

THE OHEL YA'AKOV
COMMUNITY KOLLEL
CALENDAR
5772 2011/12



A YEAR OF
LIVING JEWISHLY

בס"ד

Welcome to the 5772 Ohel Ya'akov Community Kollel calendar. Come on in, have a look around and stay a while. We hope you will learn a little, laugh a little and pencil us into your busy life.

The Kollel is many things to the many people who attend our events – a synagogue, a classroom, a social club – but we hope you will consider it your home. It's a place where you can feel comfortable and fulfilled, relaxed and understood; a place to connect with your heritage and the people around you.

We wish you a year of happiness, peace and success.
We wish you a year of living Jewishly.

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ELUL/TISHREI

Big Deal of the Month

Rosh Hashanah

What is it?

Jewish New Year

Why should I care?

This is your chance to make a fresh start. Thinking of making some changes? Turning over a new leaf? Being all that you can be? There's no time like the New Year. The Book of Life is flung open and waiting for you to make your mark.

How can I keep it real?

Wanna feel more connected to symbols of the festive meal? Try adding some of your own. Dreaming up some crazy scheme? Share your hopes for the future with friends and family. Challenge yourself by finding a new and creative way to bring sweetness to your table. Anything sweet and yummy is a great fit.

**These services and events are held at 1495 W 8th Ave.
See Kollel website for complete schedule.**

Sept. 28th

Rosh Hashanah Service: 7:30 pm

Dinner: 8 pm with l'chaims to welcome the New Year

Sept. 29th & Sept. 30th

Rosh Hashanah Service: 10 am-1:30 pm

Shofar: 11:45 am

Sept. 29th only

Tashlich: 5:30 pm

Always Room for Improvement

One day G-d was looking down at Earth and saw all the evil that was going on. He decided to send an angel down to check it out.

When the angel returned, he told G-d that things were pretty bad on Earth. He reported that 95% was bad and 5% was good. G-d thought a moment and decided He had better send down a female angel to get both points of view. When the female angel returned she confirmed that Earth was in decline; 95% was bad and 5% was good.

G-d thought about what He could do about the situation and decided to e-mail the 5% that were good with a little pep talk and praise; a little something to encourage them and help keep them going. Do you know what the e-mail said?

No???

Oh! **YOU** didn't get one either?

Reflect
Resolve
Reboot



SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Elul 2	Elul 3	Elul 4 Parshat Shoftim
					Sept 1  7:37PM	Sept 2  8:42PM
Elul 5	Elul 6	Elul 7	Elul 8	Elul 9	Elul 10	Elul 11 Parshat Ki Teitzei
Sept 4	Sept 5 Stat Holiday	Sept 6	Sept 7	Sept 8	Sept 9  7:22PM	Sept 10  8:20PM
Elul 12	Elul 13	Elul 14	Elul 15	Elul 16	Elul 17	Elul 18 Parshat Ki Tavo
Sept 11	Sept 12	Sept 13	Sept 14	Sept 15  7:07PM	Sept 16  8:10PM	Sept 17
Elul 19	Elul 20	Elul 21	Elul 22	Elul 23	Elul 24	Elul 25 Parshat Nitzavim-Vayelech Slichot 12:45AM
Sept 18	Sept 19	Sept 20	Sept 21	Sept 22  6:52PM	Sept 23  7:55PM	Sept 24
Elul 26	Elul 27	Elul 28	Elul 29 Erev Rosh Hashanah Eruv Tavshilin Candle lighting 6:37PM	Tishrei 1 Rosh Hashanah Shofar 11:45AM Tashlich 5:30PM Candle lighting 7:36PM	Tishrei 2 Rosh Hashanah Shofar 11:45 AM	
Sept 25	Sept 26	Sept 27	Sept 28	Sept 29  6:36PM	Sept 30	
						Note: Candle lighting should be done after the time indicated on Sept. 29th.

TISHREI/CHESHVAN

Big Deal of the Month #1

Yom Kippur

What is it?

The Day of Atonement for the Jewish people is THE holiest day of the year.

Why should I care?

We've all messed up and now we get a chance to turn it around. Talk about a do-over! G-d gives us the opportunity to make amends any old day of the year, but on this day our prayers are turbo charged.

How can I keep it real?

Unlike other holidays that have a few more options, Yom Kippur is pretty much laid out for all of us. Why? Because on this day the Jewish people are all in it together; sort of like the ultimate family meeting (minus the food). Together, we can make great things happen. See you at the service.

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Oct. 7th

Yom Kippur:

Last meal (before the fast) 5:00 pm

Enjoy an all-you-can-eat buffet in preparation for the fast.

Kol Nidre: 6:30 pm

Oct. 8th

Yom Kippur Day Service: 9 am-1:30 pm

Yizkor: 12 noon

Neilah (end of Yom Kippur): 6:15 pm

Break the fast with the Kollel: 7:25 pm

Big Deal of the Month #2

Sukkot

What is it?

