

# REGO PARK JEWISH CENTER BULLETIN

*"And let them make for me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them."*

EXODUS 25:8

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## HIGH HOLY DAYS 5781 - SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### SELICHOT SERVICE - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2020

8:00 P.M. - Attend the Meaningful Religious Service in the Sanctuary & Webex  
Officiated by Rabbi Romiel Daniel

### ROSH HASHANA EVE

Friday, September 18, 2020

6:45 P.M. - Minchah & Ma'ariv

6:41 P.M. - Candle Lighting

### SHABBAT SHUVAH

Sabbath of Repentance

Saturday, September 26, 2020

9:00 A.M. - Shacharit

7:26 P.M. - Sabbath ends

### ROSH HASHANA - FIRST DAY

Saturday, September 19, 2020

8:15 A.M. - Shacharit Service

9:30 A.M. - Torah Reading

11:00 A.M. - Sermon

11:45 A.M. - Musaf

2:00 P.M. - Closing Benediction

6:45 P.M. - Minchah and Ma'ariv

Candle Lighting - after 7:38 P.M.

### YOM KIPPUR - KOL NIDRE

Sunday, September 27, 2020

6:30 P.M. - Kol Nidre

6:26 P.M. - Candle Lighting

### YOM KIPPUR DAY

Monday, September 28, 2020

9:00 A.M. - Shacharit

10:30 A.M. - Torah Reading

11:30 A.M. - Sermon/Yizkor

1:00 P.M. - Musaf

5:15 P.M. - Minchah

6:15 P.M. - Ne'ilah/Ma'ariv

7:22 P.M. - Shofar

### ROSH HASHANA - SECOND DAY

Sunday, September 20, 2020

Same Schedule of Services

as on the First Day

6:45 P.M. - Minchah & Ma'ariv

\* ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE

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Pnina Lanxner

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# FROM THE RABBI'S DESK

We are in the month of Elul leading to the month of Tishrei. Elul is when we start preparing to humble ourselves knowing that at the time of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur the Almighty is eagerly waiting for us to turn to Him for renewing ourselves to lead a more spiritual life.

Like King David in Psalm 23 wrote “He makes us to lie down in green pastures” this pandemic of Covid-19 is literally a time given to all the world by the Almighty to lie down and reflect on what is good for our soul.

All along many of us are busy with our business, more concerned about money and clothes and all that is material. A better house, a new car, a Caribbean vacation, and so on. We do all this for our body which we idolize. How about doing something for our soul which is a part of the Almighty. It is the soul which lives for eternity.

And our scripture says “choose life.” So why do we spend so much time over our body which is of temporary existence rather than on the soul which lives and is eternal.

So let us look at this time of Covid-19 as a time given to us and the world to look within ourselves. Let this time bring us back on the path of goodness and righteousness.

Who would have ever thought that the whole world could be brought to a standstill. But the Almighty works in ways which we cannot understand. When He has to bring about a change, He can do it just as He could create the world just by uttering a few words.

Look at this as preparation time for the great days of Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur when we all want to be written in the book of life.

And what better way to accomplish this than to attend the services in the Synagogue where with others who come with a similar purpose of redeeming themselves also help us in the path of redemption.

Ketubah v'chatima Tovah

A good inscription and sealing in the Book of Life.

*Rabbi Romiel Daniel*

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## ***SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & CLASSES***

*We have been using the online video conferencing platform Cisco Webex to stay connected.  
During the months of September and October, we will continue using a combination of  
Cisco Webex and on-site Synagogue services.*

### **SEPTEMBER 2020** **SERVICE SCHEDULE**

Friday, September 4 - 6:30 PM - Webex  
Saturday, September 5 - 9:00 AM - RPJC sanctuary

Friday, September 11 - 6:30 PM - Webex  
Saturday, September 12 - 9:00 AM - RPJC sanctuary  
Saturday evening, September 12 -  
RPJC sanctuary & Webex  
*Evening service (7 PM) & Selichot service (8 PM)*

Erev Rosh Hashanah - Friday night, September 18  
6:45 PM - RPJC sanctuary & Webex  
1st Day Rosh Hashanah - Saturday, September 19  
8:15 AM - RPJC sanctuary & Webex  
2nd Day Rosh Hashanah - Sunday, September 20  
8:15 AM - RPJC sanctuary & Webex

Friday, Sept. 25 - 6:30 PM - RPJC sanctuary & Webex  
Sat., Sept. 26 - 9:00 AM - RPJC sanctuary & Webex  
Kol Nidre - Sunday night, September 27  
6:30 PM - RPJC sanctuary & Webex  
Yom Kippur (Yizkor) - Monday, September 28  
9:00 AM - RPJC sanctuary & Webex

### **SUNDAY MORNING TORAH STUDY** **CLASSES WITH RABBI DANIEL**

September 6, September 13  
October 18, October 25

All classes meet on Webex at 11:00 A.M.

