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Bulletin

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Message From the Rabbi



They say over of a story of a mother of two adult daughters that were fighting each other and refused to talk to each other. The mother would pray, "Please Gd, whatever it takes, please bring them together." One daughter became gravely ill, and the other daughter rushed to her side to help her and talk to her. Sometimes it takes tragedy to remind us of who our brothers and sisters are.

In the months leading up to this horrendous tragedy, we watched our nation fighting amongst ourselves. It has always shaken me to the core, regardless of which side propagates this, where one Jew calls another Jew a Nazi, Amalek, Fascist, etc. They are our brothers and sisters; yet in the previous few months we had forgotten that. A half a year ago as I was leaving my vacation in Israel one of my Airbnb hostess sent me a chat, "Please daven for us, I am afraid that we are about to enter a civil war." Sometimes it takes tragedy to remind us of who our brothers and sisters are.

The infighting fractured us and may have help triggered the massacre that these subhuman animals wrought onto us. Physically, much of the intelligence and energy that could have been used to monitor Hamas was instead diverted to the political and anti-religious strife that was rocking our nation. As Shimrit Meir, Senior Advisor to former Prime Minister Naftali Bennet wrote: "As a nation, Israelis acted as if we could afford the luxury of a vicious internal fight, the kind in which your political rival becomes your enemy. We let animosity, demagoguery and the poisonous discourse of social media take over our society, rip apart the only Jewish army in the world. This is our tragedy. And it carries a lesson for other polarized democracies: There is someone out there waiting to gain from your self-made weakness. This someone is your enemy."

And on a spiritual level. The Torah exhorts us on the importance of unity. This is our biggest strength and without it our biggest vulnerability. For, "Hashem goes forth to fight for you, and you must keep your encampment holy", and when we fight amongst ourselves, Hashem's presence abdicates, and we see the tragic results.

So, what *can* we do? First and foremost, we must unite as one people, one nation, one family. Unequivocally. We must understand how much we need each other, both for the others and for ourselves. We must assist both financially, as well as dedicate our energies and resources for our brothers and sisters. When we see verified collections for protective gear for the reservists and guards, we must donate. When we hear of tragedies that need our support, we must open our hearts and our wallets. We likewise must reach out to our local, state, and federal politicians and governments. When they support Israel we must congratulate them and when they are on the fence we must encourage them to take the side of good. And we likewise must beseech them to not pressure Israel to pull back when they start winning, which unfortunately has become a common occurrence in the past 70 years. This is true, regardless of political party. The sword is upon our necks, we cannot remain silent, we cannot allow pettiness to dictate our actions. We need to publicly show support, whether it means displaying flags or going to support rallies when proper. And we must show our gratitude for the police who protect us.

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We must likewise beseech our Father in Heaven to have mercy. “There is a Torah Mitzvah to scream out and to gather in prayer whenever dangers and calamities befall upon the Jewish people. This is the way of repentance ... and this will assist in mitigating the danger from them.” (cf Rambam Fasts ch1) I am embarrassed to say that when the news reached me on Monday, I spent the entire day frozen, reading the news again and again. This didn’t help me and didn’t help those in Israel either. We must use our remaining energy in prayer and Psalms, in repentance and mitzvot, in kindness and in goodness. “Until Hashem peers down from the Heavens and has mercy.” There are organizations set up to adopt a soldier in prayer, and it is likewise so important to pray for the families of the Schomre family who are on the front lines, amongst the entirety of the IDF and the residents of Israel. We must beg Hashem to help us in the return of the captives, and in giving consolation to the families of the martyrs. We must look inside of ourselves, and figure out if we are lacking in any of the Mitzvos of Hashem, and take that Mitzvah upon ourselves in merit of a soldier, in merit of our brothers and sisters.

It is not enough to unite during this war. We must become united. We must place it in our hearts that we are one people, one family, one soul. We must wake up in the morning thinking, “What can I do to help my Jewish family”, as well as when we retire at night. We must transform the essence of each and every one of us individually to become one who loves his brother and sister and is concerned about their safety and wellbeing. We have recently seen a huge stream of love and unity throughout Israel and the Diaspora. People have flown back to assist in the fighting and support, and people have been donating to a whole host of collections for our people. And we must remain that way, even for years to come after Hashem has comforted us. And in the years to come when we have disagreements with our brothers and sisters, we must remember that they are our family first, and the disagreements are secondary. Our unity is our greatest strength, and with this unity we can ask Hashem to grace us once more and stand up for His people.

Yet there is another important understanding that we need to internalize into our hearts. This is the unbreakable eternity of the Torah, and the strength of the spirit of the Jewish people. Someone from Schomre sent me an email stating, “I feel guilty having a delicious Shabbos meal ready, wine, and a comfortable home in which to celebrate Shabbos while so many are heartbroken and running for shelter.” I responded to her that it is the exact opposite, how we must celebrate Shabbos with joy for so many reasons. Shabbos is eternal and we need to celebrate it. Rabbi Moshe Shternbuch, the head of the *Beis Din* of Jerusalem, related the following conversation that took place when he was in yeshiva in England: “During the years of the Holocaust, horrible rumors about the terrible massacres that were occurring began filtering in and we began to hear that some of them were burned and some were choked to death, and the bochurim in the yeshivah were crying as they didn’t know about the fate of their relatives. They went to the Rosh Yeshivah, HaGaon HaRav Moshe Schneider, z’tl, and told him that they can’t dance. But HaRav Schneider told them: ‘Hitler can kill us but he won’t uproot even one custom of the Jewish people – we’ll sing and dance as usual.’ HaRav Schneider was strong and said that we’ll continue with Hakadosh Baruch Hu until the last breath and until they throw us into the fire.” Hauntingly he delivered this message just a few days before the massacres.

A video that was sent to me, that I forwarded to others as well, shows of an American *oleh* in the IDF. He informs the Jewish people that while he usually sings and dances every Kabbalat Shabbat, he will not be able to do that this evening, as he is being deployed at the border of Gaza. He asked all of those who are not fighting to dance, sing, and celebrate this Shabbos as much as possible, in place of all of those who are unable to dance themselves. We are one people, and just as we must daven and support them in their time of need, we must celebrate the mitzvot for those who are currently cannot, busy in their holy defense.

Rav Shach once told over a story that a survivor of Auschwitz related to him. A group of Jewish men were stripped of their clothes and sent to the gas chambers. One of them told the others, “Today is Simchat Torah. We may not have a Torah, or even a Chumash, but we have Hashem, and we will celebrate with Him.” The group then used their final moments dancing and singing on Simchat Torah with Hashem.

We must understand that no matter what hell we go through, whether through the hands of the Romans, Visigoths, Crusaders, Almohads, Cossacks, Nazis or radicalized Arabs, we are eternal and we will survive. The Torah and its Mitzvos are eternal, and we, the nation that was chosen to receive them, will never succumb and will never break.

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I received the following text right before Shabbos: "As we get ready to make Kiddush this Shabbat, look around your blessed table. Think about the Shabbat tables in Eretz Yisroel tonight. Who is missing? Is it the father that is serving in the Army reserves? Is it the mother working extra shifts in the hospital? What about the young adult children in the IDF. Maybe even the young yeshiva guy who decides to stay in Yeshiva to learn and pray more for the people. What about the horror of seeing a seat at the table that will never be filled again by someone killed because they were a Jew. This week is Shabbat Bereishet. The week Hashem made the world. Start with that. Hashem is the Creator and controls everything. Shabbat is a living testimony that we know He made the world. By us keeping Shabbat, eating, drinking, singing, spending it with our family, Our Actions Speak Louder than any Words."

