

# HIGH HOLY DAYS

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## HOW WILL YOU HELP?



### PARTICIPATION AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

*Please take this opportunity to be a part of it all!*

## ***HIGH HOLY DAYS at BEKI PARTICIPATION and VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES***

Dear Friends,

We are now in the midst of planning for this year's High Holy Days. Rosh Hashana begins on Wednesday evening, September 8<sup>th</sup>, and Yom Kippur begins Friday evening, September 17<sup>th</sup>. As you know, this involves a lot of work by a lot of people! "PARTICIPATION" in our High Holy Days worship and programming means insuring that **everyone** in our community gets a chance to be a part of our celebration of this season in **whatever** ways each will find most rewarding.

For the High Holy Days Committee, this is an exciting and challenging job because our BEKI community is made up of people with such varied talents, skills and personalities. The High Holy Days Committee is eager to hear from **YOU**. For example – can you:

- chant Torah or Haftarah?
- lead a part of the service reserved for lay members?
- sound the shofar (or do you want to learn how?)
- shop
- fold flyers, stuff envelopes
- set up chairs
- build the sukkah
- help prepare or set up for the Yom-Kippur Break Fast
- greet members and guests and help as an usher?

**GIVE 10 MINUTES OR 10 HOURS – EVERYONE'S TIME IS VALUABLE TO THE BEKI COMMUNITY.**

**Please take the time to fill out the attached form.** It will make the challenge of assigning High Holy Days honors equitable and efficient, and will ensure that all of the other programs and initiatives we that we plan this year will include as many people as possible.

**Every single one of these jobs is essential.**

**PLEASE RESPOND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!!! WE NEED YOUR HELP**

Please return the attached form **TODAY**, but definitely no later than **August 1st:**  
to Darryl Kuperstock by EMAIL ([kuperst@aol.com](mailto:kuperst@aol.com)) or FAX (203)387-4410  
or call Darryl at (203) 387-0304

For your convenience, this form is also available on the BEKI website: [www.beki.org/forms](http://www.beki.org/forms)

We sincerely thank you.

***The BEKI High Holy Days Committee***

Darryl Kuperstock, chairperson (203) 387-0304  
Jay Brown, co-chair (203) 288-9073

***Please call if you have some ideas you'd like to discuss for High Holiday programming!***

***I would like to participate in the High Holy Days at BEKI in the following way(s):***

If more than one person is responding, please indicate choices by each person's initials. Thanks.

**RITUAL**

- Help the High Holy Days Honors Committee (ONE meeting ONLY in mid-August)
- VERY IMPORTANT!** Arrive at services at \_\_\_8:30am on RH 1<sup>st</sup> day, \_\_\_RH 2<sup>nd</sup> day, or at \_\_\_9:00am on YK day to help make the *minyán* and to ensure that services can begin as scheduled (please indicate which days specifically)
- Lead a service in Hebrew, only some are **special nusach** (melody) and would require special skills, some are the regular daily nusach.  
(especially needed: *psukei d'zimra* (special), *mincha* (reg. daily nusach), *ma'ariv* (reg. daily nusach) please specify \_\_\_\_\_ DIGITAL RECORDINGS AVAILABLE
- Chanting from the Torah (special High Holy Days trope)  
Special Request\_\_\_\_\_ Need digital recording\_\_\_\_
- Chanting a Haftarah (regular trope)  
Special Request\_\_\_\_\_ Need digital recording\_\_\_\_
- Sounding the Shofar – Ba'al Teki'ah  ***I'd like to learn to sound the Shofar***
- Calling out sounds for the *Ba'al Teki'ah*
- Aliyah (blessing at the Torah) Cohen\_\_\_ Levi\_\_\_ Yisrael\_\_\_ on RH1\_\_\_RH2\_\_\_YK\_\_\_
- Aliyah, but I need some assistance/review on RH1\_\_\_RH2\_\_\_YK\_\_\_
- English reading on RH1\_\_\_RH2\_\_\_YK\_\_\_
- Torah Service - Non-speaking part
  - Opening / Closing the Ark
  - Lifting the Torah (hagbah)
  - Dressing the Torah (gelilah)
  - Carrying the Torah
- Please call on me to help with building the BEKI Sukkah on Sunday, September 19 at 9:30AM.

**USHERS / GREETERS**

***Ushers and greeters are a very important part of both the welcoming and seamless environment that we try to create at BEKI...please consider giving us a bit of your time:***

- I would like to participate as an usher (sanctuary) / greeter (lobby) ***(there will be an usher/greeter orientation meeting before Rosh Hashana – date TBD)***  
(check all that apply)

USHER or GREETER (circle ALL on which you can help out)

- Rosh HaShanah 1<sup>st</sup> day  Kol Nidre evening  Yom Kippur late afternoon
- Rosh HaShanah 2<sup>nd</sup> day  Yom Kippur day

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Phone: day \_\_\_\_\_ evening \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

## LOGISTICS, ETC.

- I am available to help clean the Torah SILVER in preparation (Sept. 1-2)
- I would be willing to help prepare High Holy Days MAILINGS (July/Aug)**
- I'd like to help research additional readings for the services
- I would like to help set up the synagogue in advance - chairs, books, change Torah covers, roll Torahs, etc. (Sept 5-8)
- I will be available to help straighten up the sanctuary following services each day (books, chairs)**
- I would be interested in helping to develop and/or prepare the lobby educational/graphic art display
- I am interested in helping to set out a very light pre-prepared Kiddush following evening services for Rosh Hashanah
- I would like to help with set up/preparation before--or clean up after the Break Fast**
- I would be willing to help shop for the Break Fast or other**
- I am available to proofread High Holy Days printed materials
- I would be willing to help switch back the Torah covers following Simchat Torah
- I can pick up 2 (previously ordered) floral arrangements and deliver to synagogue  
for Erev Rosh Hashanah, on Wednesday **morning** Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_  
for Erev Yom Kippur, on Friday **morning** Sept 17th \_\_\_\_
- I can help collect pledge cards following the Kol Nidre evening appeal.
- Please call on me to help with any miscellaneous jobs that arise. I will try to make myself available.**

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

- I would be interested in helping to plan/lead Cosmic Conversations, Jr. Congregation, K-2 Kehila or the Children's Havura Programs (please specify)***
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- I am available to shop for snack/drinks for the Children's program
- I have a **good** recommendation for a reliable babysitter for infants. Please call me at \_\_\_\_\_

## HOSPITALITY

- I need help arranging a ride to services: Please check: RH1 RH2 Kol Nidre  YK Sukkot
- I would welcome the opportunity to host a guest(s) for a holiday meal: How many?\_\_\_\_ Which meals: \_\_\_\_\_ Kosher kitchen? \_\_\_\_\_ Please check: RH1 RH2 Sukkot
- I would welcome an invitation to be invited to join others for a holiday meal: Please check: RH1 RH2 Sukkot
- I have a friend to whom I would love to introduce BEKI at this time. Please send my friend information about the synagogue and about the High Holy Days at BEKI:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**PAGE 2** **Name(s)(please print)** \_\_\_\_\_  
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