

WEEKLY EVENTS

Daily Minyan Times

Shacharis:

Sunday: 8:00 am
Mon - Fri: 7:00 am

Mincha/Maariv:

Sunday: 7:00 pm
Mon - Thurs: 7:40 pm

Tuesday

Kaballah Class with
Rabbi Mendel Zaltzman
Finished for the summer

Wednesday

Talmud in Russian with
Rabbi Berel Zaltzman
9:00 pm
At Bris Avrohom

Shabbos Times

Friday, August 12, 2016	
Mincha/Maariv	7:15 pm
Candle Lighting	7:40 pm
Saturday, August 13, 2016	
Shacharis	9:30 am
Kiddush & L'Chaim	11:45 am
Mincha	7:40 pm
Fast Begins	7:57 pm
Shabbos Ends	8:40 pm
Reading of Eicha	9:00 pm
Sunday, August 14, 2016	
Morning Prayers	8:00 am
Tefillin and Mincha	7:00 pm
Fast Ends	8:25 pm

Office Hours

From June 27—August 19 the
Bris Avrohom office will be
closed as we operate
out of our camp facility.

Saturday night, August 13th
begins the Fast of the Ninth of Av.
This day marks the destruction of the
Temples in Jerusalem.
May we merit the rebuilding of the Temple with the
coming of Moshiach now!

Hebrew School Registration now open for 2016-2017!

Our Hebrew school offers learning and experiencing Jewish life in a non-judgmental, interactive and warm environment. Hebrew reading, Jewish history, traditions, mitzvot, and holidays come alive with creative, hands on lessons, for children in preschool through Bar and Bat Mitzvah.

Save \$75 with early bird registration until August 22.

For more information and to register please visit www.JewishFairLawn.org/cett



Fair Lawn Jewish Day Camp's 9th summer is off to an awesome start! We are celebrating the end of our seventh week today with G-d's help and we are all so happy!! Go ahead and check out our pictures!! To view daily pictures visit us at www.Facebook.com/FairLawnCamp

Community Calendar

The new Community Calendar will be published in August 2016 for the new 5777 Jewish year. The calendar will be bilingual (English & Russian), to accommodate all members of our community. Bursting with color and a new clean and elegant design, this calendar will feature the entire year of Holidays, programs, and days of significance as well as candle lighting times for Shabbos and Holidays. The calendar will be mailed free to over 2,000 homes in North Jersey, with an additional 1,000 distributed at local establishments.



Show the community your support by placing a business ad or placing a dedication for someone's birthday or yortzeit. For more information please visit www.JewishFairLawn.org

A Word of Torah

On the Shabbat prior to Tisha B'Av, the Jewish national day of mourning, we will hear the famous Haftarah (reading from the Prophets) of Chazon, the "Vision of Isaiah." And on Tisha B'Av itself, we will recall the destruction of our Holy Temple nearly 2,000 years ago by fasting and mourning and the other observances of the day.

But why remember? The world cannot understand why we go on about the Holocaust--and that was only 60 years ago! For over 19 centuries, we have been remembering and observing this event and it has become the saddest day in our calendar. Why? Why not let bygones be bygones? It's history. What was was. Why keep revisiting old and painful visions?

They say that Napoleon was once passing through the Jewish ghetto in Paris and heard sounds of crying and wailing emanating from a synagogue. He stopped to ask what the lament was about. He was told that the Jews were remembering the destruction of their Temple. "When did it happen?" asked the Emperor. "Some 1700 years ago," was the answer he received. Whereupon Napoleon stated with conviction that a people who never forgot its past would be destined to forever have a future.

Jews never had history. We have memory. History can become a book, a museum, and forgotten antiquities. Memory is alive. And memory guarantees our future.

Even amidst the ruins, we refused to forget. The first temple was destroyed by the Babylonians. As they led the Jews into captivity, the Jews sat down and wept. "By the rivers of Babylon we sat and wept remembering Zion." What did we cry for? Our lost wealth, homes and businesses? No. We cried for Zion and Jerusalem. "If I forget thee 'O Jerusalem, let my right hand lose its cunning. If I fail to elevate Jerusalem above my foremost joy, then let my tongue cleave to its palate." We were not weeping for ourselves or our lost liberties but for the heavenly city and the Holy Temple. Amidst the bondage, we aspired to rebuild; amidst the ruins we dreamt of returning.

And because we refused to forget Jerusalem, we did return. Because we refused to accept defeat or accept our exile as a historical fait accompli, we have rebuilt proud Jewish communities the world over, while our victors have been vanquished by time. Today there are no more Babylonians and the people who now live in Rome are not the Romans who destroyed the Second Temple. Those nations became history while we, inspired by memory, emerged revitalized and regenerated and forever it will be true that Am Yisrael Chai -- the people of Israel lives!

