



## This Week at Chabad Lubavitch of Maine



### CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES FOR PORTLAND:

Friday, Sep. 24 6:16 pm  
Monday, Sep. 27 6:11 pm  
Tuesday, Sep. 28 7:09 pm

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## Message from the Rabbi

Dear Friends,

With Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur behind us, now that we have certainly all been signed and sealed for a good year, we celebrate this success with a week-long holiday Sukkot, also known as The Festival of Joy.

Where Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur represent the somber nature of our relationship with G-d, Sukkot focuses on the aspect of this relationship that is expressed through joy. The happiness we express during this holiday is not necessarily rational, in fact sometimes there are reasons to be the opposite of joyous.

But just as our relationship with G-d transcends logic, our joy during Sukkot is all about rising beyond the limitations of what we do or don't understand. That is how we can be truly happy.

And being joyous during Sukkot even when there is no reason to be (or reason not to be), we are guaranteed that G-d will give us many reasons to be happy throughout the year.

So, now we party!

Chag sameach!



# Young Jewish Professionals Sukkah BBQ!



# BARBECUE

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Professionals*

IN THE  
SUKKAH



 **FOOD**  
 **MUSIC**  
 **DRINKS**

AT THE WILANSKY SUKKAH  
SUNDAY, SEPT. 26 | 5:45 PM  
TEXT SUKKAH TO 843-582-2789  
FOR ADDRESS



Sukkot at Fort Williams

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# The **SUKKAH MOBILE**

**IS COMING TO CAPE  
ELIZABETH!**

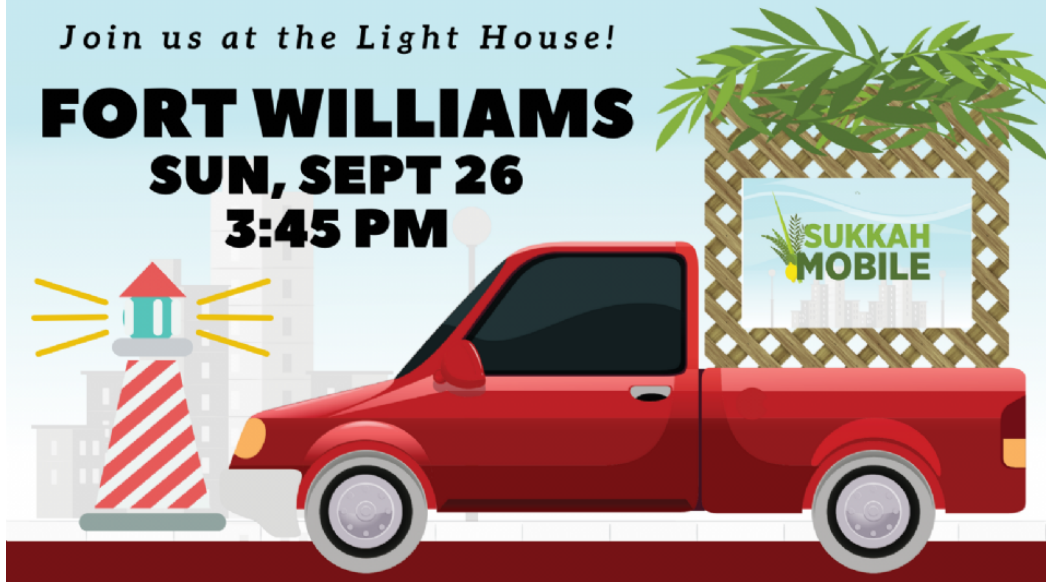
***Hop onto the Sukkah  
Mobile, enjoy a holiday  
treat and shake the  
Lulav!***



Questions? Contact  
Rabbi Levi at  
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maine.com](mailto:rabbilevi@chabadofmaine.com)

*Join us at the Light House!*

**FORT WILLIAMS  
SUN, SEPT 26  
3:45 PM**



**Sukkah Mobile at the  
Farmer's Market!**



Simchat Torah!

# SIMCHAT TORAH at Chabad

Sep 28 & 29



On Simchat Torah, we celebrate the completion of the yearly Torah cycle. This joyous milestone is marked by dancing with the Torah. Join us!

Tuesday, Sep28 at 7:30pm  
Wednesday, Sep 29 at 11:00 am



## Torah Studies



Join Rabbi Levi for Torah Studies this Sunday, 9/26 at 2:00 pm.

[chabadofmaine.com/zoom](https://chabadofmaine.com/zoom)



## Service Times

### Thursday

7:00 am

### Friday night

7:00 pm

### Shabbat day

10:30 am

### Kiddush and refreshments

12:30 pm



## Donate

Join in and become a partner in the work we do!



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BY THE NUMBERS

## 13 Facts About Sukkot Every Jew Should Know

Sukkot is a weeklong festival celebrated by dwelling in the sukkah, taking the lulav and etrog and joyous feasting.

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YOUR QUESTIONS

## Can I Tie Down the Sechach?

Some sechach blew off during Sukkot. I was wondering if I can just tie it down with string. When I asked (and looked on the Internet), I got mixed replies.

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PARSHAH

## Could the People Have Stopped Moses' Passing?

Gd instructed Moses to ascend the mountain in the middle of the day, making it clear that they had no power over what would happen.

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VIDEO

## Channel the Fire

On redirecting the fires of destruction into fiery passion for good.

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# Parshah in a Nutshell



The **Sukkot** and **Shemini Atzeret Torah** readings are from **Leviticus 22-23**, **Numbers 29**, and **Deuteronomy 14-16**. These readings detail the laws of the *moadim* or "**appointed times**" on the **Jewish calendar** for festive celebration of our bond with **Gd**; including the **mitzvot** of dwelling in the **sukkah** (branch-covered hut) and taking the "**Four Kinds**" on the festival of Sukkot; the **offerings** brought in the **Holy Temple** in **Jerusalem** on Sukkot, and the obligation to journey to the Holy Temple to "to see and be seen before the face of Gd" on the three annual pilgrimage festivals **Passover**, **Shavuot** and Sukkot.

On **Simchat Torah** ("Rejoicing of the Torah") we conclude, and begin anew, the annual Torah-reading cycle. First we read the Torah section of **V'zot HaBerachah**, which recounts the blessings that **Moses** gave to each of the **twelve tribes of Israel** before his **death**. **Echoing Jacob's blessings** to his twelve sons five generations earlier, Moses assigns and empowers each tribe with its individual role within the community of Israel.

V'zot HaBerachah then relates how Moses ascended Mount Nebo from whose summit he saw the **Promised Land**. "And Moses the servant of Gd died there in the Land of Moab by the mouth of Gd... and no man knows his burial place to this day." The Torah concludes by attesting that "**There arose not a prophet since in Israel like Moses**, whom Gd knew face to face... and in all the mighty hand and the great **awesome things** which Moses did before the eyes of all Israel."

Immediately after **concluding the Torah**, we begin it anew by reading the **first chapter of Genesis** (the beginning of **next Shabbat's Torah reading**) describing Gd's **creation of the world** in six days and His ceasing work on the seventh which He sanctified and blessed as **a day of rest**.



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