It literally means 'booths' and is one of the three major pilgrimage holidays.

Why should I care?

Sometimes it's hard to connect with a Jewish holiday. This one lets you get really hands-on. Get out of your head and into a hut.

How can I keep it real?

Vancouver is a foodie town and once a year, we Jews have the chance to eat in the newest and most exclusive spots in the city. Make a sukkah that's all you, send out the invites and chow down. Isn't it about time you took your unique style out for a bit of fresh air?



Oct. 12th & Oct. 13th

Sukkot Service/Dinner: 7:30 pm

Oct. 13th & Oct. 14th

Sukkot Service: 10 am-12 noon

Big Deal of the Month #3

Simchat Torah

What is it?

Rejoicing of The Torah is a celebration of, well, The Torah.

Why should I care?

The Torah is the central pillar of Judaism. It connects us to the past, grounds us in the present and serves as a guidebook for the future. Pretty cool book, huh?

How can I keep it real?

Hoist the scroll and dance, dance, dance! This is also a great time to check out the rabbis' best moves.

Oct. 20th

Service: 7 pm










Dinner/Dancing with the Torahs: 7:30 pm

Oct. 21st

Service/Dancing with the Torahs: 10:00 am

Come on, Jews!
It's time to GET BUSY!

OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						Tishrei 3 Parshat Ha'azinu Shabbat Shuva  7:40PM Oct 1
Tishrei 4 Fast of Gedaliah Fast begins 5:39AM Fast ends 7:20PM Oct 2	Tishrei 5 Oct 3	Tishrei 6 Oct 4	Tishrei 7 Oct 5	Tishrei 8 Oct 6	Tishrei 9 Erev Yom Kippur Kol Nidre 6:30PM Fast begins 6:22PM  6:22PM Oct 7	Tishrei 10 Yom Kippur Yizkor 12 Noon Neilah 6:15PM  7:25PM Oct 8
Tishrei 11 Oct 9	Tishrei 12 Stat Holiday Oct 10	Tishrei 13 Oct 11	Tishrei 14 Erev Sukkot Eruv Tavshilin Candle lighting 6:11PM Oct 12	Tishrei 15 Sukkot Candle lighting 7:07PM Oct 13	Tishrei 16 Sukkot  6:07PM Oct 14	Tishrei 17 Sukkot Chol Hamoed  7:11PM Oct 15
Tishrei 18 Sukkot Chol Hamoed Oct 16	Tishrei 19 Sukkot Chol Hamoed Oct 17	Tishrei 20 Sukkot Chol Hamoed Oct 18	Tishrei 21 Sukkot Chol Hamoed Hoshana Rabba Eruv Tavshilin Candle lighting 5:57PM Oct 19	Tishrei 22 Shemini Atzeret Yizkor 11:30AM Candle lighting 6:54PM Oct 20	Tishrei 23 Simchat Torah  5:54PM Oct 21	Tishrei 24 Parshat Bereshit  6:58PM Oct 22
Tishrei 25 Oct 23	Tishrei 26 Oct 24	Tishrei 27 Oct 25	Tishrei 28 Oct 26	Tishrei 29 Oct 27	Tishrei 30 Rosh Chodesh  5:41PM Oct 28	Cheshvan 1 Rosh Chodesh Parshat Noach  6:46PM Oct 29
Cheshvan 2 Oct 30	Cheshvan 3 Oct 31					Note: Candle lighting should be done after the times indicated on Oct. 13th and 20th.

CHESHVAN/KISLEV

Big Deal Four Times a Month

Shabbat

What is it?

The Jewish Sabbath is observed from before sundown Friday to after sunset on Saturday. During this period Jews enjoy a day of rest. Just as G-d rested on the seventh day of creation, we too keep this day as special, sacred and separate from the rest of the week.

Why should I care?

Arguably, no other observance has done more to preserve Jewish religion and culture than Shabbat. Throughout history it was Shabbat that set Jews apart from the dominant cultures around them whilst also quietly uniting them in a shared experience that connected them to each other and G-d.

How can I keep it real?

Oh, where do we start? People often focus on the restrictions of the day, but what about the gazillions of possibilities? Friday night meals can be the perfect opportunity to bust out classic favourites or contemporary and exciting menu ideas. Better yet, get yourself invited to a meal. Feeling run off your feet all week? CHILL OUT!!! Nap, read, stroll, eat, learn, challenge friends and family to a game of charades, meditate... Get the picture? Carve out a little oasis in your week and do something that feeds your soul.

So, EAT, already!



ONGOING EVENT

You want me to do *what*?!?

Friday Night Dinners at the Kollel

Why should I join in?

Jews and food.

Food and Jews.

You can't have one without the other. But you *can* have both at the Kollel every Friday night. No matter how you define your Shabbat experience, you are enthusiastically invited to join our lively bunch to start your weekend with a bang. And wine. And challah.

When should I be there?

