

CONGREGATION SCHOMRE ISRAEL

Bulletin

Rabbi Eliezer Langer



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July - August 2016

25 Sivan - 27 Av 5776

Message From the Rabbi



Ta'anis 30b.

He who mourns for Jerusalem will surely merit happiness [when it is rebuilt].

Dear Friends,

Myths and apocryphal tales often contain great truths. The story is told that Napoleon Bonaparte was fascinated with the Jewish people and wanted to discover their secret of survival. One Tisha B'Av night, he went into the Jewish synagogue in disguise and saw all of the Jews sitting on the floor, crying by candlelight. He inquired about this and was told that today is Tisha B'Av, the time for national Jewish mourning for the loss of the Temple. "I am the Emperor. Why wasn't I informed?" Upon being told that the Temple was not in Paris but had been in Jerusalem years ago, he then said, "If a nation can mourn and cry for its ancient Temple for more than 1,700 years, then that nation will see its Temple rebuilt." This apparently inspired Napoleon to take an interest in rebuilding the Beis HaMikdash.

Napoleon had discovered the secret of Jewish survival — faith. Despite the Diaspora, Jewish faith was exceedingly strong. The Jews always believed that there was a void in their life without the Holy Temple and all that it meant to us. We never stopped crying over the first two Temples and we constantly felt the loss. We were mourning, not merely the loss of a building, but the absence of that Holy Place in our current and daily life. Our faith remains that it will be rebuilt and that we will again have the beauty and spirituality of the Beit HaMikdash to inspire us each and every day.

If Mashiach has not yet come by August 13, please join in our expression of faith and memory on Tisha B'Av.

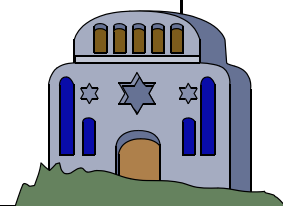
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CALENDAR FOR JULY — AUGUST 2016
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DATE	SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING	MINCHA	TORAH PORTION	SHABBAT ENDS
July 01	8:15 PM	7:00 PM	Shelach	9:16 PM
July 08	8:13 PM	7:00 PM	Korach	9:14 PM
July 15	8:10 PM	7:00 PM	Chukat	9:10 PM
July 22	8:04 PM	7:00 PM	Balak	9:04 PM
July 29	7:58 PM	7:00 PM	Pinchas	8:57 PM
Aug. 05	7:50 PM	7:00 PM	Matot - Masei	8:49 PM
Aug. 12	7:40 PM	7:00 PM	Devarim (Shabbat Chazon / Erev Tisha B'Av)	8:40 PM
Aug. 19	7:30 PM	7:00 PM	Va'etchanan (Shabbat Nachamu)	8:29 PM
Aug. 26	7:19 PM	7:00 PM	Ekev	8:18 PM
Sept. 02	7:08 PM	7:00 PM	Re'eh (Rosh Chodesh)	8:07 PM
Sept. 09	6:56 PM	7:00 PM	Shoftim	7:55 PM
Sept. 16	6:44 PM	7:00 PM	Ki Tetze	7:43 PM

DATES TO REMEMBER . . .

July 24	Shivah Asar B'Tammuz (FAST 3:53AM – 9:04PM)
August 14	Tisha B'Av (FAST 8/13 7:58PM – 8/14 8:39PM)
August 19	15th of Av
September 24	Selichot
October 03 - 04	Rosh Hashanah
October 05	Fast of Gedaliah (FAST 5:35AM – 7:12PM)
October 12	Yom Kippur
October 17 - 25	Sukkot, Simchat Torah, Shemini Atzeret



Rabbi's Suggested Reading List

Jewish Thought and Belief

- *Biblical Questions, Spiritual Journeys*, Rabbi Emanuel Feldman
- *Letters to a Buddhist Jew*, Rabbi Akiva Tatz and David Gottlieb
- *On Judaism: Conversations on being Jewish in today's world*, Rabbi Emanuel Feldman
- *Our Wondrous World*, Rabbi Avrohom Katz
- *Permission to Believe*, Rabbi Lawrence Keleman
- *The Aryeh Kaplan Anthology* (OU/NCSY, 1991)
- *The Jewish Theory of Everything: A behind-the-scenes look at the universe*, Max Anteby

