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אבות פרק א (בחורל פרק 1)



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WEEKDAY DAVENING INFORMATION

	Sunday (7/6)	Monday (7/7)	Tuesday (7/8)	Wednesday (7/9)	Thursday (7/10)	Friday (7/11)
Earliest Talit	4:24 AM	4:24 AM	4:25 AM	4:26 AM	4:27 AM	4:28 AM
Shacharit	8:15 AM	6:15 AM	6:25 AM	6:25 AM	6:15 AM	6:25 AM
Gedolah	1:39 PM	1:39 PM	1:39 PM	1:39 PM	1:40 PM	1:40 PM
Mincha-Maariv	8:10 PM	8:10 PM	8:10 PM	8:10 PM	8:10 PM	7:00 PM
Shkia	8:32 PM	8:31 PM	8:31 PM	8:31 PM	8:30 PM	
Tzait	9:17 PM	9:16 PM	9:16 PM	9:16 PM	9:15 PM	

שבת פרשת בלק

SHABBAT PARSHAT BALAK

7 TAMMUZ/JULY 5

Haftorah is Micah 5:6-6:8. Chapter 5 of Pirkei Avot. The final time for Kiddush Levanah is all night, Thursday, July 10 (13 Tamuz), but if necessary the new moon may be sanctified all Friday night (14 Tamuz).

FRIDAY NIGHT

MINCHA - 7:00 PM

CANDLE LIGHTING - 8:14 PM

TZAIT - 9:17 PM

SATURDAY

SHACHARIT YOUTH - 8:20 AM

SHACHARIT MAIN - 8:45 AM

LAST KRIAT SHEMA - 9:16 AM

GEMARA SHIUR - N/A

MINCHA - 8:00 PM

SHKIA - 8:32 PM

MAARIV/HAVDALAH - 9:17 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.

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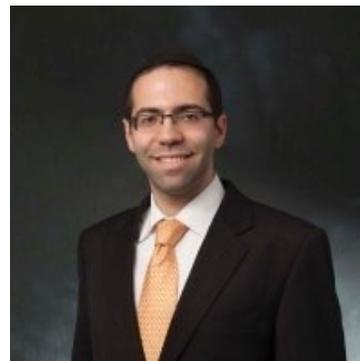
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On Shabbat, July 12, we shall be honoring Rabbi Tilosky for his extraordinary efforts this past year as our interim Rabbi, and are looking for sponsorships to help defray the cost of the celebratory kiddush. While we intend to keep the donors anonymous, we would still ask for contributions at the \$180, \$118, \$72 or \$36 amounts that are customary for these events. Please email Steven Plotnick at seplotnick@gmail.com with the amount of your contribution. Thank you Rabbi Tilosky for a great year!



Welcome to the Installation Shabbat! Thank you to our former Board Members: Jeff Safier, Howie Komet, Steve Plotnick & Joyce Heller. Yasher Koach to all those who have agreed to serve during the upcoming year: President - Steven Winchester, Vice President - Aryeh Brenenson, Treasurer - Elliot Greene, Gabbai - Marty Sonnenblick, Corresponding Secretary - Jonathan Schachter, Financial Secretary - Amy Agress & Recording Secretary - Renee Freund, and the Board of Trustees: Jamie Eisman, Jack Bickel, Sara Levine, Gloria Lewisohn, Greg Riskin, Betsy Sonnenblick, Hazkiel Kor, Ilana Schwitzer, Michael Stock, Elyce Smedresman, Steve Wechsler & Avi Vann

Kiddush Information

- ☆ Kiddush cleanup for the month of July is Graber, Greenbaum/ Goldman, Greene, Halpern, Heller, Infield, Lader, Kempin, Kestler, Kirschenbaum, Komet & Kor
- ☆ Kiddush setup for this Shabbat is Lang, Lewis, Racenstein, Reichardt
- ☆ Kiddush setup for next Shabbat is Schachter, Spier, Dworkis
- ☆ 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 - On Summer Hiatus. IY"Y, see you in September!

Upcoming Events

- ☆ July 12 - Kiddush in honor of Rabbi Tilonsky
- ☆ July 12 - Suedah Shlishit sponsored in honor of a Siyum on Mesechet Taanit
- ☆ Aug. 2 - Welcome Home Kiddush for Rabbi Goldstein and Family
- ☆ Aug. 2 - Suedah Shlishit sponsored by Eli Zezion in honor of David Garfunkel
- ☆ Aug. 6 - Sisterhood Planning Meeting, 8:00 PM, 12-56 Lyle Terrace (Garfunkel home)
- ☆ Sept. 13 - Austin Fontaine Bar Mitzvah
- ☆ Sept. 20 - Suedah Shlishit sponsored by Agress family upon yearzeit of Amy's father Ha'Rav Yisroel Yehudah ben Ephraim Michal Ha'Levi"Y.
- ☆ Feb. 7 - Yachad Shabbaton
- ☆ May 16 - Eli Schachter Bar Mitzvah

Gita Cooperwasser"Y

Youth Program



- ☆ Youth groups are on hiatus until the fall. Have a great summer!

