

# Congregation Ahavat Achim

## קהילת אהבת אחים

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שבת קודש/ג' דחול המועד  
**SHABBAT CHOL HAMOED**  
 19 NISSAN/APRIL 19

Shir HaShirim (The Song of Songs). Seven Aliyot from Parshat Ki Sisah (Exodus 33:12-34:26); Maftir from Parshat Pinchas (Num. 28:19-25). Haftorah is Ezekiel 37:1-14. Don't say צדקתך צדק or א-ל מלא, אב הרחמים מים.

**FRIDAY NIGHT**  
**CANDLE LIGHTING - 7:22 PM**  
**MINCHA - 7:00 PM**  
**TZAIT - 8:25 PM**

**SATURDAY**  
**CHUMASH SHIUR - 8:00 AM**  
**SHACHARIT YOUTH - 8:20 AM**  
**SHACHARIT MAIN - 8:45 AM**  
**LAST KRIAT SHEMA - 9:34 AM**  
**GEMARA SHIUR - 6:10 PM**  
**MINCHA - 7:10 PM**  
**SHKIA - 7:41 PM**  
**MAARIV/HAVDALAH - 8:26 PM**

שביעי של פסח  
**SEVENTH DAY OF PESACH**  
 21 NISSAN/APRIL 20-21

**SUNDAY NIGHT**  
**MINCHA/MAARIV - 7:00: PM**  
**CANDLE LIGHTING - 7:24 PM**  
**TZAIT - 8:27 PM**

**MONDAY**  
**SHACHARIT MAIN - 8:45 AM**  
**MINCHA - 7:30 PM**  
**SHKIA - 7:43 PM**

אחרון של פסח  
**LAST DAY OF PESACH**  
 22 NISSAN/APRIL 21-22

**MONDAY NIGHT**  
**MAARIV/CANDLE LIGHTING - 8:28 PM**

**TUESDAY**  
**SHACHARIT MAIN - 8:45 AM**  
**MINCHA - 7:30 PM**  
**SHKIA - 7:44 PM**  
**MAARIV/HAVDALAH - 8:29 PM**

נא לא לדבר בשעת התפילה  
 PLEASE NO CONVERSATION DURING SERVICES



### WEEKDAY DAVENING INFORMATION

	Sunday (4/20)	Monday (4/21)	Tuesday (4/22)	Wednesday (4/23)	Thursday (4/24)	Friday (4/25)
Earliest Talit	5:13 AM			5:08 AM	5:06 AM	5:04 AM
Shacharit	8:00 AM			6:25 AM	6:15 AM	6:25 AM
Gedolah	1:30 PM			1:30 PM	1:29 PM	1:29 PM
Mincha-Maariv	7:30 PM			7:25 PM	7:25 PM	7:00 PM
Shkia				7:45 PM	7:46 PM	
Tzait				8:30 PM	8:31 PM	



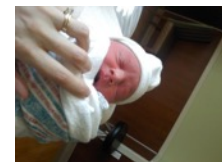
Seudah Shlishit is sponsored by Marty & Betsy Sonnenblick in memory of Marty's father Moshe Yehuda ben Yosef Dov Halevi"ע"י.

First annual cholent/luncheon kiddush is Shabbat, May 10. We need five teams of cholent makers at the shul using shul crockpots. Email Steve Plotnick at [seplotnick@gmail.com](mailto:seplotnick@gmail.com) to sponsor this event at the following levels: Meat-\$180, Potato-\$118, Bean-\$72, & Barley-\$36. Contact Andrea or Randi if interested in cholent preparation at [ajriskin@aol.com](mailto:ajriskin@aol.com) or [randi.spier@gmail.com](mailto:randi.spier@gmail.com).



On the seventh day of Pesach between Mincha and Maariv Aaron Kor will be speaking about "The Nature of Chol Hamoed: An Halachic Analysis."