Ethics

- *Chofetz Chaim: A lesson a Day* (concepts and laws of proper speech), Rabbis Simon Finkelman & Yitzchak Berkowitz
- *Journey to Virtue: The laws of interpersonal relationships in business, home and society*, Rabbi Avrohom Ehrman

Jewish Law and Ritual

- *Living Jewish: Values, Practices and Traditions*, Rabbi Berel Wein
- *The Mitzvot*, Rabbi Abraham Chill

Sabbath

- *The Magic of Shabbos*, Rabbi Mordechai Rhine

Books on prayer

- *Growth Through Tehillim: Exploring Psalms for life-transforming thoughts*, Rabbi Zelig Pliskin

Marriage and Relationships

- *Doesn't Anyone Blush Anymore?*, Rabbi Manis Friedman

Parenting

- *Positive Parenting: Developing Your Child's Potential*, Rabbi Abraham J. Twerski
- *To Kindle a Soul*, Rabbi Lawrence Keleman

Death and Mourning

- *If You Were G-d*, Rabbi Aryeh Kaplan

General

- *The Land of Our Heritage*, David Rossoff

Jewish History

- Rabbi Berel Wein's trilogy on Jewish History:
 - Echoes of Glory* The story of the Jews in the Classical era - 350 BCE-750 CE
 - Herald of Destiny* The story of the Jews in the medieval era - 750-1650
 - Triumph of Survival* The story of the Jews in the modern era - 1650-1990
- *The Jewish Time Line Encyclopedia*, Rabbi Mattis Kantor

Biography

- *Lieutenant Birnbaum* (US Army WWII), Meyer Birnbaum and Yonason Rosenblum
- *Rebbetzin Grunfeld* (Dr. Judith Grunfeld, who spiritually saved hundreds of children in WWII England), Miriam Dansky

Please note:

Above books are available for purchase by clicking the icon for artscroll.com on our website homepage - www.schomreisrael.org.

Tisha B'Av 2016/5776 at Schomre Israel



Saturday, August 13th:

Fast begins: 7:58 pm

Maariv: 9:30 pm (including Megillat Eichah)

Sunday, August 14th:

Shacharit: 8:00 am

Mincha: 7:00 pm (please note: we wear tallit and tefillin)

Special video presentation - *Sh'eiris Hapleitah* at 7:30 pm

Fast ends: 8:39 pm

We will screen *Sh'eiris Hapleitah* which presents the inspirational narrative of the concentration camp survivors after their liberation and their early experiences in the Displaced Persons camps. The film focuses on the survivors' tremendous resilience shown in the rebuilding of their shattered lives and rekindling *Yiddishkeit* and Torah life. This film is a documentary in the highly successful *Yizkereim* series.

Yizkereim means remember them, for in our memorializing the loss of the First and Second Holy Temples in Jerusalem, the catastrophic destruction of the Middle Ages and Churban Europe - the Shoah and annihilation of the Six Million, we also acknowledge the accomplishments of the survivors who went on to rebuild their lives and vibrant Jewish communities. The *Yizkereim* programs have been shown in 250 venues around the globe to great acclaim.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF TISHA B'AV

The saddest day of the year, Tisha B'Av, commemorates several tragedies. These include:

- A. The destruction of both the first and second Temples in Jerusalem (586 B. C.E. and 70 C.E.).
- B. The fall of Bethar in the Bar-Kochba rebellion (135 C.E.). This disaster marked the end of all Jewish aspirations for freedom from Rome.
- C. In later centuries other sad occurrences were associated with this day. Among them the expulsion of the Jews from Spain in 1492.