Every Friday night at 7:30 pm, 1965 West Broadway

NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Ceshvan 4 Nov 1	Ceshvan 5 Nov 2	Ceshvan 6 Nov 3	Ceshvan 7 Nov 4	Ceshvan 8 Parshat Lech Lecha DST ends Turn clocks back Nov 5
Ceshvan 9 Nov 6	Ceshvan 10 Nov 7	Ceshvan 11 Nov 8	Ceshvan 12 Nov 9	Ceshvan 13 Nov 10	Ceshvan 14 Stat Holiday Nov 11	Ceshvan 15 Parshat Vayera Nov 12
Ceshvan 16 Nov 13	Ceshvan 17 Nov 14	Ceshvan 18 Nov 15	Ceshvan 19 Nov 16	Ceshvan 20 Nov 17	Ceshvan 21 Nov 18	Ceshvan 22 Parshat Chayyei Sarah Nov 19
Ceshvan 23 Nov 20	Ceshvan 24 Nov 21	Ceshvan 25 Nov 22	Ceshvan 26 Nov 23	Ceshvan 27 Nov 24	Ceshvan 28 Nov 25	Ceshvan 29 Parshat Toldot Nov 26
Kislev 1 Rosh Chodesh Nov 27	Kislev 2 Nov 28	Kislev 3 Nov 29	Kislev 4 Nov 30			

KISLEV/TEVET

Big Deal of the Month

Chanukkah. Hanukkah. Chanuka...

What is it?

165 BCE: The ruling Greeks tried to erase Jewish life, but a small group of Jews let 'em have it. They saved their culture and rededicated the Temple with a day's worth of oil that lasted eight whole days. Hello miracle.

Why should I care?

No matter how you spell it, this Jewish festival is all about sticking to your guns and preserving something great for future generations.

How can I keep it real?

Two words: lights and oil.

Light up the night with a menorah. It can be something quaint and residential or a massive public affair. Whatever you do, just let it shine, shine, shine! Once that's done, it's time to chow down on treats from *The Big Book of Jewish Guilty Pleasures*; latkes, doughnuts and so much more.

Lights! Oil! Action!



December 24th
Chanukkah Party: 8 pm
1965 West Broadway

Menorah Lighting 101

Not sure when to light what, or what to say when? Check out these helpful sites for step-by-step instructions for lighting your own chanukiah:

Simple how-to DIY video

Feeling inspired?

How about a creative twist on an old favourite?

Vegetable and Feta Latkes

Yield 8 to 12 latkes

- * 2 1/2 cups grated zucchini
- * 1 cup peeled and shredded potatoes
- * 1 cup shredded carrots
- * 1/2 teaspoon salt
- * 3 eggs, lightly beaten
- * salt to taste
- * freshly ground black pepper
- * 3/4 cup matzo meal
- * 1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley
- * 1/2 cup crumbled feta cheese
- * 1/4 cup vegetable oil

1. Place the zucchini, potato and carrots in a colander, place paper towels or a cheesecloth over the top and squeeze out as much moisture as possible. Sprinkle salt over the vegetables and let them drain for 15 minutes. Squeeze vegetable again in paper towels.
2. In a large mixing bowl combine eggs, vegetables, salt and pepper. Mix well. Stir in matzo meal or flour, parsley and feta.
3. Heat vegetable oil in a large frying pan. Place vegetable mixture, formed into pancake sized cakes in hot oil and fry until golden brown on both sides. (Cook two to three minutes per side). Add more oil as needed to keep cakes frying up well. Drain fried latkes on paper towels.



DECEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Kislev 5	Kislev 6	Kislev 7 Parshat Vayetzei
					Dec 1  3:58PM	Dec 2  5:10PM
Kislev 8	Kislev 9	Kislev 10	Kislev 11	Kislev 12	Kislev 13	Kislev 14 Parshat Vayishlach
Dec 4	Dec 5	Dec 6	Dec 7	Dec 8  3:56PM	Dec 9  5:08PM	Dec 10
Kislev 15	Kislev 16	Kislev 17	Kislev 18	Kislev 19	Kislev 20	Kislev 21 Parshat Vayeshev
Dec 11	Dec 12	Dec 13	Dec 14	Dec 15  3:56PM	Dec 16  5:09PM	Dec 17
Kislev 22	Kislev 23	Kislev 24 Light 1st candle	Kislev 25 Chanukkah 1 Light 2nd candle	Kislev 26 Chanukkah 2 Light 3rd candle	Kislev 27 Chanukkah 3 Light 4th candle	Kislev 28 Parshat Miketz Chanukkah 4 Light 5th candle
Dec 18	Dec 19	Dec 20	Dec 21	Dec 22  3:59PM	Dec 23  5:13PM	Dec 24
Kislev 29 Chanukkah 5 Light 6th candle	Kislev 30 Chanukkah 6 Rosh Chodesh Light 7th candle	Tevet 1 Chanukkah 7 Rosh Chodesh Light 8th candle	Tevet 2 Chanukkah 8	Tevet 3	Tevet 4	Tevet 5 Parshat Vayigash
Stat Holiday	Stat Holiday			Dec 29  4:04PM	Dec 30  5:18PM	Dec 31

TEVET/SHEVAT

ONGOING EVENT

You want me to do *what*?!?

