



CONGREGATION TORAH

Monthly Bulletin

APRIL 29, 2022 28 NISAN

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PARASHAT ACHREI MOT

SHABBAT TIMES

Candle Lighting

Earliest with bracha	6:30 pm
Standard	7:33 pm
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv	6:10 pm

CANDLE LIGHTING NOTE – When one household member is attending an early *Minyan* and another is lighting at home, it is preferable to light before the *Shul* attendee returns home (about 7:10 pm this week). Regular candle lighting time on April 29th is 7:33 pm. The earliest time to light candles with a *bracha* is 6:30 pm this week. One leaving for *Shul* with no one else at home to light candles, **may light before 6:30 pm, but should not recite the bracha.**

Alternately, one may ask a Jewish neighbor to light his candles after 6:30.

SHABBAT

Shacharit—Beit Midrash	7:30 am
Shacharit—West Wing Sanctuary	8:30 am
Latest Shema	10:01 am
Daf Yomi	5:40 pm
Mishna Yomit	6:25 pm
Rabbi's Shiur (Pirke Avot)	6:40 pm
Mincha in the Shul	7:20 pm
followed by Seudah Shlisheet	
Ma'ariv	8:25 pm
Shabbat ends	8:29 pm

This Shabbat is Shabbat Mevorchim.

Rosh Chodesh Iyar will be celebrated Sunday, May 1 and Monday, May 2.

The new moon will make its first appearance on Sunday morning, 20 minutes and 1 chelek after 5:00 am Jerusalem time.



WEEKDAY TIMES

Earliest Davening: 5:32 am (Fri-Thurs)

Earliest Tallit/Tefillin: 6:01 am (Fri-Thurs)*

Shacharit: 7:00 am (Beit Midrash), 7:30 am (WW Sanctuary), 8:30 am (Beit Midrash)

Mishna Yomit: 7:15 am (WW Sanctuary)

Daf Yomi: after the 7:30 Minyan (New Library)

Mincha/Ma'ariv: 6:15 and 7:35 pm (WW Sanctuary)

Plag (Sun-Thurs): 6:31-6:32 pm

Shkiah: (Sun-Thurs): 7:53-7:55 pm

Daven Mincha prior to: 7:53 pm

Repeat Kriat Shema: after 8:32 pm

(*Latest time during the week)

WHEN TO COUNT THE OMER IN SHUL?

In Congregation Torah Ohr, when davening with a minyan, we count Sefirat HaOmer, with a Bracha, once Shekia (sunset) has occurred. This practice emanates from a psak by Rav Yosef Soloveitchik, z"l based on the view of Tosafot. A similar ruling is recorded in the Mishna Berura. We count Sefira before Alaihu.



RABBI YASGUR

PERSONAL REFLECTIONS ON COVID (2022)

Barbara and I thank the many well-wishers who contacted us to share thoughts for a Refuah Shelaima. Baruch HaShem, our cases were very light and non-threatening. Much has changed, fortunately, since the advent of Covid-19. Vaccinations, natural immunity, personal safety precautions and less dangerous variants have relieved much of the intimidation once imposed by the Covid virus. There are at least two "buts" to the previous statement. The first is the recognition that those who are immuno-compromised or dealing with significant other medical conditions may have a much more intense and threatening experience if they were to contract Covid, or certain other illnesses. Secondly, Covid (and other illnesses) can wreak havoc on one's personal schedule.

Personally, I felt robbed of opportunities to share time with children, grandchildren and siblings. I missed the ambiance of the Shul in creating a full Yom Tov experience. I missed joining with a minyan, with the Kehillah. The words of the Mai HaShiluach on this week's Parasha, help to frame the struggle many face.

