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March 13-20, 2020

”ז - כ”ד אדר תש”פ

Fri, March 13-Erev Shabbat

Candlelighting 6:42PM
Mincha: **At home** 6:50PM

March 14-Shabbat Parah—Ki Tisa

Shacharit: **At home**
K’riat Sh’ma by 10:05AM
Mincha: **At home** 6:30PM
Maariv: **At home** 7:35PM
Shabbat Ends/Havdalah 7:42PM

ALL SHUL MINYANIM ARE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

This Sunday—Friday:
K’riat Shema by 10:00AM
She’kiya 7:02PM

IMPORTANT MESSAGE REGARDING SHUL CLOSING

Dear Friends:
Many Rabbis in our community spent several hours last night considering the question of our shuls remaining open during this tumultuous time. We examined the issue from the perspective of the expert doctors in the field of infectious diseases from our local hospital systems (who were present), our poskim (who were there throughout the duration of the meeting) & with the heavy responsibility of the welfare of every one of our dear mispallelim in mind. We are writing to inform you that we have made the excruciating decision that our shuls will be closed for all services, shiurim, classes, children’s & adult’s programming effective today, Friday, March 13th, until further notice. We recognize & respect the decision of other local shuls in taking a different course of action. We recognize the importance of our institution to the lives of our members of all ages. It is heartbreaking for us to have to come to this difficult decision, & it was made after days & hours of very careful deliberation. New reports this morning concerning the nature of communal spread, have contributed to our painful decision. Because the situation is fluid, we will reevaluate these decisions on a regular & on-going basis. We will communicate with you as changes take place. Please take these days as a critical opportunity to intensify your prayers that all those who are not well, will be healed & that our community will be shielded from any further harm. Let us together rise to the challenge of these difficult times & ensure that the most vulnerable in our community are well looked after & taken care of. Let us all actively pray for a speedy resolution to this pandemic.

We must try our best to stay home with only our immediate family & avoid unnecessary contact with others, & particularly avoid contact with substantial groups. We should only leave home when it is truly necessary. Thus we implore our members not to attend other minyanim & not form private minyanim in households. This will undermine our communal effort to stop the spread of coronavirus. Our Rabbis will lead by example & daven alone in their private homes. All community members are strongly encouraged to work from home, if possible, & to stay home whenever possible. People should not have gatherings for Shabbos meals. We recommend our members use restaurants for take out only. Sick & Shivah visits should be conducted by telephone or video calls. Shiva minyanim will not be meeting. The Avel should try to arrange for someone to recite kaddish on their behalf. Funerals should be restricted to a graveside service with a small group of family members & a minyan. We recommend minimizing Smachos to family & small amounts of guests & not attending large Smachos. Weddings (kiddushin) should not be canceled. The party should be limited or planned for a later date. While the local Mikvaos will remain open, women under mandatory quarantine or who are experiencing symptoms may not use the Mikvah. Please call with any questions. As you can see, these represent significant changes to our lives and many detailed questions will certainly emerge. The brief outline above cannot guide every particular situation. We will have to address each circumstance as it comes up based on professional expertise & religious guidance. We recommend everyone take in Shabbos at least 5 minutes early this week & say Tehillim 91 & 142 as a zechus for our protection. It is our deep and sincere hope that this unparalleled decision brings safety and health to our community. We are closing because social distancing is critical to preventing the spread of COVID-19. We urge all of you to do what you can to prevent the spread of this disease. Older individuals and those with underlying medical conditions should remain at home. Everyone should continue to vigorously wash hands with soap, and cover properly while sneezing and coughing. It is our hope and prayer that our physical distance from one another will ultimately bind us to each other in our hearts, and inspire us to better appreciate the spiritual bond that we share. We pray for a speedy recovery for all who are not well, & continued strength and vitality, spiritual and material success for all. Wishing you a Shabbos of good health, introspection & happiness!