Living a Meaningful Life

Why should I join in?

If it were called *Tips for a Useless Existence*, we would recommend giving it a miss. This class, however, is so jam-packed with fabulous, revelant info about everyday life that there just has to be something for everyone. Address the big questions and face them head-on with a toolbox of practical tips.

When should I be there?

Every Monday at 7:30pm, 1965 West Broadway

Cold month Warm Kollel

ONGOING EVENT

You want me to do *what*?!?

Youth Programs:

- Hebrew Learning Circle for Kids
- Bar and Bat Mitzvah Program
- Kollel Youth Club (Food for Thought)

Why should I join in?

Part of growing up is figuring out where you belong. Congratulations! You've found the Kollel! We run several programs that give kids the opportunity to explore their heritage and have fun doing it.

The Hebrew Learning Circle for Kids and Kollel Youth Club (Food for Thought) are designed to give both elementary and high school students the opportunity to learn in familiar and fun environments with their peers.

The Bar and Bat Mitzvah Program matches unaffiliated boys and girls with Kollel teachers in order to prepare them for their big day.

When should I be there?

Please consult the Kollel website or contact the Kollel office for times and locations.



JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Tevet 6 Stat Holiday Jan 1	Tevet 7 Jan 2	Tevet 8 Jan 3	Tevet 9 Jan 4	Tevet 10 Fast of Tevet Fast Begins 6:23AM Fast Ends 5:17PM Jan 5	Tevet 11 Jan 6 4:12PM	Tevet 12 Parshat Vayechi Jan 7 5:25PM
Tevet 13 Jan 8	Tevet 14 Jan 9	Tevet 15 Jan 10	Tevet 16 Jan 11	Tevet 17 Jan 12 4:21PM	Tevet 18 Jan 13 5:33PM	Tevet 19 Parshat Shemot Jan 14
Tevet 20 Jan 15	Tevet 21 Jan 16	Tevet 22 Jan 17	Tevet 23 Jan 18	Tevet 24 Jan 19 4:31PM	Tevet 25 Jan 20 5:43PM	Tevet 26 Parshat Va'era Jan 21
Tevet 27 Jan 22	Tevet 28 Jan 23	Tevet 29 Jan 24	Shevat 1 Rosh Chodesh Jan 25	Shevat 2 Jan 26 4:42PM	Shevat 3 Jan 27 6:03PM	Shevat 4 Parshat Bo Jan 28
Shevat 5 Jan 29	Shevat 6 Jan 30	Shevat 7 Jan 31				

SHEVAT/ADAR

Big Deal of the Month

Tu B'Shevat

What is it?

(Another New Year?!?)

The "New Year for Trees" is a holiday which marks the blooming of trees in the Land of Israel. It's a time to look up and appreciate the everyday miracles we often take for granted.

Why should I care?

If there's anything a West Coaster can appreciate, it's a tree; we love 'em, hug 'em and fight to save 'em.

How can I keep it real?

Take it outside.. Go for a walk or hike and take in the wonders of our local vegetation.



What's a seder without matzah and a shank bone?

A fruity smorgasbord with very few rules and regulations, that's what!

A traditional Tu B'Shevat seder is a hands-on, interactive affair. It's the perfect time to get together with friends and family, and enjoy a preview of the glory of our own local growing season.

If one seder is great, two is awesome! This year, why not double dip?

Note: Double dipping AT the seder is definitely frowned upon. You have been warned.

ONGOING EVENT

You want me to do *what*?!?

Kollel Hiking Club

Why should I join in?

Sometimes you've just got to get out and DO something. G-d created a big beautiful world for us to discover, so you need to take the time to enjoy it. The Kollel Hiking Club organizes periodic outings—kayaking, bowling, hiking etc.—to give you a chance to burn a few calories and make a few friends.

When should I be there?

Whenever we dream up the next adventure.






Please check out the Kollel website for details.



The best remedy for those who are afraid, lonely or unhappy is to go outside, somewhere where they can be quiet, alone with the heavens, nature and G-d. Because only then does one feel that all is as it should be.
-Anne Frank

