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Congregation Jewish Community North

# Chai Lites

FALL 2015

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ELUL- TISHRI 5776

## Rabbi's Message by Rabbi Jonathan Siger



### BACK TO SHUL TIME!

It is highly probable that you will read this in the midst of "back-to-school" season. Stores will advertise, circulars will circulate and flyers will abound telling us where to go and what to buy so that our students will be prepared to return to their academic pursuits.

In the Jewish world, it means the High Holidays are coming. Traditions from many different communities guide us in how to prepare for the spiritual work that we are called to do. One of the most widely observed is a special, late-night service known as 'selichot'.

"Selichot" means "Pardons" in Hebrew. An early collection of teachings called the "Machzor Vitry" describes the practice thus: "It is a custom to begin on the Saturday night before [Rosh Hashanah](#) to rise early to the synagogue, before the sun rises, and beg for mercy."

By joining in the communal recitations of psalms and confessional prayers, an individual is able to ease into the season of repentance and self-reflection. It's a bit like beginning to train for a marathon by taking walks, or, at the least, stretching.

In some communities, they gather in the early hours of the morning, in the pre-dawn darkness. In others, we gather late in the evening.

We will host our Selichot service this year on the evening of Saturday, September 5th, at 10 p.m. Silence, meditation and music all help make this one of the most beautiful and memorable services of the year.

Our Selichot is just one of the many programs and worship experiences I look forward to sharing with you as we prepare to go "back to shul".

*Do you need to consult with Rabbi Siger? If you do, please contact him at [Rabbi@cjcn.org](mailto:Rabbi@cjcn.org) or call 832-318-3988 to set up an appointment. Rabbi wants to make sure that he gives you his full attention and by prearranging your appointment, he can make sure that happens to the best of his ability. Thank you*

Please make sure to scroll through the entire issue. It is jammed pack with information on new programs for ALL ages, High Holy Days Information and Forms, Calendars, schedules and so much more.

Do you have news you'd like to share with your congregation? Please email [EditorialBoard@cjcn.org](mailto:EditorialBoard@cjcn.org) with your suggestions.

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## President's Message by Steve Landis



I hope everyone has been enjoying their summer so far. It is hard to believe that the High Holy Days are almost here. It seems like only yesterday we were gathering in the sanctuary at CJCN to hear the Shofar and asking to be inscribed in the Book of Life for another year. It also seems like only yesterday that I assumed the responsibility of being President of CJCN. It has been an "interesting" year. And by interesting, I mean every bit as challenging and frustrating as I thought it would be, and then some. We certainly have some strong personalities at CJCN and it is difficult to keep everyone happy. I once heard another Jew state: "We're not an easy people to get along with." After a year of being President, I know what he meant. But as they say, it comes with the territory. It is now time to look ahead to the New Year; to wipe the slate clean and start anew. I look forward to the upcoming year with excitement and enthusiasm. There are new, exciting things being planned and I hope you all are able to participate. It would be great to see more of you during the course of the year. As I have said in the past, please feel free to call or contact me with any ideas, complaints, or opinions. I hope to see you at CJCN soon.

**PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR THE MOST CURRENT AND ACCURATE INFORMATION**

## Men's Club News by David Pfeffer, President



Hello all men of CJCN, young and not as young! Now's the time to join the men's club (or to re-join for our existing members). We're trying to ramp up our activities for the coming year and we've got some great ideas! Aside from the usual bagel sales and golf tournament, we mixed in a new, pro-football elimination pool last year that was a lot of fun for those involved. We'll definitely be doing that again, so look for details in August.

We voted to move our annual golf tournament to the fall, so we'll be shooting (pun intended) for a weekend in October. We're also going to try for a few more social outings throughout the year. We meet the first Wednesday of each month, starting back up in September. The meetings are at CJCN, usually in the social hall. Come on out to schmooze or just bust some chops! Our annual dues are \$40 and we're so high-tech now that these can even be paid with a credit card (but we still prefer cash or a check).

Our officers are David Pfeffer (President), Steve Saltzman (Vice President), Malcolm Sokol (Secretary), and Murray Marks (Treasurer). If you have any questions, or even better, ideas, please send an e-mail to [mensclubpres@cjcn.org](mailto:mensclubpres@cjcn.org).

## Sisterhood Scoop by Terry Katz, Co-President



**Welcome to the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year of CJCN Sisterhood!**  
**A year of fun, friendship, and commitment!**

Our "sisters" are very diverse, ranging in age from 25 - 95, but still share similar customs and beliefs. We have a few multi-generational families and friendships



If you are not a "sister", why not join the Family? Sisterhood members support and contribute to the temple and our community. We are an integral part of CJCN, which can be seen through our involvement with the Religious School, Youth Group, Holiday Programs and Life Cycle Events.