I know that like myself, many people spent the past week, in shock and mourning. The Jewish people were sitting shiva. Many of us could not bring ourselves to listen to music, drink wine, or enjoy pleasurable foods. Yet, if we are going to mourn, we will mourn on our time. Shabbos is Hashem's time, and we will celebrate His Shabbos with Him. We and our Torah are unshakable, and we will celebrate as one forever. Am Yisroel Chai, the Jewish people will live on.

I would like to end with a final thought. We know of a similar occurrence in our history, approximately two hundred years after we settled into the Land of Israel. The Jewish people had started straying after the Emorite gods, and Midyan, Amalek and the Nations of the East came and ravished the Land of Israel. This forced the Jewish people to flee to the caves and mountains, with very little food for harvest. Hashem sent Gideon, who conquered their massive army with only 300 righteous soldiers.

We know a lot about Gideon from after he was selected. He fought to destroy the baal god service, he was a man who strove for unity and served the Jewish people altruistically refusing a dynasty. Yet, we know very little about him from before he was chosen. He was from the family of Menashe, and he was in the middle of respecting and protecting his father when he was visited by an Angel. He prayed to Hashem, advocating on the Jewish people's behalf to Hashem, and then Hashem told him his mission was to liberate the Land of Israel from her enemies. So what was it that enabled Gideon to find favor in Hashem's eyes, that he was the one to bring salvation to the Jewish people? The advocating for the Jewish people and the Mitzvah of respecting parents.

Many of us may feel powerless as we watch the onslaught of evil and the nations that support it. We ask ourselves, "What can my prayers do, what effect can my charity or kindness have in protection of the soldiers and citizens." The answer is, a lot. We do not see the interwoven history of the souls of our people. But the Master Artist does. We do not know who Hashem is waiting for to bring the salvation. But it could be our prayer, our repentance, our kindness, or our mitzvos that could provide the protection for a specific soldier or mission. But, we must take an internal inventory of our mitzvos, strengthen the ones that we do and start those that we have slipped. We must use our spare energies and times to beseech Hashem in prayer and Psalms. If you are a man who has not worn Tefillin, start wearing it in merit of a soldier. If you are a women, please speak to Hashem with your heart and mouth, begging him for the protection of the Jewish people. The Jewish women historically did not complain about the land of Israel when Hashem tried bringing them in, and a women's prayer is extremely potent when it comes to the land of Israel.

May Hashem grace us with His Prescence over the unity of His people, and may it be His will that "He goes with you to do battle for you against your enemy, to bring you victory".

Am Yisroel Chai

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

If you would like to make a donation to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund, congregants are urged to make the check out to:

Rabbi Krasner's Discretionary Fund,
in order to avoid confusion. Thank You.

PLEASE INFORM THE RABBI

Congregants are urged to call Rabbi Krasner (454.2890) if you hear, Heaven forbid, of any member who is ill. It is a great Mitzvah to visit the sick and very often we just don't get to hear of a member's indisposition. Your help in this endeavor is much appreciated.

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CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 2023 - JANUARY 2024

PLEASE NOTE: THE BELOW TIMES HAVE BEEN CALCULATED FOR 12603. OTHER LOCATIONS MAY NEED TO MODIFY THE TIMES BY A FEW MINUTES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING</u>	<u>MINCHA</u>	<u>TORAH PORTION</u>	<u>SHABBAT CONCLUDES</u>
Nov. 03	5:29 PM	5:30 PM	Vayera	6:29 PM
Nov. 10	4:21 PM	4:20 PM	Chaye Sara	5:22 PM
Nov. 17	4:15 PM	4:15 PM	Toldot	5:16 PM
Nov. 24	4:10 PM	4:10 PM	Vayetze	5:11 PM
Dec. 01	4:07 PM	4:05 PM	Vayishlach	5:08 PM
Dec. 08	3:28 - 4:06 PM	4:00 PM	Vayeshev / Chanukah	5:08 PM
Dec. 15	4:07 PM	4:05 PM	Miketz	5:09 PM
Dec. 22	4:10 PM	4:00 PM	Vayigash	5:12 PM
Dec. 29	4:15 PM	4:15 PM	Vayechi	5:17 PM
Jan. 05	4:20 PM	4:20 PM	Shemot	5:23 PM
Jan. 12	4:28 PM	4:25 PM	Va'era	5:30 PM
Jan. 19	4:36 PM	4:30 PM	Bo	5:38 PM

**RSVP for Sisterhood's Chanukah Dinner
on December 10th**

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Raffle Basket

Everyone is invited to attend Rabbi Krasner's Live and/or Zoom classes . . .

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

MONDAY

Chair Yoga with Suzanne Turrisi - 10:00 AM

TUESDAY Please note that we will not have classes on October 31 and November 7. Classes resume November 14

We will study **The Collected Writings of Maimonides, *The Eight Chapters of Ethics*** - 10:30 AM. This class is presented in a hybrid form. Maimonides has been considered one of the greatest Jewish Philosophers, Fundamentalists and Teachers of all time. What made Maimonides and his teachings so respected and cherished throughout all of the ages. Join us as discuss the Maimonidean philosophy, and study together his classic works.

Conversational Hebrew 101 - 11:45 AM

Reading Hebrew 102 (Pronunciation) followed by Hebrew 201 (Siddur) - 6:00 PM

THURSDAY

Chair Yoga with Suzanne Turrisi - 10:00 AM

A Window into Yesteryear: The lives they lived, the Torah they taught - 7:00 PM. This class is a live and hybrid class. We will be examining what it was like living Jewish during different eras and lands, with a focus on their leaders. Dates to be announced for: *Portugal and Constantinople 1500s* [Doña Gracia]; *Israel 100s* [Rabbi Aki-va]; *Poland 1900s* [Sarah Schenirer]; *Jerusalem 1500s* [Rabbi Yosef Cairo]. **Please note that we will not have classes on November 2 and November 9.**

November 16, A Musical Community Challah Bake - Ladies only - with Tzirel Liba at 7:00 PM

MONTHLY PROGRAMS

SUNDAY

4K (Kvetching, Kvelling, Kibbitzing, Koffee) **Club** meetings are held the last Sunday of each month (November 19 and December 17) at 9:30 AM. This class is live and in-person.

THURSDAY











Yiddish Club - November 30 and December 21 at 11:00 AM. If you want to speak *a bisele*, to *chap a nosh*, to *shmooze then this club is for you*. The Yiddish club is a nostalgic trip to the times and culture of our *bubbies* and *zeydies*, mixed with Yiddish music, Yiddish comedy, Yiddish *lernin*, Yiddish *Hanae* as well as a look at how Yiddish is fairing in contemporary times. As with all events and programs spearheaded by Schomre Israel, this is intended to be open to all in the community. You don't need to be fluent in the language.

Hands on Judaism for the Foodie with Rabbi Krasner at 7:00 pm. We will take an inside look into the mitzvos and practices of kosher foods (with matching dinners). Class is free, RSVP for dinner (\$10.00pp).