FEBRUARY

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Shevat 8	Shevat 9	Shevat 10	Shevat 11 Parshat Beshalach
			Feb 1	Feb 2 	Feb 3 	Feb 4
Shevat 12	Shevat 13	Shevat 14	Shevat 15 Tu B'Shevat	Shevat 16	Shevat 17 Feb 2  4:53PM	Shevat 18 Feb 3  6:03PM
Feb 5	Feb 6	Feb 7	Feb 8	Feb 9  5:05PM	Feb 10  6:14PM	Feb 11
Shevat 19	Shevat 20	Shevat 21	Shevat 22	Shevat 23	Shevat 24	Shevat 25 Parshat Mishpatim Shabbat Shekalim
Feb 12	Feb 13	Feb 14	Feb 15	Feb 16  5:17PM	Feb 17  6:25PM	Feb 18
Shevat 26	Shevat 27	Shevat 28	Shevat 29	Shevat 30 Rosh Chodesh	Adar 1 Rosh Chodesh	Adar 2 Parshat Terumah
Feb 19	Feb 20	Feb 21	Feb 22	Feb 23  5:28PM	Feb 24  6:36PM	Feb 25
Adar 3	Adar 4	Adar 5	Adar 6			
Feb 26	Feb 27	Feb 28	Feb 29			

ADAR/NISSAN

Big Deal of the Month Purim

What is it?

The year was the fourth century BCE. The place, Persia. The king's prime minister cooks up a plot to wipe the Jews off the face of the earth. The plot is foiled by crafty Esther and Mordechai. Yay!

Why should I care?

We live in a time and place of great comfort. Sometimes it's easy to forget the threats of the past. Purim takes us for a journey through a period of challenge and victory.

How can I keep it real?

If ever there were a holiday made for partying, this is it. Listen to the megillah, then eat, drink and be merry Hebrew style! Want to make a costume stand out? Try wearing it when 98% of the local population isn't. This is a great time to let down your guard and be someone/thing else for a day.

March 7th

Megillah Reading: 6:45 pm

Purim Party: 7:30 pm

1965 West Broadway



Someplace to go, but not dressed up?

Here's the "what not to wear" of bad, last minute, low cost Purim costume ideas:

Wear a belt with spare watches wrapped around the belt. When people ask what you are, you say, "A waist of time."
(Groan.)

Put a chair on your head and go as used gum.
(Double groan.)

Let the games begin!

Throw some creative mocktails
into the mix:

FUZZYLESS NAVEL

3 oz peach nectar
3 oz orange juice
3 oz pineapple juice
1 tsp. lemon juice
dash of grenadine





*Combine in shaker half filled with ice

NO-QUILA SUNRISE

2 oz orange juice
2 oz pineapple juice
1/2 oz cranberry juice
2 oz lemon/lime soda
1/4 oz grenadine

*Combine everything but soda in shaker half filled with ice, strain into glass & add soda

MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Adar 7	Adar 8	Adar 9 Parshat Tetzaveh Shabbat Zachor
					Mar 1  5:40PM	Mar 2  6:47PM
Adar 10	Adar 11	Adar 12	Adar 13 Fast of Esther Fast begins 5:07AM Fast ends 6:47PM Megillah Reading 6:45PM	Adar 14 Purim	Adar 15 Shushan Purim	Adar 16 Parshat Ki Tissa DST begins Turn clocks forward
Mar 4	Mar 5	Mar 6	Mar 7	Mar 8  5:51PM	Mar 9  6:58PM	Mar 10
Adar 17	Adar 18	Adar 19	Adar 20	Adar 21	Adar 22	Adar 23 Parshat Vayakhel Parah
Mar 11	Mar 12	Mar 13	Mar 14	Mar 15  7:02PM	Mar 16  8:09PM	Mar 17
Adar 24	Adar 25	Adar 26	Adar 27	Adar 28	Adar 29	Nissan 1 Parshat Pekudei Hachodesh Rosh Chodesh
Mar 18	Mar 19	Mar 20	Mar 21	Mar 22  7:13PM	Mar 23  8:20PM	Mar 24
Nissan 2	Nissan 3	Nissan 4	Nissan 5	Nissan 6	Nissan 7	Nissan 8 Parshat Vayikra Shabbat HaGadol
Mar 25	Mar 26	Mar 27	Mar 28	Mar 29  7:23PM	Mar 30  8:31PM	Mar 31

NISSAN/IYAR

Big Deal of the Month

Pesach

What is it?

It's a holiday on which we relive and remember the enslavement of Jews in Egypt and their dramatic tale of Exodus.

Why should I care?

Once again, Jews triumph over insane adversity and manage to hold on to their language, customs and culture; YOUR language, customs and culture.

How can I keep it real?

This is a bit of a no-brainer. Get yourself to a family or community seder and relive the Exodus through story, song, wine and food. And no matter what anyone says, you're never too old to search for the afikoman!

Details, details..

Ever heard the famous story of Van Halen and the brown M&M's?

In the 80s, rock group Van Halen became famous for something other than their music and outrageous antics. A rumour began to float around that the band's rider—its list of requirements at performances—contained something that illustrated just how egotistical the band had become. As David Lee Roth, the band's Jewish vocalist, later confirmed, the clause required that there be a bowl of M&M's in the backstage area that contained NO BROWN M&M'S. It seemed like the height of spoilt, celebrity behaviour. But it wasn't.

