegel Arthur Stein Fred Strauss Rae Stream Ezra Wieser Judy Wingard

#### October 5 & 6

Minnie S. Appel Dr. Siegfried Beckmann Ida Blumenkranz Julius Briskie Minnie Cohen Byrdie Davis Georg Elias Martha Elias Orah Elias Danny Frank Max Frank Jacob Frankel Clara Ganzman

Imre Gestely

Leo Hanau

Samuel Glassman Karl Hamlet

Sigmund Herz **Ernst Heumann** Regina Hofmann Simon Kestenbaum

Frieda Levy

Herbert Lichtenstein Selma Manheimer Paula Marx Alfred Meyer Paula Meyer Margot Munz Klara Oppenheimer Martha Ottensooser Herta Pertiller

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Otto Schwarz Elvin J. Schwarzbaum

Hilla Simon Jacob Spector Rabbi Julie Spitzer Gertrud Stadthagen

Ida Sternfels Flora Walter Sarah Wecker Pearl Weinman Frank Wittner **Hugo Wolff** 

#### October 12 & 13

Mildred Austern Bertha Barber Anton Bauml Harry L. Blum Margot Bodenheimer

Sarah Dlugatch Herbert Ehrlich Herbert Ferber Leona Finestone Patrick J. Flanagan **Pauline Frant** 

Ilya Godin Mary Graham Stanley Haft Marcus Hertz Margit Hirsch David S. Hirschfeld **David Hoexter** 

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Hugo Rosenfeld Paula Rosenthal Richard Rosenthal Mathew Shepherd Solomon Sichel

Walter Simons Robert Stix Dr. Curt Strauss Vivian Taber

Elizabeth Tuerkheimer Max Tuerkheimer

Paul Weil Jerome Wenig

#### October 19 & 20

Rita Alpert Henrietta Berger Miriam Deutsch **Emanuel Eschelbacher** 

Fanny Eysler May Farber Siegfried Frank **Edward Gradess** Abraham Greenberg

**Edith Haas** 

**Gregory Habermann** Gertrude Haimann Werner Hamlet Caroline Hecht Margaret Heiman Bertha Hertz Gertrude Hirsch Martin Hirsch Bertha Hofmann

Daniel Horowitz Sophia Horowitz **Ruth Jost** Sarah Jutkowski Leon Klinger

Herman Lass Lena Lefkowitz Fred Lipner Esti Loeble

Harry Mandelbaum Bella Mandelsberg Morris Moss Sam Muenzer Vally Ollendorff Morris Oppenheimer Helen Piasecki Irene Rollman Gerda Ruwalski Melvin Scheuer

**Gladys Sharoff** Ludwig Sinsheimer

Alfred Schueller

Adele Sostman Julius Joe Stern Karola Strauss Marianne Ultmann Norbert D. Warren William Weinberg Samuel A. Wohlgemuth Leon Zellner

#### October 26 & 27

David Baer Gertrude Baer Alyssa Brennan Sarah Briskie George Charig Jacob Cohen Fritz Ehrenreich Dr. Siegfried Elias Rev. David Epstein Ilsemarie Fleck Hedwig Frank Sari Frank

Winston Werner Frank

Felix Freilich Rae Friedland Dr. Walter Getreuer Jerome Glauber Arthur Goldschmidt Walter Gunther Rose Hanau Elly Hirsch Millie Hirsch Samuel Hirsch **Charles Hymes** Hannah Jacob **Emil Kahn** Fred Kahn Stephen Kahn Flsa F. Katz Helma Katz Johanna Katz Frank Koerpel Elizabeth Kunz

Meyer Gus Lowenthal Lillie Machlis Claire May Gertrude Metzger Molly Nadelman William Nathanson Simon Neumann Vera Oppenheim Jacob L. Phillips **Curt Pollak** Eugene F. Rubino Louise Salomons Florence Scheer Cecilia Schwartz Lillian Secunda Selma Spiegel

Leo Steuerman

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Leo Stiefel
Marga Stoerger
Paul Strauss
Albert M. Sussman
Dr. Frederick J. Wachsner
Blanche Walter

#### November 2 & 3

Stanley Adelman Samuel J. Appel Walter Barton Arthur Berg Fred Bern Nathan Bloom Betty Bodenheimer Jean Boehm Alfred Bornstein Leopold Cahn

Leopold Cahn Paula Deman Paula Ehrenreich Stephen Fleck

Regina Landau Freeman

Bella Friedberg Else Friedman Rosa Ganz Fred Gluck Meta Goldmann Paul Hahn Renate Heiman

Gertrude Heller Alice Hertz

Ludwig Heymann Morris Kahn Samuel Kaplow Irma Knoepfler

Jesse Kutell Leopold A. Levison Augusta Levy

Alex Kopydlowski

Larry Lubin
Alphons Mayer
Clara Mayer
Joseph Merber
Theodor Morganisth

Theodor Morgenroth Alfred Muir Benjamin Oberst Yetta Rothschild Rosalind Salomon Lilly Sandel Naftali Spiewak