HaShem said to Moses: Tell your brother Aaron that he is not to come "at any time he chooses" into the Holy of Holies behind the curtain, in front of the cover that is upon the ark, lest he die; for I appear in the cloud over the cover. (VaYikra 16:2)

The Mai HaShiluach understands that there are times in the human experience where our love for the object or the experience strongly motivates one to draw close, but reverence and protocol demand distancing. We want the full experience; we want to be within the walls of the sanctified Beit Knesset and to be part of the greater community. But, there is a force that reminds us, pull back. Allow the reverence we must have for the welfare of others created in the image of HaShem to help us make the right decision.

I was shocked when I received my PCR positive result. I had rapid-tested negative two mornings in a row; my symptoms were light, some coughs and congestion. Just to be on the safe side, I went for the PCR. I have a better understanding of both the challenge and the need to pull back. Forget labels. Whether it's a cold, Covid or the flu, one person's illness should not cause another person lost opportunities or illness. Have symptoms? Shift to the reverence mode; override the energy we invest in what we hope will be the perfect experience. It is the ability to hold back, to separate when mandated, that brings Kedusha, sanctification.

The lesson of this week's Parasha - to hold back, will bring the theme of next week's Parasha into our reality - Kedoshim Tehiyu: Be sanctified, hold back.

Good health to all.

Have a Shabbat Shalom,

Rabbi Benjamin S. Yasgur

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT DAVE CHESLOW

Coming Attractions

Now that the Florida “season” is over, many of us will be travelling during the spring and summer months, some of us on vacation trips, and some returning to our other residences. While you are away, the life of the Shul, and the building renovations, will be continuing.

The expansion of the West Wing is completed, and we have been enjoying the new space and facilities since February. The New Member Reception, the Chanukat Habayit Kiddush, the Annual Dinner, Sisterhood Paid-up Member Event, Shabbat and Yom Tov services as well as many other functions have been held in the Auditorium. Daf Yomi is meeting daily in the Library. Look for Yom Hashoah, Yom Ha’atzmaut, Flower Arranging, Shavuot Luncheon, and many other programs throughout the spring and summer.

PreCovid, the system in season was to hold five Minyanim on Shabbat mornings: Hashkama at 7:20 in the Beit Midrash, Nusach Sfarad in the West Wing at 8:00, Main Minyan in the Shul at 8:30, Upstairs Minyan at 9:00, and latest Minyan 9:45 in the Beit Midrash. After Pesach, we would move the Hashkama to 7:30 and drop the 9:00, the 9:45, and the Nusach Sfarad Minyanim. This year, we will be monitoring the attendance to determine whether the Nusach Sfarad Minyan can still be viable. The only real difference this year is that the Main Minyan will now take place in the Auditorium so that the renovation of the Main Shul can proceed.

Our Main Sanctuary will be receiving new carpeting and new chairs which will match the flooring and seating in the Auditorium. The walls and ceiling will be redecorated in a color scheme which is like the one used in the Auditorium.

In addition to the work being done on our building, planning is underway for next season’s many classes and activities. Sisterhood, Men’s Club and the Education Committee are already filling up the calendar with lots of learning and social opportunities for us to share.

One of the more popular innovations introduced this year has been the enlarged Monthly Bulletin which is full of useful and interesting information. Vicky Fish was the first editor, and, together with Andrea Mass, created the outstanding original layout. Vicky has completed her term and Karen Greene has now assumed the editor role. During the summer months, we will be publishing the regular Weekly Bulletin, with the large Monthly resuming in the fall. Deadline for articles for the September issue is August 26th.

The “Burn the Mortgage” campaign is in full swing; everyone is encouraged to participate.

I wish everyone wonderful spring and summer seasons full of good health and happiness.

