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Sunrise on the First Day of Shavuot will be at 5:33 AM!



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6/7 IYAR

MAY 22/23, 2026

**א' שבוטות
1ST DAY SHAVUOT**

אקדמות, the long Aramaic poem, is read before the Torah reading. Two Sifrei Torah. From first, five aliyot from Parshat Yitro (Exodus 19:1-20:23). From second, Maftir reads from Parshat Pinchas (Numbers 28:26-31), וביום הבכורים. Haftorah is Ezekiel 1:1-28 & 3:12.

THURSDAY EVENING

CANDLE LIGHTING	7:55 PM
MINCHA	8:00 PM
SHKIA	8:13 PM
TZAIT HAKOCHAVIM	8:53 PM

FRIDAY

VATIKIN	5:00 AM
SHACHARIT - MAIN	8:45 AM
LAST KRIAT SHEMA	9:13 AM
MINCHA	6:25 PM
SHABBAT CANDLES - PLAG	> 6:42 PM
MAARIV	6:42 PM
SHABBAT CANDLES - REG.	7:56 PM

**ב' שבוטות/יום שבת קודש
2ND DAY SHAVUOT/SHABBAT**

Megillat Rut. Two Sifrei Torah. From first, seven aliyot from Parshat R'ei (Deut. 14:22-16:17). From second, Maftir reads from Parshat Pinchas (Numbers 28:26-31), וביום הבכורים. Haftorah is Ezekiel 1:1-28 & 3:12. Yizkor.

SHABBAT

HASHKAMA	7:40 AM
HASKAMA - YIZKOR	≈ 8:45 AM
POST-HASHKAMA SHIUR	≈ 9:30 AM
SHACHARIT - MAIN	8:45 AM
LAST KRIAT SHEMA	9:13 AM
YIZKOR - MAIN	≈ 10:30 AM
PRE-MINCHA SHIUR	7:20 PM
MINCHA	8:00 PM
SHKIA	8:15 PM
MAARIV/HAVDALAH	9:00 PM

Rabbi Ely Shestack

SHAVUOT LEARNING

Tikkun Leil Shavuot ("It's a Machloket! - Great Rabbinic Debates"):

- (1) 11:00 PM: ARE MITZVOT FOR US OR GOD? (Rambam vs. Ramban on Shliuach Haken and its Shocking Implication for Contemporary Male/Female & Jewish/Muslim Head Covering),* Rabbi Shestack.
- (2) Midnight: NOT IN HEAVEN'S NAME (Moshe vs. Korach), Rabbi Rich Mayer.
- (3) 1:00 AM: WHO'S THE GOAT? (Beit Shamai vs. Beit Hillel), Zach Doberman.
- (4) 2:00 AM: TORAH OF THE CAVE OR THE WORLD (Rashbi vs. R' Yishmael), Shalom Brauser.
- (5) 3:00 AM: THEY'RE MORE THAN GOOD...THEY'RE GLATT! (Beit Yosef vs. Rama), Chayim Goldberg.
- (5) 4:00 AM: IT'S ELECTRIC! E-COMMERCE ON SHABBAT, Stephen Agress.

- And more:

- (1) THE DAY AFTER [PASSOVER] SHABBAT (Sadducees vs. Pharisees), following Mincha on Thur. night.
- (2) 50 IS THE NEW 50 (Sh'mita-Yovel vs. Omer-Shavuot), WOMEN ONLY, Sufian Residence, Friday, 4:00 PM.
- (3) Yizkor Drasha: What God Wants and How Do I Know?: The Origin of Argument.