11/30 - *Kosher Animals & Kosher Shofars*; 12/21 - *Kosher Birds*

November

2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Shabbos
29	30 	31 *Rambam – 10:30am *Conv Hebrew – 11:45am *Reading Hebrew 102 – 6p	1	2  *Portugal and Constantinople 1500s [Doña Gracia] – 7:00pm	3 M – 5:30pm CL – 5:29pm	4 Vayera SC – 6:29
5	6  Board Meeting 7pm	7 *Rambam – 10:30am *Conv Hebrew – 11:45am *Reading Hebrew 102 – 6p	8	9  *Israel 100s [Rabbi Akiva] – 7:00pm	10 Shacharis 8:30 M – 4:20pm CL – 4:21pm	11 Chayei Sarah SC – 5:22pm
12	13 	14 Rosh Chodesh Kislev Breakfast after Davening *Rambam – 10:30am *Conv Hebrew – 11:45am *Reading Hebrew 102 – 6p	15	16  Musical Community Challah Bake with Tzirel Liba	17 M – 4:15pm CL – 4:15pm	18 Toldos SC – 5:16pm Movie Night The Mossad (2019) - 7pm
19 4K Club 9:30am	20 	21 *Rambam – 10:30am *Conv Hebrew – 11:45am *Reading Hebrew 201 – 6p	22	23 Shacharis 8:30 	24 Shacharis 8:30 M – 4:10pm CL – 4:10pm	25 Vayetze SC – 5:11pm
26	27 	28 *Rambam – 10:30am *Conv Hebrew – 11:45am *Reading Hebrew 201 – 6p	29	30  Yiddish Club 11am Hands on Judaism for the Foodie Kosher Animals & Kosher Shofars - 7:00pm		

Notes:



- Yoga at 10am



Maariv at the Levines

* indicates primarily live, but zoom as well:








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M - Mincha; CL- Candle Lighting; SC – Shabbat concludes.

December

2023



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10 Schomre Chanukah Dinner – 5pm	11  L	12 *Rambam – 10:30am *Conv Hebrew – 11:45am *Reading Hebrew 201 – 6pm	13	14  *Jerusalem 1500s [Rabbi Yosef Cairo] 7:00pm	15 M – 4:05pm CL – 4:07pm	16 Miketz SC – 5:09
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24	25	26	27	28 	29 M – 4:15pm CL – 4:15pm	30 Vayechi SC – 5:17

Notes:



- Yoga at 10am

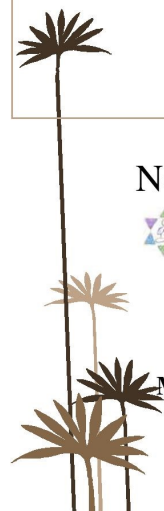


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Reservations are NOW being accepted !!

SISTERHOOD'S Chanukah Dinner

will take place on the
4th Night of Chanukah

Sunday, December 10, 2023
at 5:00 pm

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RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED

RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE AND PAID FOR
NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 29TH. (NO EXCEPTIONS)

ABC's of Chanukah (Hanukkah) from aish.com

Chanukah (Hanukkah), the Festival of Lights, begins on the 25th day of the Jewish month of Kislev, and lasts for eight days. On the secular calendar, Chanukah generally falls out in December.

1) A Bit of History

The Hebrew word Chanukah means "dedication." In the 2nd century BCE, during the time of the Second Holy Temple, the Syrian-Greek regime of Antiochus sought to pull Jews away from Judaism, with the hopes of assimilating them into Greek culture. Antiochus outlawed Jewish observance — including circumcision, Shabbat, and Torah study — under penalty of death. As well, many Jews — called Hellenists — began to assimilate into Greek culture, taking on Greek names and marrying non-Jews. This began to decay the foundation of Jewish life and practice.

When the Greeks challenged the Jews to sacrifice a pig to a Greek god, a few courageous Jews took to the hills of Judea in open revolt against this threat to Jewish life. Led by Matitياهو, and later his son Judah the Maccabee, this small band of pious Jews led guerrilla warfare against the Syrian-Greek army.

Antiochus sent thousands of well-armed troops to crush the rebellion, but after three years the Maccabees beat incredible odds and miraculously succeeded in driving the foreigners from their land. The victory was on the scale of Israel defeating the combined super-powers of today.

Jewish fighters entered Jerusalem and found the Holy Temple in shambles and desecrated with idols. The Maccabees cleansed the Temple and re-dedicated it on the 25th of Kislev. When it came time to re-light the Menorah, they searched the entire Temple, but found only one jar of pure oil bearing the seal of the High Priest. The group of believers lit the Menorah anyway and were rewarded with a miracle: That small jar of oil burned for eight days, until a new supply of oil could be brought.

From then on, Jews have observed a holiday for eight days, in honor of this historic victory and the miracle of the oil. To publicize the Chanukah miracle, Jews add the special Hallel praises to the Shacharit service, and light a menorah during the eight nights of Chanukah.

2) Lighting Instructions

In Ashkenazi tradition, each person lights his own menorah. Sefardi tradition has just one menorah per family.

What Menorah to Light

To publicize which night of Chanukah it is, all eight candles on the menorah should be at the same height — and preferably in a straight line. Otherwise, the candles may not be easily distinguishable and may appear like a big torch.

In addition to the eight main lights, the menorah has an extra helper candle called the "Shamash." As we are forbidden to use the Chanukah lights for any purpose other than "viewing," any benefit is as if it's coming from the Shamash.

Since the Shamash does not count as one of the eight regular lights, your menorah should have the Shamash set apart in some way — either placed higher than the other candles, or off to the side.

What Candles to Light

The most important thing is that that your candles must burn for at least 30 minutes after nightfall. (Those famous colored candles barely qualify!) Many Jewish bookstores sell longer colored candles.

Actually, it is even better to use olive oil, since the miracle of the Maccabees occurred with olive oil. Glass cups containing oil can be placed in the candle holders of any standard menorah. Many Jewish bookstores even sell kits of pre-measured oil in disposable cups.

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Where to Light

To best publicize the miracle, the menorah is ideally lit outside the doorway of your house, on the left side when entering. (The mezuzah is on the right side; in this way you are "surrounded by mitzvot.") In Israel, many people light outside in special glass boxes built for a menorah.

If this is not practical, the menorah should be lit in a window facing the public thoroughfare.

Someone who lives on an upper floor should light in a window. If for some reason the menorah cannot be lit by a window, it may be lit inside the house on a table; this at least fulfills the mitzvah of "publicizing the miracle" for the members of the household.

Since the mitzvah occurs at the actual moment of lighting, moving the menorah to a proper place *after* lighting does *not* fulfill the mitzvah.

When to Light

The preferable time to light the menorah is at nightfall. It is best to light in the presence of many people, which maximizes the mitzvah of "publicizing the miracle" and adds to the family atmosphere. The menorah can still be lit (with the blessings) late into the night, as long as people are still awake.

The menorah should remain lit for at least 30 minutes after nightfall, during which time no use should be made of its light.

On Friday afternoon, the menorah should be lit 18 minutes before sundown. And since the menorah needs to burn for 30 minutes into the night, the candles used on Friday need to be bigger than the regular "colored candles" (which typically don't burn longer than a half-hour).

How to Light

On the first night, place one candle at the far right, as you face the menorah. This applies whether the menorah is placed next to a doorway or by a window.

Another candle is placed for the Shamash (taller helper candle) which is used to light the others. It is not counted as one of the candles.

First light the Shamash, then recite the blessings, and then use the Shamash to light the Chanukah candle.