Shabbat Shalom,

Dave

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Amen Women's Rosh Chodesh Group—Sunday, 5/1 at 9:00 am In the West Wing Sanctuary (Auditorium) - Sponsors needed—Contact Terri Farkas
Yom HaZikaron Commemorative Service—Wednesday, 5/4 at 7:15 pm Special Concert (following Ma'ariv) with Rabbi Dr. Aaron Adler
Yom HaAtzmaut—Thursday, 5/5 Special Program with Rabbi Dr. Aaron Adler—see page 5 for details
RZA Scholar-in-Residence—Shabbat 5/6-7 Parashat Kedoshim Rabbi Meir Goldwicht & Rebbitzin Hila Goldwicht—see below for complete schedule
Sisterhood Post-Mother's Day Get Together—Wednesday, 5/11 at 11:00 am Flower Arranging at Field of Flowers—Print form to register
Yom Yerushalayim—Sunday, 5/29 "Menachem Begin: Peace & War", a Documentary
Shavuot—Motza'ai Shabbat, 6/4 Tikun Leil Shavuot—All Night Learning—to sponsor click here
Shavuot Luncheon—Sunday, 6/5 Sponsored by Sisterhood, Details TBA
Father's Day—Sunday, 6/19 Yom Iyun



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 May 6-7, 2022



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- Shabbat Derasha:** How and What Are We Celebrating on Yom HaAtzmaut?
- Shiur for Women by Rabbanit Goldwicht:** The Power of Prayer in Times of Crises and Happiness (5:10pm)
- Shiur before Mincha:** Tova HaAretz Meod Meod: How Eretz Yisrael Influences and Builds Our Personality (6:20 pm)
- Seudah Shlisheet:** The Power of Yishmael and Our Response

Rabbi Meir Goldwicht, a prominent Israeli scholar and educator, is the Joel and Maria Finkle Visiting Israeli Rosh Yeshiva and a Rosh Yeshiva at the Yeshiva Program/Mazer School of Talmudic Studies at Yeshiva University. He is also head Rosh Yeshiva at the Irving I. Stone Beit Midrash Program and the Rosh Kollel at Camp Mesorah.

Rabbanit Hila Goldwicht is an instructor in Hebrew language at Yeshiva University.



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Yom HaZikaron—Wednesday, 5/4 at 7:15 pm

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Yom HaAtzmaut—Thursday, 5/5

Festive Shacharit at 7:45 am (one minyan only)

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Presentation by Rabbi Dr. Aaron Adler at 10:15 am

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"Burn the Mortgage" Campaign has Begun

All those who send in their first installments will receive a free Shabbos Lite compliments of Torah Ohr. A recent mailing was sent out with all the details. We don't want a "slow burn"; therefore, please sign up--help CTO and reward yourselves as well!

Thank you to those who have generously contributed to this very special campaign::

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Please call us when you are feeling better and are ready to have your name removed.

MAZEL TOV

Aviva Hoschander-Sulzberger and Vernon Sulzberger on the engagement of her granddaughter, Emily Hoschander to Zach Blitstein of West Hempstead, NY. Parents are Annie and Marc ה"ו Hoschander & Iris and Mark Blitstein.

Vernon and Aviva Hoschander-Sulzberger and Lea and David Engelman on the birth of a mutual great-grandson. Parents are Shani and Jason Sulzberger of Queens, NY.

Helen and Alan Baker and Joyce and Saul Fasten on the birth of a mutual great-granddaughter, Sora Temimah. Parents are Pessie and Mordechai Shaffel.

Shoshanna and Leo Kimmel on the engagement of their grandson Daniel Aryeh Edery, son of Miryam and Avrohom Edery of Toronto, ON to Ruth Wasserman, daughter of Neil and Yael Wasserman of Scarsdale, NY.

Shoshanna and Leo Kimmel on the birth of a great-granddaughter to Marav and Zvi Abou of Jerusalem, Israel.

Rabbi Moshe Kranzler on the birth of a great-granddaughter, Arienne Aviv.
 Parents are Dani and Rafi Rubin in Ranana, Israel.

HAKARAT HATOV

Thank you to **Pacy Ackerman** for matching up Seder hosts and guests. Thank you also to everyone who opened their homes to those who needed a place for Seder.