Sisterhood offers our members at least one activity per month. Our program schedule is still being refined, but we had our first event on July 25<sup>th</sup>, a Summer Social, with 40 Guests! Mark your calendar for Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup> which will be our first 'Ladies Do Lunch'. Watch your temple announcements for more information. Our fall luncheon will be in October. Soon you will receive a membership packet. Please complete the registration form (even if you have already paid your dues) and give us your opinions.

As Co-Presidents, Cheryl and I are the voices of Sisterhood. However, our Board members are the ones who make things happen at CJCN. Sisterhood Board members serving 2015-16 are: Rachael Barrow, Elizabeth Bruman, Sandra Davidson, Mindy Holm, Sheila Jortner, Judy Kemper, Laurie Kilbride, Denise Kutcher, Sandy Livney, Leslie Marks and Gale Saltzman. Toby Greenberg and Rita Weisoly are "minding" the Gift Shop. We are thankful to each one of them for committing to getting Sisterhood in the PINK!

Sisterhood is what **you** make it! Contribute your creativity and energy by working on a committee, join a group of theater-goers or come to lunch! Share your program ideas. We've had a great start to a great year. Be part of it! Join us!

Cheryl and I feel honored to be serving the congregation at this special time!

Contact us at [SisterhoodPres@cjcn.org](mailto:SisterhoodPres@cjcn.org) with any questions or ideas.

Terry & Cheryl

If you would like to place someone on the Mi Sheberach list, please contact the office at [office@cjcn.org](mailto:office@cjcn.org) or Judy Rosen at [WeCare@cjcn.org](mailto:WeCare@cjcn.org). Please let us know if you would like to be removed from the list.

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## Education Committee by Heather York, Chair



The Education Committee exists to insure that all students, both Youth and Adult, find our Judaic and Hebrew education provided at CJCN positive, nurturing, challenging, and interactive. Mostly, our mission is to provide opportunities to develop a strong Jewish identity and sense of community and mitzvot. Our committee is chaired by Heather York, and overseen by VP Carolyn Wiener. Rebecca Bottoms, Michelle Kirbie, Lauren McCarty, and Rick Preble are committee members, and Rabbi Siger and Principal Shepetofsky are vital and crucial contributors. We meet monthly to discuss Religious School happenings, B'nai Mitzvah events, special programming, and how we can improve our school and educational content.

Last year, under the direction of our Principal and Rabbi, we strengthened the current curriculum, completely updated and revamped our Hebrew program, reinforced our B'nai Mitzvah program, and increased member involvement with holiday programs and events. This year we have already purchased materials for a computer lab, making Hebrew learning more interactive, and plan to add additional programs such as a formal Adult Education course, and "Hebrew High School" to enrich those students after Confirmation. We are most excited to be adding a weekly toddler class, focusing on our "tiny tots". We are always looking for ways to engage our youth, and we will continue to focus on Sprifty, Junior Youth Group, and the "Challah" program for middle school students.

We are looking forward to the 2015-2016 school year! Get your children registered! Volunteer to help with holidays, Hebrew practice for students, or any special skills that you'd like to share!

*"The foundation of every state is the education of its youth." Diogenes*

### SENIOR YOUTH GROUP (SPRIFTY) 9<sup>TH</sup>, 10<sup>TH</sup>, 11, AND 12 GRADES FOOD, FUN, AND FRIENDS! Advisor – Denise Kutcher Email: [SPRIFTY@cjcn.org](mailto:SPRIFTY@cjcn.org)

SPRIFTY is a place to have fun, be with our Jewish friends, and work on mitzvah projects. SPRIFTY will be starting off the year by having a Back to School Pool Party and BBQ on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. See information on the flyer in this newsletter. We have lots of great events, dinners, outings, and fundraisers planned.

Please join us if you are a ninth, tenth, eleventh or twelfth grader. We look forward to a wonderful, productive, fun year together.

If you have any questions you can direct them to [SPRIFTY@cjcn.org](mailto:SPRIFTY@cjcn.org).



**Keep scrolling. We have a lot more great and interesting information!**





*August 1*

*Bernadino Adlaon, Sr*

*August 2*

*Samuel Levine*

*Anne Schafer*

*August 3*

*Lewis Leabman*

*Harriet Rochelle Rosen*

*Randl Shure*

*August 4*

*Benjamin Abrahams, Sr*

*Carole Preble*

*August 5*

*Abraham Orocofsky*

*Naomi Salzinger*

*August 6*

*Estelle Leabman*

*Horace Osterman*

*Seymour Sobin*

*Mark Wallach*

*August 7*

*Gail Ginsburg*

*Meyer Herring*

*August 8*

*Ida Ackerman*

*Saul Fishman*

*Lillian Gefsky*

*August 9*

*Martin Fox*

*Ilya Livney*

*August 10*

*Sarah Samuel Apticar*

*Alex Singer*

*August 11*

*Meyer Raymond*

*Hamburger*

*August 13*

*Marlyn Beresh*

*August 14*

*Goldie Farer Waghalter*

*August 15*

*Alexander Kaminsky*

*Dorothy L. Rich*

*August 16*

*Mona Cherry*

*Sheila Joanne Kaplan*

*Louis Weisoly*

## Membership Committee by Donna Gibbon, Chair

The Membership Committee has had a busy summer ramping up our membership campaign. Information about CJCN will be in many subdivision newsletters as well as the Gleannloch Farms and Champions magazines in August. We will also have an ad in the Northwest Chamber of Commerce Directory, which is distributed to all members of the Chamber of Commerce as well as to families moving into the area.