On the second night, place two candles in the two far-right positions — and use the Shamash to light the **left** one first.

The third night, place three candles in the three far-right positions — and use the Shamash to light them in order, from left to right.

Follow this same procedure each night of Chanukah... until all the lights are kindled and glowing brightly!



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The first two blessings are said with the *Shamash* already lit, but immediately prior to lighting the Chanukah candles.

Blessing #1

Baruch ata Ado-noi Elo-heinu melech ha-olam, Asher kid-shanu bi-mitzvo-sav, Vi-tzee-vanu li-had-leek ner shel Chanukah.

Blessed are You, the Lord our G-d, King of the universe, Who sanctified us with His commandments, and commanded us to kindle the Chanukah light.

Blessing #2

Baruch ata Ado-noi Elo-heinu melech ha-olam, Shi-asa nee-seem la-avo-seinu, Baya-meem ha-haim baz-man ha-zeh.

Blessed are You, the Lord our G-d, King of the universe, Who made miracles for our forefathers, in those days at this season.

Blessing #3 This blessing is said on the first night only.

Baruch ata Ado-noi Elo-heinu melech ha-olam, Sheh-he-che-yanu vi-kee-yimanu Vi-hee-gee-yanu laz-man ha-zeh.

Blessed are You, the Lord our G-d, King of the universe, Who has kept us alive, sustained us, and brought us to this season.

The following paragraph is said **each night, after the first light has been kindled:**

Ha-nerot ha-lalu anach-nu mad-likin Al ha-nissim vi-al hanif-laot Al ha-tshu-ot vi-al ha-milchamot She-asita la'avo-teinu Ba-yamim ha-heim, ba-zman ha-zeh Al ye-dey kohan-echa haki-doshim.

Vi-chol shmonat ye-mey Chanukah Ha-nerot ha-lalu kodesh heim, Ve-ein lanu reshut li-heesh-tamesh ba-hem Ela leer-otam bilvad Kedai le-hodot u-li-hallel li-shimcha Al ni-secha vi-al niflo-techa vi-al yeshua-techa.

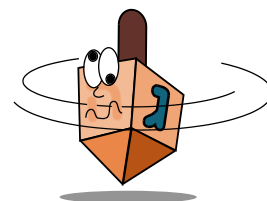
We kindle these lights for the miracles and the wonders, for the redemption and the battles which You performed for our forefathers in those days at this season through Your holy priests. During all eight days of Chanukah these lights are sacred, and we are not permitted to make ordinary use of them, but only to look at them—in order to express thanks and praise to Your great name, for your miracles, Your wonders, and Your salvations.

3) Other Customs

After lighting the Chanukah menorah, families enjoy sitting in the glow, singing and recalling the miracles of yesterday and today. The first song traditionally sung after lighting the candles is *Maoz Tzur (Rock of Ages)* (PLEASE VISIT AISH.COM FOR AUDIO AND LYRICS).

A number of other customs have developed, including:

- eating "oily" foods like fried potato latkes (pancakes) and *sufganiyot* (jelly donuts), in commemoration of the miracle of the oil
- giving Chanukah gelt (coins) to children
- spinning the dreidel, a four-sided top with a Hebrew letter on each side (*sivivon* in Hebrew)



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What is the origin of the dreidel?

In times of persecution when Torah study was forbidden, Jewish children would learn anyway. When soldiers would investigate, the children would pull out a dreidel and pretend to be playing.

The letters on the dreidel are *nun*, *gimmel*, *hey*, *shin* — the first letters of *Nes Gadol Haya Sham* — "A Great Miracle Happened There." (In Israel, the last letter is a *Pey* — "Here.") One way to play dreidel is to see who can keep theirs spinning for the longest time. Or alternatively, to see how many dreidels you can get spinning simultaneously.

Another version of dreidel is where players use pennies, nuts, raisins, or chocolate coins as tokens or chips. Each player puts an equal share into the "pot." The first player takes a turn spinning the dreidel. When the dreidel stops, the letter facing up determines:

- *Nun* — nothing happens; the next player spins the dreidel
- *Gimmel* — the spinner takes the pot
- *Hey* — take half the pot
- *Shin* — add one to the pot



(Alternatively, you can play where everyone spins their own dreidel simultaneously. Anyone who gets *Nun* takes 2 from the pot; *Gimmel* takes 1 from the pot; *Hey* puts 1 into the pot; *Shin* gives 1 to the person on his/her right.)

On Chanukah we add "Al Ha'nisim" — an extra paragraph which describes the Chanukah miracle — to the *Amidah* prayer, and also to the Grace After Meals.

Happy Chanukah!

The Joyous Festival of
Chanukah
is approaching!

THE FIRST CANDLE IS LIT ON
THURSDAY NIGHT,
DECEMBER 7, 2023

With the family gathered around
light the candle with joy and thanks-
giving - sing 'Maoz Tzur' loudly -
discuss the miraculous events of the
Chag and thank Hashem for his
chessed.

(SEE *BIRNBAUM SIDDUR*, PG. 709)

THE FAST OF ASARA B'TEVET

The Fast of Asara B'Tevet
(the 10th of Tevet)
falls this year on
Friday, December 22, 2023

FAST BEGINS: 6:07 AM
FAST ENDS: 5:11 PM
(times are for 12603 zip code)



Congregation Schomre Israel extends a hearty Mazel Tov to . . .

Barry and Del Kricheff on the birth of a grandson.

Evelyn and David Horowitz on the birth of a great-grandson.

Shmuel Braun on his engagement. Shmuel was our hazaan for 2021 High Holiday services.

Setting up Sanctuary for the High Holidays



SAVE THE DATE . . .

Saturday Night at the Movies 7:00 PM:

November 18 - *The Mossad* (2019)

December 23 - Movie TBD
with Chinese delivery - \$15.00 per person.
Reservations must be made by December 12

January 20, 2024 - *The Two of Us* (1967)

February 17 - Movie TBD

March 9 at 7:30 PM- *Megilla Lester*

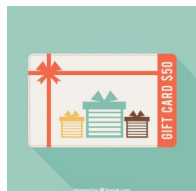
Updates or changes will be on our website
schomreisrael.org

SUGGESTED DONATION OF \$5 TO HELP DEFRAY COSTS

Setting up our Sukkah



Gift Cards



Have you thought of using gift cards for things other than your own shopping? They can be used for holiday, anniversary or birthday gifts. A “just because” gift card always brings a smile! The cards come in different denominations so you can choose the most appropriate one for your needs. Remember each gift card purchase results in a donation to the shul at no cost to you.

To order your gift cards, please use the form on page 14. If you want a card from a store not shown on the form, contact Len Grosman through the shul office (845.454.2890 or schomrel@aol.com). To place an order send the completed form with payment to Schomre Israel, 18 Park Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603. Your gift cards should be available within a week of receiving your order form.

What's going on with the **Jewish Social Action** Coalition

ACTS of TZEDAKAH to the WIDER COMMUNITY

Schomre Israel is an active member of the Jewish Social Action Coalition (JSAC), a group composed of members of Schomre Israel, Beth-El, Vassar Temple, Shir Chadash, and the Harding Club. Our Coalition is involved in a number of projects to address some of the needs of the wider community. We have just completed the Chanukah in August campaign co-sponsored by the JSAC and the Jewish Federation of Dutchess County. Our community responded generously to this campaign. We appreciate the donations of money and items that enabled us to provide clothing, school supplies and hygiene supplies to students at Morse School in the City of Poughkeepsie. We consulted with faculty and staff at the school to assess what was needed. We filled brand new backpacks with school essentials, donated and purchased many pairs of new socks, underwear, sweatpants, and sweatshirts for the children and provided some important hygiene supplies. We also donated a variety of other school supplies for the students.

