Shabbat Shalom!

Friday, June 25
7:00 am: Shacharit
Indoors and via Zoom https://zoom.us/j/713951311
6:30 pm: Mincha Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv
Candle lighting: 8:11 pm

Shabbat, June 26
9:00 am: Shacharit
8:10 pm: Mincha/Maariv
Havdalah: 9:13 pm

Sunday, June 27
Fast of Tammuz
4:05 am: Start of Fast
9:00 am: Shacharit
8:05 pm: Mincha/Maariv
9:08 pm: End of Fast

Daily Shacharit
Monday & Thursday: 7:00 am
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 7:15 am

Daily Mincha/Maariv
Monday through Thursday: 8:20 pm

Tefillot on Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/713951311
passcode 613

Mazal Tov!
Adina & Adam Gabai, and big siblings Ben, Emmett & Zoe, on the birth of Kira Ayelet!

Have good news? Please email the Skokie Valley office so we can add to our weekly bulletin and email and share with the community!

Yahrzeits:
15 Tammuz/June 25 Fay Alter z"l (Bernard Alter)
15 Tammuz/June 25 Carol Gutstein z"l (Josh Gutstein)
16 Tammuz/June 26 Abraham Meyer z"l (Josephine Meyer)
16 Tammuz/June 26 Mollie Wishnoff z"l (Dorie Chez)
16 Tammuz /June 26 Rabbi Milton Kanter z"l (Matt Kanter)
17 Tammuz/June 27 Rose Weinstein z"l (Michael Weinstein)
18 Tammuz/June 28 Minnie Berkowitz z"l (Barry Berkowitz)
20 Tammuz/June 30 Claire Perlmans z"l (Josephine Meyer)
21 Tammuz/July 1 Seymour Weiss z"l (Ira Weiss)
21 Tammuz/July 1 Gary Anderson z"l (Michael Anderson)
21 Tammuz/July 1 Harry Grossman z"l (Shelly Auslander)

Thank you to our sponsors:
Kiddush & Seudah Shlishit: Matt and Michelle Kanter on the yahrzeit of Matt’s father and Skokie Valley founding rabbi Rabbi Milton Kanter z’l.

Seudah shlishit: Georges and Sol Elgrably on the yahrzeit of Georges’ brother Nessim Elgrably z’l.

For Update on Skokie Valley COVID-19 Policies in Light of New Government Guidance go to: https://www.svaj.org/covid-policy-5-21

Rav Ari will be away this summer for the following dates: the weekend of July 4th, and 7/19 - 7/26. For all general shul inquiries, please contact the office at 847-674-3473 or office@svaj.org. For rabbinic matters, please reach out to Rabbi Joe Ozarowski at ravjoe@gmail.com. In case of a rabbinic emergency please call Rav Ari at 312-315-9178.
Security Update

To increase security in the building, doors to the shul will now be locked at all times. Key cards will be operative and can be carried to shul to facilitate entrance into the building for weekday davening and on Friday evening prior to the start of Shabbat. The manual entry system is also operational. If you have questions about either, please ask Rav Ari.

On Shabbat morning, a guard and greeters will be at the main entrance to let people in for Shabbat morning services.

If you would like a key card, please contact the office at 847-674-3473, office@svaj.org

This Week at Skokie Valley

Shabbat, June 26

9:30-11:00 am: Outdoor, in person, drop-off groups for children ages 5-12 will be held in the big tent. Register here if you have not already registered for groups. All children must complete a one-time registration.

For the safety of all, children must either be in shul or in the tent during services and not playing unsupervised outside the building.

10:30 am: Tot Shabbat. On Shabbat morning, Tot Shabbat starts at 10:30 am in Timber Ridge Park, weather permitting. Bring a blanket and a mask for everyone over 2 who is not vaccinated, and join the growing Tot Shabbat community!

Two ways to join friends this Shabbat:

1. 11:15 am to 12:30 pm: Kiddush will be held under the big tent
2. 4-6 pm: Oneg Shabbat will be hosted by Ross and Alyssa Gordon, 9332 Hamlin Ave.

Click here to sponsor a kiddush or oneg!
As Rav Ari explained in his Shabbat drasha, to express your gratitude to someone in our community, click here!

Three Weeks of Love in Action with Solu

Every year, between 17 Tammuz and 9 Av, we remember the destruction of the Beit HaMikdash and the senseless hatred, *Sinat Chinam*, that caused its downfall. In Orot HaKodesh, Rav Kook wrote, “If we were destroyed, and the world with us, due to *sinat chinam*, baseless hatred, then we shall rebuild ourselves, and the world with us, with *ahavat chinam*, baseless love.”

This year, we invite you to join Solu for three weeks of *Ahavat Chinam*, unconditional love, in action. Over the course of these three weeks, there are many different opportunities to put more love into the world, including volunteering with our refugee neighbors, building the new Brightstar Family Literacy Center in Bronzeville, preparing food for the homeless, and more.

Click here for an article in *The Forward* about Rav Ari and Solu, "A Chicago Orthodox Rabbi Reaches out to his Rohingya and Black Neighbors."

Click the flyers below to register for these exciting events, and check out our suggestions for ways to bring *Ahavat Chinam* into the world from home!

We have space for 2-3 more families to register for the OU Relief Mission to Bettendorf, Iowa -- register now!

For more information or questions, contact Avidan Halivni at avidan@solu.us

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**Solu**

*Ahavat Chinam* at Home!

1. Week 1: Love your Neighbor
2. Week 2: Love the Stranger
3. Week 3: Love of God

Check out the full list of resources!

**INTERESTED?**
**EMAIL AVIDAN@SOLU.US**

**QUESTIONS? REACH OUT TO AVIDAN@SOLU.US**
Youth Department News

Shabbat @ 9:30-11:00 am: Outdoor, in person, drop-off groups for children ages 5-12 will be held in the tent every Shabbat, barring extreme weather. They will enjoy games and snacks in the tent under the supervision of Rosa Shanes and our madrichim. All children and staff must remain masked for the duration of groups except while eating snacks while socially distanced. **If you have not yet registered for groups, please do so here.** All children must complete a one-time registration. In the coming weeks we will expand the programming and duration of groups -- stay tuned!

For the safety of all, children must either be in shul or in the tent during services and not playing unsupervised outside the building.

Playground: The playground across the street will be unlocked and available during shul hours on Shabbat. Parents must attend to their children while on the playground. **Tot Shabbat starts at 10:30 am in Timber Ridge Park on Shabbat.**
JCFS and Skokie Valley
The past year has challenged our community in unprecedented physical, spiritual, emotional and financial ways. Our community has responded heroically to these needs with open hands and hearts. As an institution, we are always looking for more ways to respond to these needs and better strengthen and serve our members, and thus are excited to enter this partnership with JCFS Chicago! For more information, go to: https://www.jcfs.org/ Our liaison to JCFS is Elizabeth Ury, the Director of Jewish Community Engagement. You may contact Elizabeth directly at ElizabethUry@JCFS.org 847-745-5421.

Know someone who recently moved to Skokie who might be interested in our shul? Make sure to let the membership committee know! Please email Ari Berkowicz ariberk@gmail.com with relevant information and the committee will reach out!

Click to visit Skokie Valley’s YouTube Channel for all videos, including Rav Ari’s video drashot and Adult Ed classes.

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