The severity of Tisha B'Av equals that of Yom Kippur in that both fast days commence on the previous evening. The atmosphere in Shul is gloomy, the lights are dimmed, the curtain is removed from the Ark and most worshipers sit on low stools or on the floor. The Book of Lamentations (Megillas Eichah) is read, and the special Kinos (prayers of lamentations) are recited.

Among other Halachic injunctions observed on Tisha B'Av are:

1. Complete fasting.
2. No bathing.
3. No conjugal relations.
4. No leather shoes are worn (rubber or canvas shoes are allowed).
5. It is even prohibited to study Torah on this day because Torah study is considered a very great joy and happiness. (There are certain texts that are permitted).
6. It is not customary to greet people with the usual greetings such as "hello" or "good morning". However, if you are greeted by someone who doesn't know the law, you should answer in a soft voice in order not to offend or hurt their feelings.
7. One should try to avoid business transactions or important decisions on this day if possible. Needless to say, in all cases where health is an issue the law is very lenient. The Rabbi should be consulted in all such cases.

jewish heritage night



Please join us as the Renegades
host the Brooklyn Cyclones
Sunday, July 17 at 5:05 PM



Gates open 3:05 PM

**SEE WWW.SCHOMREISRAEL.ORG
FOR TICKET PRICING**

**Purchase online at
www.gadesgroups.com
Password: schomre
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Contact the Shul office
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Questions? Call the ticket office at 845-838-0094

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Torah Studies Survey Fall 2016

Looking For Interesting Classes for the Fall? Thanks to the Committee of Keren Ritz, Irwin Lifshay and Rabbi Langer we present a menu of delectable Torah Treats for your enjoyment.

Please circle the class(es) you would like to attend, indicate your preferred time slot and return the form to the office by July 30.

- 1) **Tanach Advanced:** Haftarah Of The Week - What do we read and why?
- 2) **Prayer Book Blues:** How to follow and lead the davening
- 3) **The Seven Prophetesses - Famous Women of Tanach**
 Eve, Sarah, Miriam, Devora, Chana, Avigail, Chulda and Esther - The Historical Period and Their Unique Message
- 4) **Contemporary Issues:** New Marriage Definitions, It Really Burns Me Up - Cremation and Judaism, Jewish Guilt, BDS, INS, and YOU
- 5) **Topics in Jewish Law 5777** - one topic per session
 Custody of Children in Halacha: Jewish Time Keeping in Remote Places; Reconciling Secular and Jewish History, Taxation and "Law of the Land", Aliya- Is it a Mitzva?, Gambling, Hunting and Skerplunking, New Holidays of the Jewish Community - Yom HaShoah and Yom HaAtzmaut, What is a Jewish Ethical Will?, Copyright and Halacha, Organ Donations, Euthanasia
- 6) **Jewish Medical Ethics** - one per session
 End of Life Issues, Cloning, In-Vitro Fertilization, Genetic Screening, Medical Malpractice, How to Respond to DNR, To Give or Not to Give - Organ Donation
- 7) **Single Topic Classes** - six sessions first semester
 To Give or not to Give -Tzedaka and the Jewish Tradition; The Fifth Commandment in Action; Praying With Fire; Bible Stories for Adults; Chumash in Depth, Eminent Domain
- 8) **Current events in Israel:** six sessions first semester
 Israeli Political Parties and Structure; Gush Katif - Where are they now, First the Saturday Observers and Next The Sunday Observers; Jonathan Pollard - Hero or Traitor?; Neturay Karta - Religious Anti-Zionism; Jabotinsky -The Man and the Legacy; Religious Zionism - From Mizrahi to MaFDaL to Ichud Leumi to the Jewish Home; The Chief Rabbis and Chief Rabbinate - Will It Last?

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9) **Relationship/family issues with a Jewish twist:** How does Judaism approach forgiveness, multi-generational parenting styles, marital discord, caregiving etc. issues within a family, Grandparenting 101 When To Talk and When Not, How To Write a Jewish Ethical Will.

