Parshat Ki Tavo
16 Elul 5780

Shabbat Shalom!

Friday, September 4
7:15 am: Shacharit In social hall for pre-registered members only and via Zoom
https://zoom.us/j/713951311

6:00 pm: Kabbalat Shabbat with singing and Torah from Rav Ari
Zoom only
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6:45 pm: Kabbalat Shabbat Tefillah in Social Hall
for pre-registered members only
and also via Zoom:
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Candle lighting: 6:58 pm

Shabbat September 5
9:00 am: For pre-registered members only
Mincha: 6:55 pm
Havdallah: 7:59 pm

Welcome New Members!
Carol Goldstein
Hersh Friedman
Yosef Lifchitz & Family
Betty & Robert Katz

Yahrzeits:
16 Elul/Sept 5 Morris Kaplan z”l (Sylvia Kaplan)
16 Elul /Sept 5 Sam Horwich z”l (Elaine Lerman)
17 Elul/Sept 6 Mitchell Wolfinson z”l (Sima Miller)
17 Elul/Sept 6 Mollie Isaacson z”l (Beverly Rosenthal)
18 Elul/Sept 7 Mina Reisberg z”l (Selma Feder)
18 Elul/Sept 7 Shirley Turner z”l (Eugene Chez)
19 Elul /Sept 8 Sylvia Weiss z”l (Ira Weiss)
19 Elul/Sept 8 David Finestone z”l (William Finestone)
19 Elul/Sept 8 Esther Stulberg z”l (Rena Legator)
19 Elul/Sept 8 Lou Silverman z”l (Dorothy Cohen)
20 Elul/Sept 9 Louis Zolt z”l (Ruby Masters)
20 Elul/ Sept 9 Carol Levin z”l (Tova Garfinkel)

Daily Shacharit
9:00 am Sunday and Monday/Labor Day
7:00 am Thursday
7:15 am Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
Indoors for pre-registered members only and via Zoom
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Daily Mincha/Maariv
7:00 pm: Indoors for pre-registered members only and via Zoom
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Download our new mobile app, with links to our calendar and our virtual offerings:
https://www.svaj.org/getapp
Yom Kippur Appeal

As you know, the Yom Kippur Appeal is a vital and necessary part of our synagogue's operating budget that helps to support security, programming, staff salaries, and facility maintenance.

If you are one of the fortunate among us who are in position to give to the Yom Kippur Appeal this year, we ask that you please step up and consider a larger gift this year.

Donate by going to https://www.svaj.org/yom-kippur-appeal-2020

Please read the message from President Debbie Eisenstein: https://images.shulcloud.com/810/uploads/YKappealletterfinal82020.pdf

Elul Classes

Sunday mornings 8:30 am: Halacha with Rav Ari. Join our regular learning and discussion of the practice of Halacha and our daily lives, continuing with a focus on the High Holidays. https://zoom.us/j/713951311

Daily (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday) after Shacharit: Shaarei Teshuva--Rabbeinu Yonah. Attack the Rambam? You'd better do teshuva! Join us after communal tefillah for the study of Rabbeinu Yonah's classic work, Sha'arei Teshuvah (Gates of Repentance), written by Yonah of Gerondi to atone for his earlier attacks on Maimonides and to emphasize his repentance. With Rav Ari. In person and on Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/713951311

Wednesdays 9/9, and 9/16 at 8 pm: Weekly Spiritual Reflection with Rabbi Josh Feigelson
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Sunday 9/6 and 9/13 @ 10:00 am: Magic & Teshuvah: Magical thinking is a psychological term that refers to the idea that we can influence specific outcomes through actions that have no direct bearing on the circumstances. Together we will look at how our tradition views Magical Thinking. As we approach Rosh HaShana, we will explore two possible specific examples of Magical Thinking within Jewish practice. These practices, and magical thinking, can provide us with tools with which to approach these holy, powerful days. This 2-part class will be taught by our incoming rabbinic intern from Yeshivat Maharat, Yael Keller. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86178333023
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Sunday 9/6 and 9/13 and Thursday 9/24 at 7:00 pm: How to Daven at Home with our member Rabbi Michael Balinsky. What should people do who are unable to attend services for the High Holidays? To be honest, not being able to join with others to sing familiar melodies and experience the holiness of the day in community will be a loss. But the enchanting and commanding power of these days still calls out to us and demands that we respond as best as we are able. These sessions will review what and how we can pray at home and the genuine challenges that emerge from it. We will consider strategies to make these days meaningful even in a time of social isolation. Participants' input and ideas will be a valuable asset. Please have a Machzor you can use during the sessions.
Tefillah Registration

Pre-registration is required to attend weekday and Shabbat tefillot. Before registering, you must read our safety protocols here. Each participant must be a member and pre-registered.

For those who wish to participate, there are two steps that are required:

Step 1: Register for tefillah participation at Skokie Valley. We ask that those who registered for outdoor tefillah register again as we have updated the guidelines for indoor tefillah. Click here for tefillah registration. If you need help registering, please call the office 847-674-3473.

Step 2: Sign up for specific tefillot. You will receive a link to the sign up form when you complete your registration in step 1.