Naftali Spiewak Lydia Tislowitz Herta Westheimer

## The Armin and Estelle Gold Gallery of the Hebrew Tabernacle welcomes

## **NAVAHJO STOLLER**

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, 2012

### **Crucial Boundaries**

Over the past several years the Hebrew Tabernacle has embraced our family and accepted us with open arms. Our oldest daughter Siena has attended Hebrew school for the last three years, which continues to be a highlight of her week and is well on her way to preparing for Bat Mitzvah. Our youngest daughter Silver recently received her Hebrew name by Rabbi Gale during a Saturday Service. When I was invited to exhibit my art work in the Gold Gallery I was honored & excited to show my work here. I sincerely thank the entire congregation for their unconditional support.

#### Artist's Statement

I was born in Atlanta, GA and after only two years we moved to Indianapolis, IN. I began painting at a young age, using my father's leftover oil paints. I learned how to handle the medium and was taught the process of preparing a canvas: the seed that developed into my work. Throughout school I used art as the backbone of my education and I actively studied all the different elements of visual arts. At Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis I began painting and drawing from the live model for the first time, and quickly found myself seeking more instruction. I enrolled in The Hope School of Fine Arts at Indiana University, Bloomington. This is where the artist in me began to take root and I continued to hone in on oil painting. I learned about color, light, form, line, shadow and art history. I studied under a contemporary realist, Eve Mansdorf, and an abstract artist, William Itter, who taught a more traditional curriculum.

In 2000 I enrolled in CUNY's Hunter College School of Arts and Sciences and moved into a tenement at 133rd St. & Lenox Ave, in the heart of Harlem, NY. It is there that I began to develop as an artist. My training from Indiana University was integral, but there was so much more to learn. I studied painting, drawing and sculpture with working New York

artists who helped me channel my energy. I worked closely with Professors Emily Mason and Peter Dudek, both of whom challenged me to work outside the box and paint around the figure. I began oil painting on unprimed paper which allowed me to be more free with my brushand loosened up my work. The space around the figure became as important as the figure itself. This resonated in my work and, while adding a cubist feel, also opened my eyes to the structural elements that now define my work.

My wife, two daughters and I live in Washington Heights. Our apartment has an unobstructed view of the George Washington Bridge and the Hudson River which have become important models for me; I have taken the opportunity to study this structure and how it works.

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# **Exercise Class Sessions** Mondays 7:00-8:20 p.m.

Fall 2012	Winter/Spring 2013	
October 1	January 7	April 8
October 15	January 14	April 15
October 22	January 21	April 22
October 29	January 28 (MLK Holiday)	April 29
November 5	February 4	May 6
November 12	February 11	May 13
November 19	February 18	May 20
November 26	February 25 (President's Birthay Holiday)	June 3
December 3	March 4	June 10
December 10	March 11	June 17
December 17	March 18	

Rita Hamburgh, physical therapist, leads a co-ed exercise class to music, for ages 10-80+, in the Hebrew Tabernacle Social Hall. The emphasis is on gentle stretching and strengthening of all the muscles in the body. Bring a towel or thin mat to lie on; wear comfortable, loose clothing, and bring 2 small hand weights (or one-pound cans of veggies) for gentle weight-training.

The cost is only \$15 per class. Checks, made out to Hebrew Tabernacle, will be accepted and ALL proceeds will be donated to the Tabernacle. If you are interested, or have any further questions, please contact the office or email Rita: hamburg@nyp.org

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## September 2012 ELUL/5772-TISHREI/5773