### **OCTOBER 2020** **SERVICE SCHEDULE**

Erev Sukkot - Friday, October 2  
6:30 PM - RPJC sanctuary & Webex  
1st Day Sukkot - Saturday, October 3  
9:00 AM - RPJC sanctuary & Webex  
2nd Day Sukkot - Sunday, October 4  
9:00 AM - RPJC sanctuary & Webex

Friday, Oct. 9 - 6:15 PM - RPJC sanctuary & Webex  
Shemini Atzeret (Yizkor) - Saturday, Oct. 10  
9:00 AM - RPJC sanctuary & Webex  
Simchat Torah - Saturday evening, October 10  
*Eve. service -6:30PM / Simchat Torah service -7:10 PM*  
RPJC sanctuary & Webex  
Simchat Torah - Sunday, October 11  
9:00 AM - RPJC sanctuary & Webex

Friday, October 16 - 6:00 PM - Webex  
Saturday, October 17 - 9:00 AM - RPJC sanctuary

Friday, October 23 - 6:00 PM - Webex  
Saturday, October 24 - 9:00 AM - RPJC sanctuary

Friday, October 30 - 5:45 PM - Webex  
Saturday, October 31 - 9:00 AM - RPJC sanctuary

Please check your email for links  
to services & classes on Cisco Webex

Please contact our Center office at  
[office@rpjc.org](mailto:office@rpjc.org)  
for more information

# FOCUS ON SISTERHOOD

As we reflect on the past year, our focus can only be on NOW - on the months beginning with March. We paraphrase Psalmist Asaph's words of Psalm 83 to fit our crisis/dilemma of today: *We are facing enemies, human as well as invisible & unknown things whose purpose is to hurt, harm, scare, disturb - physically & mentally, and kill all mankind.* In Psalm 83, in Asaph's fervent prayers to G-d, we listen and learn to accept, adjust and cope with our new situation and way of life.

As Sisterhood women and as a part of our secular and religious community, we have accepted and enforced new ways of living for ourselves and for our families. But we are also an important factor in a new humanity, all with the same vulnerability as before and we all pass before G-d's judgment. As mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers, daughters, sisters, aunts, nieces, we have learned to do Chesed - loving kindness, B'Yachad - together to share our heritage, to share the power of caring for each other as well as for ourselves, to find comfort in helping others and in our prayers, especially when these are shared with our Rabbi and fellow congregants. Finally while we have been so isolated, we have learned to value our freedom, and we have also learned to appreciate what G-d has provided and not to waste anything.

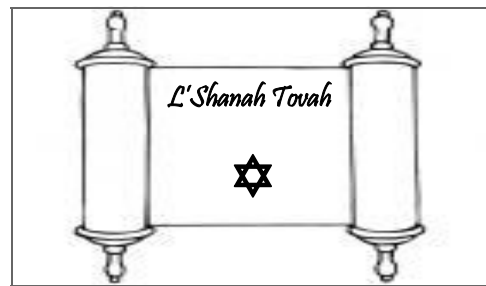
***"Ashray Ha'Am Yodei Truah...Lishmo'ah Shofar"***  
***"Happy is the people that know the joyful sound....to listen to the sounds of the Shofar."***

**Psalm 89**

As the High Holy Days approach, we have fervent hopes that it will be peaceful, healthy and happy and a prosperous 5781 for all. In this season of Heshbon Habefesh, (an accounting of the soul), let us continue to volunteer, to give of ourselves, to work for the upkeep of the RPJC and remember that the ways of the Torah are ways of pleasantness and paths of peace.

L'Shana Tova, V'Kesiva Tova  
May all of you be blessed with good health, joy,  
happiness, peace on earth and peace of mind.

