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Parashat

September 5	<i>Ki Tavo</i>
September 12	<i>Nitzavim-Vayelech</i>
September 19	<i>Rosh Hashannah</i>
September 26	<i>Ha'azinu</i>

SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING

September 4	5:48PM
September 11	5:42PM
September 18	5:37PM
September 25	5:32PM

ROSH HASHANAH

September 19 and 20

YOM KIPPUR

September 28

WEEKLY

Sunday: 8:00 am Minian/ 9:30 am Hebrew School

Monday: 7:15 am Minian Shacharit

Tuesday: 11:00 am class with Rabbanit

Thursday: 7:15 am Minian Shacharit

Friday: 6:30 pm Kabbalat Shabbat

Shabbat: 9:30 am Minian followed by Kiddush
12:45 pm



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THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE JEWISH ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES WISH ALL OF OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS A HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR AND AN EASY FAST.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Ladies Lesson 11AM	2	3 Minyan 7:15 Followed by Breakfast	4 MONTHLY INTERNATIONAL SHABATON	5 Children's Service 10:30 Kiddush Sponsored by Bob Fragman
6 Hebrew and Torah Classes for Children	7 Minyan 7:15 Followed by Breakfast	8 Ladies Lesson 11AM	9	10 Selihot and Minyan 7:00 Followed by Breakfast Lesson with Rabbi at 6:30	11	12 Children's Service 10:30
13 Selihot Hebrew and Torah Classes for Children	14 Selihot and Minyan 7:00 Followed by Breakfast	15 Selihot Ladies Lesson 11AM	16 Selihot	17 Selihot and Minyan 7:00 Followed by Breakfast Lesson with Rabbi at 6:30	18 Selihot Erev Rosh Hashanah	19 Rosh Hashanah
20 Rosh Hashanah	21 Minyan 7:15 Followed by Breakfast	22 Ladies Lesson 11AM	23	24 Minyan 7:15 Followed by Breakfast Lesson with Rabbi 6:30PM	25	26 Children's Service 10:30
27 Erev Yom Kippur	28 Yom Kippur	29 Ladies Lesson 11AM	30 Sukkah Building at Clark/ Angeles			



SUPPORT YOUR JEWISH ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES

Do you know that membership in the Jewish Association of the Philippines only costs PHP12,000 per year for a family and PHP9,000 per year for singles? Do you know that this small amount goes to paying for all the Shabatton lunches, dinners, events, salaries, lights, maintenance and up-keep of the building. But in addition to all this, your Jewish Association does a lot of charity work.

Please join today. If you are a member, please urge your friends to join.

VISIT YOUR SYNAGOGUE

We are WIFI. Come in, browse the library, have coffee and surf the net.

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Synagogue Children's Education Programs

We have many programs at the Synagogue for the education of our children. Below are pictures from the Rabbi's classes on Sundays. Below are the older children. There are also classes for younger children given by the Rabbi on Sunday's. On Shabbat, we have children's services. There are 2 services for the different age groups. The younger children learn with Rabbanit Azaria. The older children learn about the Shabbat services from members of the congregation. Pictured below is Rabbanit Azaria (and Yaacov) discussing programs and methods of education with Arvis Kennedy. Arvis is Principal of the Elementary School of Brent International School Subic. Arvis attends services with her daughter and her daughter attends the classes.

For the schedule of classes, please contact Claire in the Synagogue office



Ladies Lessons

Every Tuesday at 11 AM the ladies get together with Rabbanit Azaria and learn, gossip, have coffee and lunch. Come join them for lively and interesting discussions.



Sunday's Wonderful Turnout



We had a wonderful turnout on our Sunday class. We had twelve children in our older group and it was lot of fun. There were two new girls named Noah and Myka. The girls were friendly and it was nice.

We learned about Mezuzah, Torah and Tefillin. Mezuzah is a prayer inside a little box beside a doorpost of a house. Inside is the "Shema" or "Hear O, Israel". The Torah is the five books of Moses. The Tefillin is for men for praying.

We also learn songs like Odon Olam which means Master of the Universe. The children get to lead the song at the closing prayers on Shabbot.

We all work together when we learn and we all laugh sometimes. Sometimes we act like we are newspaper reporters. We learn stories from the Torah.