	SUNDAY 5/24	MONDAY 5/25	TUESDAY 5/26	WEDNESDAY 5/27	THURSDAY 5/28	FRIDAY 5/29
WEEKDAY MINYONIM AT AHAVAT ACHIM						
SHACHARIT	8:00 AM	6:15 AM	6:25 AM	6:25 AM	6:15 AM	6:25 AM
2nd SHACHARIT	7:25 AM	7:25 AM	7:25 AM	7:25 AM	7:25 AM	7:25 AM
MINCHA/MAARIV	8:04 PM	8:05 PM	8:06 PM	8:06 PM	8:07 PM	6:36 PM
ZMANIM						
Earliest Talit	4:25 AM	4:24 AM	4:23 AM	4:22 AM	4:21 AM	4:21 AM
Gedolah	1:30 PM	1:31 PM	1:31 PM	1:31 PM	1:31 PM	1:31 PM
Shkia	8:16 PM	8:17 PM	8:18 PM	8:18 PM	8:19 PM	
Tzait	8:56 PM	8:57 PM	8:58 PM	8:58 PM	8:59 PM	

SHABBAT KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored by Ilana & Nate Schwitzer in memory of their parents who taught them the importance of Torah and Mitzvot all the days of their lives — Aharon^ע ben Yosef HaLevi, Rivka Malka^ע bat Freha & Yeish, David Schwitzer^ע ben Yoel & Esta, and Malka^ע bat Blima & David HaLevi.

SEUDAH SHLISHIT

Seudah Shlishit is sponsored by Eli Zefon in memory of שלמה בין אליהו.

YOUTH EVENTS

- 1st Day of Shavuot, playground at Edison, 3:45 PM.
- Shabbat, 2nd Day of Shavuot, shul playground, followed by an interactive youth program and dinner, 3:45 PM.

TEEN NIGHT LEARNING

Thursday night, 11:15 PM - 12:30 AM.

SUNDAY SOFTBALL & PIZZA

This Sunday, softball (3:00 PM) and pizza (4:30 PM) at Edison Park. RSVP here: [Picnic](#).

*To be repeated after Main Minyon Mussaf on the 1st day.

President Jay Herman

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 24 - Softball (3:00 PM) and Pizza (4:30 PM) at Edison Park. RSVP here: [Picnic](#)

June 14 - Bowling at Bowlero, Fair Lawn! Sunday, 8:00 PM, RSVP here: [PINS](#)

June 23 - Annual Membership Meeting, Ice Cream Social, 8:45 PM.

July 3 - Friday Night Independence Day BBQ /Shabbat Dinner. RSVP here: [250 Years](#)

July 12 - Summer Hike, Ramapo Valley. 10:00 AM. RSVP: [Take a Hike](#)

IN OUR FUTURE - KIDDUSH, SEUDAH SHLISHIT, & ETC.

May 30 - Kiddush is sponsored in honor of Barbara & Ziv Farajun to wish them bracha, hatzlacha and yishuv tov on moving to Israel

June 6 - Birthday and Anniversary Kiddush

June 6 - Seudah Shlishit is sponsored by Eli Zezon in memory of בן שמואל ברך.

June 13 - Graduation Kiddush

June 20 - Kiddush is sponsored by Shelly & Steve Winchester celebrating Daniel's Auf Ruf and upcoming wedding to Yael Simons.

Aug. 15 - Kiddush is sponsored by Seymour Wigod in honor of Tali & Neal Wigod, Moshe, Shua, and Shy, to wish them bracha, hatzlacha and yishuv tov on moving to Israel.

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY KIDDUSH

To add a birthday or anniversary to upcoming lists (next Kiddush on Shabbat, June 6), click here: [SIMCHA](#). Listings/sponsorships are \$36 per family per month. RSVP for the June birthday/anniversary Kiddush by Sunday night, May 31.

BOARD MEETINGS

May 26 - At shul w/Zoom option, 8:45 PM (after Mincha-Maariv).

18-25 Saddle River Road
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410
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<http://www.ahavatachim.org>

SHIURIM



• PESHAT OF THE PARSHA, Tuesdays at 1:00 PM, click here: [Parsha](#).



• TORAH FOR YOUR COMMUTE, via Whatsapp, with 3-minute daily Halacha insights. To join email Rabbi Shestack at rabbishestack@gmail.com.