Our synagogue, Schomre Israel, played an important role in the Chanukah in August campaign. We stored the boxes of the supplies in one of our classrooms and utilized our social hall to sort and pack up all that we collected for the school. Helping to pack and sort everything were a number of folks from our synagogue family.

JSAC also purchases food from The Food Bank of the Hudson Valley for distribution to 60 needy families from the population of the Morse School. This is done twice a month. In each delivery we have been able to supply approximately 1,300 pounds of nutritious food to designated students and their families.

Feeding the Hungry at the Homeless Shelter

The Sisterhood of Schomre Israel has been contributing to "Jewish Night" at the local homeless shelter. Once a month Sisterhood provides the funds for the purchase of fruit, most usually individual servings of applesauce, for the approximate 100 to 120 guests at the shelter. There is a great need for additional food volunteers. Here is some information that appeared recently in The Voice:

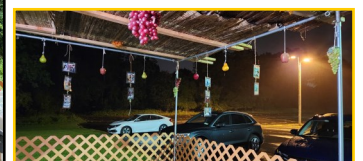
The local Jewish community's Adopt-a-Night at the homeless shelter in Poughkeepsie is the 4th Thursday of every month. Volunteers provide a designated main course dish and salads. The need for donated dishes is extremely great. We welcome new volunteers, each of whom usually provides enough food for 10 to 12 people. The usual procedure is for volunteers to drop off the food at our Jewish Night coordinator Judy Harkavy's home by that afternoon. Then Judy and helpers deliver it to the shelter.

We thank all who have participated over the 20+ years this project has been in operation. Non-Jewish friends and neighbors are invited to participate along with us in this mitzvah. We are all connected.

(For more information or to volunteer to help with the program at the shelter please contact Judy Harkavy at harkavyjudy@gmail.com.)



Working on our Sukkah



Happy Sukkot

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The Holiday's are coming...

Need help with Chanukah gift ideas? Having a few guests for latkes?
Going to a small gathering? Just need groceries for your family?

Your answer is here - -

Gift Card Order Form

Name:	Phone:	Email:
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STORE	VALUE	QTY	TOTAL
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Adams Fairacre Farms	\$50.00		\$
Barnes & Noble	\$10.00		\$
Barnes & Noble	\$25.00		\$
Best Buy®	\$25.00		\$
CVS/pharmacy	\$25.00		\$
Dunkin' Donuts	\$10.00		\$
JCPenney	\$100.00		\$
Kohl's	\$100.00		\$
Kohl's	\$25.00		\$
L.L.Bean	\$100.00		\$
Lowe's	\$100.00		\$
Lowe's	\$25.00		\$
Macy's	\$100.00		\$
Michaels	\$25.00		\$
Price Chopper	\$100.00		\$
Price Chopper	\$50.00		\$
Rite Aid	\$25.00		\$
ShopRite	\$100.00		\$
Staples	\$100.00		\$
Staples	\$25.00		\$
Stop & Shop	\$100.00		\$
Stop & Shop	\$50.00		\$
Target	\$25.00		\$
The Home Depot	\$100.00		\$
The Home Depot	\$25.00		\$
Walgreens	\$25.00		\$
Walmart	\$25.00		\$



Hamentashen Baking

Sisterhood's Hamentashen Baking will commence on
Sunday, January 7, 2024

Youth Aliyah

A very sincere thank you is expressed to all who contributed to Youth Aliyah

Yom Kippur Appeal

Thank you to all who responded to the *Yom Kippur* appeal and sent donations to Schomre Israel.



A continuing Sisterhood Fundraiser . . .

Cards by Stacey

Several samples are available for purchase in the Sisterhood Gift Shop; other cards are available upon request. Cards are \$5.00 (all proceeds go to Sisterhood).

Please contact the office, 845.454.2890 or schomre1@aol.com, for more information.



Please note...

To ensure you receive the Bulletin and other time sensitive information — please remember to notify the office (845.454.2890 or schomre1@aol.com) of your comings and goings!



SISTERHOOD NEWS

By this time, everyone should have received our 2023/2024 Calendar. We wish to thank Cassia and Stephan Brown for the superb job. A big thank you to everyone who helped us with this huge project and especially those who took ads or listed birthdays, etc. If you have not paid for your listing, please do so. Save us the cost of postage. If you do not know what you owe, call Cassia Brown, 845.452.8317, for that information. Once again, thank you all! This is a great fund raiser for Sisterhood and it helps us to continue our good work for the Shul.

Sisterhood is currently providing Kiddush every Shabbat and looks forward to seeing you at services.

HAMENTASHEN BAKING



We will start our hamentashen baking on Sunday, January 7, 2024. Anyone who wants to help with this project is welcome. Call Roberta Grosman, 845.471.5105, and tell her you want to join us. It is easy and you can learn in one lesson. You can roll, fill, pinch, or check the ovens! Join the crew on Sunday mornings. It is a lot of fun.

Please remember to order early so you get the flavors you want (see the order form on page 18).

THIS AND THAT

To send a Golden Book Card or Shrubbery Card, call Marcia Fishman, 845.471.1241, after 5:00 pm on weekdays. Golden Book cards, payable to Sisterhood, are \$5.00 and Shrubbery cards, payable to Schomre Israel, are \$5.00. You are supporting Sisterhood and the Shul when you purchase these cards.

Chanukah is just around the corner. You can get some of your gifts at the Gift Shop. We have several menorahs available, Chanukah candles from Israel, dreidels, and many other items. Newlyweds might need a menorah, Seder Plate, candlesticks, honey jar, or mezuzah. See what we have to offer.

Many thanks to the following for sponsoring kiddushes:

*Ahava & Steve Filak in celebration of
Annaliese becoming a Bat Mitzvah (10/1)*

*Keren & Michael Ritz in celebration of
Eliana becoming a Bat Mitzvah (10/7)*

Roberta and Len Grosman in celebration of their 60th Anniversary



Party Prep

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FORTY-FIRST HAMENTASHEN SALE

Schomre Israel Sisterhood of Poughkeepsie will once again be selling delicious Kosher, Pareve **HAMENTASCHEN** in time for PURIM. The *Hamentashen* are available in **Prune, Poppy Seed, Raspberry, Apricot, and Chocolate fillings**. The cost is **\$19.00 per dozen and \$12.00 per half dozen**. These hamentaschen will be available for pickup on SUNDAY, March 10th at the Synagogue, 18 Park Ave. between **11am and 1:00pm**. Special arrangements for pickup can be made.

REMEMBER "PURIM" IS MARCH 24, 2024. All orders MUST be Prepaid by March 1st.

In the past forty years of our sale, we have supplied numerous Poughkeepsie area households, local organizations as well as out of state ones with *Hamentashen* as well as providing the patients in the local hospitals and nursing homes with this traditional Purim food. We will fill both large and small orders. Orders can be filled for Sunday Schools, Sisterhood meetings, etc.