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						Elul 14 10:00 am: Ki Teitzei
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Elul 15	Elul 16 LABOR DAY Office Closed	Elul 17 7:00 pm: Beth Am Choir rehearsal (Social Hall)	Elul 18 7:30 pm: Ritual Committee Meeting	Elul 19 7:00 pm: Beth Am Choir rehearsal (Social Hall)	Elul 20 7:30 pm: Kabbalat Shabbat	Elul 21 10:00 am: Tavo 12:00 pm: Adult Ed with Rabbi Gale
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Elul 22	Elul 23	Elul 24	Elul 25	Elul 26 7:00 pm: Beth Am Choir dress rehearsal (Social Hall)	Elul 27 7:30 pm: Kabbalat Shabbat	<b>Elul 28</b> 10:00 am: <i>Nitzavim</i>
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Elul 29 6:30 pm: Erev Rosh Hashanah 1 (BA-Piano) 7:00 pm: Erev Rosh Hashanah 1 (HT- Organ)	Tishrei 1 Rosh HaShanah 9:30 am: Rosh Hashanah 1 (HT-Choir and Organ) (BA-Piano) 1:30 pm: Joint Potluck Lunch 3:00 pm: Tashlich - Meet at 181 and Cabrin	Tishrei 2 Rosh HaShanah 2 9:30 am: Rosh Hashanah 2 (HT-Choir and Organ) 10:30 am: Youth Service	<b>Tishrei 3</b> 7:45 pm: <i>Board Meeting</i>	<b>Tishrei 4</b> 7:00 pm: Beth Am Choir dress rehearsal (Social Hall)	<b>Tishrei 5</b> 7:30 pm: <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i>	<b>Tishrei 6</b> 10:00 am: <i>Vayeilech -</i> <i>Shabbat Shuvah</i>
16	5:00 pm: Tot-Hashanah 6:30 pm: Erev Rosh Hashanah 2 - Family Service	18	19	20	21	22
Tishrei 7  Tishrei 14  10:00 am: Put Up Sukkah 6:30 pm: Family Service - Erev Sukkot	<b>Tishrei 8</b> 7:00 pm: Beth Am Choir dress rehearsal (Social Hall)	Tishrei 9 6:00 pm: Kol Nidre (BA-Piano) 6:29 pm: Fast begins 7:00 pm: Kol Nidre (HT-Choir and Organ)	Tishrei 10 Yom Kippur 9-30 am: Yom Kippur (HT-Choir and Organ) & (BA-Plano) 2:00 pm: Yizkor (HT) 4:00 pm: Mincha (HT) 4:15 pm: Yizkor-Mincha-Neila (BA)	Tishrei 11	<b>Tishrei 12</b> 7:30 pm: <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i>	Tishrei 13 10:00 am: <i>Ha'azinu</i>
23/30	24	25	6:30 pm: Neilah (HT) 7:31 pm: Fast ends - Joint Juice and Cake Break-fast	<b>27</b>	28	29

## October 2012 TISHEI-CHESHVAN/5773

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Tishrei 15 Sukkot November-December Bulletin Deadline	Tishrei 16	Tishrei 17	Tishrei 18	<b>Tishrei 19</b> 7:30 pm: <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i>	<b>Tishrei 3</b> 10:00 am: <i>Shabbat Sukkot</i> 12:00 pm: <i>Adult Ed</i> with Rabbi Gale
	10:00 am: <i>Sukkot 1</i>	2	3	4	5	6
Tishrei 21	Tishrei 22 Sh'mini Atzeret Simchat Torah 10:00 am: Shmini Atzeret (Yizkor) 6:30 pm: Hebrew School	Tishrei 23 10:00 am: Simchat Torah	Tishrei 24	Tishrei 25	<b>Tishrei 26</b> 7:30 pm: <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i>	Tishrei 27 10:00 am: Bereshit 12:00 pm: Adult Ed with Rabbi Gale
7	Consecration - Erev Simchat Torah (Piano)	9	10	11	12	13
<b>Tishrei 28</b> 10:00 am: <i>Take Down Sukkah</i>	<b>Tishrei 29</b> 7:00 pm: Exercise Class	Tishrei 30	Cheshvan 1 7:30 pm: Beth Am Board Meeting (Library)	Cheshvan 2	Cheshvan 3 7:30 pm: <i>Kabbalat Shabbat</i>	Cheshvan 4 10:00 am: <i>Noach</i>
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Cheshvan 5	Cheshvan 6 7:00 pm: Exercise Class	Cheshvan 7	Cheshvan 8	Cheshvan 9	Cheshvan 10 7:30 pm: Kabbalat Shabbat	Cheshvan 11 10:00 am: Lech Lecha
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Cheshvan 12	Cheshvan 13 7:00 pm: Exercise Class	Cheshvan 14	Cheshvan 15 7:45 pm: Board Meeting			
28	29	30	31			



Oil Painting by Navahjo Stoller

#### **NAVAHJO STOLLER**

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The GWB appears in many of my paintings as a way to understand balance, light and other vital elements of painting. Another area of inspiration has been my travel to Peru. This has enriched my palette with color and increased my understanding of life in general.

Though I have been painting for many years, I believe my journey has just begun. My vision is deep, my desire is strong, and my inspiration is intense. My studio is combined with my real estate office at 180th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue. This is my sanctuary, where all areas of my work are considered. My time is spent back and forth between my business and my art which keeps both fresh and exciting.

This exhibit will be open to all from September through October, 2012. Please call the synagogue office to find out viewing hours for the Gold Gallery: 212-568-8304.

Some paintings are for sale. Please discuss this with the artist. Hebrew Tabernacle receives a special donation for each purchase. Please welcome and meet our artist, Navahjo Stoller, at our Gold Gallery opening reception on Friday evening, September 14th, 2012, following Sabbath services.



If you or someone you care about is hospitalized, ill, or needs some cheer, contact the Chesed Committee. Neglect is a shame, with everyone to blame. Call 212-928-8696 or e-mail us at HTChesed@gmail.com



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