After the stories, we reflect and discuss the lessons we learned. The students take turns retelling what we learned in our own words.

Belinda Fragman

Belief in God

This was first in a five part series of lectures given by our Rabbi Azaria. It is based on a program developed by the National Jewish Outreach Program in New York by Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald. It is called a Crash Course in Basic Judaism.

Rabbi Azaria started his talk with the question, "Can we prove there is a God? Rabbi Azaria proceeded to tell how so many empires rose and fell, but the Jews still survive. When King Louis XIV asked his philosopher, Pascal, how can we prove there is a God, he answered, "The Jews, The Jews". The one hour lecture was fascinating and provoked an extremely lively discussion period. Frank Holz raised a question which precipitated and back and forth with many people but led by Isi Gilan and Rabbi Talmid.

We all look forward to the next lecture on September 10 at 6:30.



In Memory of Itshak Harel's Father

The community got together and had a minyan in memory of Itshak Harel's father. Afterwards there was a dinner.



Who Are The BagelBoys and Why Are We Building A Sukkah With Them?

The BagelBoys are a group of Jews who got together about 7 years ago who live around the Clark/Angeles area. They were formed and are led by Ron Keehn, Bruce Silverman and Norman Gluck. This year we will go up there and build the Sukkah with them and then go back and celebrate with them. Pictured below are the exploratory meeting with them at Clark. Rabbi Azaria, Lee Blumenthal and John Kater went up to meet Ron and Norman and to see where we will build it.

We will go up on September 30 to build and October 5 to celebrate. Join us, everyone is welcome. It will be a fun and exciting day. There is also plenty of shopping there not available in Manila. Contact John or Claire in the Synagogue office for arrangements.



Visitors



Barry Rubinfeld



Simca Stern



Israel Grozinger

HIGH HOLY DAYS ANNOUNCEMENTS

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SYNAGOGUE SEATS

The High Holy Days are fast approaching and we are accepting reservations for seats. For your information and guidance, we would like to advise you that the charge for seats is as follows:

Regular Members	P 1,600
Children (12 years old and below)	P 800
Non-Members.....	P 2,500

Kindly advise our office as soon as possible the number of seats (men and ladies sections) and your preference as to location. We shall try if possible to accommodate your preferences.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

A complete schedule of religious services at the synagogue and important times for all the holy days is attached. Please come on time.

MEMORIAL CANDLES & SERVICES

It is customary to light memorial candles in memory of departed relatives immediately **before** lighting the candles for Yom Kippur. At the Kol Nidre service, Hashkavah will be said in memory of our departed relatives who will be named individually. On Yom Kippur and Shmini Atzeret morning after the Torah reading following the Askenazi custom, we will also have the Yizkor memorial service in memory of departed relatives. Please submit the enclosed form with the names of those you wish to be remembered. Please print the names clearly including the Hebrew name if known. It is customary to give charity to honor the memory of departed loved ones and your generous pledges and donations to the synagogue will be greatly appreciated.

SCHEDULE FOR THE MIKVAH

On Erev Rosh Hashanah (Friday, September 18) and Erev Yom Kippur (Sunday, September 27) the Mikvah will be reserved for Men only. The schedule and procedures for all other days remains the same.

TASHLICH SERVICE

The Tashlich Service will be held on the second day of Rosh Hashanah, Sunday, September, 20 at the synagogue at 2:00 pm.

YOM KIPPUR

Start of the Fast is at 5:30 pm on Sunday, September 27. Please plan your meals and transportation ahead of time with sufficient allowances in order to avoid any mistakes, especially in view of the traffic conditions.

Breaking of the Fast will be at approximately 6:20 pm on Monday, September 28 after the Arvit service and Havdalah. As usual, a light dairy meal will be served in the Social Hall and everyone is invited to join us.

Wearing Proper Shoes and Participating in the Services - It is a religious requirement not to wear leather shoes on Yom Kippur. One should wear rubber shoes, slippers or something similar. Anyone participating in the Yom Kippur Services such as opening the ark, carrying the Torah, being called to the Torah, etc. who is not wearing allowable shoes or slippers must be prepared to remove or slip off his shoes. This must be done without using his hands, otherwise he would have to go and wash his hands which would cause a delay in the Service.