Members are encouraged to contact Donna Gibbon ([membership@cjcjcn.org](mailto:membership@cjcjcn.org)) if they are having out of town guests for the High Holidays. Single unaffiliated nonmembers can attend High Holiday services with a \$180 donation payable in advance. Unaffiliated nonmember families can attend High Holiday services with a \$360 donation payable in advance. Members of other synagogues are welcome to attend services at CJCJN with a letter from their synagogue. Neither members nor nonmembers get High Holiday "tickets". CJCJN has a check-in policy. Everyone checks in, in the foyer with our greeters who have a list of members in good standing, out of town guests, and nonmembers who have made prior arrangements to attend. These policies are in compliance with Homeland Security. Please, be proactive and contact Donna prior to September 8, 2015.

Our goal is to increase our membership 5% this year. We have had many inquiries, and many new families are coming to see us for Shabbat services. Please, engage these people and share your experiences at CJCJN.

## Board Notes by Julie Mahler, Secretary of the Board of Trustees



**CJCJN Board of Trustee meetings are usually on the last Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. Please feel free to visit and observe! (Check the [cjcjcn.org](http://cjcjcn.org) website calendar for the most current information)**

CJCJN's Annual Meeting was held on Sunday, May 17th, 2015. The Congregation affirmed the new slate of Board Officers and Trustees. Steffanie Johnson was re-elected to the role of 2nd Vice President and Carolyn Weiner was newly elected to the role of 3rd Vice President. Julie Mahler was elected Secretary. Toby Greenberg was elected to a one year term as Trustee to replace Julie. Howard Namkin and Susan Shaffer were re-elected to the Board for additional two year terms. David Gold, Michael Lorch and Heather York were newly elected to serve the Congregation as Trustees. The Board would like to sincerely thank the following retiring Board Members for their time, energy, and sound advice: Sandra English, Cheryl Tompkins, Donna Gibbon, and Michael Rosen.



Following the election, Sisterhood gifted the Congregation with \$10,000 and the Men's Club gifted the Congregation with \$1500.

## Family Shabbat is Back!

**Pre-neg @ 6:45 PM**

Join friends and CJCJN family for food and drinks in the lobby before services. A little bit of this, a little bit of that, and it's always good!

**Shabbat @ 7:15 PM**

Songs and fun for the whole family! Fun isn't just for children – Come join us at CJCJN

**Oneg Following Services**

**shabbat**

August 28, 2015

October 9, 2015

November 20, 2015

January 8, 2016

February 5, 2016

April 15, 2016

May 6, 2016



August 17  
Beatrice Protas Barrett  
Arnold Cohen  
Ida Leben  
Lillian Nahoum

August 18  
Fritz Kant  
Jack Weissman

August 19  
Ruth Silverman

August 20  
Ben A. Lessick

August 21  
Tillie Cheiffetz  
Dora Drucker

August 22  
Philip Ralph Horwitch  
Blanche Celia Paul

August 23  
Jeffrey Cuccio

August 25  
Lenora Arnold  
Sylene Skalovsky Blumenthal  
Evelyn Green Natenberg  
Hyman Waller

August 26  
Walter Preble

August 27  
Morris Levine

August 28  
Isabelle Stamier

August 29  
Samuel Warren

August 30  
Estelle Miron  
Lillian G. Schultz

August 31  
Melvin Bund  
Rose Rubel Gardner  
John Gunther Jacob  
Ida Kosloff Rosenberg  
Abraham Schafer

May their memories be a  
blessing to us all

**CALLING ALL INCOMING NINTH, TENTH, ELEVENTH AND TWELFTH GRADERS**



**YOU'RE INVITED TO SPRIFTY'S  
BACK TO SCHOOL POOL PARTY & HAVDALLAH**

**We'll have food, fun and friendship!**

We'll supply: Burgers & Hot Dogs, Ice Cream & Drinks

Please Bring: Bathing Suit, Towel, & Fruit, Chips Or A Nosh To Share

Saturday August 22, from 6-9 pm

Rabbi & Jennifer's house

R.S.V.P to Denise Kutcher at [Sprifty@cjcj.org](mailto:Sprifty@cjcj.org)



COMMITTEE LIFE IS THE BEST

STAY BUSY

MEET NEW PEOPLE

COMMUNITY

BE INVOLVED

FEEL GOOD

HAVE FUN WITH FRIENDS

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

BE A LEADER

CONNECT

SERVE OTHERS

SUPPORT CJCJ

FUNDRAISING

GIVE BACK

GROWTH

LEARN NEW THINGS

VALUE OF EXPERIENCE

BE A ROLE MODEL

Would you like to help plan a fundraiser event as CJCJ? We need volunteers to help lead and plan upcoming fundraisers.

