



# Congregation Ahavat Shalom

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Kislev 23

Rabbi Yehuda Halpert

Shabbat day: 45, Showers

## Shabbat Times



### Friday, November 30

Candle Lighting: 4:11 PM  
Mincha/Maariv: 4:15 PM

### Shabbat, December 1

Shacharit: 9:00 AM  
Kriyat Shema: 9:23 AM  
Mincha / Shalosh  
Seudot: 4:00 PM  
Shkiya: 4:29 PM  
Maariv: 5:09 PM  
Havdalah: 5:14 PM

### Next Friday, December 7

Candle Lighting: 4:10 PM  
Mincha/Maariv: 4:15 PM

## Rabbi Halpert's Availability

Rabbi Yehuda Halpert will be here: 12/1, 12/8, 12/22, 12/29.

He can be reached via email at RabbiYehudaHalpert@gmail.com, or phone in the evenings at 201-836-3828. In the event of an emergency, Rabbi Halpert can also be reached at 212-909-6951.

## Yeshivat Noam Youth Groups

Groups for children ages 2-4 will be located in Room 3 from 9:45am - 11:00am. Morah Shira and Morah Melissa, two Yeshivat Noam teachers, will supervise. Toys and books will be provided by Yeshivat Noam. We ask parents to please send your child with a snack. Signup is on the website.

## Chesed Committee

If you or anyone you know has moved in recently or knows somebody moving in, please let Shira Russell-Giller know! Check out ahavatshalomteaneck.com/movingin for more information.



**Weather Report:** Friday night 37, Cloudy

Welcome to Yeshivat He'Atid Middle School who are joining us this week for a shabbaton!

**Erev Chanukah Donut (Sufganiyah) Kiddush!** We are so excited to be rolling out our new three-tiered Kiddush structure that will make sponsoring Kiddushim affordable again! As we finalize our different tier price points, we are starting off with a Pre-Chanukah Donut (Sufganiyah) Kiddush! Please join us this Shabbat after davening to enjoy a pre-Chanukah treat!

**Thank you** to the following Kiddush sponsors:

- Tzvi, Erica & Matthew Solomon in honor of spending Chanukah together as a community!
- Estee & Steven Lowinger in honor of the birth of their daughter, Maya!
- Yaakov Baum in honor of his parents', Eliana & Eli's 4th anniversary, the 24th of Kislev!
- Yeshivat He-Atid in honor of their middle school students!

**2019 Ahavat Shalom Calendar** - Move over family photos on the fridge! Ahavat Shalom will be rolling out a calendar to every household for the second year in a row! Reach out to the Fundraising Committee at [board@teaneckapartments.com](mailto:board@teaneckapartments.com) about exciting sponsorship and advertising opportunities. Sponsorship deadline is Sunday, December 9, 2018!

**Ahavat Shalom's Annual Cholent Competition!** Round One will be after davening on Shabbat, December 15th at the Klein residence (96 Van Buskirk). Our four chef households, Yael & Bin Weiss, Michal & Chaim Weber, Rebecca & Ike Pariser and Rivi & Shlomie Landesman look forward to providing you with their finest cholents! All community members are invited to attend the event, taste test the cholents, and vote for your favorite. May the best cholent win!

**Ahavat Shalom Sisterhood's first Tea Party!** The event will take place Shabbat afternoon, December 22nd and is hosted by Aliza Rosenberg. Come and enjoy dessert and tea with the ladies of the community! Time TBD.

**Ahavat Shalom Sisterhood's December Cookbook Club is COOKIES** - Special thanks to Erica Solomon for hosting. The event will take place December 26th at 8:00 PM!

**Congregation Bnai Yeshurun** presents GI JEWS: Jewish Americans in World War II. Saturday night, December 1, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the CBY Social Hall. Free Admission. This is the profound and remarkable story of the 550,000 Jewish Americans who served their country in World War II. These brave men and women fought for their nation and for Jewish people worldwide. Like all Americans, they fought against fascism, but they also waged a more personal fight - to save their brethren in Europe.

**Yeshivat Noam** invites 2-4 year old children and their parents to a fun morning of play, music, exploration and refreshments this coming Sunday morning, December 2nd, 9:30am-11:30am. Come meet our Morot, sample our playground, discover wonderful activities in our classrooms and generally have a great time!. Please contact [efeil@yeshivatnoam.org](mailto:efeil@yeshivatnoam.org) for reservations or walk-in!

**Chanukah with the Maccabees!** Event will take place on Tuesday, December 4th at 7:00 PM at Bnai Yeshurun. Latkes and sufganiyot will be served starting at 6:30 PM. \$36 per family in advance; \$50 at the door.

**She'arit ha-Plate of Bergen County**, a volunteer, non-profit organization that collects excess kosher food from restaurants and smachot and distributes it discretely to people who can use it, is looking for a new site. If you have available space or know of others who might have space available for our operation, please contact Daniel Chazin, [DChazin@aol.com](mailto:DChazin@aol.com), 201-835-5338.

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We welcome your input! Please send your newsletter announcements by Wednesday of each week to ensure they make it in!

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When: December 1, 2018 after Shacharit  
Where: Ahavat Shalom Kiddush Room

Sponsors Wanted! Please reach out to Ben Wine or Yishai Kadry if you would like to be a sponsor for this event.



Chanuka FAQs

Below, please find the answers to some frequently asked Chanuka questions. If you have additional questions please call (201-836-3828 or e-mail [rabbiyehudahalpert@gmail.com](mailto:rabbiyehudahalpert@gmail.com)).

Q1. We are going to a Chanuka party at (parents/in-laws/cousins/aunts/friends ect.) The family hosting the party will be lighting Chanuka candles at the party should we light at the party or should we light once we return home after the party?

A1. Ideally you should light at home once you return home after the party; if your host or other attendees of the party will be unhappy that you are not lighting at the party and this will cause tension and stress at an otherwise peaceful Chanuka event then there is room to be flexible and allow one to light at the party even with a beracha. If you do light at the party you would not light again when you return home later that night.

Q2. We are going to (parents/in-laws/cousins/aunts/friends ect.) for Shabbat, what should we do with respect to Chanuka candles on both Friday night and Saturday night?

A2. The prevalent minhag is to light Chanuka candles at your host's home Friday night with a beracha. Saturday night, if you are returning home relatively soon after Shabbat, such that you will reach home and light Chanuka candles at a time when it is still common for people to be out and about, then it is preferable to light Chanuka candles at your home. If you will not return home until a later hour in the evening it is preferable to light at your host's home immediately following havdalah.

Q3. I have a very busy work week scheduled and I will not be able to return home until late at night, what should I do about Chanuka candles?

A3. Technically, if one finds themselves stuck at work late at night you can fulfill your obligation to light Chanuka candles by having your spouse light at home at the ideal earlier time without you (you are then not required to light again for yourself when you return home). However, assuming you will return from work at a "relatively normal" hour it is the more prevalent minhag to wait and have the family light all together at the later time when you return home from work. So long as the members of the household are awake you can light with a beracha no matter how late you return from work. If you return from work after the hour when it is common for people to be out and about and there is no one awake in the house one should light when they return home from work *without* a beracha.

Chanuka Sameach,

Rabbi Halpert

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