When the band rolled into town for a show, they came with "the Chinese Yellow Pages" of technical requirements. If anything was done incorrectly someone could be seriously injured. Instead of checking every one of the thousand of details, the band could easily just pop into the dressing room to check the bowl. No brown M&M's. No problem. But if that was not the case, they knew that many other details may have been overlooked, as well.

What, you're wondering, does this have to do with anything?

When we think about the removal of chametz in preparation for Pesach it may seem absolutely ridiculous. A few bread crumbs? Who cares? The point is that G-d gave this job to the Jewish people. It's what He wants us to do and even if it may seem a curious chore, we need to remember that there's a bigger picture we don't always understand and sometimes it's all in the details.

Like that brown M&M-free bowl, a house free of chametz shows that we have read the contract—Torah—and we're doing our job.

April 6th
Pesach Service: 7:30 pm
1st Seder: 8:15 pm

April 7th
Pesach Service: 7:30 pm
2nd Seder: 8:15 pm

Four seders to choose from:
Israeli, Burnaby community, Family, Adult

See Kollel website for locations



Seek out
Sell up
Seal off

APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Nissan 9 April 1	Nissan 10 April 2	Nissan 11 April 3	Nissan 12 April 4	Nissan 13 Search for chametz after 8:30PM April 5	Nissan 14 Erev Pesach Fast of the First Born Eat last chametz 10:29AM Last burn chametz 11:52AM Seder begins 8:30PM Stat Holiday April 6 7:34PM	Nissan 15 Pesach 2nd Seder 8:30PM Candle lighting 8:44PM April 7
Nissan 16 Pesach Omer: Day 1 Holiday ends 8:46PM April 8	Nissan 17 Pesach Chol Hamoed Omer: Day 2 Stat Holiday April 9	Nissan 18 Pesach Chol Hamoed Omer: Day 3 April 10	Nissan 19 Pesach Chol Hamoed Omer: Day 4 April 11	Nissan 20 Pesach Chol Hamoed Omer: Day 5 Eruv Tavshilin Candle lighting 7:43PM April 12	Nissan 21 Pesach 7 Omer: Day 6 April 13 7:45PM	Nissan 22 Pesach 8 Omer: Day 7 Yizkor April 14 8:48PM
Nissan 23 Omer: Day 8 April 15	Nissan 24 Omer: Day 9 April 16	Nissan 25 Omer: Day 10 April 17	Nissan 26 Omer: Day 11 April 18	Nissan 27 Omer: Day 12 April 19	Nissan 28 Omer: Day 13 April 20 7:55PM**	Nissan 29 Parshat Shemini Omer: Day 14 April 21 8:59PM
Nissan 30 Rosh Chodesh Omer: Day 15 April 22	Iyar 1 Rosh Chodesh Omer: Day 16 April 23	Iyar 2 Omer: Day 17 April 24	Iyar 3 Yom HaZikaron Omer: Day 18 April 25	Iyar 4 Israel's Birthday Omer: Day 19 April 26	Iyar 5 Omer: Day 20 April 27 8:06PM**	Iyar 6 Parshat Tazria-Metzora Omer: Day 21 April 28 9:10PM
Iyar 7 Omer: Day 22 April 29	Iyar 8 Omer: Day 23 April 30					
					Note: Candle lighting should be done after the time indicated on April 7th.	**Our community accepts Shabbat at 7:45PM.

IYAR/SIVAN

Big Deal of the Month #1

Lag B'Omer

What is it?

It's the 33rd day of the Omer count between Passover and Shavuot.

Why should I care?

For almost five weeks we've been in a period of mourning and reflection. Now it's time to unlock the mystical secrets of the day and have some fun.

How can I keep it real?

Explore your inner Israeli child around a seasonal bonfire. Find yourself something long and non-flammable, and a delicious roastable food item to stick on the end, and you've got yourself a real holiday treat.

Big Deal of the Month #2

Shavuot

What is it?

Moses gathers the Jewish people to Mount Sinai in order for G-d to present The Torah to the Jewish people.

Why should I care?

Most people don't like rules and regulations, but, boy, do we need them.

How can I keep it real?

Have some fun. Pull an all-nighter and go crazy with the desserts. Need a refresher in the Ten Commandments? Hear it here. Got a question? We've got an answer. Come get full of sweets and full of wisdom.

Shavuot Happenings:

May 26 9:15 pm Dairy meal

May 27 10 am Service

May 27 11:30 am Ice Cream Party

May 28 10 am Service

ONGOING EVENT

You want me to do *what*?!?

Kabbalah Class

Why should I join in?

This isn't the fad that swept through Hollywood; this is the real deal. Once a week Rabbi Shmulik walks you through the deepest reaches of Jewish thought. He takes you inside mystical teachings and helps you get the most out of them.

Who is G-d? Who are we? How is it all connected? Great questions! For great answers, swing by the Kollel.

When should I be there?

Wednesdays, 7:30 pm-8:30 pm, 1965 West Broadway

May 9th

Lag B'Omer Pub Night: 8 pm

1967 West Broadway

G-d talks.
Jews listen.



MAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Iyar 9 Omer: Day 24 May 1	Iyar 10 Omer: Day 25 May 2	Iyar 11 Omer: Day 26 May 3	Iyar 12 Omer: Day 27 May 4	Iyar 13 Parshat Acharei-Kedoshim Omer: Day 28 May 5
Iyar 14 Pesach Sheini Omer: Day 29 May 6	Iyar 15 Omer: Day 30 May 7	Iyar 16 Omer: Day 31 May 8	Iyar 17 Omer: Day 32 May 9	Iyar 18 Lag B'Omer May 10	Iyar 19 Omer: Day 34 May 11	Iyar 20 Parshat Emor Omer: Day 35 May 12
Iyar 21 Omer: Day 36 May 13	Iyar 22 Omer: Day 37 May 14	Iyar 23 Omer: Day 38 May 15	Iyar 24 Omer: Day 39 May 16	Iyar 25 Omer: Day 40 May 17	Iyar 26 Omer: Day 41 May 18	Iyar 27 Parshat Behar-Bechukotai Omer: Day 42 May 19
Iyar 28 Omer: Day 43 May 20	Iyar 29 Omer: Day 44 May 21	Sivan 1 Rosh Chodesh Omer: Day 45 May 22	Sivan 2 Omer: Day 46 May 23	Sivan 3 Omer: Day 47 May 24	Sivan 4 Omer: Day 48 May 25	Sivan 5 Parshat Bamidbar Omer: Day 49 Erev Shavuot Candle lighting 10:06PM May 26
Sivan 6 Shavuot 1 Candle lighting 10:07PM May 27	Sivan 7 Shavuot 2 Yizkor 11:30AM Holiday ends: 10:09PM May 28	Sivan 8 May 29	Sivan 9 May 30	Sivan 10 May 31		
					Note: Candle lighting should be done after the times indicated on May 26th and 27th.	**Our community accepts Shabbat at 7:45PM.

SIVAN/TAMMUZ

ONGOING EVENT

You want me to do *what*?!?

Loaves of Love

Why should I join in?

People love challah; the smell, the taste and the mysteries of the baking process. Here's your chance to get up close and personal with this Jewish staple while also doing a mitzvah. Every week, you'll bake one loaf to keep and one to give to someone in need. Make some bread, make some friends and make a difference.

When should I be there?

Thursdays, 8 pm-10 pm, 1965 Broadway



Abraham Lincoln famously said, "As you grow older you will discover that you have two hands. One for helping yourself, the other for helping others."

Research has shown time and time again that giving is beneficial for the giver as well as the receiver. The Helper's High, as it's known, is so powerful that it causes people to have a decreased awareness of physical pain in addition to producing a sense of euphoria. You don't have to do anything huge; a small, simple act can make someone's day and leave you feeling fabulous. So, if you're looking for a high, try doing something kind for someone else.

JUNE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Sivan 11	Sivan 12 Parshat Naso
					8:52PM** June 1	10:02PM June 2
Sivan 13	Sivan 14	Sivan 15	Sivan 16	Sivan 17	Sivan 18	Sivan 19 Parshat Beha'alotecha
June 3	June 4	June 5	June 6	June 7	8:58PM** June 8	10:09M June 9
Sivan 20	Sivan 21	Sivan 22	Sivan 23	Sivan 24	Sivan 25	Sivan 26 Parshat Shelach
June 10	June 11	June 12	June 13	June 14	9:02PM** June 15	10:13PM June 16
Sivan 27	Sivan 28	Sivan 29	Sivan 30 Rosh Chodesh	Tammuz 1 Rosh Chodesh	Tammuz 2	Tammuz 3 Parshat Korach
June 17	June 18	June 19	June 20	June 21	9:04PM** June 22	10:15PM June 23
Tammuz 4	Tammuz 5	Tammuz 6	Tammuz 7	Tammuz 8	Tammuz 9	Tammuz 10 Parshat Chukkat
June 24	June 25	June 26	June 27	June 28	9:04PM** June 29	10:14PM June 30
						**Our community accepts Shabbat at 7:45PM.

TAMMUZ/AV

Big Deal of the Month

Tisha B'Av

What is it?

It's a fast day that commemorates the destruction of the First and Second Temples in Jerusalem.

Why should I care?

Judaism focuses on the richness of history, the elevation of the present, and hopes for the future. With the building of the Third Temple will come a time of peace and contentment. Imagine a world of positivity; the freedom of a weekend on a Tuesday morning, your favourite songs on a never-ending loop, a feeling of connection and oneness with the world around you. Perfection. By reflecting on the mystical qualities of the universe and the potential for humanity within it, we can start working toward that goal.

How can I keep it real?

As with other fasts, this isn't a day of fun and games. Avoid working too hard. Take some time to remember the tragedies of the past and focus on building a better future.