If you or someone you know is interested in participating, please email Jason Kirbie at [preselect@cjcj.org](mailto:preselect@cjcj.org) or call 832-967-7525.

Thank you



Keep in touch with what's  
going on in our Temple.  
Check out our website at  
[www.CJCN.org](http://www.CJCN.org)

## Happy Birthday!



*August 1*

*Samantha Friedman  
Harvey Kornblith  
Susan Williams*

*August 2*

*Wendy Wheeler*

*August 9*

*Stan Schoen*

*August 10*

*Larry Wheeler*

*August 11*

*Holly Greco  
Eileen Lessick*

*August 12*

*Bob Sloan*

*August 13*

*Sallie Panzer*

*August 14*

*Corinne Sloan*

*August 15*

*Michael Clewner*

*August 16*

*Jason Kirbie*

*August 19*

*Jaime Hollebrands*

*August 20*

*Barry Katz*

*August 21*

*Sandra Davidson-Kaiser  
Albert Panzer*

*August 21*

*Edward Williams*

*August 24*

*Tally Breitstein*

*August 26*

*Lawrence Cohen  
Ralph Greco  
Mindy Holm*

*August 27*

*Rebecca Bottoms  
Risa Layman*

*August 30*

*Rosamaria Carneiro  
Sheila Hanmore  
Steven Marks*

**Happy Birthday!!**



Instead of the usual flowers, cake or wine, consider something special that your hostess will enjoy for years to come. The CJCN Sisterhood Gift Shop features a wide choice of Judaica suitable for gifts at the holidays and beyond. You may be surprised at the wide range of gifts for all ages and occasions. We carry candles for Shabbat, Yahrzeit and Chanukah as well as greeting cards for all occasions. Drop by any time and take a peek into the showcases. You will find a small sampling of the treasures tucked away inside the shop. On Sunday mornings, there will be sales staff on hand to help you with a closer look at what is in the offering! While inquiring at the shop, don't forget to look into your own holiday needs. If you can't find something that you're looking for, please let us know. We may be able to get it for you!



-shabbat comes alive in 5776-

# THE BAYIT BAND

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October 2	<b>Erev Shabbat</b> (Friday Nights) <b>at 7:15 p.m.</b> 5400 Fellowship Lane Spring, Texas (281) 376-0016 • "Next to Roller World"
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December 11	
January 15	
January 29	
February 12	
March 25	
April 8	
May 13	

## ANNIVERSARIES



August 3

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August 4

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August 8

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August 10

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August 27

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August 28

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August 30

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August 31

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Adam & Kimberly Zeller

Mazel Tov!

## About the High Holy Days

**Rosh HaShanah** (literally, "Head of the Year") is the Jewish New Year, which marks the beginning of a 10-day period of prayer, self-examination and repentance. This period, known as the *Yamim Noraim* (Days of Awe or High Holy Days), is widely observed by Jews throughout the world, many with prayer and reflection in a synagogue. There also are several holiday rituals observed at home.

Rosh HaShanah is celebrated on the first day of the Hebrew month of *Tishrei*, which—because of differences in the solar and lunar calendar—corresponds to September or October on the secular calendar. Customs associated with the holiday include sounding the shofar, eating a

The Nominating Committee will be gearing up for our May 2016 Elections!  
PLEASE CONTACT [NOMINATING@CJCN.ORG](mailto:NOMINATING@CJCN.ORG), IN CONFIDENCE, WITH YOUR SUGGESTIONS!  
DON'T BE AFRAID TO SUGGEST YOURSELF!

We may have openings for VPs, Treasurer and Trustees. We are also starting our search for the next President Elect. Please contact us for more information or to suggest a candidate!

*We try our best, but sometimes we make mistakes. We apologize if there are any errors or omissions. Please let us know at [EditorialBoard@cjcn.org](mailto:EditorialBoard@cjcn.org).*

*The deadline for submissions is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.  
Please send your information ONLY to [EditorialBoard@cjcn.org](mailto:EditorialBoard@cjcn.org), completed, as you would like to see it.*

*Thank you so much for your cooperation.  
If you have any ideas for the newsletter, please submit that also!*

## The 10th Anniversary CJCN Yearbook Directory is Coming!

CJCN Sisterhood is pleased to announce the  
2015-2016 CJCN Temple Yearbook Directory will be in

**FULL COLOR!!**

(To be distributed during the High Holidays)

Forms and information were mailed out July 29<sup>th</sup>

Deadline for Greetings and Business Ads Is

Friday August 14, 2015

## Help Support This Special Edition!!

Please Consider:

- Placing a Personal Greeting or Business Ad
- Letting us know of a business that wants to place an ad!