Ruth Loewenstein



## **REMINDER**

1. If you have received an honor or aliyah, please be prompt in coming to services. You need to be in your seat at least 15 minutes before you're called for an assigned honor.
2. For strict security reasons, you are required to produce your seat ticket at the door. Nobody will be admitted without a ticket. Your cooperation is needed.
3. Air-conditioning may be on. Bring a covering for your comfort.

## ***TASHLICH***

**TUESDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 22, 2020**

**MEET IN FRONT OF  
REGO PARK JEWISH CENTER  
IN YOUR CAR  
AT 5:00 P.M.**

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## HIGH HOLY DAYS – 5781

We are making plans for the High Holiday and would like to outline some important guidelines that we all need to follow this year.

- All congregants must maintain physical distancing of 6 feet. Please keep this in mind when entering the Center building, entering the sanctuary, sitting in the sanctuary, exiting after services and using the bathrooms.
  - All congregants and staff must wear face coverings.
  - Your temperature will be checked by a staff member upon arrival. Anyone with a fever of 100.4 degrees or above will be denied entry.
  - All seating is arranged by advance reservation. Seats will be clearly marked.
  - Each person will be given a resealable plastic bag where you will place your machzor. You can leave the bag on your assigned seat, ready for the next synagogue service. This will ensure that no one else comes in contact with your book.
  - We request that if possible, all men bring their own tallis to services. If a shul Tallis is used, then it will be placed in the plastic bag with your machzor. Ladies should bring their own head covering.
  - The mezuzah should not be touched or kissed.
  - The Rabbi and Cantor will maintain a distance of 6 feet. If a member is called for an aliyah, he will say the blessing from his seat. Saying blessings from a distance is approved by tradition. There will be no shaking of hands and the Torah will not be carried up and down the aisles.
  - We will have hand sanitizer available. Bathrooms will be disinfected regularly.
  - After services each day, we ask that everyone please exit promptly and not congregate together.
  - We will be hiring a police officer from the NYPD for security during Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.
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## **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Walter Adelstein  
Jerrey Adler  
Lael Daniel  
Gail Edelstein  
Reuben Ezra  
Joyce Fefferman  
Aileen Goldstein  
Marilyn Horowitz  
Dan Isaacs  
Rachel Kacenenbogen  
Johanna Katz  
Bertha Klein  
John Landes  
Ida Schwartz  
Jack Siegel  
Sonia Siegel  
Toby Usenheimer  
Zivan Zabar



## **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

Mollie Alkana  
Rabbi Romiel Daniel  
Carl Ellman  
Freda Gimple  
Florence Legler  
Carol Stoller  
Jacqueline Weiss  
Joel Zakoff

## **OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

Sheila & Ken Sasmor



Thank you to Bertha Klein for the flowers  
adorning our Sanctuary on Rosh Hashanah.

## **WELCOME NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS**

William Katz  
Florence Legler  
Jeffrey Novzen

## **WE MOURN THE RECENT LOSS OF CURRENT & FORMER MEMBERS**

Daniel Begalman  
Kathy Godfried  
Stuart Hess  
Hilda Kalfus  
Sol Leibowitz  
Bernice Mandell  
Florence Most  
Mildred Pelton  
Raymond Solomon  
Anne Spiegel  
Donald Weinberg

## **LOSS IN MEMBER'S FAMILY**

Chava Avniel, sister of Pnina Lanxner

## **REFUAH SHELEIMAH**

Jerrey Adler  
Lorraine Carroll  
Susan Goldschmidt

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# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

## COVID-19 DONATIONS

*We thank all those who generously responded  
to our recent appeal.*

Mollie & Jack Alkana  
Elise Bornstein  
Lorraine Carroll  
Martin Cantor  
Shirley Decker  
Maria Duron  
Beverly & Carl Ellman  
Harvey Fischer  
Mikhail Gelfer  
Susan Goldschmidt  
Harriet Goodman  
Sandi Goodman  
Roslyn & Ira Hochman  
Rachel Kacenenbogen  
Ruth Kaplan  
Bertha Klein  
Pnina Lanxner  
Anne Levner  
Ruth Loewenstein  
Jeanette Mildner  
Sandy & Martin Novzen  
Aida & Menashe Ovadia  
Paramdeo Patraj  
Sheila & Ken Sasmor  
Ida & Arthur Schwartz  
Sonia & Jack Siegel  
Elaine Spodick  
Ray & Ed Starer  
Jeffrey Stark  
Carol Stoller  
Lynne & Joel Zakoff

