

Congregation Ahavat Achim

קהילת אהבת אחים

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PLEASE NO CONVERSATION DURING SERVICES



WEEKDAY DAVENING INFORMATION

| | Sunday (4/6) | Monday (4/7) | Tuesday (4/8) | Wednesday (4/9) | Thursday (4/10) | Friday (4/11) |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Earliest Talit | 5:37 AM | 5:35 AM | 5:33 AM | 5:31 AM | 5:30 AM | 5:28 AM |
| Shacharit | 8:15 AM | 6:15 AM | 6:25 AM | 6:25 AM | 6:15 AM | 6:25 AM |
| Gedolah | 1:32 PM | 1:32 PM | 1:31 PM | 1:31 PM | 1:31 PM | 1:31 PM |
| Mincha (Su/Fri) - Maariv | 7:05 PM | 8:00 PM | 8:00 PM | 8:00 PM | 8:00 PM | 7:00 PM |
| Shkia | 7:27 PM | 7:28 PM | 7:29 PM | 7:30 PM | 7:31 PM | |
| Tzait | 8:12 PM | 8:13 PM | 8:14 PM | 8:15 PM | 8:16 PM | |



Suedah Shlischit is sponsored by Barry Weinraub and Steven Plotnick in honor of their Siyum on Mesechet Sukkah.

שבת פרשת מצורע
SHABBAT PARSHAT METZORA
5 NISAN - APRIL 5
Haftorah is Kings II, 7. Do not say א-ל מלא or צדקתך צדק or אב הרחמים.

FRIDAY NIGHT
CANDLE LIGHTING - 7:07 PM
MINCHA - 7:10 PM
TZAIT - 8:10 PM

SATURDAY
CHUMASH SHIUR - 8:00 AM
SHACHARIT YOUTH - 8:20 AM
SHACHARIT MAIN - 8:45 AM
LAST KRIAT SHEMA - 9:47 AM
GEMARA SHIUR - N/A
MINCHA - 6:55 PM
SHKIA - 7:26 PM
MAARIV/HAVDALAH - 8:11 PM

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.

CONGREGATION AHAVAT ACHIM
18-25 SADDLE RIVER ROAD
FAIR LAWN, NJ 07410-5909
201-797-0502
WWW.AHAVATACHIM.ORG

Rabbi Tilonsky will be available at the shul for Chometz sales as follows:



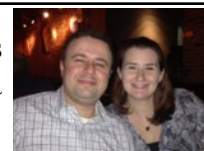
Sunday, April 6, 9:45 AM - 11 AM
Motzei Shabbat, April 12, following Maariv, from 8:50 PM - 10:00 PM

If you have any questions please contact Rabbi Tilonsky at rabbiaintilonsky@gmail.com. Rabbi Tilonsky also will be collecting Maot Chitim checks made payable to the Cheryl Wigod Tzedakah Fund for needy families in Israel and Bergen County. You may also send Maot Chitim checks to Jack Bickel, 36-02 Hale Pl., Fair Lawn, NJ 07410.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Kids, join us this Shabbat in groups at 10:30 AM for a scavenger hunt related to Pesach! The group that finishes first gets a special prize! On Sunday kids in Pre-K to 1st grade are invited to a movie brunch hosted by the Risken and Brenenson families at 24 Rutgers Terr. at 10:00 AM featuring "Frozen."

Mazel Tov to Gloria & Robert Lewissohn on Joshua's engagement to Sara Lewis. May they be zoche to build a bayit neeman b'yisroel!



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 Rein, Sokoloff & Wigod
- ☆ Kiddush setup for next Shabbat is Agress, Baron & Bernstein
- ☆ To sponsor a Kiddush (\$1000/\$613/\$318 plus scotch) send an email to 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

Rabbi Avi Tilonsky

Apr. 12

Contact Info:

Phone: 609-200-1284
rabbivintilonsky@gmail.com



Gita Cooperwasser^{ת"ע}

Youth Program




- ☆ This Shabbat there is no youth director, and the youth leaders are Josh Finkelstein & Josh Zimmerman (2nd-6th Grade Boys), Andy Freund & Madeline Plotnick (Boys/Girls 1st-6th Grade), and Tamar Dubin (K/Pre-K).
- ☆ Apr. 5 – Pre-Pesach scavenger hunt, 10:30 AM at the shul!
- ☆ Apr. 6, 10 AM to Noon, movie brunch, pre-k/1st graders at the Brenensons', hosted by the Riskins and Brenensons.
- ☆ 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. 6 - Pesach Kaylim Kashering, 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
- ☆ Apr. 19 - Seudah Shlishit sponsored by Betsy & Marty Sonnenblick to commemorate the yahrzeit of Marty's father Moshe Yehuda ben Yosef Dov Halevi^{ת"ע}
- ☆ Apr. 26 - Uri Garfunkel's Bar Mitzvah
- ☆ May 10 - Cholent Kiddush/Luncheon
- ☆ May 10 - Siyum Mesechet Beitzah at Suedah Shlishit
- ☆ May 17 - Joshua Shanblatt Bar Mitzvah
- ☆ May 31 - Suedah Shlishit sponsored by Eli Zezon in memory of שלמה בין אליהו
- ☆ June 21 - Suedah Shlishit sponsored by Eli Zezon 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

Pesach Notes

- ☆ For locations where Chometz will be burned Erev Pesach, contact the Gabbai at thegabbai@aol.com.
- ☆ **Clean out your tallit bag and pews by your seats as part of your and the shul's Pesach preparation.**



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 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 or randi.spier@gmail.com.