Mazel Tov to Shirley & Avi Vsnn on the birth of a great granddaughter, Shoshana Raizel, to Devorah Malka & Ephraim Goldstein. Torah, Chupah, U'Masim Tovim!



We regret to inform you of the passing of Baruch Werkstel, beloved father of Ayala Adler. Due to the chag Ayala's shiva period has ended. המקום ינחם אתכם עם שאר אבלי ציון וירושלים ולא תדעו לדאבה עוד

## Kiddush Information

- ☆ Kiddush cleanup for the month of April is Schwitzer, Shanblatt, Smedresman, Sokoloff, Solomon, Sonnenblick, Spier, Stock, Strich & Vann
- ☆ Kiddush setup for this Shabbat is N/A
- ☆ Kiddush setup for next Shabbat is Bickel, Brooks & Brenenson
- ☆ To sponsor a Kiddush (\$1000/\$613/\$318 plus scotch) send an email to [gplotnick@aol.com](mailto:gplotnick@aol.com).

## Adult Education



- ☆ GEMARAH SHIUR - Rabbi's Shabbat afternoon gemarah shiur takes place one hour before Mincha.
- ☆ CHUMASH CLASS - Gerry Halpern's Class - Shabbat mornings at 8:00 AM.

## Numbers & Info

ERUV UPDATE – 201-797-0502  
MIKVAH – 201-796-0350. At Shomrei Torah, weekdays 9:00 PM–10:30 PM, Motzei Shabbat from 11/4 hours after Shabbat ends for 1.5 hours.  
Kaylim Mikvah: Sunday 10 AM-3 PM

## Gita Cooperwasser ע"ה

### Youth Program



- ☆ This Shabbat youth groups are on Pesach hiatus.
- ☆ May 17 – Lag b'Omer scavenger hunt, 10:30 AM at the shul!
- ☆ June 4 – ICE CREAM! Join us at the Bernsteins, 4:00 PM, for the Shavuot ice cream party.

### Upcoming Events

- ☆ Apr. 26 - Uri Garfunkel's Bar Mitzvah
- ☆ May 10 - Cholent Kiddush/Luncheon
- ☆ May 17 - Joshua Shanblatt Bar Mitzvah
- ☆ May 31 - Suedah Shlishit sponsored by Eli Zefon in memory of שלמה בין אליהו
- ☆ June 21 - Suedah Shlishit sponsored by Eli Zefon in memory of ברוך מפציר בין שמואל
- ☆ May 16, 2015-Eli Schachter Bar Mitzvah
- ☆ Oct. 4, 2015 - Hadassah and Hadar Schachter B'not Mitzvah
- ☆ Feb 13, 2016-Ben Wechsler Bar Mitzvah

### Rabbi Avi Tilonsky

Apr. 26

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Friday Evening, April 18



Saturday Evening, April 19



Sunday Evening, April 20



Monday Evening, April 21



Tuesday Evening, April 22



Wednesday Evening, April 23



Thursday Evening, April 24



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## **Erev Pesach - Sunday Night, April 13**

It is forbidden to eat Matzah on Erev Pesach. Sunday night April 13, after the appearance of three stars (the Mishna in Pesachim refers to this as the "Light of the Fourteenth"), we search for chometz everywhere we bring it during the year. Someone not participating in the search places ten pieces of chometz in random locations to which we bring chometz during the year (failure to do so does not invalidate the search, but be very careful to find all ten pieces). Before the search recite the Bracha "אשר קדשנו" – on the removal of chometz (for the search is the beginning of the process). After the search, one declares "כל חמירא" (preferably in a language that he understands) nullifying all chometz and sourdough of which he is unaware.