## MEMORIAL FUND

Mollie & Jack Alkana, in memory of Rabbi Donald Weinberg.  
Mollie & Jack Alkana, in memory of Stuart Hess.  
Susan Goldschmidt, in memory of Chava Avniel.  
Rachel Kacenenbogen, in memory of Rabbi Donald Weinberg.  
Bertha Klein, in memory of Hilda Kalfus.  
Bertha Klein, in memory of Anne Spiegel.  
Pnina Lanxner, in memory of her sister Chava Avniel.  
Pnina Lanxner, in memory of Rabbi Donald Weinberg.  
Ray & Ed Starer, in memory of Mildred Pelton.  
Ray & Ed Starer, in memory of Stuart Hess.

## GENERAL DONATIONS

Elise Bornstein, donation for Passover.  
Elise Bornstein, for Passover yizkor.  
Elise Bornstein, for Shavuos yizkor.  
Martin Cantor, for Passover yizkor.  
Martin Cantor, for Shavuos yizkor.  
Rabbi Romiel & Noreen Daniel, in honor of opening the ark on Shabbat.  
Maria Duron, donation for Passover.  
Maria Duron, for Passover yizkor.  
Maria Duron, for Shavuos yizkor.  
Maria Duron, birthday donation.  
Susan Goldschmidt, for Shavuos yizkor.  
Ruth Kaplan  
Pnina Lanxner, for Passover yizkor.  
Pnina Lanxner, for Shavuos yizkor.  
Jeanette Mildner, for Passover yizkor  
Sonia & Jack Siegel, for Passover yizkor.  
Sonia & Jack Siegel, for Shavuos yizkor.  
Ruthe Unger, in honor of reading prayer on Shabbat.  
Lynne & Joel Zakoff, for aliyahs and synagogue honors.



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# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

## Yahrzeit Fund

Walter Adelstein, in memory of mother Estelle Adelstein.

Walter Adelstein, in memory of father Herbert Adelstein.

Jack Alkana, in memory of mother Vida Alkana.

Jack Alkana, in memory of father Joseph Alkana.

Jack Alkana, in memory of brother Abraham Alkana.

Mollie Alkana, in memory of mother Chana Rosa.

Max Amper, in memory of father Samuel Amper.

Meryl Colman, in memory of father Arthur.

Noreen Daniel, in memory of mother Rebecca.

Noreen Daniel, in memory of father Samuel.

Rabbi Romiel Daniel, in memory of father Isaac Daniel.

Rabbi Romiel Daniel, in memory of mother Rachel Daniel.

Shirley Decker, in memory of father Chaim.

Shirley Decker, in memory of father in law Isidore Decker.

Shirley Decker, in memory of sister Miriam Warmbrand.

Shirley Decker, in memory of brother in law Benjamin Warmbrand.

Warmbrand.

Gail Edelstein, in memory of father Harry Edelstein.

Reuben Ezra, in memory of mother Victoria.

Reuben Ezra, in memory of uncle Shokar Abraham Ezra.

Susan Fischer, in memory of husband Arthur Fischer.

Susan Goldschmidt, in memory of mother Hanna.

Susan Goldschmidt, in memory of father David.

Sandi & Harriet Goodman, in memory of mother Anna Goodman.

Joel Herbst, in memory of father Nathan Herbst.

Leonor Herbst, in memory of husband Morris Herbst.

Robin Hochberg, in memory of mother Marilyn.

Ira Hochman, in memory of mother Blanche Hochman.

Ira Hochman, in memory of brother Elliott Hochman.

Roslyn Hochman, in memory of mother Ella.

Roslyn Hochman, in memory of father Jacob.

Roslyn Hochman, in memory of brother Marvin.

Leon Horowitz, in memory of father Julius Horowitz.

Dan Isaacs, in memory of father Asher Isaacs.

Rachel Kacenenbogen, in memory of mother Rebecca.

Rachel Kacenenbogen, in memory of father Jacques.

Rachel Kacenenbogen, in memory of uncle Samuel.

Rachel Kacenenbogen, in memory of mother in law Luba.

Rachel Kacenenbogen, in memory of father in law Joel.

Ruth Kaplan, in memory of mother Mina.

Ruth Kaplan, in memory of husband Simon Kaplan.

Ruth Kaplan, in memory of sister Pola Jarmowski.