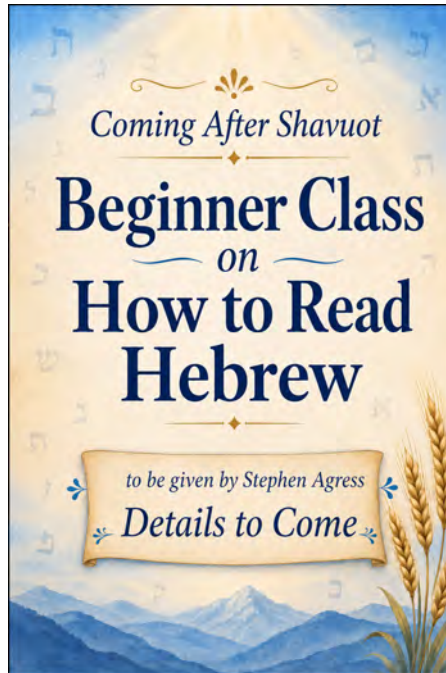
• POST-HASHKAMA SHIUR, analyzing Mishlei (Proverbs).

• FUNDAMENTALS OF JEWISH THOUGHT, after Kiddush.

• SHABBAT SHIUR, **SANHEDRIN CH. 8**, 40 minutes prior to mincha.

• TZURBA M'RABANAN w/ Zack Doberman, Wednesdays at 8:30 PM. In-person at the shul and via Zoom.

• SEDER ON THE SIDDUR, at Seudah Shlishit.



GITA COOPERWASSER Youth Events

May 22 - First Day of Shavuot, Edison Playground, 3:45 PM.

May 23 - Shul Playground, followed by an Interactive youth program and dinner, 3:45 PM.

GITA COOPERWASSER Shabbat Youth Info



SHABBAT YOUTH LEADERS:

3RD - 5TH: LETIZIA

K - 2ND: & ARIELLA & SOPHIA

3 YRS - PRE-K: ARIELYS & ARNELLA

• Youth groups for 3rd through 5th Graders starts at 9:00 AM (Drop Off) in the Youth Room on left on entering the social hall.

• Youth group for children 4 years old through 1st Grade starts at 9:00 AM (Drop Off) in the Youth Room on the right upon entering the social hall.

• Parent & Me, 9:00 AM in the Beit Midrash.

• Rabbi Meet & Greet, Friday night, kids can come over to the Rabbi after davening to receive a cup of grape juice and a ticket!

• Children earn tickets for coming to minyan (Friday night and/or Shabbat day), asking the rabbi questions or attending parent-child learning programs! Tickets can be redeemed for prizes.



GRADUATION KIDDUSH



Graduation Kiddush is Shabbat, June 13. Sponsorship is just \$36 per family. Email seplotnick@gmail.com to sponsor, listing each graduate's name, school, special graduation-related honors (e.g., valedictorian, summa cum laude, or similar honors) and her or his degree and major if graduating from college. Graduates so far: **Moshe Baron** (Yeshivat Noam, Class Speaker), **Bez Bernstein** (Fairleigh Dickinson University, Cum Laude, BS Accounting), **Max Brooks** (Yavneh Kindergarten), **Judah Czinn** (Alef Preschool), **Coby Finkelstein** (TABC), **Leora Finkelstein** (Rutgers University School of Social Work, MSW - LSW), **Adin Hochbaum** (Alef Preschool), **Ariella Jacob** (Fair Lawn High School w/High Honors), **Gabriel Mihailevsky** (Yeshivat He'Atid Elementary School), **Eden Riskin** (The Frisch School), and **Michael Riskin** (Binghamton University, BA Psychology).



ERUV TAVSHILIN (PRIOR TO FIRST DAY OF YOM TOV)

- Set aside 1 cooked & 1 baked food (e.g., a hard-boiled egg and a roll or matzah).
- Hold the items and make the bracha "al mitzvat eruv" and then the statement: בדין יהא שרי לן לאפויי ולבשולי ולאטמוני ולאדלוקי שרגא ולמעבד כל צרכנא מיום טוב לשבת meaning, "With this Eruv it should be permitted for us to bake, cook, insulate food, light a candle, and do any need from Yom Tov for Shabbat".
- Many eat the Eruv Tavshilin at Seudah Shlishit on Shabbat.