10) **Home Improvement Jewish Style:** Cooking class at Schomre: In house Culinary Institute presentation of Jewish culinary cuisine, Kedem presentation of wine and cheese, Sisterhood cooking series: members share their culinary specialties in a 5-6 week course for Shabbat or Yom tov. (i.e., challah baking/kiddush menus/desserts etc.)

11) **Ask the Rebbetzin:** Q&A session where you can ask questions about Judaism that you always wanted to explore in greater depth.

When do you prefer the class(es) to be given?

Sunday Morning

Monday

Morning
Afternoon
Evening

Tuesday

Morning
Afternoon
Evening

Wednesday

Morning
Afternoon

Thursday

Morning
Afternoon
Evening

Hebrew Crash Course

Beginning in November

Contact Information:

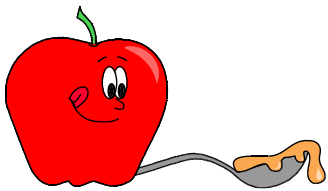
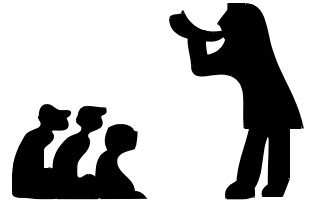
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Telephone: _____ **E-mail:** _____

ELUL SHOFAR BLOWING

Harold Warren will begin blowing the Shofar on behalf of the congregation during the month of Elul on Sunday morning, September 4, 2016.



ROSH HASHANAH 5777

AND

YOM KIPPUR

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FAST APPROACHING

Rosh Hashanah - October 3 and 4
Yom Kippur - October 12

On April 16, 2007, the Board of Directors approved the following procedures regarding High Holiday services:

- 1 - There will be no charge to a non-member the first time he/she attends High Holiday Services.
- 2 - If the same person/family attends a second year, the charge will be \$100 per person. If the non-member decides to join Schomre Israel, the monies will be credited towards the membership fee.
- 3 - Immediate relatives (adult children/parents/siblings) of Schomre members who live within the greater Poughkeepsie area will be charged (see #1 & #2).
- 4 - Immediate relatives (adult children/parents/siblings) of Schomre members who live more than 25 miles from the greater Poughkeepsie area will not be charged.

We encourage members to invite non-affiliated relatives and friends who live in our area to become members of Schomre.
 Membership includes High Holiday privileges.

SISTERHOOD NEWS

THIS AND THAT -

♥Share a *simcha* with the Shul by sponsoring a Kiddush. Please call Cassia, 452.8317, or Roberta, 471.5105, for pricing and details.

♥If you wish to send a **Golden Book Card** (\$3.00 payable to: *Sisterhood*) or **Shrubbery Card** (\$5.00 payable to: *Congregation Schomre Israel*), please call Marcia Fishman, 471.1241 between 7:00 PM and 9:00 PM week nights (requests should not be made during Shabbos). They can be used for any occasion, they are inexpensive and they are always appreciated by those who receive them.

♥Please remember to check out the new items in the Gift Shop. Do you need a wedding gift, hostess gift, or a graduation gift? We might have just what you are looking for or call Roberta Grosman, 471.5105, for special orders or questions. New items appropriate for the High Holidays are arriving daily.



RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Blueberry Crumb Pie (ECHOSPRINGBLUEBERRYFARM.COM)

Ingredients:

1 c Sugar	1 T Sugar
8 oz Commercial sour cream	1/4 c Dried breadcrumbs; fine
3 T All-purpose flour	1 T Sugar
1/8 t Salt	1 T Butter or margarine; melted
4 c Fresh blueberries	
1 Unbaked 9-inch pastry shell	

Instructions:

Combine first 4 ingredients; stir well. Place blueberries in unbaked pastry shell; sprinkle 1 tablespoon sugar over berries. Spread sour cream mixture over berries. Combine breadcrumbs, 1 tablespoon sugar, and butter; sprinkle over top.

Bake at 375 degrees for 45 to 50 minutes or until center is firm.

Yield: one 9-inch pie (8 servings). Preparation Time: 0:10

Mazel tov to ...

