

FROM THE RABBI

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Dear congregational family,

As you see, you are seeing a more slimmed-down monthly Bulletin before you. As advertised in our weekly email, we are experiencing some issues in the office and are asking for your patience and grace as we resolve them.

The secular New Year normally is a time of revelry, especially when compared with the earnest grandeur and awesome holiness of Rosh haShanah. New Year's Eve is a time to let your hair down and to see the ball drop—quite literally. In the Netherlands, where I am from originally, we have a host of fun New Year's

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This New Year, however, we face yet again a year of canceled plans and unpredictable contingencies. 2022 is a mystery, seen through the darkened glass of the continuing pandemic. None of us can predict the future, but what we are equipped to comment on is how we could attempt to face that continued

uncertain time ahead. For instance, synagogue life will continue with the same sense of purpose and community as we have had before.

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