I remember hearing a story of a Torah scholar and his nephew who were in the Holocaust. In the concentration camp, they studied the Talmud together. They were learning the tractate Moed Katan, a part of the Talmud that, ironically, discusses the laws of mourning. And when the time came that the uncle saw himself staring death in the face, he said to his nephew, "Promise me that if you survive you will finish studying this book of Moed Katan." Amidst the misery, desolation and tragedy, what thought preoccupied his mind? That the Talmud should still be studied. This was his last wish on earth. Was it madness, or is it the very secret of our survival?

Only if we refuse to forget, only if we observe Tisha B'av, can we hope to rebuild one day. Indeed, the Talmud assures us, "Whosoever mourns for Jerusalem, will merit to witness her rejoicing." If we are to make it back to Zion, if our people are to harbor the hope of being restored and revived, then we dare not forget. Sit down on a low seat to mourn with your people; and perhaps even more importantly, to remember.

And, please G-d, He will restore those glorious days and rebuild His own everlasting house. May it be speedily in our day.

- Adapted from Rabbi Yossi Goldman

Children's Corner

In this week's Torah reading, Devarim, Moses starts his final speech to the Children of Israel. He reminds the people that G-d "multiplied you, and behold, you are today as the stars of the heavens in abundance." This is a fulfillment of the promise G-d had made to Abraham back in Parshas Lech Lecha that his descendents would be as numerous as the stars of the heaven. Most kids love stars and glitter so this is a chance to do any variation of a star craft.

Glitter Stars

Materials:

- Black oak tag
- Silver and gold glitter or glitter paint
- White glue

Directions:

1. Draw the outline of star shapes
2. Use a paint brush to fill in the shapes with watered down glue
3. Sprinkle glitter on the glue and shake off the excess.

Variations:

- Cut star shapes out of paper and attach them to a string to make a string of stars
- Use tinfoil to make stars
- Make a mobile of stars by hanging stars from a hanger or paper plate.



- Adapted from ChallahCrumbs.com

A Biselleh Humor

A renowned rabbi, a brilliant philosopher, was held in high regard by his driver, who listened in awe at every speech while his boss would easily answer questions about morality, ethics and philosophy.

Then one day the driver approached the rabbi and asked if he was willing to switch roles for the evening's lecture. The rabbi agreed and, for a while, the driver handled himself remarkably well. When it came time for questions from the guests, a man in the back asked, "Is the epistemological view of the universe still valid in an existentialist world?"

"That is an extremely simple question," he responded. "So simple, in fact, that even my driver could answer that, which is exactly what he will do."

Find the answers to these questions in this week's Torah reading!

- Who did Moses tell them to choose as leaders for their tribes?
- Whose idea was it to send spies to inspect the land?
- Who will be the ones who will actually inherit the land?
- Why did G-d keep the Jewish people in the desert for such a long time?
- Why did the tribes of Reuven and Gad get a separate territory?



**Fair Lawn
Jewish Day Camp**
An Awesome
Summer Adventure!

www.FairLawnCamp.com
[www.Facebook.com/FairLawnCamp](https://www.facebook.com/FairLawnCamp)



For more information visit
www.FairLawnCamp.com

PARTNERSHIP

YOUR PARTNERSHIP
WITH US MEANS
A STRONG JEWISH
FUTURE FOR YOUR
CHILDREN AND
GRANDCHILDREN.

BECOME A PARTNER IN PRIDE
TODAY!

Find out more & join online at
www.JewishFairLawn.org/Partnership

Cett Hebrew School
An exciting and innovative
educational program for
children in
Pre-K through 7th grades.

For more information or to
register please visit:
www.JewishFairLawn.org/cett



Consider a convenient online donation to help support your center for Jewish life.
www.JewishFairLawn.org/Donate

Bris Avrohom of Fair Lawn

We are your center for everything Jewish, whatever your need may be, do not hesitate to contact us. Our ever popular holiday celebrations will enable you and your family to celebrate the Jewish holidays in style, with fun and educational ideas helping to make Judaism relevant to our youth.

Our Torah classes will give you a second opinion on any subject or matter you may be dealing with, our Holiday programs will allow you to celebrate your Jewish pride with your family and friends.

Our fun Hebrew School and Day Camp will fill your children with an educated sense of what it means to be Jewish and our synagogue services will give you the opportunity to pray, be inspired and experience spirituality.

From pregnancy and baby celebrations to weddings and after life services including Kaddish and unveiling, we will be there for you and help create a meaningful and memorable experience.

We are here to help you and serve you and look forward to seeing you soon!

Rabbi Berel & Leah Zaltzman
Rabbi Mendel & Elke Zaltzman
Bris Avrohom of Fair Lawn
30-02 Fair Lawn Avenue Fair Lawn, New Jersey 07410
201.791.7200 | Office@JewishFairLawn.org
www.JewishFairLawn.org • [www.Facebook.com/BrisAvrohomFairLawn](https://www.facebook.com/BrisAvrohomFairLawn)

