

YOM KIPPUR SERVICES AT BETH SHOLOM

Yom Kippur, recognized as the holiest day of the Jewish year, will be observed by Jewish people throughout the free world, beginning at sundown on Wednesday, September 21st, and ending at sundown, Thursday, September 22nd.

Known as the Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur Day brings to a close the ten days of repentance, which began with Rosh Hashonah, the first day of the Jewish New Year, 5738, on Tuesday, September 13th.

Since Biblical times, this day has been set aside to ask forgiveness of man's sins against God. Traditionally, religious Jews will observe a twenty-four hour period of total abstinence from food and drink. It is the Jewish belief that at sundown on Yom Kippur Day, God seals the Book of Life, in which he has written the fate of every individual.

Yom Kippur is also referred to as the Day of Judgment and so the

day is spent in religious worship. Services begin at dusk on Wednesday evening, with the recitation of the Kol Nidre prayer and will be brought to a symbolic finish with a single blast of the Shofar, the ram's horn, at the close of the Nillah Services, just prior to sundown on Thursday.

Here in Las Vegas, services will be held at Temple Beth Sholom, 1600 E. Oakey Blvd., at 6:30 P.M. on Wednesday evening and from 9:00 A.M. to sundown on Thursday.

All services are conducted and officiated by Rabbi Philip Shnairson, who will also deliver the High Holiday sermons. Cantor Joseph Kohn will chant the liturgy, assisted by the Temple High Holiday Choir under the direction of Morry King with Martha Olson at the organ.

The traditional Yizkor Services, memorializing the dead, will take place at 4:00 P.M. on Yom Kippur Day.



RABBI STEPHEN WEISBERG IS FLANKED BY DR. DAVID WASSERMAN, LEFT, AND DR. GENE KIRSHBAUM, FOUNDING FATHERS OF CONGREGATION NER TAMID, THE NEW REFORM SYNAGOGUE IN LAS VEGAS, WHICH WILL BE HOLDING THE CONCLUDING NEW YEAR SERVICES OF YOM KIPPUR IN THE GOLD ROOM OF CONVENTION CENTER STARTING WEDNESDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 23 AND ALL DAY THURSDAY. CANTOR ALAN FRENCH AND ORGANIST DOLORES PLANT WILL ALSO PARTICIPATE. FOR FUTURE SERVICES CALL 870-6897.

New Year Message

Jack D. Weller
(Joint Distribution Committee)

As we prepare to welcome the year, 5738, our thoughts turn inevitably to the most vulnerable of our brothers, the persecuted, the uprooted and the despairing, those for whom the year ahead holds more peril than promise.

We think of the people of Israel yearning so desperately for peace after three decades of war and uneasy interludes of no war - no peace.

We think of our brothers in Eastern Europe still struggling to be free, to rejoin their families in Israel and in Western countries and to live as Jews again. Ten of thousands have made their way to freedom. Tens of thousands more are waiting, despite persecution and harassment, for their opportunity to leave.

We think of our brothers in Arab and Moslem countries, living in varying degrees of need and danger. We think of the elderly and the ailing there and in Europe who must look to us for the bare necessities of life.

All of them are in our thoughts as we assess the year that is passing and face the year that is dawning; more than 400,000 of them whom we have helped, are helping and will continue to help in the year ahead.

As we hear the ear-piercing and soul-stirring sounds of the shofar heralding the New Year we of the Joint Distribution Committee shall rededicate ourselves to the task that has been our mandate for over six decades - bringing material aid and hope to Jewish communities overseas. In addition, our prayers shall join those of the Israelis praying for peace, the Russian Jews praying for deliverance, the Jews in Moslem lands praying for tranquility and the Jews all over praying for a better life.

For all of them we pray that they be inscribed for a good and rewarding year. To them and to the Jews of America, Canada, England and other countries who continue to make our work possible through their support of the United Jewish Appeal and other campaigns, the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee sends Rosh Hashanah greetings and best wishes for prosperity, health and happiness in the year ahead.

HADASSAH MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON SEPT. 26

The Las Vegas Chapter of Hadassah, Alberta Stern, president, will hold its annual membership luncheon on Monday, September 26th, in Temple Beth Sholom, 1600 E. Oakey Blvd. at 12 o'clock noon.

Fashions will be presented with make-up and hair styles. Strip stars will appear to round out the lovely afternoon.

The public is invited and any interested parties or newcomers to our city may attend the luncheon for a donation of

\$2.50. If they wish to join the organization that day, they may do so and be Hadassah's guest for lunch. Reservations may be made by calling 734-7087 or 734-8951.

Hadassah is the largest Zionist organization in the world today and spends millions annually for its health, educational, vocational, social welfare and land redemption programs in Israel, and its education and youth programs in the United States.

Miami Jewish Studies

By Rabbi Samuel Silver

Between Miami Beach and Palm Beach, Florida, there are now many thousands of Jews. The move of Jews to Florida is comparable to the migration of our parents and grandparents from Europe to this blessed land in the early part of this century.

One of the jewels of the Miami area is the University of Miami, in Coral Gables, a splendid school.

Its Jewish student population is enormous. Now the campus has a department of Jewish studies. In the Forward, the Yiddish daily newspaper, L. Lasovin says that the department was founded by an altruist, Stanley Orkin, who was jolted into the project when he emerged from his synagogue to confront young people proclaiming themselves as Jews for Jesus.

Three hundred students attend the classes devoted to imparting information about the contributions of Judaism to western civilization.

Department head is Dr. Judah Shamir, a sabra, who has brains and charisma.

The Workmen's Circle is underwriting a course in Yiddish.

The Jewish Federation of Greater Miami, whose president is Morton Silverman, is anteing up over \$100,000 to support the endeavor.

Miami has set a fine example to other communities in the land. May the glittering example be amply emulated!

NEW YORK -- Irving Bernstein, Executive Vice-Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, has been honored for "outstanding leadership and dedicated service to the Jewish community" by members of the Small Cities Executives Institute.

New Year Message

By Kaygey Kash
(Pres. B'nai Brith Women)

The solemn days of Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, have been given to us as a time for self-examination, reflection and reconciliation.

The conceptions of modern man have been infinite. His creations have been boundless. But the complexity of modern advances have pointed up all too urgently the interdependence of mankind, the fact that we are indeed our brother's keeper.

Volunteerism is the visible means by which we demonstrate our recognition of our interdependence, the vehicle through which we directly involve ourselves in the needs of others, from the poor and isolated and disadvantaged in our own communities to our concerted action for the rights of our own people and all peoples of the world. Volunteerism accepts the challenge that comes from knowing that our own welfare is reflected in the welfare of humankind.

During this season of renewal and hope, our hearts and prayers turn toward Israel. A new and durable peace in the Mideast must be based on new relations between men and governments, a renewed recognition of the interdependence between men, a reconciliation of age old conflicts, and a new balance between political interests and the moral and historical imperatives which our tradition dictates.

Let us pray that our reflections in the New Year will lead to a greater fulfillment of our responsibilities to all humankind, and the dawning of a new era of peace between all men.

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