July 28th

Tisha B'Av Service: 9 pm

Fast begins: 8:57 pm

Service/Eicha: 9 pm

July 29th:

Fast ends: 9:30 pm



ONGOING EVENT You want me to do *what*?!?

Super Summer BBQs

Why should I join in?

Hey, we're not forcing you, but who would want to miss out on food and friends on the beach? A sunny summer's day is a great backdrop for a casual community get-together. If you like to hang out and nosh, you're our kind of people.

When should I be there?

Several Sundays throughout the summer at the foot of Arbutus St. Check the Kollel website for dates and times.

Slap on the SPF ESRIM !

"Life is full of ups and downs. The trick is to enjoy the ups and have courage during the downs."

You can say that again!

This month is all about the polarities in life. Here we are, smack dab in the middle of the summer, trying to make the most of the warm weather and fun events, and here comes Tisha B'Av. Kinda puts a damper on things, doesn't it? Well, yeah, sorta. But isn't that the point? Have a look back at the atrocities that occurred in history on that day and you just might feel a little less joyous. Thankfully, we don't have to live it, but we should do our best to remember, learn from the past and do better in the future.

Some feasting, some fasting. Some partying, some tears. There's a little bit of everything this month.

JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Tammuz 11 July 1	Tammuz 12 Stat Holiday July 2	Tammuz 13 July 3	Tammuz 14 July 4	Tammuz 15 July 5	Tammuz 16 9:01PM** July 6	Tammuz 17 Parshat Balak 10:11PM July 7
Tammuz 18 Fast of 17th of Tammuz Fast begins 3:55AM Fast ends 9:16PM July 8	Tammuz 19 July 9	Tammuz 20 July 10	Tammuz 21 July 11	Tammuz 22 July 12	Tammuz 23 8:56PM** July 13	Tammuz 24 Parshat Pinchas 10:05PM July 14
Tammuz 25 July 15	Tammuz 26 July 16	Tammuz 27 July 17	Tammuz 28 July 18	Tammuz 29 July 19	Av 1 Rosh Chodesh 8:50PM** July 20	Av 2 Parshat Mattot-Masei 9:57PM July 21
Av 3 July 22	Av 4 July 23	Av 5 July 24	Av 6 July 25	Av 7 July 26	Av 8 8:41PM** July 27	Av 9 Parshat Devarim Erev Tish'a B'Av Fast begins 8:57PM 9:47PM July 28
Av 10 Fast of Tish'a B'Av Fast ends 9:30PM July 29	Av 11 July 30	Av 12 July 31				
						**Our community accepts Shabbat at 7:45PM.

AV/ELUL

Big Deal of the Month

Tu B'Av

What is it?

The beginning of the grape harvest was when young people set out to find their soulmates. Many matches were made on this holiday.

Why should I care?

Marriage is the core of Jewish family life and Tu B'Av is a celebration of love and relationships. Get the connection?

How can I keep it real?

Love is in the air, so get out there and breathe deep. Find yourself a party and find yourself a spouse. Today could be the first day of your life together.

August 3rd

Tu B'Av Champagne Shabbat: 7:30 pm

Fiday Night Dinner is just the warm up for a superb night at the Kollel. Come party with us!

All you need is love.
And a good shadchan.



ONGOING EVENT

You want me to do *what*?!?

Kollel Business Club and
Kollel Show Business Club

Why should I join in?

You work hard and you play hard. Why not do both at the Kollel? The Kollel is a community that also just happens to be a built-in network of business professionals. Once a month we get together in a relaxed atmosphere to check out what's going on in the worlds of commerce and entertainment. Industry professionals present, discuss, and illustrate new and interesting ideas, then it's your turn to get in on the fun. There's lots of mixing, mingling and shmoozing to go around. It's networking made ridiculously easy.

When should I be there?

The first and second Tuesdays of the month



Trust yourself. Create the kind of self that you will be happy to live with all your life. Make the most of yourself by fanning the tiny, inner sparks of possibility into flames of achievement.
-Golda Meir

AUGUST

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Av 13	Av 14	Av 15 Tu B'Av	Av 16 Parshat Va'etchannan
			Aug 1	Aug 2	Aug 3	Aug 4
Av 17	Av 18	Av 19	Av 20	Av 21	Av 22	Av 23 Parshat Eikev
Aug 5	Stat Holiday	Aug 6	Aug 7	Aug 8	Aug 9	Aug 10
Av 24	Av 25	Av 26	Av 27	Av 28	Av 29	Av 30 Parshat Re'eh
Aug 12	Aug 13	Aug 14	Aug 15	Aug 16	Aug 17	Aug 18
Elul 1	Elul 2	Elul 3	Elul 4	Elul 5	Elul 6	Elul 7 Parshat Shoftim
Aug 19	Aug 20	Aug 21	Aug 22	Aug 23	Aug 24	Aug 25
Elul 8	Elul 9	Elul 10	Elul 11	Elul 12	Elul 13	
Aug 26	Aug 27	Aug 28	Aug 29	Aug 30	Aug 31	
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