SECURITY ADVISORY

For the security of members and guests we make the following requests:

- First time visitors to the Synagogue are asked to kindly telephone before coming or to fax some identification together with their reservation form.
- Visitors who are unable to properly substantiate their identity either prior to their arrival or on arriving at the Synagogue may be prevented from entering the premises.
- All bags will be examined by our security personnel and visitors will be requested to leave any bulky items in the care of the guards.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

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Selihot		Daily starting September 13.....7:00 am/Sundays at 8:00 am
Selihot/Attarat Nedarim		Friday, September 18 7:00 am Sharp
Rosh Hashanah	1st Night	Friday, September 18 Light candles.....5:37 pm Arvit.....6:30 pm
	1st Day	Saturday, September 19 Shaharit, Torah, Musaf9:00 am Minha.....1:15 pm
	2nd Night	Saturday, September 19 Light candles6:26 pm <i>* (transfer light from existing flame)</i> Arvit.....6:30 pm
	2nd Day	Sunday, September 20 Shaharit, Torah, Blowing of Shofar, Musaf.....9:00 am Minha1:30 pm Tashlich.....2:00 pm
Fast of Gedalia		Monday, September 21 Fast begins4:26 am Shaharit, Selihot.....7:00 am Fast ends6:15 pm
Shabbat Shuva		Friday, September 25 Light candles.....5:32 pm Arvit.....6:30 pm Saturday, September 26 Shaharit, Torah, Musaf9:30 am Minha.....1:00 pm
Kaparot		Contact Rabbi Azaria
Erev Kippur		Sunday, September 27 Selihot, Shaharit.....8:00 am
Yom Kippur	Night	Sunday, September 27 Light candles, Fast begins.....5:30 pm Kol Nidre, Arvit.....5:30 pm Sharp
	Day	Monday, September 28 Shaharit, Torah, Memorial Service (Yizkor), Musaf8:30 am Minha.....3:15 pm Ne'ilah5:00 pm Fast Ends6:20 pm

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Sukkot 1st Night		Friday, October 2	Light candles5:27 pm Arvit6:30 pm
	1st Day	Saturday, October 3	Shaharit, Torah, Musaf, Kiddush in Succah.....9:30 am Minha1:00 pm
	2nd Night		Light candles * before Kiddush but not earlier than6:15 pm <i>*(transfer light from existing flame)</i>
	2nd Day	Sunday, October 4	Arvit6:30 pm Shaharit, Torah, Musaf, Kiddush in Succah.....9:30 am Minha1:00 pm
Hoshanah Rabba	Night	Thursday, October 8-	Study session at synagogue8:00 pm
	Day	Friday, October 9	Shaharit7:00 am
Shmini Atzeret	Night	Friday, October 9	Light candles5:22 pm Arvit6:30 pm
		Saturday, October 10	Shaharit, Torah, Memorial Service (Yizkor), Musaf9:30 am Minha1:00 pm
Simchat Torah	Night	Saturday, October 10	Light candles * before Kiddush but not earlier than6:11pm <i>* (transfer light from existing flame)</i>
			Arvit and Hakafot6:30 pm
	Day	Sunday, October 11	Shaharit, Hakafot, Torah, Musaf.....9:30 am Minha1:00 pm

Note: Kiddush is said with Shehechianu on both nights of Rosh Hashanah, on both nights of Sukkot, on Shmini Atzeret and on Simhat Torah.

Befitting the solemnity of the occasion, members and guests are requested to come to the synagogue on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur in proper attire. (Coat and tie or long-sleeve barong)

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HIGH HOLIDAY SCHEDULE OF MEMORIAL SERVICES

Special services at which we remember our relatives and friends who are no longer with us are held as follows:

On Yom Kippur evening, September 27 – according to Sephardic custome

On Yom Kippur day, September 28 – Yizkor according to Ashkenazic custom

On Shmini Atzeret, October 10 – Yizkor according to Ashkenazic custom

Please remember the following deceased relatives and friends during the Memorial Services on Yom Kippur and Shmini Atzeret: [Include the Hebrew names if known]

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It is customary to give charity in their memory. Your generous donation to help support the synagogue will be greatly appreciated.

I hereby pledge Pesos _____ as donation to the Jewish Association of the Philippines in their memory.

Enclosed is my check for _____

Please collect _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Please type or print neatly in block letters. Send or fax to the synagogue office at the above address.