Hinda and Irving Baum on the
Bar Mitzvah of their grandson,
Avi Natan Bursztyn, son of Shari and
Damian Bursztyn.

Mazel tov to ...

Hinda and Irving Baum on the
marriage of their granddaughter,
Sarah, to Yonathan Schneider.

Mazel tov to ...

Glenn and Malvina Gerber on the
marriage of their daughter,
Alisha, to Eric Shrago.

**MANY THANKS TO THOSE WHO
CONTRIBUTED TO SCHOMRE ISRAEL:**

In memory of his father, Albert Chick
Jeffrey Chick.

In memory of her beloved mother, Rose Siegel, and
her father-in-law, Max Eisner
Estelle Eisner.

In memory of her mother, Fannie Carpet
Rhoda and Stuart Fox.

In honor of their youngest grandson, Harry Fox,
becoming a Bar Mitzvah!
Rhoda and Stuart Fox.

In honor of Stuart Fox and in appreciation for the
prayers of our friends at Schomre Israel
Rhoda Fox.

In memory of his father, Frank Goldwitz
Brian Goldwitz.

In honor of Sam and Lillian Levine for their
kindness
Helene Gross.

In memory of their family and friends...
Fannie Horowitz
Bessie Kessler
Marge Robles
Sam Robles
Gertie Schreibman
Morris Schreibman
Yizkor for their loved ones

In honor of their grandson, Fletcher Horowitz,
graduating from college
Best wishes for a speedy recovery...
Rabbi David Horowitz
Ted Horowitz
Evelyn and Dave Horowitz.

In memory of his mother, Esther Korfman
Martin Korfman.

Mazel Tov to Dr. and Mrs. Baum on the mar-
riage of their granddaughter
Eleanor and Martin Korfman.

In honor of his *Aliyah*
Alain Levy.

In memory of his father, Julius Meier
Walter and Rita Meier.

In memory of his father, Arthur Mendel
Abe Mendel.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to David
Horowitz
Annette and Sheldon Baskin.

In memory of her family for *Yizkor*
In appreciation of Rabbi Eliezer Langer
Marsha Weiner.

GOLDEN BOOK CARDS WERE SENT TO:

Hinda & Irv Baum - Mazel Tov on their granddaughter Sarah's engagement

Congregation of Schomre Israel
Sisterhood
Roberta & Len Grosman
Ros Fox
Natalie & Ron Markowitz
Linda Skolnik
Marcia Fishman.

Bess Kaye - Mazel Tov

Evelyn & Dave Horowitz.

Evelyn & Dave Horowitz - Mazel Tov on the marriage of their granddaughter Ariel

Congregation of Schomre Israel
Sisterhood
Roberta & Len Grosman
Ros Fox
Natalie & Ron Markowitz
Linda Skolnik
Marcia Fishman.

Dr. Glenn Gerber - Wishes for continued good health

Linda Skolnik.

Ros Fox - Wishing her much happiness in her new home

Marcia Fishman
Natalie & Ron Markowitz
Roberta & Len Grosman
Olga & Steve Dalsheim.

Stacey Gamberg - Mazel Tov on becoming an Aunt to a little boy and a little girl

Natalie & Ron Markowitz
Marcia Fishman.

Irv Baum - Wishing him good health

Natalie & Ron Markowitz.

Evelyn & Dave Horowitz - Wishing them good health

Natalie & Ron Markowitz.

Natalie Markowitz - Wishing her a speedy and complete recovery from her surgery

Congregation of Schomre Israel
Sisterhood
Linda Skolnik
Marcia Fishman
Ros Fox
Roberta & Len Grosman.

Linda Skolnik - Congratulations on your grandson's graduation

Congregation of Schomre Israel
Sisterhood
Natalie & Ron Markowitz
Marcia Fishman.

Hinda & Irv Baum - Mazel Tov on their granddaughter's wedding in Israel

Natalie & Ron Markowitz
Marcia Fishman
Linda Skolnik
Roberta & Len Grosman
Ros Fox.

