

# Kehillat Bet Hamidrash – The Kempsville Conservative Synagogue Newsletter

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OBSERVANCE	DAY	DATE	TIME
<b>Succot</b> סוכות	Friday	02 OCT 2009	6:30 PM
Shacharit	Saturday	03 OCT 2009	9:30 AM
Lunch in Sukkah			12:30 PM
Minchah / Ma'ariv			5:30 PM
Shacharit	Sunday	04 OCT 2009	9:30 AM
Minchah / Ma'ariv			5:30 PM
<b>Shemini Atzeret</b> שמיני עצרת	Friday	09 OCT 2009	6:30 PM
Shacharit / Yizkor	Saturday	10 OCT 2009	9:30 AM
<b>Simchat Torah</b> שמחת תורה	Saturday	10 OCT 2009	7:00 PM
Shacharit (at Temple Israel)	Sunday	11 OCT 2009	9:00 AM
Minchah / Ma'ariv			6:30 PM

The Jewish holiday season continues as Kehillat Bet Hamidrash (KBH), the Kempsville Conservative Synagogue, **hosts our student rabbi, Jason Rubenstein**, during the first days of *Succot*. We start the holiday the evening of Friday, 02 OCT 2009, with services in the KBH sanctuary. We continue with *Shacharit* (9:30 AM), *Minchah* and *Ma'ariv* (5:30 PM) services on 03 and 04 OCT at KBH, with lunch in the *Sukkah* on 03 OCT and the *lulav* and *etrog* on 04 OCT.

**Yizkor** is on Saturday, 10 OCT 2009, in the KBH sanctuary in conjunction with *Shemini Atzeret* and Shabbat. Services start at 9:30 AM. We hold our **family Simchat Torah celebration** on Saturday, 10 OCT 2009 at 7:00 PM in the KBH sanctuary.

At 9:00 AM on Sunday, 11 OCT 2009, our *Simchat Torah* observance continues with our programming partner, Temple Israel, located at 7255 Granby Street in Norfolk, VA. Please note the updated 6:30 PM time for *Simchat Torah Minchah / Ma'ariv*.

Please read the 28 NOV 2009 **KBH Pearl Anniversary Update** at the end of the *Newsletter*.

Through the generosity of the **Legacy Heritage Fund Limited** and continuing support from the **Pincus Paul Charitable Trust**, our student rabbi Mr. Rubenstein will also visit KBH as follows:

23 – 25 OCT 2009	15 – 17 JAN 2010	02 – 04 APR 2010
26 – 29 NOV 2009	29 – 31 JAN 2010	30 APR – 02 MAY 2010
18 – 20 DEC 2009	12 – 14 FEB 2010*	14 – 16 MAY 2010

\* Snow date of 13 – 15 MAR 2010

We need 2 – 3 volunteers to **take down the Sukkah** the week of 11 OCT 2009. This will take 60 – 90 minutes. Please contact Sam Epstein at [EpsteinSam@aol.com](mailto:EpsteinSam@aol.com) or (757) 420-5891 to assist with this effort.

**Newsletter Inputs**  
(printed with space permitting)

1. Via e-mail to [EpsteinSam@aol.com](mailto:EpsteinSam@aol.com)
2. Via letter to the synagogue c/o the Bulletin

Virginia holds its next General Election on Tuesday, 03 NOV 2009. Citizens may vote for members of the House of Delegates, governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, and local constitutional offices. You must **register to vote** by 5:00 PM on Monday, 05 OCT 2009. Absentee ballots are available upon request. For additional details, please visit [www.vbgov.com](http://www.vbgov.com), call (757) 385-8683, or e-mail [voter@vbgov.com](mailto:voter@vbgov.com).

You may find **USCJ news** at [www.uscj.org/eNews](http://www.uscj.org/eNews).

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**Your Board Meets on the Second Wednesday of Each Month**

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The **Kempsville Area Public Library** reopened on Wednesday, 30 SEP 2009.

Candle Lighting*	
FRI, 02 OCT	6:30 PM EDT
SAT, 03 OCT AFTER	7:25 PM EDT
FRI, 09 OCT	6:20 PM EDT
SAT, 10 OCT AFTER	7:15 PM EDT
FRI, 16 OCT	6:10 PM EDT
FRI, 23 OCT	6:01 PM EDT
FRI, 30 OCT	5:53 PM EDT
FRI, 06 NOV	4:46 PM EST

\*www.chabadoftidewater.com

Mayor Sessoms and members of the Virginia Beach City Council will hold a **Community Summit** on Monday, 05 OCT 2009 from 6:00 to 8:30 PM at the Virginia Beach Convention Center, Rooms 5 A, B and C. The public is invited to attend.

The Virginia Beach Crime Prevention Steering Committee invites you to a **Cyberbullying Forum** moderated by Kurt Williams of WTKR News from 6:30 – 9:00 PM on Tuesday, 06 OCT 2009 at the Meyera Oberdorf Central Library Auditorium. For more information, call (757) 385-1330 or e-mail [jmcellig@vb.gov](mailto:jmcellig@vb.gov).