We are also making **Shaloch Monot Baskets** which contain *Hamentash*, candy, nuts, fruit, and a beverage. **The cost is \$27.00**. If you wish the basket or just *Hamentash* mailed, there is a **\$18.00 shipping charge**.

To order your hamentashen, please fill out the form below and mail back. To avoid missing out on your favorite flavors remember to send in your orders early. For more info: **rgrosman@aol.com**

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PRICE: \$19.00 DOZEN
\$12.00 HALF DOZEN

I WANT TO ORDER:

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_____ doz. PRUNE

_____ doz. APRICOT

_____ doz. POPPY SEED

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_____ **SHALOCH MONOT BASKETS**
(\$27 + \$18.00 shipping)

ENCLOSED IS MY CHECK \$ _____

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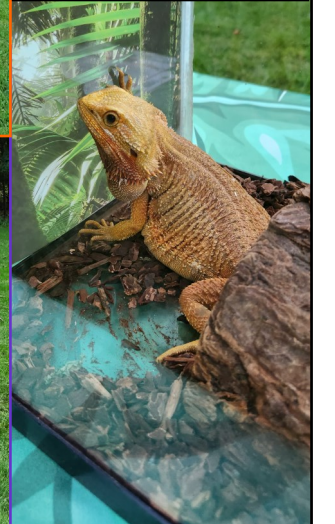
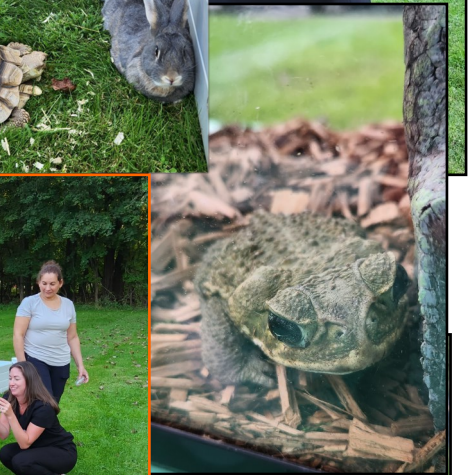
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2024

October 4, 2023

PJ Library Pasta and Petting Zoo

Two by Two Animal Haven provided the petting zoo



Please daven for our Schomre Families called in War:

Evyasar Shalom ben Leah

Yaakov Daniel ben Avigayil

Yoni Schneider

Avi Nattan ben Beila Miriam

Yonaton Yizchak ben Yocheved

Shira Dina bas Yocheved

Ofir ben Nurit

Tai Garber

Shay Graber

Gamliel Yehoshua ben Miriam Rivka

or, <https://ncsy.org/prayforidf/>

A few ways to help in our struggle for Survival:

Charities:

Orthodox Union (verified) - <https://upreaching.com/israel/Orthodox-Union?spMailingID=35157660>

National Council of Young Israel (verified) - <https://youngisrael.org/donations/support-the-idf>

For a friend's brother's platoon to have protective gear (verified) <http://www.levlachayal.org/donate>
*Important!! Please add in the message box "For Simcha Lubling platoon"

Protective Vests (verified) <https://www.theyeshivaworld.com/news/headlines-breaking-stories/2230378/the-vest-shortages-an-urgent-need.html>

Taking Action:

Reach out to your representatives, local, state and federal and write to them or call them to support/continue support Israel till the end. <https://actnow.ajc.org/WV0VGeA> <https://www.house.gov/representatives/find-your-representative>, <https://nyassembly.gov/mem/search/> <https://www.nysenate.gov/find-my-senator>, etc

Reach out and thank President Biden for his support of Israel: <https://advocacy.ou.org/rabbi-moshe-hauer-take-action-thank-president-biden-for-his-support-of-israel>

Spiritually Adopt a Soldier <https://ncsy.org/standwithisrael>

Call out the Red Cross to ensure that the Israeli hostages are okay: <https://www.icrc.org/en/contact#media-contacts>

Join rallies when our leaders promote them
Prayers, Tehillim and Mitzvos can have a huge effect
Stay Vigilant, Safe, and Aware



THE FRISCH SCHOOL
ישיבת פריש
The Henry & Esther Swieca Family Campus

Dear Students and Parents,

Local psychologists have reached out to us and informed us that the Israeli government is urging parents to tell their children to delete Instagram and Tik Tok immediately. We strongly advise our students to do the same as soon as possible. Terrorists are expected to release distressing videos of hostages begging for their lives. People who follow Jewish or Israeli influencers may stumble upon them. As one Israeli psychologist has noted, "The videos and testimonies we are currently exposed to are bigger and crueler than our souls can contain."

Rabbi Eli Ciner, Principal



Avi Mayer אבי מאיר
@AviMayer

I just read an account by an El Al crew member.

An Orthodox Jewish man who preferred to remain anonymous stood quietly near the El Al counter at New York's JFK Airport yesterday.

Anyone who showed him an IDF call-up notice got his ticket paid for.

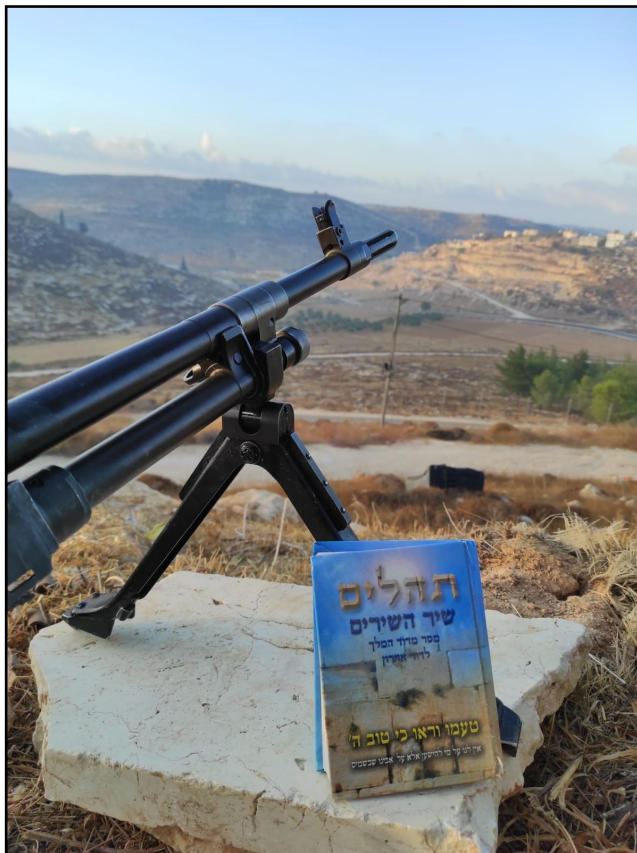
He paid for 250 tickets.

2:27 PM · 10/10/23 · 109K Views

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Igor Cocteau [@Igor_Cocteau](#) · 10m
Not all heroes wear capes. Some wear yarmulkes



This.

Hamas: "WE WANT TO KILL YOU"

Okay, I'll seal you off from us so you can't kill us. You can manage yourselves and we'll provide aid and electricity for free.

Hamas: "WHAT?+ THIS IS A SIEGE! OPEN AIR PRISON! GENOCIDE!"