Roberta & Len Grosman - Mazel Tov on Renee's wedding

Natalie & Ron Markowitz
Marcia Fishman.

Hinda & Irv Baum - Mazel Tov on their grandson's Bar Mitzvah

Natalie & Ron Markowitz
Marcia Fishman
Roberta & Len Grosman
Ros Fox.

Evelyn & Dave Horowitz - Mazel Tov on Fletcher's graduation from college.

Natalie & Ron Markowitz
Marcia Fishman.

Martin Hochhauser & Family - In memory of Susan

Evelyn & Dave Horowitz
Marcia Fishman
Myra & Danielle Stoner.

GOLDEN BOOK CARDS con't:

Adrienne London & Family - In memory of her sister Susan Hochhauser
 Evelyn & Dave Horowitz
 Marcia Fishman
 Roberta & Len Grosman.

Del & Barry Kricheff - Mazel Tov on the birth of your 3rd grandchild
 Linda Skolnik
 Natalie & Ron Markowitz
 Marcia Fishman
 Evelyn & Dave Horowitz
 Roberta & Len Grosman.

Marsha Weiner - In memory of her brother Alan
 Jane Friedland
 Linda Skolnik
 Evelyn & Dave Horowitz
 Roberta & Len Grosman
 Natalie & Ron Markowitz
 Marcia Fishman.

In memory of Betty Fishman
 Evelyn & Dave Horowitz.

Jack Gruberg - Wishing him a very Happy 96th Birthday
 Barabra & Irwin Lifshy.

Dave Horowitz - Wishing him a speedy & complete recovery from his surgery
 Jane Friedland
 Ros Fox
 Marcia Fishman
 Roberta & Len Grosman
 Natalie & Ron Markowitz
 Linda Skolnik.

SHRUBBERY CARDS WERE SENT TO:

Ilana & Paul Shenk & Family - In memory of Kathy & Joe Wieselmann
 Evelyn & Dave Horowitz.

Linda Skolnik - Congratulations on her grandson's graduation from college
 Evelyn & Dave Horowitz.

Hinda & Irv Baum - Mazel Tov on their granddaughter's wedding in Israel
 Estelle Eisner.

Rabbi & Mrs. Daniel Sanoff - Mazel Tov on the birth of their daughter Basia Rachel
 Jane Friedland.

Dave Horowitz - Wishing him a speedy & complete recovery from his surgery.
 Arline & Ed Bernstein.

A thank you...

Dear Congregants and Friends,

Thank you for all the good wishes and donations made in honor of our granddaughter's wedding.

Fondly,
 Hinda and Irving Baum

A note of appreciation. . .

Thank you for all the support and kindness you have shown me during this difficult time.

I look forward to sharing simchas with you in the future.

*With Warmest Regards,
 Marsha Sandy Weiner*

YAHREZEITSJULY 2016

01 Gertrude Schreibman
 06 Beatrice Fishman
 Steven Levine
 13 Robert Ben Ezra
 16 Rose Polokoff
 17 Philip Morowitz
 20 Gertrude Fuhrer
 23 Sarah Berman
 Joseph Levine
 Bessie Kessler
 24 Sidney Davis
 26 Morris Schreibman
 27 Clara Budman
 Sam Razon
 Samuel Robles
 28 William Kaplan
 Boris Moshkovich
 29 Edwin Ellis
 Jacob Sacks
 30 Louis Stich

AUGUST 2016

07 Israel Korfman
 Itta Silber
 09 Louis Feldman
 11 Ruth Basch
 Irving Golden
 13 Sophia Mollott
 Morris Spira
 16 Muriel Weingart
 18 Joseph Shapiro
 23 Jack Goldman
 25 Naomi Koffman
 26 Solomon Horn
 27 Henrietta Berkman
 29 Benjamin Levine
 31 Solomon Schneider

CONDOLENCES

Our sincere condolences
 are extended to
 Marsha Weiner,
 on the loss of her beloved brother,
 Alan Weiner.