This Week’s Programming

Shabbat September 5:
10:30 am: Tot Shabbat in the Park! Join us as we safely meet outdoors with Tot Shabbat in the Park! Meet at Timber Ridge Park. Bring your own blanket/chairs and snacks. Pre-registration required! https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10WGaVg1uwMQqj47mFDexAckX3401JfM3snuxmbbcdY/edit#gid=0

This Shabbat! Popsicles and Parsha in Rav Ari’s back yard! Come for a popsicle - stay for a Dvar Torah!

Participants must rsvp to ravari@svaj.org

To facilitate social distancing, please arrive in the time window below:
4:30-5pm - If your last name starts with the letters A to G.
5-5:30pm - If your last name starts with the letters H to M.
5:30-6pm - If your last name starts with the letters N to S.
6-6:30pm - If your last name starts with the letters T to Z.

Social distancing required
Masks required on all participants over 2 when not eating their popsicles.
The Linden-Hart backyard can be accessed through Timber Ridge Park; it’s the blue house behind the big tree.
Sunday, September 6:
8:30 am: Halacha in Our Lives with Rav Ari  [https://zoom.us/j/713951311](https://zoom.us/j/713951311)

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Thursday, September 10:
11:15 am: Skokie Valley Lunch Club with Bobbie Winter:  Our focus this week will be on The Pandemic and Rosh Hashanah. How do you plan for the Holidays during a Pandemic? How do you find meaning by staying home? Is it worth it to go to an outdoor service, to an indoor service, and how can you safely invite others to your outdoor space?
These and other issues will be addressed this week and through the month of Elul towards enabling a meaningful holiday season. Please join us in this timely discussion, share your thoughts with others and gain insight into managing the holiday season during a pandemic.  [https://zoom.us/j/713951311](https://zoom.us/j/713951311)

12:00 pm: Stop giving yourself back pain! Zoom in with Jen Cohen, a Physical Therapist specializing in orthopedics. Learn how to take care of your body while working from home. We will do useful stretches and mobility exercises right from your desk. This will help you stay healthy and prevent injuries while working from your home office/dining room table/tv tray in the playroom.  [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87537313419](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87537313419)

8:00 pm: Haftorah of the Week. Join us for a discussion that explores the Haftorah, its significance, context and connections to the weekly Torah portion.  [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87522959697](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87522959697)
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Communal resources:
- Schedule some one on one time with Rav Ari
- Chicago Jewish Community Support
- COVID-19 and Domestic Abuse Resources
- COVID-19 and Child Abuse
- SHALVA COVID-19 Orthodox Outreach

Join our WhatsApp groups!
- Women of Skokie Valley
- Skokie Valley Chesed Corps
- Let's Share Torah

Beyond Skokie Valley

September 9 at 8 pm: Skokie Women’s Tefillah Group Zoom Tefillah Workshop with Rabbanit Sara Wolkenfeld. Prepare in Elul for the holidays, and enhance your personal prayer and understanding of the Rosh Hashanah tefillot. For details and registration: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScTrOhLSu6zqbf9PMVr3kDkwEKo4gbR8YXMo4pZyZvATJw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScTrOhLSu6zqbf9PMVr3kDkwEKo4gbR8YXMo4pZyZvATJw/viewform)

Maot Chitim wants to make sure that all families in need (any age) are registered in order to receive a gift card for Rosh Hashanah. If you know of any families that are not signed up, please contact Corinne Engelhart cor.engelhart@gmail.com or Joellyn at Maot Chitim tel. 847-674-3224 (mention Corinne).

Help The ARK’s food pantry out during the month of Elul! What’s most needed now is creamy peanut butter, jelly, oatmeal, and pasta. When you’re out shopping or ordering for the holiday, consider adding a few of these items into your basket or onto your order. The food pantry’s pod in the shul parking lot is difficult to open and close, and Bobbie Winter is happy to come by and pick up any donations or have them dropped off at her house to make it easier. Other staple items are always welcome and isolated non-listed items will be dropped into the clients shopping bags as an extra bonus.
Let’s see if Skokie Valley can get a carload of groceries to The ARK for Rosh Hashanah! The shul contact for The ARK is Bobbie Winter at rwinterlcs@gmail.com.
SKOKIE VALLEY AGUDATH JACOB PRESENTS

THE SHOFAR PROJECT

JOIN US • An Elul Intensive
A FREE, FOUR-WEEK ONLINE PROGRAM
Weekly Spiritual Reflection with Rabbi Josh Faigelsohn,
Wednesdays 8/24, 9/2, 9/9, and 9/16 at 8 pm

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SCAPEGOATS & Battlehorns

THE Roots of Rosh Hashana
AND
Yom Kippur in Tanach

JOIN US
Tuesdays, with Rabbi Ari Hart
Starting on Sept. 1 • 2PM

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September 1, 8 & 15, • 8pm • ZOOM

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HOW TO DAVEN
AT HOME

JOIN US
Join with Rabbi Michael Balinsky
Sundays, September 6 & 13, and Thursday 9-26 • 7pm • ZOOM

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MAGIC & TESHUVAH

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Sundays Sept. 9 & 13 • 10am • ZOOM

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