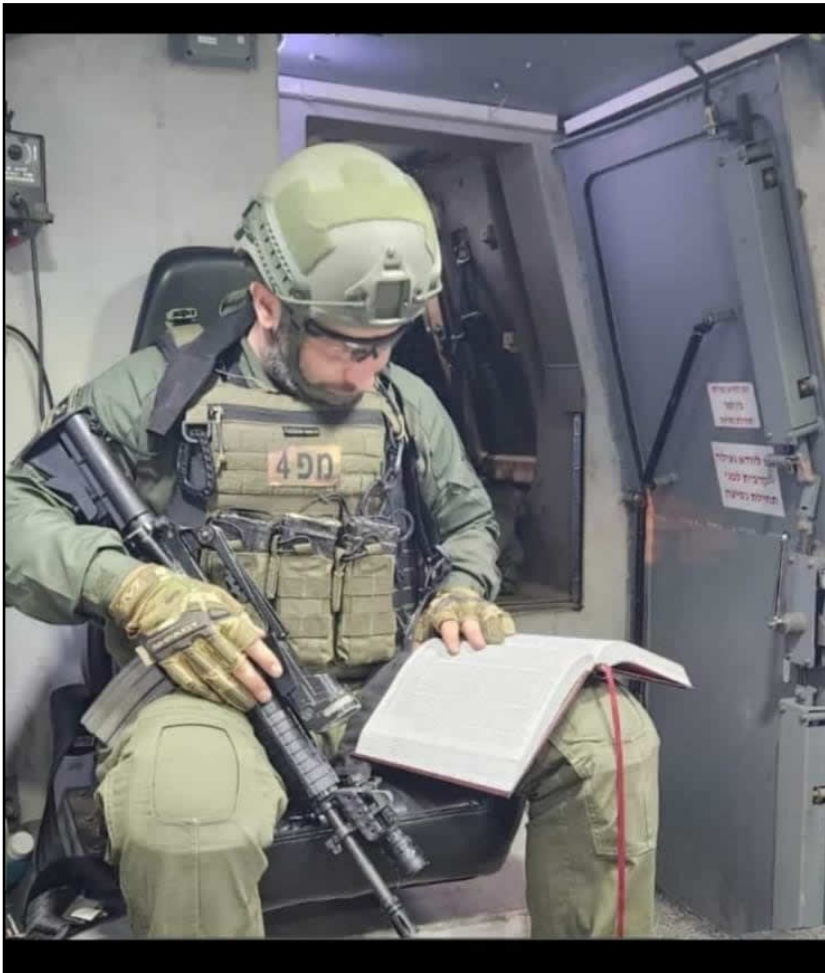
If we let you out, will you kill us?

Hamas: "YES. WE WILL KILL EVERY JEW WE FIND."

Okay. No.

Hamas escapes and kills every Jew they find.

Islamic World: "See, they did this because you built this wall. Israel, this is your fault."



Received from the WhatsApp group of a friend in Poughkeepsie

In these times of incredible suffering, it is difficult to know with certainty what Hashem expects from us, but on the other hand, *here is what the soldiers who are on the front expect from us.* I am forwarding to you the English translation of a letter from a soldier in Gaza:* 📌

Today our hearts beat with fear. Who among us is going to die? And who will return safe and sound?

We are your messengers in battle. We fight so that you can live in peace with your children. So you can stay alive. We are your protection. Will you be one of us? We go on this dangerous mission knowing that some of us will not return, but will ascend to our next position in a storm to heaven, as Eliyahu the prophet did. We go there with devotion and dedication.

We ask you to be our protection through your prayers. Protect us by going beyond yourselves through spirituality and good deeds.

Pray for us. Pray that you will not see another mother bury her son.

Pray that you will not see our women as widows raising our children in tears. Pray that our children will grow up knowing who their fathers are. Pray that we eliminate the terrorists who aim to destroy us, and that we do not harm innocent women and children.

Please, we implore you, as you read this, don't just move on to the next thing you do.

Say a chapter of psalms. Awaken King David to ask the Almighty for full redemption and peace for the whole world. Take upon yourself another good deed.

And please pass this on. I am sure your prayer will make a difference.

Remember, we are in this together. We are on the front lines with weapons and you fight with us in your prayers. Every word of your prayer gives us strength, protection and success.

Let's live up to what he asks of us! May we hear good news and may Hashem have mercy on us.



The power of Tzizit

We need to flood the media with good news!

His name is Guy, he was off duty and celebrating simchas Tora, when he heard what happened, so he jumped in a police car and together they headed south, a long the way killing several terrorists, and evacuating a wounded soldier. They were being shot from all directions and were eventually shot in their legs, they stopped the car and rolled into a ditch, from there he and the officer kept killing terrorists. Then he made himself a field tourniquet and waited for our soldiers to come. When the Israelis found him, he was laying there surrounded by 20 dead terrorists, the Israelis thought he was one of the terrorists, he had no koach to even say he's israeli, and they were about to shoot him, the someone cried out, WAIT he's wearing TZITZIS, he's Jewish! So they evacuated them and brought them to a hospital, he's currently recovering.



"You cannot negotiate peace with somebody who has come to kill you."

Golda Meir

"Israel was not created in order to disappear– Israel will endure and flourish."

John F. Kennedy



**MANY THANKS TO THOSE WHO
CONTRIBUTED TO SCHOMRE ISRAEL:**

In appreciation of the inspiring High Holiday Services
and the warmth of the congregation
Estee Altman and Ron Sorenson.

In memory of their parents, David and Beatrice Brown
and Leon and Shirley Ladman
Cassia and Stephan Brown.

- In memory of his beloved grandmother, Leah Reimer
- Shana Tova to the congregation
Meri and Jeffrey Chick.

In memory of her beloved father, Jack Davis
Stephanie Davis.

In memory of Judith and David Effron
Sara Effron.

In appreciation of the congregation, sisterhood and
Rabbi Krasner
Ahava and Steve Filak.

In honor of Cassia and Stephan Brown's son and
daughter-in-law, Teddy and Samantha
Marcia Fishman.

In memory of her mother, Henrietta Berkman
Karen Kahn.

In memory of . . .
her dear husband, Sherman Smith
her beloved parents, Anne and Sid Berkowitz
her dear in-laws, Bessie and Abe Smith
Phyllis Berkowitz-Smith.

In memory of Israel Korfman
Dr. Martin Korfman.

In honor of . . .
• the birth of their great grandson
• Rabbi Krasner

In gratitude of all their friends who help them

In memory of...
their loved ones
Isaac Halpern
Ted Horowitz
David Kessler
Larry Robles
Henry Seiden
Evelyn and David Horowitz.

In appreciation of receiving an aliyah on Yom
Kippur
Felipe Knop.

In memory of his father, Saul Kronberg
Kenneth Kronberg.

In memory of her beloved grandmother, Lena
Kantrowitz
Rena Miller.

In appreciation of receiving an honor on Rosh
HaShanah
Brion Shapiro.

- In memory of . . .
his beloved aunt, Debra Shapiro
his beloved grandfather, Lawrence Shapiro
- Mazel Tov to Annaliese on becoming a Bat
Mitzvah
Joshua Shapiro.

Mazel Tov to Annaliese on becoming a Bat
Mitzvah.
Rose, Brion, & Joshua Shapiro and Amanda

In appreciation of . . .
• Rabbi Krasner and all he does for us, our
Schomre Family and the community
• Ahava and Steve Filak and Sisterhood for the
lovely Bat Mitzvah Luncheon in honor of Annaliese
• Alexander Rabinowitz and Chanina
Wachman for adding their voices to our prayers this
High Holiday season

In memory of . . .
• our dear friend, Ida Kronberg
• our dear friend and Rabbi, Eric Kaye
Wishing Eliana Ritz a happy birthday and Mazel
Tov on becoming a Bat Mitzvah
Rose and Brion Shapiro.