Bertha Klein, in memory of mother Rose.

Regina Landau, in memory of husband Isaac Landau.

Peter Landes, in memory of mother Maria Landes.

Pnina Lanxner, in memory of mother Miriam.

Ruth Loewenstein, in memory of mother Anny Loewenstein.

Ruth Loewenstein, in memory of sister Yanna Hammerschlag.

Ruth Loewenstein, in memory of grandmother Marianne.

Ruth Loewenstein, in memory of grandfather Abraham.

Jeanette Mildner, in memory of mother Hana.

Jeanette Mildner, in memory of father Feivel.

Julie Mikelberg, in memory of mother Veronica.

Julie Mikelberg, in memory of father Leslie.

Sandy Novzen, in memory of father Donald.

Agnes Posner, in memory of husband Laszlo Posner.

Frances Rotkopf, in memory of husband Maurice Rotkopf.

Frances Rotkopf, in memory of mother Sylvia.

Frances Rotkopf, in memory of mother in law Dyna.

Sheila Sasmor, in memory of father Benjamin.

Jack Siegel, in memory of mother Annie Siegel.

Jack Siegel, in memory of father Harry Siegel.

Ed Starer, in memory of mother Vera Starer.

Ed Starer, in memory of father Adolf Starer.

Ed Starer, in memory of grandmother Ida.

Ray Starer, in memory of mother Hilde.

Ray Starer, in memory of father Joseph.

Carol Stoller, in memory of mother Hilda Stoller.

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## Yahrzeit Fund

Ruthe Unger, in memory of husband Joseph Unger.  
Ruthe Unger, in memory of father Louis.  
Ruthe Unger, in memory of brother Murray.  
Toby Usenheimer, in memory of father George.  
Rochelle Wasserman, in memory of father Jack Wasserman.  
Jacqueline Weiss, in memory of mother Goldie Weiss.  
Jacqueline Weiss, in memory of grandmother Sara.  
Jacqueline Weiss, in memory of grandfather Morris.  
Ira Werner, in memory of mother Sydell Werner.  
Ira Werner, in memory of father Shephard Werner.  
Ira Werner, in memory of aunt Lillian Werner.  
Zivan Zabar, in memory of wife Lea Zabar.

## Shalach Monos Donations

Mollie & Jack Alkana  
Harriet Goodman  
Sandi Goodman  
Frances Greenberg  
Rachel Kacenenbogen  
Bertha Klein  
Pnina Lanxner  
Ruth Loewenstein  
Jeanette Mildner  
Ray & Ed Starer  
Rochelle Wasserman  
Lynne & Joel Zakoff & family

Special thanks to Anne Levner, Ruth Loewenstein, Ray & Ed Starer, Ruthe Unger and Lynne & Joel Zakoff and family for delivering Shalach Monos packages to our ill and homebound members and friends. It was greatly appreciated.

## Refuah Sheleimah

Shirley Decker, for the recovery of Rabbi Romiel Daniel.  
Maria Duron, for the recovery of Lorraine Carroll.  
Joyce Fefferman, for the recovery of Rabbi Romiel Daniel.  
Roslyn & Ira Hochman, for the recovery of Rabbi Romiel Daniel.  
Rachel Kacenenbogen, for the recovery of Rabbi Romiel Daniel.  
Rachel Kacenenbogen, for the recovery of Ruth Kaplan.  
Rachel Kacenenbogen, for the recovery of Martin Cantor.  
Rachel Kacenenbogen, for mishebayrakh prayers.  
Pnina Lanxner, for the recovery of Rabbi Romiel Daniel.  
Pnina Lanxner, for the recovery of Susan Goldschmidt.  
Pnina Lanxner, for the recovery of Lorraine Carroll.  
Sandy & Martin Novzen, for the recovery of Rabbi Romiel Daniel.  
Elaine Spodick, for the recovery of Rabbi Romiel Daniel.  
Ruthe Unger, for the recovery of Rabbi Romiel Daniel.  
Lynne & Joel Zakoff & family, for the recovery of Rabbi Romiel Daniel.  
Lynne & Joel Zakoff & family, for the recovery of Martin Cantor.

### **A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR**

Donations received by the Center office between February 15th and August 25th are listed in this Bulletin. High Holiday donations will be listed in the next Bulletin.

Donations received after August 25th will be listed in the November/December bulletin.

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