Numbers & Info

ERUV UPDATE – 201-797-0502
 MIKVAH – 201-796-0350. At Shomrei Torah, weekdays 9:00 PM–10:30 PM, Motzei Shabbat from 1 1/4 hours after Shabbat ends for 1.5 hours. Kaylim Mikvah: Sunday 10 AM-3 PM



Over the next few days you will be reading many articles and Facebook postings about the tragic news that has come through in the last few hours. There will be many Rabbis, undoubtedly including some in Bergen County, who will be full of wisdom, righteous indignation and articulate prescriptions for what needs to happen going forward. Let me say this: Nothing can compare to being in Israel right now. Nothing can compare to being in Israel over the last two and a half weeks since the news of the kidnappings of Eyal, Gil-Ad and Naftali first came out. I can't share any wisdom right now because I don't have any. I just want to share with you a little snapshot of my experience of this moment.

טו שבת משוב לבנו, נהפך לאבל מהלנו.

15 The joy of our heart is ceased; our dance is turned into mourning.

This verse from the book of Eicha was the first thing that came to my mind when I heard the news. A night that was meant to be a night of joy, quickly, on a dime, turned into a night of mourning. Why did I think of this verse? Probably, because like so many, if not all of us, I am a narcissist. I channel every major world event through the prism of my own experience. I don't think that I'm alone in that regard. How many times have you heard people tell you exactly where they were at the moment that they learned of the JFK assassination? I can also envision clearly the precise moment on September 11, 2001 that I heard about the attacks on the Twin Towers, and I'm sure that I'm not alone. Why do we do this? It's probably because we have a sense that these major events are not just happening: They are happening to us. Even if we are physically far from the events, we instinctively feel like we are experiencing the events, wherever we might be. To say that I remember where I was on September 11th is actually to say, "This is where September 11th happened to me." That is how I have been experiencing this terrible night as well. We had just finished celebrating my son Shimshon's graduation from sixth grade (in Israel, kids graduate elementary school after sixth grade. Seventh and eighth grades are on a continuum with high school). The kids, wearing their bright-orange class t-shirts were slapping five, trading emails and taking pictures with each other and with the teachers. Then the text messages started coming. One by one, parents who seconds earlier had been laughing with their children began gathering around their phones. Faces fell. Mothers began crying. One mothers who had made Aliyah from Britain, came over to us, and smiling though the tears said, "This is the way it is here. Ups and downs coming at the same time. You'll be in the middle of a Simcha and suddenly hear terrible news." That was my experience tonight. *Nehpach le'evol mecholeinu*. But tonight, I think that there is more to it than just wanting to make a moment our own. Here in Israel, the last two and a half weeks have been filled with a wide array of emotions. There has been a great deal of tension and anticipation, there has been anger and even some sadness, but the emotion that has probably been most palpable during this time has been love. The charge to bring back the boys was led by their remarkable, strong, articulate mothers who have radiated love for their children and this country has responded by embracing the families and loving their children as well, as Iris Yifrach, mother of Eyal said last night to a crowd of tens of thousands that had gathered in Tel Aviv's Rabin Square. It is remarkable to see [almost] an entire country join together to love three teenage boys; to know that behind every prayer, every song, every headline and hashtag was the sense that we have all gained three new brothers and they had gained thousands of brothers and sisters throughout the world, as Gil-Ad Shaer's mother said to the same rally. Tonight, all of Israeli society is joining together in grief over three boys who taught us how to unite in love. Maybe that is the secret of this country's resilience. Yes, Israeli society is notoriously loud and abrasive, but maybe, just maybe, in these heartbreaking moments, we discover another side: That, in the words of King Shlomo, תוכו רצוני אהבה, at its core, it is suffused with love. A love that unites us in grief, and gives us hope for a brighter future.



Shirley Vann has dedicated this week's Covenant & Conversation (used with permission of the Office of Rabbi Sacks) in memory of her beloved mother Necha bat Yitzchok"Y.





NAME	HEBREW DATE	CANDLE EVENING OF	DEDICATOR	RELATIONSHIP
Harry Kirchenbaum	1	June 28	Hyman Kirchenbaum	Father
Sophie Stanger	3	July 1	Sarah Stanger	Mother-In-Law
Ida Wigod	7	July 4	Seymour Wigod	Grandmother
Jacob Epstein	7	July 4	Martin Epstein	Father
Sima Zuckerberg	16	July 13	Sophie Infield	Grandmother
Leib Zuckerberg	16	July 13	Sophie Infield	Grandfather
Harry Shimoff	17	July 14	Melanie Kwestel	Father
Gladys Kustanowitz	18	July 15	Al Kustanowitz	Mother
Cheryl Wigod	19	July 16	Seymour Wigod	Wife
Cheryl Wigod	19	July 16	Ron Sokoloff	Sister
Kandi Brown	24	July 21	Harold Brown	Wife
Kiva Wigodsky	25	July 22	Seymour Wigod	Uncle
Sylvia Latkin	27	July 24	Richard Latkin	Mother
Jacob Kustanowitz	28	July 25	Al Kustanowitz	Father
Betty Lee Schechter	28	July 25	Joyce Heller	Sister
Max Bickel	28	July 25	Jack Bickel	Grandfather
Jason H. Schechter	29	July 26	Joyce Heller	Nephew



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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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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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