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IN NISSAN WE REMEMBER . . .



| NAME | HEBREW DATE | CANDLE EVENING OF | DEDICATOR | RELATIONSHIP |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Joseph Bickel | 2 | April 1 | Jack Bickel | Father |
| Herbert Sturm | 2 | April 1 | Robyn Safier | Father |
| Ben Chass | 3 | April 2 | Murray Chass | Father |
| Limor Adler | 4 | April 3 | Ayala & Gideon Adler | Daughter |
| Margot Flora Rothschild | 5 | April 4 | Audrey Bickel | Mother |
| John Berber | 5 | April 4 | Susie S. Berber | Husband |
| Rachel (Risha) Adler | 6 | April 5 | Gideon Adler | Mother |
| Hania Kirschenbaum | 8 | April 7 | Hyman Kirschenbaum | Mother |
| Estelle Smedresman | 9 | April 8 | Steve Smedresman | Mother |
| Stan Solomon | 13 | April 12 | Andy Solomon | Father |
| Daniel Mittelpunkt | 13 | April 12 | Eita Latkin | Cousin |
| Yetta Mittelpunkt | 14 | April 13 | Eita Latkin | Grandmother |
| William Horwitz | 14 | April 13 | Hanna Lewinson | Father |
| Edith Lazarovici Fontaine | 17 | April 16 | Fred Fontaine | Mother |
| Aaron Moskovitz | 25 | April 24 | Charlotte Moskovitz | Husband |
| Leah Schwartz | 29 | April 28 | Naomi Levine & Kenny Levine | Mother & Grandmother |
| Adolph Stanger | 30 | April 29 | Sarah Stanger | Father-In-Law |



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 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. Pay by Paypal at treasurer@ahavatachim.org or by Discover, MasterCard or Visa - email 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, or via MasterCard, Visa or Discover by sending the information to Elliot Greene (contact him at treasurer@ahavatachim.org). If paying by check please indicate on its face "Aliyah Donation." Thank you for your generosity.

David Schwitzer^{ר"ב} Social Hall

Please contact Steven Winchester at swinchman@aol.com to book the David Schwitzer^{ר"ב} 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 to join the Men's Club. To join Sisterhood, please contact Shelly Winchester at 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.

Mitzvah Cards

Want mitzvah cards, contact Eita Latkin at 791-8940 or 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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Parshat HaChodesh

"This month shall be for you the beginning of the months, it shall be for you the first of the months of the year." (Shemot 12:2)

On the Shabbat before Rosh Chodesh Nissan, or on Rosh Chodesh if it falls on the Shabbat, two Torah Scrolls are removed from the Ark. From the first, the Sidrah of the week is read, and from the second, the Maftir, in this case, the passage giving the commandments associated with the very first Rosh Chodesh Nissan in Egypt, is read.

The first day of Nissan was and always remains a historic day for the Jewish nation. It was the day when the people received their first commandment as a nation: Sanctify the New Moon.

This ritual has a profound spiritual and historic significance. It is noteworthy that it was one of three commandments that the Syrian Greeks, in the time before the Chanukah miracle, attempted to nullify by force. The other two were the Observance of Shabbat and Circumcision. Clearly, therefore, Israel's enemies understood that the sanctification of the New Moon was basic to the existence of Israel as a nation of Torah.

Commentators explain that, by virtue of this Commandment, G-d gave the Jewish people mastery over time. From that moment onward, the calendar with its cycle of festivals could exist only when the Sages of Israel declared the New Month. This signifies more than control over the reckoning of time, the dating of legal documents, and all the banalities to which man is subject in his everyday life. It represents the potential for renewal.

The Jewish people is symbolized by the moon because, although the moon wanes, it waxes as well. It stands for hope, for the confidence that there is a future as well as a past. This vibrancy assures that any conquest of the Jewish people can never be more than temporary. Israel may seem to disappear from the panorama of history - but so does the moon.

The moon returns - and Israel, by means of the power vested in it by the Torah, sanctifies the New Month. So, too, the nation constantly renews its vigor, constantly defies the laws of history that insist it should have long since become extinct, constantly demonstrates its ability to make itself the vehicle for the prophecies of redemption and a greater spiritual world.

AHAVAT ACHIM MISCELLANEOUS

Rabbi Goldstein's Hours

Rabbi Goldstein is available to the membership by contacting him at 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 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 or Sara Levine at 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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