\*\*\*\*\* NEW - Being a sponsor \*\*\*\*\*

We would love to have you on the committee!!

For Questions or to Join the Committee

Please Contact:

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round challah, and tasting apples and honey to represent a sweet New Year.

**Yom Kippur** means "Day of Atonement" and refers to the annual Jewish observance of fasting, prayer and repentance. Part of the High Holidays, which also includes Rosh HaShanah, Yom Kippur is considered the holiest day on the Jewish calendar. In three separate passages in the Torah, the Jewish people are told, "the tenth day of the seventh month is the Day of Atonement. It shall be a sacred occasion for you: You shall practice self-denial." (Leviticus 23:27). Fasting is seen as fulfilling this biblical commandment. The Yom Kippur fast also enables us to put aside our physical desires to concentrate on our spiritual needs through prayer, repentance and self-improvement.

Yom Kippur is the moment in Jewish time when we dedicate our mind, body, and soul to reconciliation with God, our fellow human beings, and ourselves. We are commanded to turn to those whom we have wronged first, acknowledging our sins and the pain we might have caused. At the same time, we must be willing to forgive and to let go of certain offenses and the feelings of resentment they provoked in us. On this journey we are both seekers and givers of pardon. Only then can we turn to God and ask for forgiveness: "And for all these, God of forgiveness, forgive us, pardon us, and grant us atonement."

**Sukkot**, a Hebrew word meaning "booths" or "huts," refers to the Jewish festival of giving thanks for the fall harvest. It also commemorates the 40 years of Jewish wandering in the desert after the giving of the Torah atop Mt. Sinai. Sukkot is celebrated five days after **Yom Kippur** on the 15th of the month of Tishrei, and is marked by

# CHAI MITZVAH

## GROW YOUR JUDAISM

**TUESDAY EVENINGS at 7:00 p.m.**  
Led by Rabbi Jonathan S. Siger

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**October 13**  
**November 10**  
**December 8**  
**January 12**  
**February 9**  
**March 8**  
**April 12**  
**May 10**  
**May 31**

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**June 10 Chai Mitzvah Shabbat Celebration**

Chai Mitzvah is a program promoting commitment to, and growth in Jewish living. Nine class sessions, independent study, a social action project, and personal spiritual practice culminate in a special ceremony celebrating the journey. Course fees total \$36 for CJCN members, \$54 for non-members. There is no cost to register, and you may do so at any time, at [chaimitzvah.org](http://chaimitzvah.org)



*If you need access to the building, please contact [Security@cjcn.org](mailto:Security@cjcn.org) or 713-724-6261. Please give as much notice as possible. Thank you*



**CJCN Casino Night is Back!!!!**  
**Call for Committee Members**

**Thursday October 17, 2015**



Shalom!

My name is Craig Klein and I am writing to you as the Chair for this Year's Casino Night. We're looking for volunteers to help us on the committee. You can volunteer as much or as little that fits your schedule, a few hours or a few hours a week. We'll be soliciting auction items from local chamber members. Come Join an exciting committee and help us raise funds for the synagogue.

Please contact Craig Klein for more information or  
to volunteer, contact me at  
(281)772-6942 or [casinonight@cjcn.org](mailto:casinonight@cjcn.org)



several distinct traditions. One, which takes the commandment to dwell in booths literally, is to erect a *sukkah*, a small, temporary booth or hut. Sukkot (in this case, the plural of *sukkah*) are commonly used during the seven-day festival for eating, entertaining and even for sleeping.

Sukkot also called *Z'man Simchateinu* (Season of Our Rejoicing), is the only festival associated with an explicit commandment to rejoice. A final name for Sukkot is *Chag HaAsif*, (Festival of the Ingathering), representing a time to give thanks for the bounty of the earth during the fall harvest.

#### GREETINGS

[Rosh Hashanah](#) is the Jewish New Year and is a major holiday on the Jewish calendar. Wishing your Jewish friends a "[Happy New Year](#)" is as easy as saying "L'Shana Tova," which means "For a Good Year" in Hebrew. Rosh Hashanah is not traditionally a gift-giving holiday but if you are invited to someone's home and want to bring something, sweet foods make thoughtful Rosh Hashanah gifts.