Rabbi Shalom Axelrod, Young Israel of Woodmere
Rabbi Heshy Billet, Young Israel of Woodmere
Rabbi Aaron Feigenbaum, Irving Place Minyan
Rabbi Dr. Aaron Glatt, Young Israel of Woodmere
Rabbi Kenneth Hain, Congregation Beth Sholom
Rabbi Simcha Hopkovitz, Young Israel of Hewlett
Rabbi Aryeh Lebowitz, Beis HaKnesses of North Woodmere
Rabbi Avi Miller, Congregation Beth Sholom
Rabbi Yehuda Septimus, Young Israel of North Woodmere
Rabbi Shay Schachter, Young Israel of Woodmere
Rabbi Moshe Teitelbaum, Young Israel of Lawrence Cedarhurst
Rabbi Ya’akov Trump, Young Israel of Lawrence Cedarhurst
Rabbi Eliyahu Wolf, Young Israel of Woodmere
Rabbi Akiva Willig, Beis Medrash of Woodmere

MAZAL TOV

Bnei Mitzvah: Mazal Tov to Tamar & Avi Newmark on the Bnei Mitzvah of their sons Max & Zachary. Mazal Tov to the grandparents Jacqueline & Zev Friedman.

Engagement: Mazal Tov to Karla & Gary Miller on the engagement of their daughter Loren to Elan Ariel, son of Rose Ann & Mickey Ariel of St. Louis.

Wedding: Mazal Tov to Limor & David Decter on the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Lara to Joseph Safdeye. Mazal Tov to the grandparents Barbara & Irving Schlüssel.

Mazal Tov to Jacqueline & Zev Friedman on the forthcoming marriage of their grandson Jeremy Lichter, son of Ilana & Joseph Lichter, to Tamar Siri of Woodmere.

Mazal Tov to Chani & Jay Kestenbaum on the forthcoming marriage of their son Joseph to Rebecca Rauch. Mazal Tov to the grandparents Aliza & Leonard Kestenbaum.

Mazal Tov to Shelley & Michael Lebor on the marriage of their son Evan to Elana Rutner.

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שושנה בת רבקה שינדל בת צפורה

חנה פרעל בת ציביה Eleanor Ellentuck

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SHABBAT, MARCH 21: Maot Chittim Appeal

Guest Speaker: Rabbi Dovid Greenblatt

Please give generously—Make checks payable to:

"CBS Charity Fund"

ANNUAL ZAYIN ADAR THE DUDLEY FEIT CHEVRA KADISHA OF CBS

Thank you to

Sarit & Ely Guttman for hosting our recent program & to our Co-Chairs: Elisheva Feit, Judy Henner & Joey Hoenig.

Please join in supporting our Chevra Kadisha.

Please forward your donations to the Chevra Kadisha to the Shul office.

SISTERHOOD

CBS SISTERHOOD MISHLOACH MANOT—RECAP

Thank you to all who participated in our successful Mishloach Manot.

Thank you to Judi Bernstein, Ann Slochowsky & a special shout out to

Jeff Hirsch for all the hard work that goes into this annual project.

SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL SUPPERETTE AT CBS-TUE, May 5

CAFÉ EUROPA: Tuesdays, 12:30-2:30PM in the Cocktail Room

March 17: **CANCELLED**

CONTACT: Beverly Lowenthal—569-1049

BOOK CLUB: Wednesday, March 18—8:00PM

at home of Suzanne Gurvitch, 51 Auerbach Lane, Lawrence

"Feast Ur Eyes" by Mayla Goldberg" CONTACT: ELLENHAIMOFF@AOL.COM

ISRAELI DANCE CLASSES:

Tuesdays—9:30-10:30AM CONTACT: Lori Rudensky—569-5417

MAZAL TOV, SYMPATHY & GET WELL CARDS

\$7 each; 3 cards for \$18 CONTACT: Gila Roslyn—516-526-6393

COMMUNITY EVENTS: Ben Brafman to receive the Ari Halberstam Memorial Award at the Jewish Children's Museum in Brooklyn, Thursday, March 26 at 5:30PM.

Linda Mitwang ז"ל Learning Initiative

New Shiurim With Rabbi Dr. Neil Maron

Masechet Pesachim—Wednesdays at 9:00PM in the Shul Library

Shabbat after the Hashkama minyan shiur: Daf Yomi

SHABBAT, MAY 1-2 DR. ELLI STERN

SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE

Assoc Prof of modern Jewish Intellectual & Cultural History, Yale Univ.

Author of: "The Genius: Elijah of Vilna & the Making of Modern Judaism"

Sponsored by Natalie & Danny Hiller

in recognition of Natalie's father Simon Kwarta, Shimon ben Chaim Leib Z"l

on the 75th anniversary of his liberation from Buchenwald &

for a refuah sheleimah for their grandson Elisha ben Chaya Yehudis

CBS Torah Whatsapp Group Update

Daily divrei Torah from our rabbinic team & educators.