DAVID SCHWITZER^{ר"ע} SOCIAL HALL

Contact Lori at garfmom@gmail.com to book the David Schwitzer^{ר"ע} Social Hall for an event or occasion. \$250 (members), \$325 (Associates), or \$400 paid in advance for non-members, plus the cost of clean up (and a \$150 refundable security/cleaning deposit). Private caterers must be approved by the Rabbi.

CHESED TEAM

If you or someone you know needs assistance, email us at chesed@ahavatachim.org.

Yahrzeit Plaques

Memorialize a loved one with a plaque, \$300 for members/\$450 for nonmembers. We will strive to send you written notice of upcoming yahrzeit and announce name during public Yizkor. Email Amy at yahrzeit@ahavatachim.org to arrange.

DONATE A SEFER, ETC.

Donate Siddurim & Machzorim (\$40), and Chumashim (\$60). Contact David at dmgarfunkel@gmail.com for details.

MISHEBAYRACH

For a Mishebayrach pledge to give Tzedakah on behalf of those for whom you asked Hashem's blessing, contributions to the shul can be made using Paypal's Giving Fund (with 100% of the proceeds going to the Shul), by clicking here: [Ahavat Achim Donations](#). If by check, please indicate on its face "Aliyah Donation."

HONORARIA

The available Honoraria list will be provided upon request by contacting Steven Plotnick at seplotnick@gmail.com.

SINGLES SHIDDUCH GROUP

Reach out to Rabbi Shestack or Sara Levine (saralevine06@gmail.com) if interested.

SPONSORSHIPS

Sponsorships opportunities for Yahrzeits, Refuahs, and Hodahs (thanks), are available for regular shiurim, youth events and similar activities (but not for established honorariums or sponsorship funded events). Cost of sponsorship (shiur or youth event) is \$100 per sponsor. Multiple sponsors for an event will be accepted. Sponsorships will be listed in the bulletin and announced at the event (and, if possible, a placard with the sponsorship will be prepared and displayed at the event).

Sponsorships do not include any extra amenities (such as food). Please contact Steve Plotnick for questions or clarifications.

MEN'S CLUB

Email MensClub@AhavatAchim.Org to join the Men's Club.

א' דשבועות / FIRST DAY SHAVUOT

We wait until tzait to count seven complete weeks. Candles brachot are "להדליק נר של יום טוב" and "שהחיינו". Many study Torah all night, say Tikun Shavuot, and/or read the 613 Commandments. In Shacharit we say "אקדמות", the long Aramaic poem praising G-D, before the Torah reading. Many have varying customs regarding partaking of dairy food on Shavuot.

ב' דשבועות / SECOND DAY SHAVUOT

We read Megillat Rut (the Book of Ruth) followed by Mourner's Kaddish. Maftir recites the Piyut "יציב פתגם". During Yizkor we pledge Tzedakah to elevate the souls of the departed.

YIZKOR (ADAPTED FROM CHABAD.ORG)

Yizkor, a special memorial prayer for the departed, is recited in the synagogue four times a year, after the Torah reading on the last day of Pesach, second day of Shavuot, on Shemini Atzeret and on Yom Kippur.

Yizkor, in Hebrew, means "Remember." It is not only the first word of the prayer, it also represents its overall theme. In this prayer, we implore G-d to remember the souls of our relatives and friends that have passed on.

When we recite Yizkor, we renew and strengthen the connection between us and our loved one, bringing merit to the departed souls, elevating them in their celestial homes. The main component of Yizkor is our private pledge to give charity following the holiday in honor of the deceased. By giving charity, we are performing a positive physical deed in this world, something that the departed can no longer do. The soul gains more merit if the memory of good deeds spur their loved ones to improve their ways.

