Parshat Zachor Terumah
8 Adar 5781

Welcome New Members!
Aviva & Aryeh Needle and family

Yahrzeits:
7 Adar/Feb 19 Miriam Masters z"l (Ruby Masters)
8 Adar/Feb 20 Ethel Zimberg z"l (Sy Nagorsky)
9 Adar/Feb 21 Robert Stein z"l (Michael Stein)
9 Adar/Feb 21 Sherry Katz Waitman z"l (Rachel Karp-Finkle)
10 Adar/Feb 22 Leonard Isaacson z"l (Barry Isaacson)
10 Adar/Feb 22 David Karoll z”l (Asher Karoll)
11 Adar /Feb 23 Robert Lapinsky z”l (Louis Pretekin)
11 Adar /Feb 23 Susan Levin z”l (Ryan Levin)
13 Adar/Feb 25 Mary Nagorsky z”l (Sy Nagorsky)

Save the date! A new Skokie Valley
Speaker will begin on March 16.
Details coming soon.

For the laws and Customs of Purim,
as well as the form for donating
Matanot Le’evyonim, go to
https://www.svaj.org/lc-purim

Shabbat Shalom

Friday, February 19
7:15 am: Shacharit
Indoors for those who have pre-registered only
and via Zoom https://zoom.us/j/713951311
passcode 613
5:19 pm: Kabbalat Shabbat
Indoors for those who have pre-registered only
Candle lighting: 5:09 pm

Shabbat, February 20
9:00 am: Shacharit
Indoors for those who have pre-registered only
5:05: Mincha/Maariv
Indoors for those who have pre-registered only

Havdala: 6:12 pm
Virtual Havdala: 6:30 pm
via Zoom https://zoom.us/j/713951311
passcode 613

Daily Shacharit
9:00 am Sunday
7:00 am Monday & Thursday
7:15 am Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
Indoors for those who have pre-registered only
and via Zoom https://zoom.us/j/713951311
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Daily Mincha/Maariv
5:20 pm Sunday to Thursday
Indoors for those who have pre-registered only
and via Zoom https://zoom.us/j/713951311
passcode 613

To register for in-person tefillot (members only):
https://www.svaj.org/form/tefillah-attendance.html
Purim Megillah Readings

Thursday, February 25:
6:15pm, 7:15pm, 8:15pm
Zoom: 6:15pm  https://zoom.us/j/713951311 passcode 613

Friday, February 26:
7:30am, 10:15am (Women's Megillah Reading), 12:00pm. All readings will also be on Zoom.
https://zoom.us/j/713951311 passcode 613

You must register and sign up for all in-person Megillah readings by going to https://www.svaj.org/form/megillah-attendance.html.

This Week at Skokie Valley

Motzei Shabbat, February 20
6:30 pm: Virtual Havdalah!  https://zoom.us/j/713951311 passcode: 613

Sunday, February 21
8:30 am: Halacha Shiur: Simcha and Sadness with Rav Ari. Fr
https://zoom.us/j/713951311 passcode 613

7:00 pm: An English Language Megillah: A Story of Halachic Accommodation. The third in the YCT Winter Learning Series Inyanei D'Yoma: Torah of Today. More details are in the flyers below. All sessions will be held on Zoom. Skokie Valley is proud to be a sponsor of this important series. Register for access: tiny.cc/yctorah.
**Monday, February 22**

8:00 pm: Virtual Purim Bingo! Fun for the whole family! Sign up for your Bingo cards at [https://www.svaj.org/purim-bingo-2021](https://www.svaj.org/purim-bingo-2021). Register your whole family! Deadline is noon on 2/22.

**Tuesday, February 23**

2:00 pm: *The Book of Genesis* with Rav Ari. [https://zoom.us/j/713951311](https://zoom.us/j/713951311) passcode: 613

**Thursday, February 25**

11:15 am: Mid-Day Break for Breath and Well-Being with Bobbie Winter: Have grey skies and escalating Covid reports got you down? Have you gone through your "to do" list and watched all the videos you care to see? Is it harder to motivate yourself for daily tasks? Then Skokie Valley has what you need: a mid-day break with a nice cup of coffee or tea and a mood-elevating 45 minutes with friendly people, along with guided breathing and relaxation to help you through the rest of the day. The group is looking forward to welcoming you. [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86100712972?pwd=STlpNWVnZG42S0ZFYTBTdmdyUHZRZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86100712972?pwd=STlpNWVnZG42S0ZFYTBTdmdyUHZRZz09) Passcode 613

6:15 pm: **Purim Paloozooom!**

- 6:15pm: Family Megillah Readings (please see SVAJ and KS websites for further information)
- 7:30ish: Community Costume Compilation video. Video will play on a loop from the conclusion of Megillah reading until 9pm
- 9:00pm: Entertainment by the hilarious and talented Comedian Eli Lebowicz. This show is recommended for bar/bat mitzvah age and older.