Thank you to the Biur Chametz Squad: **Larry Fish, Jack Hirschman, Maguene Juste, Aaron Sandberg,** and several other helpers who wish to remain anonymous.

BRUCHIM HABA'IM

Welcome to our CTO Family!
Henna and David Grunblatt of Yarmouth E

CONDOLENCES

Suzie Nelson on the passing of her father, **Arie Letzter** ה"ע

YIZKOR PLEDGES

We hope all our members had an enjoyable Yom Tov. Please redeem your yizkor pledges. Remember you didn't have to be in Torah Ohr to make a pledge. Giving tzedakah in memory of a loved one has no boundaries

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her father, *Yosef Eliezer ben Tzvi Hirsh* ע"ה
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his father, ע"ה אליעזר יעקב בן מרדכי צבי ע"ה
his brother, *Zev Yoseph ben Yitzchok* ע"ה
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her mother, *Mushka Shprintze bat Yosef Chaim v'Chava* ע"ה
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his mother, *Rochel bat Avrom* ע"ה

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his father-in-law, *Yisrael Dov ben Yitzchok Yaakov* ע"ה
his father, ע"ה שמעון אלטר בן משה ע"ה
his father, *Avraham ben Yisrael Moshe HaCohen* ע"ה

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Week of Learning	\$150
Day of Learning Plus Seudah Shlisheet or Torah Fund	\$75
Day of Learning	\$50

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Return the form by **TUESDAY, THE WEEK BEFORE** the Learning or Dedication date.
Contact Judy in the *Shul* office with any questions.

Thank you to everyone who sponsors our learning programs!



Sisterhood Update

by **Shoshanna Kimmel & Hilda Mirwis & Marcia Schragar**

Sisterhood Co-Presidents

We hope you all had a beautiful Passover holiday with your family and friends. As always, Sisterhood continues to plan for the coming months.

In May, we are planning a Post Mother's Day **flower arranging** program at Field of Flowers on Wednesday, May 11th at 11:00 am. The cost is \$36 a person. So make your reservations soon – only 30 women can sign up for this program. You will be creating and bringing home a gorgeous flower arrangement.

Shavuos is coming upon us the first weekend in June. For Sunday, June 5th, a special **luncheon** and program are in the works. **Stephanie Mortman, Giselle Lazerowitz, and Shoshanna Kimmel** are planning a wonderful day. More details will follow in a flyer and be sure to make your reservations early.

We are also planning another **Shavuos flower sale** chaired by **Eunice Pivovitsch** and **Linda Katz**. They did a terrific job last year and the co-presidents asked them if they would consider doing it again. Happily, we're able to report that they said yes!

Wishing everyone a Chodesh Tov and Yom Ha'atzmaut Samai'ach! And please stay healthy!

Shoshanna, Hilda, and Marcia

Sisterhood Co-Presidents

We continue to sell beautiful **tribute cards**. These are all-occasion cards that have ample room inside for you to write a personal note. Please support our Sisterhood by buying these versatile cards to wish your friends and family Mazel Tov, to honor others, or to send condolences.

Cards come in packs of **3 for only \$10/pack**. Purchase them in the Shul Office during regular business hours.



Men's Club Update

by Dave Love

Men's Club President



Once again, the Men's Club will be providing refreshments for the men and women who will be participating in **Tikun Leil Shavuot** - our all night learning program, which is followed by a "Naitz Minyan" at Sunrise. Flyers for sponsorships are available online or in the Shul lobby. If you are not able to participate in any portion of the program in person, being a sponsor is another way to participate. Sponsorships are available for \$25; please respond before the May 27th deadline.

Our new **Sefer Torah Project**, under the chairmanship of Martin Fisch, will be underway shortly and will be designed to enable every member to be a participant.