[Yom Kippur](#) is the Jewish Day of Atonement and is considered the holiest and most solemn day on the Jewish calendar. Because Yom Kippur is a [fast day](#), it is appropriate to wish your Jewish friends an "Easy Fast" on Yom Kippur, or in Hebrew "Tzom Kal." The traditional Yom Kippur greeting is "G'mar Hatimah Tovah" or "May You Be Sealed for a Good Year (in the Book of Life)." This reflects the Jewish view of Yom Kippur as the day when God seals our fates (determined by our actions) for the upcoming year in the Books of Life or Death. The entire ten [Days of Awe](#) from Rosh Hashanah through Yom Kippur are viewed as the beginning of the New Year, so you may also still wish your Jewish friends a "Happy New Year" or "L'Shana Tovah" on Yom Kippur.

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## Credit Cards at CJCJN

We accept Credit Cards for dues, donations and purchases.

If you'd like to pay your dues by credit card, please just write in your credit card number, name (exactly as printed on card) and expiration date, along with the amount you'd like to pay, on the return portion of the slip.

Or, you can email the information and the amount you'd like to pay to [Treasurer@cjcjn.org](mailto:Treasurer@cjcjn.org) or to [Finance@cjcjn.org](mailto:Finance@cjcjn.org)  
It's that simple!

**ALL FINANCIAL INFORMATION WILL BE HANDLED IN THE STRICTEST OF CONFIDENCE**

## Help Support CJCJN

Purchase an ad for your business or sell one to someone else!

Business Card..... \$120/year  
 ¼ page..... \$220/year  
 ½ page..... \$330/year  
 Full Page ..... \$550/year

Please contact: [Communications@cjcjn.org](mailto:Communications@cjcjn.org) for more information



**FOREST PARK  
THE WOODLANDS  
FUNERAL HOME & CEMETERY**

18000 I-45 Frontage Road | The Woodlands, TX 77384

**936-321-5115** 

se-cu-ri-ty (סִי-קְיֹרִי-טֵי)

n. pl. se-cu-ri-ties

1. Freedom from risk or danger; safety.
2. Freedom from doubt, anxiety, or fear; confidence.



**The goal of security is to keep our congregants and our Temple safe.  
Please read the following information.**

In structuring our security protocols, we received extensive input and guidance from Homeland Security, Anti-Defamation League, the URJ and several other congregations. **We need your cooperation to make this happen.**

We are trying to be responsive and flexible regarding the needs of our Congregants while providing a safe and secure environment. Please make sure to give advance notice and several dates when arranging for access.

- 1) No one is allowed in the building alone, unless authorized (This is for their protection as well as ours)
- 2) All building opening requests go to [Security@cjcn.org](mailto:Security@cjcn.org) or call 713-724-6261
- 3) Non-members are not to be on premises without appropriate personnel
- 4) Constables (paid) are required when any one of the following 3 take place:
  - a) Event with 50 or more people
  - b) Event with alcohol
  - c) Event that is open to public and non-members are welcomed ( This does not apply if you are a member and are bringing a guest)



IE: The Maj Jongg tournament needed a constable, but a Bar/Bat does not. Why? The tournament was publicly and opened to the public. Bar/Bat attendees are invited and there is a contract making the party responsible for the people and the premises. On Friday evenings, we have at least 1 of our Security committee on "duty".



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5) The fewer keys the better. Upon recommendation from the ADL, the Federation, the local our security company and our insurance company, we have limited amounts of people with keys.

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**IF YOU NEED ACCESS, PLEASE CONTACT [SECURITY@CJCN.ORG](mailto:SECURITY@CJCN.ORG) OR 713-724-6261 ONLY. NO ONE ELSE IS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS, EVEN IF YOU HAVE A KEY. IF YOU DO HAVE A KEY, PLEASE DO NOT GIVE IT OUT TO SOMEONE ELSE WITHOUT GETTING PROPER AUTHORIZATION FROM THE SECURITY COORDINATOR AND/OR PRESIDENT. YOU COULD POSSIBLY JEOPARDIZE OUR INSURANCE POLICY.**

The original CJCN Security Team was professionally trained by trained by Assaf Catrain, formerly Security Executive with Homeland Security. The team went through an extensive weekend of training. This was originally done when we were awarded the Homeland Security Grant. This training continues to be passed on.

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday and Tuesday: **CLOSED**  
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: Open from 10:30 am – 2:30 pm.  
**PLEASE CALL FIRST IN CASE OUR ADMINISTRATOR IS NOT IN THE BUILDING**



# **SAMA FOUNDATION**

## **DONATING SOCCER SUPPLIES**

### **Help Donate to Kids in Sierra Leone**

I, Jackie Kirbie, am filling a Mitzvah project and helping Bundu Hayes collect Soccer supplies for kids in Sierra Leone who can't afford any equipment. I chose this project because I love and have been playing soccer since I was very young and decided this would best suit me. Bundu has been a referee at my games since I was about eight years old. I want to help him give kids a chance to love soccer like me.