We can't celebrate together in person this year, so we still want to share the joy of Purim, and we need your help. It's easy: just add a 5 - 20-second video of your family celebrating below. Kids can share their costumes, do a dance, or show off a talent. Thank you for being a part of our community celebration! And here is the link to make the videos: [https://app.vidhug.com/how-do-you-celebrate-purim/Bk_tKCSeO/record](https://app.vidhug.com/how-do-you-celebrate-purim/Bk_tKCSeO/record)

Gourmet Hamen-tizer boxes filled with locally-sourced goodies! Sign up here for boxes and to sponsor! [https://www.svaj.org/purim-paloozoom-2021](https://www.svaj.org/purim-paloozoom-2021)
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Click to visit Skokie Valley’s YouTube Channel for all videos, including Rav Ari’s video drashot and Yael Keller’s Parsha Shiurim.

Know someone who recently moved to Skokie who might be a good fit for 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!

Community Use of Social Hall
After consultation with our medical committee, we have created a plan to make the social hall space available beyond tefillah. Members of the Skokie Valley community will now be able to register for activities that strictly follow safety guidelines in the social hall at appointed times. We have opened up 3 slots for use on Shabbat. Click here for more information and sign up form. Please note that up to 10 members may now sign up for a time slot together. Each household must sign the waiver.

Please note that, in order to keep everyone healthy, the shul office is still closed to walk-in visits. Please mail checks to the office, or put them in the mailbox next to the alley door. If you need to come to the office, please call Rose at 846-674-3473 to make an appointment. Rose and Carin are available by email and phone from 9am to 2pm Monday through Friday.

Thank you for your understanding.
This year, Yeshivat Chovevei Torah is featuring our rabbi and our community as part of their annual event From Vision to Mission: Rabbis Transforming Communities. The event is virtual and tickets start at $18. Please consider joining and supporting Rav Ari on March 7 at 8:00pm. To register and/or donate, go to https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=yctorah&id=40

Jewish Disability Awareness, Acceptance and Inclusion Month: A Call to Action
Jewish Disability Awareness Acceptance and Inclusion Month (JDAIM) is a time to raise awareness and champion the rights, gifts, and strengths of Jews with disabilities to be accepted and included in our community.

"You belong” has been woven through the fabric of JCC Chicago for over one hundred years. It is our commitment to provide inclusive opportunities designed to meet the needs of all our members and beyond. From Early Childhood to our day and overnight camps, to adult programming, inclusion of those with disabilities has always been at the forefront of our mission.

This February, along with the unified effort among many Jewish organizations around the world, we celebrate the multitude of inclusive programming we offer and that many families find belonging here. JCC Chicago is proud to offer several virtual programs throughout the month of February in honor of JDAIM. There are programs for all ages and all events are FREE of charge with the option to make a donation to help support JCC Chicago. We hope you join us! For a schedule of events and more information:
https://www.jccchicago.org/a-call-to-action/
Virtual Blood Drive has been extended! January 1 to February 28

In times when we can't be together in person, we can still be together in support of our community. In partnership with Kol Sasson, we’re hosting a virtual blood drive after having to cancel our in-person drives due to COVID-19. Sign up to donate blood as part of our virtual blood drive; you’ll get an email invitation to find a convenient donation site and pick your appointment!

Because of you, life doesn’t stop. Join us today: https://learn.vitalant.org/LP=148?utm_campaign=&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Eloqua&utm_content=&drive_code=SK30&division=NORTHEAST&region=CHI&elqTrackId=eddc87eba968bff38bff9f2e5a0ec15&elq=d5659a97275f4322a29401e6e067451c&elqaid=4277&elqat=1&elqCampaignId=&fbclid=IwAR2VaGHv4n41_XicJlbX4ecOtQXc9hP5yiC-22ar6-9hJdoXdnLPsSf4CA

COVID-19 Vaccine Pre-Registration Open for Skokie Residents

All Skokie residents age 18 and over, and healthcare workers employed at a Skokie healthcare provider, are invited to pre-register to receive a future notification from the Village's Health and Human Services Department when they qualify to make a COVID-19 vaccination appointment. The Village is following the guidelines of the Illinois Department of Public Health and will be providing free vaccinations in a multi-phased approach. For more information on these phases, click here. The Village will move to new phases as sufficient doses of the COVID-19 vaccine become available. Proof of Skokie residency and/or if applicable employment at a Skokie healthcare provider will be required to receive a vaccine. Each household member age 18 and over must complete this survey. Click here to access the COVID-19 Vaccination Pre-Registration site. Notification Sign Up: Sign up for COVID-19 Alerts when new information is posted on the website and be sure to also subscribe to SkokieNews for email advisories.

Community Counter would like to share a message from your Rabbis, doctors, and neighbors. Please take the time to watch it in full. Please also share this video far and wide—and encourage others to take the time to watch it, as well. Together, we can save lives. https://youtu.be/LnVGzyQ_PGM

We’re here to help! Community Counter (communitycounter.org) is a comprehensive Covid-19 resource for our Orthodox community. CC has an extensive list of testing resources and can assist if you have tested positive and would like support with meals, counseling, plasma trials or finding solid medical and public health guidance. You can help keep our community safer by completing a short survey (anonymously, if you prefer) for contact tracing. Please consider making a donation at https://www.communitycounter.org/donate. Endorsed by local Rabbanim, doctors and several public health depts. Questions? Call or text 847-986-0635, or email info@communitycounter.org. Thank you for partnering with us in protecting our community!

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