## **Erev Pesach - Monday, April 14**

First born have a custom to fast, redeem themselves with money for Tzedakah, or participate in a Seudat Mitzvah such as a siyum. Chometz set aside for breakfast may be eaten until the end of the fourth proportionate hour after dawn (10:43 AM). One may sell chometz, give it away to a non-Jewish acquaintance, or feed it to an animal until the end of the fifth proportionate hour (11:49 AM). The chometz you authorized Rabbi Goldstein to sell must be placed in a reserved area. The sale to the non-Jew is considered part of the removal (ביעור) process. Burn the remaining chometz before the end of the fifth proportionate hour (11:49 AM) and say the formula of "כל חמירא" nullifying and making free all chometz of which we are both unaware and aware. Do not make any Bracha (one should have in mind that if the sale to the non-Jew is found invalid, such Chometz too is nullified and rendered free).

One washes (some immerse themselves in a Mikveh) and makes all necessary preparations in honor of Yom Tov. One must complete all of the preparations for the Seder while it is still daytime. The Romaine lettuce must be thoroughly cleansed and then carefully inspected for bugs. The horseradish must be grated. The Seder table must be completely set and arranged. All this must be done before Yom Tov.

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## **SUPPORT YOUR SHUL**

### **Donate a Sefer, etc.**

The shul has Siddurim & Machzorim (\$36) and Chumashim (\$54) available to be donated. Please contact Jeff Safier at [rjsafier@optonline.net](mailto:rjsafier@optonline.net) for details.

### **Yahrzeit Plaques**

Memorialize a loved one and receive written notice of your upcoming yahrzeit every year. In addition, your loved one's name will be mentioned during the public Yizkor we recite on Yom Kippur and in the Bulletin. Plaques are \$300 for members and \$350 for non-members. For more information, contact Sophie Infield at 791-5518.

### **Scrip**

Scrip is available from Men's Club for Shop Rite, email David at [garfdad@optonline.net](mailto:garfdad@optonline.net). Pay by Paypal at [treasurer@ahavatachim.org](mailto:treasurer@ahavatachim.org) or by Discover, MasterCard or Visa - email [treasurer@ahavatachim.org](mailto:treasurer@ahavatachim.org) for details.

### **Mishebayrach**

If you've made a Mishebayrach you've pledged to give Tzedakah on behalf of those for whom you asked Hashem's blessing. Contributions to the shul are appropriate and can be made via Paypal to [treasurer@ahavatachim.org](mailto:treasurer@ahavatachim.org), or via MasterCard, Visa or Discover by sending the information to Elliot Greene (contact him at [treasurer@ahavatachim.org](mailto:treasurer@ahavatachim.org)). If paying by check please indicate on its face "Aliyah Donation." Thank you for your generosity.

### **David Schwitzer<sup>ר"ע</sup> Social Hall**

Please contact Steven Winchester at [swinchman@aol.com](mailto:swinchman@aol.com) to book the David Schwitzer<sup>ר"ע</sup> Social Hall for an event or special occasion. \$250 per simcha (members) / \$500 paid in advance for non-members, plus the cost of any additional clean up (plus a \$150 security deposit refunded when the social hall is returned in the condition it started in). Private caterers must be approved in advance by the Rabbi.

### **Sisterhood & Men's Club**

Please contact Elliot Greene at [egreene@acm.org](mailto:egreene@acm.org) to join the Men's Club. To join Sisterhood, please contact Shelly Winchester at [swinchgal@aol.com](mailto:swinchgal@aol.com).

### **Honoraria**

Contributions to acquire honoraria in memory or honor of a loved one are welcome. The available Honoraria list will be provided upon request by contacting Steven Plotnick at [seplotnick@gmail.com](mailto:seplotnick@gmail.com).

### **Mitzvah Cards**

Want mitzvah cards, contact Eita Latkin at 791-8940 or [parentsof3@aol.com](mailto:parentsof3@aol.com). Cost is \$3 per card. Also can be ordered in bulk - ten cards for \$25, which you send out yourself privately.

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## Pesach - Monday Night, April 14 - First Seder

After the appearance of three small stars, some married men don Kittels, and we take our places at the table. The leader has someone else pour each of the Four Cups of wine for him (in the manner of a wealthy free man) and we begin the Seder with Kiddush, including שהחיינו, and adding insertions for Shabbat. We follow the order presented in the Haggadot.