It is customary for those with both parents alive to leave the synagogue during the Yizkor service. A mourner during the first year remains in the synagogue without reciting the Yizkor. In addition to reciting Yizkor for one's parents, one may recite Yizkor for any Jew who has passed on, including relatives and friends. When reciting Yizkor for more than one person, repeat the Yizkor paragraph each time, and substitute the words "Aböh Mori" (my father), or "Imi Morösi" (my mother), with the appropriate title, as follows: For a Husband: "Ba-ali." Son: "B'ni." Brother: "Öchi ." Uncle: "Dodi." Grandfather: "Z'kainy" . Wife: " Ishti." Daughter: "Biti." Sister: "Achosi." Aunt: "Dodosi." Grandmother: "Z'ken-ti."

AHAVAT ACHIM MEMBERSHIP/ HOSPITALITY

Email Sara at membership@ahavatachim.org for membership details or Shabbat hospitality.

PERSONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Various life cycle events related to members are announced in the bulletin (e.g., births and weddings of children/grandchildren, bar/bat mitzvahs of children, deaths requiring shiva observance, as well as travel to/from Israel to study). Other personal announcements are not appropriate except as part of the bulletin's dedication (\$36 cost - \$54 with photo).

NUMBERS & INFO

ERUV: To subscribe for updates, email fairlawneruv@groups.io. Check status at <https://groups.io/g/fairlawneruv> or call 201-254-9190.

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BULLETIN DEDICATIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND SHUL CALENDAR

Email seplotnick@gmail.com for an announcement of a simcha, refuah or life cycle event in the bulletin or to dedicate a bulletin for \$36 (\$54 w/Photo).

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To become part of our community security service, email Margo at security@ahavatachim.org.

HOW TO DONATE TO THE SHUL USING PAYPAL

Please do not simply pay the shul using PayPal, as that incurs a 3% service charge that will get charged to the shul. Instead, please use our fee-free dedicated PayPal link <http://paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/1444321>. PayPal will email you a receipt for your charitable donation and the shul will receive 100% of your donation. [Make sure you click the "SHARE MY NAME" box so the shul will know who paid so that we can credit your account.]



Mishlei/Proverbs

Post-Hashkama Shiur 29 – Boaz Setting the Example for Soothing Words

אֲמַעְגֶה־רָדָה יִשְׁיב הַמָּה וּדְבַר־עֲצָב יַעֲלֶה־אָף: ב' לְשׁוֹן חַכְמִים תִּיטִיב דַּעַת וּפִי כְסִילִים יַבְעִיעַ אַוֶּלֶת: ג' יִכְכַּל־מְקוֹם עֵינָי יְהִי־הֶגֶל צַפּוֹת רַעִים וְטוֹבִים: ד' מִרְפָּא לְשׁוֹן עֵץ חַיִּים וְסִלְף כֶּהָ שֶׁבֶר בְּרוּחַ: ה' אֲוִיל יִנְאֵץ מוֹסֵר אֲבָיו וְשֹׁמֵר תּוֹכַחַת יַעֲרֹם: ו' בֵּית צַדִּיק חֶסֶד רַב וּבִתְבוּאַת רִשְׁעֵי נְעֻמָּה: ז' שְׁפָתַי חַכְמִים יִזְרוּ דַּעַת וְלֵב כְּסִילִים לֹא־יָכוֹן: ח' זָבַח רִשְׁעִים תּוֹעֵבַת יְהִי־הֶגֶל וּתְפִלַּת יְשָׁרִים רְצוֹנוֹ: ט' תּוֹעֵבַת יְהִי־הֶגֶל דְּרָדָה רִשְׁעֵי וּמְרָדָה צַדִּיקָה יֵאָהֵב: י' מוֹסֵר רַע לְעַגְבֹּב אֶרֶח שׁוֹנֵא תּוֹכַחַת יָמוּת: יא' שְׂאֹל וְאַבְדוֹן נִגְדֹּי־הֶגֶל־הֶגֶל אֵף כִּי־לְבוֹת בְּנֵי־אָדָם: יב' לֹא יֵאָהֵב־לָז הוֹכֵחַ לֹא־אֱלֵ־חַכְמִים לֹא יִלְדֵי:

1A gentle reply turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger. 2The tongue of the wise perfects knowledge, but the mouth of fools pours out skepticism. 3The eyes of the Lord are everywhere, observing the evil and the good. 4A soothing tongue is a tree of life, but a corrupt one destroys the spirit. 5A fool despises the discipline of his father, but one that heeds chastisement will become shrewd. 6The house of a righteous man possesses enduring treasure, but [when one introduces] revenues of the wicked [it] causes trouble. 7The lips of the wise disperse knowledge, but not the minds of fools. 8The offerings of the wicked are an abomination to the Lord, but He is pleased by the prayers of the upright. 9The way of a wicked man is an abomination of the Lord, but He loves those that pursue righteousness. 10Harsh discipline awaits one who forsakes the path; [but if] he spurns the reprimand he shall die. 11The netherworld and destruction lie exposed to the Lord, surely too the hearts of men. 12A scoffer does not like being chastised; and he does not seek out the wise.¹

A. At verse 15:4, “[a] soothing tongue is a tree of life, but a corrupt one destroys the spirit,” we come to the fourth and final time in Mishlei that the metaphor of an עֵץ חַיִּים, a “tree of life,” appears. Its first appearance, in 3:18, is in the context of wisdom (*i.e.*, Torah). In 11:30, the phrase appears in connection with the fruit of the righteous, that is, the life-giving impact of good deeds. In 13:12, it describes hope fulfilled after a painful delay. Here, in 15:4, the final “tree of life” is a healing or soothing tongue. The progression goes from Torah, to righteous action, to inner hope fulfilled, and finally to speech that heals. Mishlei thus closes the “tree of life” references by locating life-giving power not only in wisdom, deeds, and fulfilled longing, but also in the way one person speaks to another.

- In Rut, Boaz is startled in the middle of the night to find someone lying at his feet on the threshing floor. One can imagine his adrenaline rising and his body entering fight-or-flight mode upon discovering an apparent intruder. Yet, in his righteousness, he does not lash out. He neither chastises Ruth for her audacity nor chases her away in a way that would make her feel foolish. Instead, he tells her that she has performed an “act of kindness greater than her first,”² and that the people know she is an אִשָּׁת חַיִּל.³

B. In addition to the reference to the soothing tongue discussed above, speech and words form a common motif throughout the first 12 verses of Mishlei chapter 15.

- V. 1 → A gentle reply turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.
 - o Vilna Gaon sees wrath as referring to the final stage of anger expressed through action, and the reference to anger as being newly aroused. With that understanding, the Chevel Nachalah sees the timeline first being the harsh word that caused the anger, and then the awareness of the speaker later defusing the wrath with a gentle (corrective) reply.
- V. 2 → The tongue of the wise perfects knowledge, but the mouth of fools pours out skepticism.

¹ Mishlei Chapter 15.

² Rut 3:10.

³ Rut 3:11. IY”H, the woman of valor to be discussed at the conclusion of our shiurim on Mishlei when we come to chapter 31.

- We form words with our tongue. The pasuk begins with imagery of one learning with his chavruta, not disseminating knowledge, but enhancing his knowledge through dialogue “formed”, as not just spouting words.
- Shlomo in Kohelet reminds us that you know you are hearing a fool’s voice “through his multitude of words.”⁴
- V. 7 → The lips of the wise disperse knowledge, but not the minds of fools.
 - A logical follow up to verse 2. After a wise person has formed his words with his tongue, it is now time for the words to be disseminated by his lips. On the other hand, the fool’s words were never formed by thought and analysis.
- V. 5 → A fool despises the discipline of his father, but one that heeds chastisement will become shrewd. And V. 12 → A scoffer does not like being chastised; and he does not seek out the wise.
 - The wise dispersing wisdom does not mean fools or scoffers will heed it.

C. Intertwined with Mishlei’s insights on thoughtful words versus ill-considered and spiritually destructive speech, we are reminded of Hashem’s presence while these dialogues are taking place.