Temple Emanuel at 424 25<sup>th</sup> Street in Virginia Beach continues with its presentation of **Jewish Political Leaders** from 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM on Sunday, 18 OCT 2009 with Joe Frank of Newport News and former Mayor Meyera Oberdorf of Virginia Beach. For details, please call (757) 428-2591.

Kadima/Machar USY Grades 4 - 8 sponsors **Climbing at the Rock Gym** at 5049 Southern Boulevard in Virginia Beach on Sunday, 18 OCT 2009 from 2:00 – 4:00 PM. \$20.00 includes snacks. To RSVP or for questions, please contact Ms. Beth Gross by 12 OCT 2009 at (757) 721-7566 or [bgross.educationdirector@gamil.com](mailto:bgross.educationdirector@gamil.com).

The **Fall Kadimah Kallah** for Grades 6 – 8 is from 23 – 25 OCT 2009 at the Smith Center in Rockville, MD. The \$165 fee is 20% off last year's price. Come join over 100 from DC, VA, MD and NC for a weekend of fun and new friends. The application deadline is 07 OCT 2009. Please contact Ms. Gross (757) 721-7566 or Ms. Shayna Kritz (301) 230-0801 ext 3 / [Kritz@uscj.org](mailto:Kritz@uscj.org) for questions. We have flyers in the synagogue lobby.

The **Old Dominion University College of Jewish Knowledge** sponsors free College Level Workshops at the Simon Family JCC. On Monday, 12 OCT 2009 at 7:00 PM, Professor of Oceanography Tal Ezar speaks on *The Dead Sea – The Red Sea*. On 16 NOV 2009 at 7:00 PM, the talk is on *Interfaith Conflict and Resolution* for interfaith families. 14 DEC 2009, Art History Lecturer Rosa Motta talks about *Jewish Cultural Identify through the discovery of ancient coins*. The synagogue lobby has flyers.

The Old Dominion University Institute for Jewish Studies and Interfaith Understanding sponsors Rabbi Walter Homolka of Berlin for the **Kanter Endowed Lecture** at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, 28 OCT 2009. For details, please contact Ms. Kelly Duggins at [kduggins@odu.edu](mailto:kduggins@odu.edu).

Virginia Beach's Temple Emanuel also hosts its **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Holiday Market** on Sunday, 08 NOV 2009 from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

**Chabad of Tidewater** offers programs of general interest over the next month. Please contact Ms. Rashi Brashevitzky at (757) 616-0770 or [rashi@ganizzy.org](mailto:rashi@ganizzy.org) for more details on the following:

- **Sukkah Fest** on Monday, 05 OCT 2009 at 5:00 PM.
- Junior Chefs Kosher Cooking, a **kosher cooking club for children**, on Sunday, 01 NOV 2009 at 3:30 PM.

The Simon Family JCC at 5000 Corporate Woods Drive in Virginia Beach plans the following events. Please call (757) 321-2338 for details (flyers are in the synagogue lobby):

- Pizza in the Hut **Family Sukkot Dinner** provided by the PJ Library on Thursday, 08 OCT 2009 between 5:30 – 8:00 PM. \$10 for families of potential members, free for members.
- **The Festival of Jewish Books and Authors** from 01 – 22 NOV 2009.



**Save the Date**  
**Saturday, 28 NOV 2009**  
**KBH 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

- Cantor Proser Recognition Dinner
- Music
- Catered kosher food
- Refreshments

## **Kehillat Bet Hamidrash – The Kempsville Conservative Synagogue Newsletter**

- Play it up for Pink **Family fun Day and Tennis Tournament** to benefit the Tidewater Breast Cancer Foundation and Sharsheret, a national organization of cancer survivors whose specifically support young Jewish women facing breast cancer, on Sunday, 25 OCT 2009 from 1:00 – 4:00 PM. The goal is to raise \$40,000. Registration is required.
- **JCC's Got Talent** on Sunday, 25 OCT 2009 at 4:00 PM. The JCC and Hebrew Academy of Tidewater once again join forces to present the most talented people right here on our campus! Join the Shir Darom Chorus, Ohef Sholom's Cantor Wally in his JCC musical debut, teen rockers, dancers and some of the sweetest singing this side of the Peninsula! \$5 for JCC Members and HAT families and \$15 for potential JCC members.
- **Jewtopia at the Roper** on Saturday, 07 NOV 2009 at 8:00 PM. This is a one-night-only event. Tickets are \$52, \$43, and \$35 depending upon location.

Tuesday, 10 NOV 2009 at 7:15 PM marks this year's **Hampton Roads Camp Ramah in New England Reunion and Prospective Camper Evening**. This event is a wonderful way for prospective campers and their families to learn more about Camp Ramah. The hosts will serve light snacks and refreshments. For questions and directions, please RSVP to Ms. Judy Rohn (jsrohn@verizon.net) and Mr. Aaron Kass (aaron.kass@gmail.com) or (757) 409-9032.