All four cups at the Seder must be full, containing at least a רביעית of preferably red wine (a רביעית is a little more than 3 ounces or 86.5 grams, but for the first cup of the first seder on Shabbat, the stricter opinion should be followed and the cup should hold a little more than 4 ounces or 113.40 grams). One should drink the entire cup, but must finish at least the majority of a רביעית. The Four Cups, as well as the eating of the Matzah, Hillel's sandwich and Afikomen, must be done in a reclining position to one's left side (בהסיבת שמאל). Women and children are obligated to drink the Four Cups, although children can be given small cups relative to their age and size.

## Prayer for Dew - Mussaf - Tuesday, April 15

The Chazzan dons a Kittel. We still say "משיב הרוח ומוריד הגשם" during silent Shemonei Esrei at Mussaf. In his Repetition the Chazzan stops saying "...ומוריד הגשם" The congregation no longer says "...ומוריד הגשם" at Mincha. It is advisable to repeat 101 (or at least 90) times the phrase "אתה רב להושיע מכלכל חיים"; so that it becomes fluent and habitual, thereby avoiding any future doubt as to whether one failed to omit "משיב הרוח ומוריד הגשם" or not.

## Second Night - Tuesday, April 16 (Counting the Omer)

We wait until Tzait before lighting candles or before doing any preparations for the second day of Pesach. We delay Maariv until after Tzait. Each night before counting the Omer we recite the Bracha "...ספירת העומר" and then proclaim the current day of the Omer. Both the Bracha and the count itself must be done while standing. It is best to count the Omer after Tzait. If one counted before that time, it is proper for him to count again, after Tzait, without a Bracha. If one counted earlier than Plag HaMincha he must count again with a Bracha when the stars appear. If one forgot to count at night, he must count during the day without a Bracha. He may then continue to count again on all of the successive nights with a Bracha. If one failed to count an entire day, he must continue to count the following nights without a Bracha. In such case one should intend to fulfill his obligation by hearing the Bracha from the person making it for the congregation.

### **BULLETIN INFORMATION**

**TO REQUEST A BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT (BY 7:00 PM WEDNESDAY) OR DEDICATE A BULLETIN FOR \$36 (\$54 W/PHOTO), EMAIL [SEPLOTNICK@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SEPLOTNICK@GMAIL.COM).**

### **CONGREGATION AHAVAT ACHIM**

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## **AHAVAT ACHIM MISCELLANEOUS**

### **Rabbi Goldstein's Hours**

Rabbi Goldstein is available to the membership by contacting him at [UriG77@aol.com](mailto:UriG77@aol.com) or by phone at 201-703-2458. For those who wish to contact him during office hours, he is at the shul every Wednesday evening after Ma'ariv until approximately 10:00 pm. Please note that the Rabbi's e-mails are forwarded to his home PC and to his blackberry. [RABBI GOLDSTEIN IS ON HIATUS]

### **Become a Member of Ahavat Achim**

If you are not yet a member; please contact Aryeh Brenenson [abrenenson@gmail.com](mailto:abrenenson@gmail.com) for details on membership.

### **Bikkur Cholim/Chesed**

If anyone could use a visit/assistance from the Bikkur Cholim/Chesed Committee, contact the Rabbi at [UriG77@aol.com](mailto:UriG77@aol.com) or Sara Levine at [saralevine6@optimum.net](mailto:saralevine6@optimum.net).

### **Personal Announcements**

Various life cycle events related to members are announced in the shul's weekly bulletin (e.g, births, bar and bat mitzvahs, weddings and deaths), and the bulletin acknowledges travel to/from Israel for study. We also welcome new members and those who've moved into the community and express interest in our shul. Other personal announcements generally are not appropriate for inclusion in the bulletin, except as part of the bulletin's dedication (a \$36 cost - \$54 with photo). Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



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