**Please  
Contact Jason  
Kirbie**

**832-967-7525**

**jekirbie@gmail.com**

**To Schedule A  
Pick Up Time  
& Place**

**For more  
information go  
to...**

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- **Cash donations for shipping costs**
- **Soccer balls**
- **Gently used cleats**
- **Old jerseys**
- **Socks**
- **Shin guards**



# HIGH HOLY DAY SCHEDULE AND FORMS



**Congregation Jewish Community North**  
**High Holiday Schedule for 5776 (2015)**



## ***Selichot***

Saturday, September 5th at 10:00 pm

## ***Erev Rosh HaShanah***

Sunday, September 13th at 8:00 pm

## ***1<sup>st</sup> Day Rosh HaShanah***

Monday, September 14th

Children's Service at 9:00 am

Morning service at 10:00 am

## ***2<sup>nd</sup> Day Rosh HaShanah***

Tuesday, September 15th at 10:00 am

Sisterhood Sponsored lunch will follow services

Sunday, September 20th at 10:00 am

## ***Cemetery Visit***

*(please join us even if you do not have anyone in our cemetery  
& if you need to say Kaddish)*

## ***Kol Nidre (Erev Yom Kippur)***

Tuesday, September 22nd at 8:00 pm

## ***Yom Kippur, Wednesday September 23***

<i>Children's Service</i>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<i>Yizkor</i>	<b>5:00 pm</b>
<i>Morning Service</i>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<i>Neilah</i>	<b>5:45 pm</b>
<i>Afternoon Program</i>	<b>3:30 pm</b>	<i>Break Fast following</i>	



***Shana Tovah*** שנה טובה ***Happy New Year***

*Officiated by Rabbi Jonathan S. Siger and Cantorial Soloist Elizabeth Green*



Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**BABY-SITTING REGISTRATION**

Child 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child 3: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child 4: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child 5: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Child 6: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

*If paid in advance, the fee is \$5.00 per service per child for all services for which babysitting is available. Payment for drop-in at time of service will be \$10.00 per service per child.*

Erev Rosh Hashanah 8:00 pm Number of Children \_\_\_\_\_ at \$5 = \$\_\_\_\_\_

1st Day Rosh Hashanah Service 10:00 am Number of Children \_\_\_\_\_ at \$5 = \$\_\_\_\_\_

Kol Nidre Evening Service 8:00 pm Number of Children \_\_\_\_\_ at \$5 = \$\_\_\_\_\_

Yom Kippur Morning Service 10:00 am Number of Children \_\_\_\_\_ at \$5 = \$\_\_\_\_\_

Yom Kippur Afternoon Service 3:30 pm Number of Children \_\_\_\_\_ at \$5 = \$\_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed for Babysitting \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Must be returned and received by the Temple office NO LATER THAN Wednesday, August 26, 2015 :**

Please make check payable to:  
Congregation Jewish Community North  
5400 Fellowship Lane  
Spring, Texas 77379  
**Attention: High Holy Days Babysitting**

**Please provide diapers, lunch or snacks for your child.**

**In the event my child(ren) are injured while in the care of CJCJN, and the parents are unavailable, Congregation Jewish Community North, its agents or its representatives shall have the right to obtain medical treatment at any accredited medical facility and I shall hold CJCJN and its agents or representatives harmless.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### YIZKOR/MEMORIAL BOOK

Names of those who have passed since last year will be acknowledged during the service (if we have the names). Please submit your names for inclusion below so that they may be acknowledged in the Yizkor/Memorial Book. Please return this form asap so that we make sure your loved one is acknowledged in our book.

In Remembrance of:

Name (Please PRINT)	Deceased		
	Month	Day	Year
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Remembered By: The \_\_\_\_\_ Family  
(please print)

*Please direct my/our donation to the following funds:*

<input type="checkbox"/> General Operating	<input type="checkbox"/> Endowment/General Use	<input type="checkbox"/> Operation Legacy Cash Reserves
<input type="checkbox"/> Religious School	<input type="checkbox"/> Building/Sanctuary	<input type="checkbox"/> Rabbi's Discretionary
<input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Book	<input type="checkbox"/> Library	<input type="checkbox"/> Meltzer Scholarship

*A donation to one of the above special Temple Funds is appropriate.*

*All remembrances will be printed in the Yizkor Book.*

*Your generous donation includes a 5% administrative fee*

**"Same as Last Year"** requests will **NOT** be accepted

Please enclose the above form, filled out in its entirety, with your check made out to CJCN and mail them to:

***Please make sure that this form is received by the Temple Office***

***NO LATER THAN Wednesday, August 26, 2015.***

Congregation Jewish Community North

5400 Fellowship Lane, Spring, TX 77379

**ATTENTION: High Holy Days – Yizkor Book**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**HIGH HOLY DAY PRAYER BOOKS**

The High Holy Day Prayer Books are bound in maroon colored covers.

On new book orders, we offer the service of having your name printed on the cover.

Please mark the number of books you wish to order and enclose the proper amount.

