

# Congregation Ahavat Shalom Newsletter

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Have a Mazal Tov or another announcement for the newsletter? Send it to:

PresidentAhavatShalom@gmail.
com by Wednesday to be included.

## Shul Announcements



- Seudat Shlishit will take place after Mincha.
- Thank You Thank you to everyone that volunteered their time over the Chaggim to help make the Yomim Noraim and Second days of chag so special!!
- Groups Thank you @YeshivatNoam for sponsoring our weekly youth groups! <u>REMINDER</u>: Both one-time registration and weekly email need to be completed before sending your child to groups.
- Rabbi Halpert will be in shul this Shabbat.
- Annual CAS Membership Renewal Campaign Welcome to all our new and returning members!

Carlebach Achdut Kabbalat Shabbat Minyan - Join us in unity this Friday night for a special minyan davening.





## Kiddush <sup>1</sup>



Kiddush this week is sponsored by the Ahavat Shalom Board in honor of all the brave chayalim who are fighting to protect Eretz Yisroel.

To sponsor a kiddush, please see a board member or send us an email.

### Chizuk Table Talk

Words shared by Rabbi Halpert.

Rashi, in Bereishis cites several Midrashim stating that the world did not emerge precisely as G-d initially intended. G-d created light but then realized that the wicked did not deserve this light and He therefore reserved it for tzaddikim in the next world. G-d planned the bark of the tree to taste like the fruit, but the trees grew with inedible bark. The sun and the moon were to be of equal size, however, subsequently G-d diminished the moon.

Why create the world in this fashion? Rav Pam explains, these *medrashim* teach a simple but important lesson. The Torah states, "G-d looked upon all that He made, and behold, it was very good". Despite the fact that the world did not emerge precisely as He had willed, G-d recognized that it was "very good".

In the midst of the current crisis, many of us are trying to help. However, in the process of helping we sometimes come upon frustration. Perhaps we feel we could do more. Perhaps projects do not go exactly as planned. Just as Hashem looked upon the imperfect creation and appreciated just how "very good" it was, so must we learn to evaluate our own efforts and understand that sometimes "very good" or even "good" is a great value.

Shabbat Shalom Rabbi Halpert



To submit a parsha tidbit, submit your text to Paige @ 908-967-2175 by Thursday!

Yehuda Halpert, **Rabbi** 

## Parshat Bereishit Shabbat Mevarchim Zmanim

## Friday, October 13

Candle Lighting 6:01pm

Mincha/Maariv 6:05pm

## Shabbat, October 14

Shacharit 9:00am
Sof Zman Kriyat 9:54am
Shema 5:50pm
Shkiya 6:18pm

Next Shabbat Parshat Noach

6:53pm

6:58pm

Mincha/Maariv 5:55pm

Maariv

Havdalah

Candle Lighting 5:50pm

# Happy Birthday to Our Members!

- Shoshana Sturm
- Michal Denicoff
- Dina Secemski
- Adam Gutman
- Ariel Felsen
- Tani Motechin
- Gavriel Mayerhoff
- Yocheved Sunshine
- Scott Stiefel
- Binyamin Bixon
- Amanda Stiefel
- Avi Skidelsky

If you see them in shul, feel free to wish them a happy birthday!



## Community Buzz 🥻



## **Events & Announcements**

YBM Morning Kollel - Learn and get paid! All Men of high school age and up are invited to take part of Yeshivas Bais Mordechai of Teaneck's morning kollel program! This is the perfect opportunity to squeeze in that learning in a true Makom Torah, and start your day off right with the light and bracha of Torah! First Seder - 5:25am (\$15/day). Shacharit is at 6:15am. Second seder - 7:05am (\$10/day).

ATTN Leiners and Daveners- A shul is as strong as its members' involvement! To sign up as a contributor to the minyan, speak to one of the gabbaim or fill out this form.

### **OPEN (HOUSE) SEASON coming soon:**

The Moriah School - Please join us at The Moriah School Open House on Wednesday, November 1st at 7:30 PM. Come see for yourself why over 95 alumni have chosen to come back as parents themselves! For more information, or to register for our Open House, please reach out to Ariella Lazaros at alazaros@moriahschool.org

RYNJ - RYNJ welcomes your family to join our family at our Open House on Sunday evening, November 5th at 7:00 PM. Experience the warm environment created by our dynamic administration, dedicated faculty and involved parent body. Please register at rynj.org/openhouse. For more information, contact Mrs. Debra Popowitz, Director of Admissions, at welcome@rynj.org or (201) 986-1414 ext. 338.

Yeshivat Noam @ TABC - Meet Rabbi Chaim Hagler! Shabbat Kiddush sponsored for CAS on November 4, Shabbat Va'eira. Open House @ Yeshivat Noam Motzei Shabbat 7:45 PM. See flyer on next page.

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## CAS Community Resources 🛠



- Rabbi Halpert Availability: During the week, Rabbi Halpert can be reached via email - RabbiYehudaHalpert@gmail.com or at 917-497-7934. In an emergency, he can also be reached at 212-909-6591.
- Teaneck Mikvah: Usage is BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. To make an appointment and for the most up to date information, please visit www.teaneckmikvah.org.
- Fertility Resources: Information on reproductive specialists, support groups, and helpful organizations, can be found on the shul website and accessed directly from the homepage.
- Chaverim of Bergen County: (201) 800-4357. Services include: flat tires, lockouts, jump-starts, out of gas, search and rescue, and more.

## **Tzedakah Opportunities**

Rofeh Cholim Cancer Society (RCCS) is now in Bergen County. For patient services please call 718-722-2002. For info, visit www.rccscancer.org or call Dovid Cofnas at (201) 575-9080.

FreeDialysisRides offers rides to dialysis patients, and they need more drivers. For those available to drive please email Freedialysisrides@gmail.com or sign up HERE.

**Teaneck Simcha Gemach** has folding tables, cocktail tables, chairs and coat racks (w/ hangers) available for loan. Contact teanecksimcha@yahoo.com.

Down the Aisle Gemach: Setting up a home can be daunting and expensive. Help couples by donating new or unopened gifts. We accept household, Judaica, linens, gift-ware, engagement and wedding gifts that perhaps are not your taste but others would enjoy as they start their new lives together. Teaneck Drop off: Windsor Road Carrie Cooper, 1060 201 -801-9028. candscooper@gmail.com.

Project YECHI Tablecloth Gemach: Project Yechi helps to provide financial support for families fighting illness. Please email projectyechi@gmail.com for details.

Ohel Children's Home and Family Services: Services available for adults with developmental disabilities including community and individual supports, employment and respite. We are also hiring. Please contact us at 718-686-3313 or NJservices@ohelfamily.org