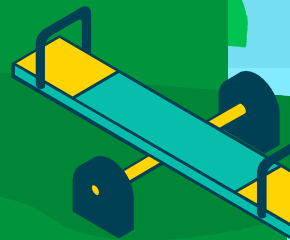
- V. 8 → The offerings of the wicked are an abomination to the Lord, but He is pleased by the prayers of the upright.
 - Presumptively, this could have been said in the reverse, *i.e.*, the prayers of the wicked are an abomination to Hashem, while the Korbanot of the upright are pleasing to Him. Perhaps this order was chosen so that this pasuk could be a connecting point between speech and the impact it has on one’s relationship with Hashem
- V. 9 → The way of a wicked man is an abomination of the Lord, but He loves those that pursue righteousness.
 - Following up on the previous verse, in the context of speech, this could be extrapolated to be referring to the “way” (*e.g.*, the effort) a wicked person goes about finding an audience to spout his foolishness, as compared to the effort the righteous person makes to deliver healing words.
- V. 3 → The eyes of the Lord are everywhere, observing the evil and the good.
 - Whether it is in the context of analyzing one’s words or behavior, Mishlei is stressing here that Hashem is not overlooking anything a person says or does.
- V. 6 → The house of a righteous man possesses enduring treasure, but [when one introduces] revenues of the wicked [it] causes trouble.
 - While the peshat of the pasuk addresses the negative impact of introducing ill-begotten gains into one’s “house”, this proverb can be seen as a metaphor for the introduction of many negative things into one’s house, from speech, ideas, people, etc.
- V. 10 → Harsh discipline awaits one who forsakes the path; [but if] he spurns the reprimand he shall die.
 - The Immanuel of Rome sees this dying as not just physical death, but also spiritual death.
- V. 11 The netherworld and destruction lie exposed to the Lord, surely too the hearts of men.
 - We first attempted to define the term “לְאֵלֵי שְׁמַיִם” in discussing Mishlei 7:27, in the context of the house of lady folly leading to the netherworld, and suggested that it might mean nothingness and the destruction of one’s soul. Mishlei here reminds us that the netherworld and destruction are not like, for example, the Christian concept of hell, a place where a soul is banished to and forgotten. If your heart takes you down an improper path, the pasuk reminds him that there is no place, even in punishment, that is outside Hashem’s realm.

⁴ Kohelet 5:2.

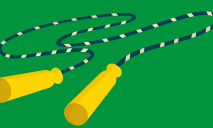


Save the Date!

Playdate in the Park: Shavuot Edition



Join us at Edison Park on
Friday, May 22nd at 3:45 P.M.



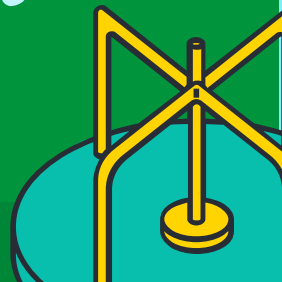
Fruit & snacks will be provided!
Bring your own water.

please do not bring snacks containing nuts



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JOIN US FOR SHAVUOT FUN

SHABBAT, MAY 23RD @ 3:45

CHILDREN OF ALL AGES ARE INVITED TO
JOIN US FOR AN INTERACTIVE PROGRAM
IN HONOR OF SHAVUOT!

MEET UP AT THE SHUL PLAYGROUND,
FOLLOWED BY DINNER AND
PROGRAMMING DIVIDED BY AGE GROUP!

RSVP HERE BY 5/20! \$8/CHILD, \$15
FAMILY/MAX.

BOTH DAIRY AND PAREVE DINNER
OPTIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE. [RSVP HERE!](#)



Shavuot Schedule

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Perek by Perek Round Robin

Join us for Seudah Shlishit on 5/15 for a special Round Robin on Megillat Ruth

Tikkun Leil Schedule

“It’s a Machloket!”