Number of books ordered: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$36.00 Per Book = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT Name to be printed on book

1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_

*If ordering more than one book, please submit the name for each book  
The name will be printed exactly as submitted here.*

**HIGH HOLY DAY FLOWER FUND**

We are accepting donations for the High Holy Day Flower Fund

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

It will be appreciated by everyone.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**HANDICAPPED PARKING REQUEST**

Members needing reserved handicapped parking may make a request and be issued permits.

Print Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

<b><u>CHECK PAYABLE TO CJCN</u></b>	Amount Enclosed for Prayer Book	\$ _____
	Amount Enclosed for Flower Fund	\$ _____
<b>Total No. of Guests</b> _____	Amount Enclosed for Babysitting	\$ _____
	Amount Enclosed for Yizkor Donation	\$ _____
	Amount Enclosed Guest Donation	\$ _____
	<b>Total Enclosed</b>	\$ _____

*Please make sure that this form is received by  
the Temple Office NO LATER THAN  
Wednesday, August 26, 2015  
Congregation Jewish Community North  
5400 Fellowship Lane, Spring, TX 77379  
ATTENTION: HIGH HOLY DAYS*

Please let us know if you are having out of town  
guests or any guests that are not part of your  
household.  
  
Please print their names on the back of this form.

*Please list your guests on the back of this sheet. Please make sure it (and ALL of the High Holy Day Forms) are  
received in the Temple Office NO LATER THAN Tuesday, August 28, 2012.*

**IMPORTANT FOR YOUR LOCAL GUESTS**  
**PLEASE** (either you or your guest) contact Donna Gibbon at [Membership@cjcn.org](mailto:Membership@cjcn.org)  
to make the appropriate arrangements Thank you.

*Please list your guests on the following sheet. Please make sure it (and ALL of the High Holy Day Forms) are received in the Temple Office  
NO LATER THAN **Wednesday, August 26, 2015***

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

***OUT OF TOWN Guest Names (Please Print)***

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# SEPTEMBER 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>30</b> GFC 6th-8th Program 9:30a Teacher Set Up Day	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 6p 7th Grade B'na Meeting 7p Men's Club Monthly Meeting	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> NFTY-TOR Summer Kallah →	<b>5</b> 10p Slichot Service
<b>6</b> NFTY-TOR Summer Kallah ←	<b>7</b> Labor Day Holiday	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 6p 5th Grade B'na Meeting 7p 6th Grade B'na Meeting 7p Sisterhood Monthly Board Meeting	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 6:45p Pre-Oneg 7:15p Shabbat Services	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> Erev Rosh HaShana	<b>14</b> Rosh HaShana	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 6p Hebrew School 7p Confirmation Class	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 6:45p Pre-Oneg 7:15p Shabbat Services	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> 9:30a Parent' Day Religious School 9:30a Religious School 12:15p SPRIFTY Meeting	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Erev Yom Kippur	<b>23</b> Yom Kippur	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 6:45p Pre-Oneg 7:15p Shabbat Services	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> Erev Sukkot 9:30a Religious School	<b>28</b> Sukkot	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 6p Hebrew School 6p Pizza in the Hut w/ School 7p Confirmation Class	<b>1</b> 3:30p SPRIFTY Meeting	<b>2</b> 6:45p Pre-Oneg 7:15p Musical Shabbat Services	<b>3</b>



# OCTOBER 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
←	SPRIFTY Food Drive			3:30p SPRIFTY Meeting	6:45p Pre- Oneg	
Erev Sukkot	Sukkot				7:15p Musical Shabbat Services	
9:30a Religious School		7p BOT Meeting	6p Hebrew School 6p Pizza in the Hut w/ School 7p Confirmation Class			
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9:30a Religious School 10a RS Ice Cream Social	Shmini Atzeret	Simchat Torah	6p Hebrew School 7p Confirmation Class 7p Men's Club Monthly Meeting		6:45p Pre- Oneg 7:15p Family Shabbat Services	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9:30a Religious School 10a Communication Meeting 10a Consecration 12:30p CJCN Book Club			6p Hebrew School 7p Confirmation Class 7p Sisterhood Monthly Board Meeting		GFC Fall Fest 6th-8th Grade	
					6:45p Pre- Oneg 7:15p Shabbat Services	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
← GFC Fall- Fest 6th-8th Grade 9:30a Religious School 12:30p Sisterhood Fall Luncheon		7p EC Meeting	6p Hebrew School 7p Confirmation Class		NFTY-TOR Fall Conclave	
					7:15a Evan Ginsburg Bar Mitzvah 7:15p Shabbat Services	10a Evan Ginsburg Bar Mitzvah 1p Evan Ginsburg Kiddush Luncheon
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
← NFTY-TOR- Fall Conclave Federation Holocaust Event 9:30a Religious School		7p BOT Meeting	6p Hebrew School 7p Confirmation Class		6:45p Pre- Oneg 7:15p Shabbat Services	