Leo Kimmel is chairing our **Lulov/Esrog** project, and we are looking for additional volunteers to help out. This year, with the Yom Tovim coming later in September, we anticipate that we will have a minimum of 100 members ordering their Lulovim & Esrogim through the Men's Club. If you can help in the various aspects of the project, please contact Leo at 917-696-0111.

We ask that those individuals who wish to present a **Book Review**, or have a book that they feel would be of interest to the community, to contact Sam Colman at 914-420-2371 as soon as possible since our Book Review slots usually fill up during the summer.

Please also remember to order your **gift cards** for Aroma, Grove, Glick's or Century Grill. They are available from the office.

Mon —Thur 9am — 3pm, Fri 9am—Noon,
or contact:

David Dolny (914) 414-1449 daviddolny@aol.com

Whether you will be here or away, have an enjoyable summer!

MEET THE MEMBERS OF OUR CTO BOARD!

It is our pleasure to introduce our very hard working, devoted Board Members who dedicate many hours to our Shul. They give very generously of their time, energy and efforts to maintain our Shul and its many programs that we all enjoy. This month we introduce you to one of the new Board Members who was elected in February.



Marilyn Sprecher

I have been living in Century Village for four years. I was born in Manhattan, but grew up in Brooklyn. During my lifetime, I lived in Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island.

I was married to my husband, Kenneth, for 43 years, until his death in 2013. We were married eight months after his discharge from the army. I have two daughters and two grandsons.

I worked for the NYC Department of Education for 31 years and, upon retirement, worked for a private agency supervising itinerant preschool special education teachers and assisting with the recommended program for preschoolers. During my 31 years with the DOE, I worked as a substitute teacher, a special education teacher for emotionally disturbed teenagers in East New York, Brooklyn, an education evaluator, a preschool administrator, a placement officer, an assistant chairperson and a chairperson. Presently, I am a member of two school boards in Brooklyn. One is a therapeutic preschool and one is an agency which provides services to preschoolers.

In the late 70s and early 80s, I volunteered in a local chapter of Emunah Women where I was the boutique lady. Several years later, I was a member of the Sisterhood of Seaview Jewish Center in Brooklyn. From 2016 until 2018, I served as the President of the Sisterhood of New Springville Jewish Center on Staten Island. Presently, on days when I am not enjoying the warmth and sunshine of Florida, I bake cookies, and on Friday mornings I volunteer at the food pantry at the Jewish Federation of Family Services.



Todah Rabah - A Gem in Our Midst

Our new Shul expansion has received an amazing gift from a talented artist! Sam Rogatinsky, a member of Torah Ohr, is a master Artisan, from Shepsel Art Judaica. He not only designed and created every one of the mezuzot for the West Wing Expansion but also generously donated his time and effort to our Shul.

Creating stained glass mezuzot has been Sam's passion for forty-five years. Each mezuzah in our Shul is a unique creation carefully planned and designed to match each specific doorway. Sam works with specialty glass from Israel, Italy and various plants throughout the U.S. and he gathers his accessories and paints from shops around the world including Israel, Holland and France. From start to finish, it takes Sam about a week to ten days to create a design, cut the glass, piece it together and complete the finishing touches with accessories.

Next time you're in Torah Ohr, take a good look at the different sizes and designs from the smaller ones on the kitchen and back doors to the larger ones on the main entrances. These are only a few of the many Sam has created in his workshop as gifts for weddings, engagements, Bar Mitzvahs, etc. Sam is a very modest guy who loves working with glass to make mezuzot, but more importantly he loves donating all his proceeds to injured soldiers in Israel, an organization in Kfar Saba that is very dear to his heart! If anyone is interested in finding out more about this fantastic organization and what they do to help rebuild the wounded veterans' lives at Bet Halochem Center, please visit their website at **ZDVO.org** or e-mail The Zahal Disabled Veteran's Organization: zdvf@inz.org.il

Thank you, Sam, for your generosity and for enhancing the doorways of our spiritual home with your beautiful creations!



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