- In memory of her beloved husband, Marvin
- In appreciation of Len Grosman
Linda Skolnik.

In appreciation of opening the ark on September 2
Annaliese.

In memory of...
her beloved father, Saul Kronberg
her beloved aunts, Esther, Fay and Ida
Susan Winer.



CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCHOMRE ISRAEL con't:

La Shana Tova to

- Rabbi Krasner and our Schomre family
- Happy Birthday to . . .

- Abe Weisfelner (10/6)
- Steve Spira (10/15)
- Irving Baum (10/20)
- Jacqueline Dunn (10/24)
- Ellie Korfman (12/15)
- Myra Stoner (12/31)
- Hal Warren (12/19)

Happy Anniversary to . . .

- Sam and Lillian Levine (11/2)
 - Len and Roberta Grosman (11/3)
 - Lee and Michelle Klein (11/10)
 - Marty and Ellie Korfman (11/29)
 - Ron and Natalie Markowitz (10/28)
- Marsha Sandy Weiner
Jackie Dunn.

Just because...

Donna and Felipe Pistiner.

GOLDEN BOOK CARDS WERE SENT TO:

Jessica & Aharon Rothman - Wishing them Happy Anniversary

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Debbie & David Sullum & Family
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Ros Fox.

Linda Skolnik - In memory of Marvin Skolnik
Evelyn & David Horowitz.

Sharon & Harold Warren - Mazel Tov on greeting their new baby grandson

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Barry Kricheff - Wishing him a speedy & complete recovery from his back surgery

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The family of Hugh Ehrenzweig - In his memory

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Marsha Weiner & Jackie Dunn.

GOLDEN BOOK CARDS continued:

Rabbi Eliezer Langer - In memory of his beloved sister, Mrs. Rebecca Balsam

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 Barbara & Irwin Lifshy.

Irv Baum - Our wishes for the best outcome of your cataract surgery

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 Sharon & Hal Warren
 Lillian & Sam Levine
 Linda Skolnik
 Ros Fox
 Marsha Weiner & Jackie Dunn
 Ellie & Marty Korfman.

Cantor Alexander Rabinowitz - Yasher Koach! Thank you for helping to provide a very meaningful service at Schomre Israel on Yom Tovim

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 Holly Hummel
 Lillian & Sam Levine.

Irwin Lifshy - Wishes for his speedy & complete recovery

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 Michelle & Lee Klein.

Evelyn and Dave Horowitz - Mazel Tov on becoming the great-grandparents of a new baby boy. What a wonderful way to start the new year

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 Sandy & Lee Corwin
 Sharon & Hal Warren
 Jane Friedland
 Stephen Kaplan
 Debbie & David Sullum & Family
 Roberta & Len Grosman
 Linda Skolnik
 Ellie & Marty Korfman
 Marsha Weiner & Jackie Dunn
 Cassia & Stephan Brown.

Cantor Chanina Wachman - Yasher Koach! Thank you for helping to provide a very meaningful service at Schomre Israel on Yom Tovim

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GOLDEN BOOK CARDS continued:

Del and Barry Kircheff - Mazel Tov on becoming grandparents to a little baby boy. What a great way to begin the new year

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SHRUBBERY CARDS WERE SENT TO:

Barry Kricheff - Wishing him a speedy & complete recovery from his back surgery

Rose & Brion Shapiro.

Irwin Lifshy - Wishes for his speedy & complete recovery

Rose, Brion and Joshua Shapiro
 Holly Hummel
 Marcia Fishman.

Rabbi Eliezer Langer - In memory of his beloved sister, Mrs. Rebecca Balsam

Rose and Brion Shapiro
 Holly Hummel
 Ros Fox
 Marcia Fishman.

Cantor Alexander Rabinowitz - Yasher Koach! Thank you for helping to provide a very meaningful service at Schomre Israel on Yom Tovim

Rose and Brion Shapiro & Annaliese.

Cantor Chanina Wachman - Yasher Koach! Thank you for helping to provide a very meaningful service at Schomre Israel on Yom Tovim

Rose and Brion Shapiro & Annaliese.

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Rose and Brion Shapiro & Annaliese
 Holly Hummel
 Marcia Fishman.

SHRUBBERY CARDS continued:

Evelyn and Dave Horowitz - Mazel Tov on becoming the great-grandparents of a new baby boy. What a wonderful way to start the new year

Rose & Brion Shapiro and Annaliese
 Holly Hummel
 Marcia Fishman.

Marcia Fishman - Thank you for all you do!

Rose, Brion and Joshua Shapiro & Annaliese.

A reminder...

You can support the Shul by purchasing:

Chair Plaque \$175

Yahrzeit Plaque:
 Member \$300
 Non-Member \$350

Tree of Life:
 Leaf \$175
 Apple/Acorn \$550
 Crested Apple \$750
 Crested Acorn \$750
 Golden Apple \$950
 Golden Acorn \$950

Siddur \$60

Chumash \$60

Mezuzah Parchment \$50

Shrubbery Card \$5
 (payable to: Schomre Israel)

Golden Card \$5
 (payable to: Sisterhood)

IN HONOR OF or IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE.

Other options...

Gift Cards (scrip) (see page 15 for cards available)

Yahrzeits for November 2023

03	Carl Silber
	Abraham Weiss
04	Sidney Osofsky
05	Esther Rose Grossman
	Katie Schudroff
06	Sol Pollack
08	Toby Kessler
	Irwin Moskowitz
11	Myer Budman
12	Ed Bernstein
13	Morris Danto
15	Adele Chick
	Ida Kronberg
19	Baruch Carpet
	Louis Alex Koffman
21	Irving Lerner
24	Lillian 'Lee' Efron
25	Stanley Fox
26	Beatrice Brown
	Yeshayahu May
28	Aida Gamberg
	Brycha Karchevskaya
	Martha Kessler
29	Hyman Goldstein
30	Leo Kessler

Yahrzeits for December 2023

02	Sirel Lenrow
03	Rita Kaplan
	Rosalie Millman
04	Laura Stein
05	Oscar Klein
	Shirley Koffman
06	Samuel Eisenstadt
	Meyer Horowitz
	Sherman Smith
10	Zisel Halpern
	Lena Horowitz
11	Theodore Klein
	Essie Schiller
12	Samuel Gollin
13	Tillie Chick
	Pearl Klein
14	William Lutsky
15	Theodore Fox
16	Rabbi Eric Kaye
17	Irving Aber
20	Leonard Eisner
22	Anne Lutsky
23	Marvin Bennett
27	Norman Weinberg
28	Sol Davis
29	Ruth Kricheff
30	Ruth Radovsky
	Edna Silber
	Jay Harold Weiner
31	Bertha Moshkovich

CONDOLENCES

Our sincere condolences
are extended to
Joy Ehrenzweig and family
on the passing of her husband,
Hugh Ehrenzweig

**Fall / Winter Davening Schedule**

After many discussions, campaigning, wrangling and conspiracies, we have met and decided to set the weekday davening times as follows:

Shacharis (weekdays): 7:00 AM

Shacharis (Sundays and Holidays): 8:30 AM

Kabbalat Shabbat: around candle lighting time

Shacharis Shabbat: 9:00 AM