*Mazel tov* to **Hedy and "Ozzie" Osmunson** on the 23 SEP 2009 birth of their granddaughter, Malkah Osmunson. Malkah is the daughter of Rina and Schneur (Steven) Osmunson.

Thank you to all our congregants who brought food for the *Kol Nidre* food drive. We delivered the goods to Jewish Family Services (JFS) on 30 SEP 2009. Because **hunger lasts all year**, and *tzedakah* never goes out of season, we will continue to collect food in our lobby for the JFS food locker.

We thank the following individuals for their efforts during *Selichot*, *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur*:

- **Dr. Alan Shapiro** for leading preliminary services
- *Haftorah* readers **Ms. Rona Proser, Mr. Amos Berkovich, and Dr. Alan Shapiro**
- **Ms. Harriett Eluto** who "volunteered" to make the Israel Bond appeal
- The **Berman and Baron families**, for providing *Rosh Hashanah* flowers
- **Mr. Ron Kaufman** for keeping our website up to date with the holiday service schedule
- **Mr. Harvey Hoffman** for arranging the holiday security
- The **KBH Sisterhood** for providing *Yom Kippur* flowers
- **Mr. Jason Silverstein** for printing the Pearl Anniversary notices
- The **Berkovich and Furst families**, who provided the break fast
- **Mr. Harvey Eluto and Mr. Charlie Firestone** who served as ushers
- **Ms Phyllis Cowley, Ms. Judy Saperstein, Ms. Heliene Siegel and Ms. Rona Proser** for preparation and cleaning efforts during *Selichot*
- **Mr. Ed Landress** for conducting *Ma'ariv* services after *Yom Kippur*
- **Cantor David Proser and Ms. Alene Kaufman** for leading services

Our synagogue expresses its appreciation for the following donations:

- a *siddur* in **Memory of Sam Finkelstein** from **John, Jane, and David Rosenman**
- a *mahzor* in **Memory of Pincus Paul** and his lasting contributions for our synagogue and community
- *siddurim* in **Honor of Nisana Siman-Tov's Bat Mitzvah and Danuta Epstein's Bat Mitzvah**
- *mahzorim* in **Memory of Paul Baron** and in **Memory of Stanley Zedd**
- a *siddur* in **Honor of Dr. Alan Shapiro**



We also wish to thank **Mr. Norm Cohen, Mr. Eli Siman-Tov, Messrs. Ed and David Landress** and **Messrs. Sam and Adam Epstein** who assisted visitors at the **Forest Lawn and Woodlawn cemeteries** before *Rosh Hashanah*.

KBH and the community continue to offer programming, religious, and educational opportunities throughout the year. Cantor Proser makes up-to-date announcements at services, and we send updates via e-mail. To add your name to the KBH e-mail list, or to receive the *Newsletter* electronically **and reduce your carbon footprint**, kindly send your request to EpsteinSam@aol.com.

## **Kehillat Bet Hamidrash – The Kempsville Conservative Synagogue Pearl Anniversary Update**

It is hard to remember a time when Cantor David Proser was not standing in front of the *Bima* or the lectern guiding us through every holiday and Shabbat. You need to go back to a time before our synagogue on Indian Lakes Boulevard - before the house on Providence Road - before the Beth Sholom Home and the Church on Kempsville Road. Even back to the store front on Euclid Avenue. The history of KBH and the commitment of lay leader Mr. David Proser are intertwined. That is why as we plan our celebration of the Pearl (30<sup>th</sup>) Anniversary of the Kempsville Conservative Synagogue, we will also honor Cantor M. David Proser for his service to each of us and to the Tidewater Jewish community.

On 28 NOV 2009, we will remember our history and share our thoughts at a wonderful catered affair, with a band, dancing and an evening of fun emceed by our own Mr. Ed Landress. We hope every present and past member of KBH will be there to make the evening even more memorable.

We will mail invitations within the next week and will include many opportunities to extend your thanks to Cantor David and the Synagogue. We plan a program journal, sponsorships for food stations, the band, and table reservations for groups of 8. We already received a generous donation for the wine.

The program journal will offer the following choices:

Mazel tov page .....	One line acknowledgement .....	\$18
$\frac{1}{8}$ page ad of your choice .....		\$36
$\frac{1}{4}$ page ad of you choice .....		\$72
$\frac{1}{2}$ page ad of you choice .....		\$144
Full page ad of your choice.....		\$270

Our committee also welcomes all who would like to assist or participate in the planning of this event. Please plan to attend this celebration and bring your dancing shoes! Kindly contact Ms. Judy Saperstein at [judyprt@cox.net](mailto:judyprt@cox.net) or by calling (757) 287-3887 for information about placing an advertisement for yourself, from an establishment with whom you do business, or for more information.