Great Rabbinic Debates

11:00pm	ARE MITZVOT FOR US OR GOD?
Rabbi Shestack	Rambam vs. Ramban
12:00am	NOT IN HEAVEN'S NAME
Rich Mayer	Moshe vs. Korach
1:00am	WHO'S THE GOAT?
Zack Doberman	Beit Shamai vs. Beit Hillel
2:00am	TORAH OF THE CAVE OR THE WORLD
Shalom Brauser	Rashbi vs. R' Yishmael
3:00am	THEY'RE MORE THAN GOOD...THEY'RE GLATT!
Chayim Goldberg	Beit Yosef vs. Rama
4:00am	IT'S ELECTRIC! E-COMMERCE ON SHABBAT
Stephen Agress	Stephen Agress vs. The World
5:00am	Shacharit

Shavuot Day 1

Youth Park Meetup

Edison Park @ 3:45pm

Women's Shiur

50 IS THE NEW 50:

Sh'mita-Yovel vs. Omer-Shavuot

Sufian Residence @ 4:00pm

Shavuot Day 2

Dairy Kiddush

Luncheon

sponsored by
Nate and Ilana Schwitzer

Shavuot Youth Program

@ 3:45pm followed by dinner



Fun and games for all ages!



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Good food!



COMMUNITY SOFTBALL GAME & PIZZA

Join us on Sunday, May 24th at 3pm for a community softball game at Edison Park, followed by a pizza picnic at 4:30pm!

**COME TO PLAY BALL, CHEER ON PLAYERS,
OR KICKOFF SUMMER WITH A CHILL PIZZA PICNIC!**

\$7 PER PERSON / \$25 PER FAMILY FOR PIZZA

RSVP BY 5/20!



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SPRING-SUMMER EVENTS

FRI-SAT
MAY 22-23

SHAVUOT

SUN, MAY 24

COMMUNITY
SOFTBALL GAME
FOLLOWED BY PIZZA

SUN, JUNE 14

BOWLING NIGHT
FOR ADULTS

TUES, JUNE 23

ANNUAL MEETING
+ ICE CREAM SOCIAL

FRI, JULY 3

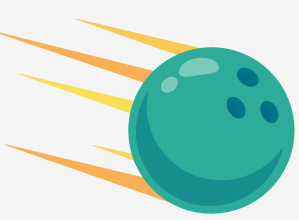
BBQ SHABBAT DINNER

SUN, JULY 12

SUMMER HIKE
AT RAMAPO VALLEY
COUNTY RESERVATION

For More Information Visit:

www.ahavatachim.org/aa-events/upcoming-events/



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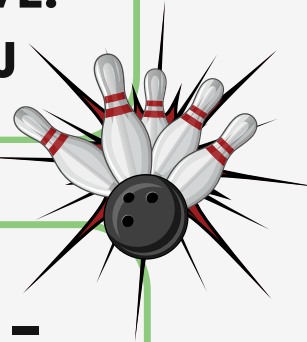


BOWLING NIGHT

THIS IS AN ADULTS ONLY EVENT

**SUNDAY, JUNE 14
@ 8:00 PM**

**BOWLERO
22-22 MAPLE AVE.
FAIR LAWN, NJ**



**\$25 PER PERSON
COVERS BOWLING SHOES,
LANE FEE, AND SNACKS**

**RSVP EARLY -
MAX 20 PLAYERS!**

MINCHA+MAARIV AT THE BOWLING ALLEY



**RSVP BY JUNE 10 TO SAVE YOUR SPOT:
[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/AABOWLING26](https://tinyurl.com/aabowling26)**





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ANNUAL MEETING & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

RSVP!

Join us for our Annual General Membership Meeting and Ice Cream Social – an evening of community, connection, important updates, and sweet treats for everyone to enjoy!

Tuesday, June 23 2026

At 8.30 pm

Agenda:

- Mincha/Maariv (8:20pm)
- Ice Cream (8:45pm)
- Year in Review
- Shul Updates
- 2026-2027 Budget
- Incoming Slate of Officers

Zoom link to be
provided on 6/9!

VOTE!





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CONGREGATION AHAVAT ACHIM INVITES YOU TO A

SHABBAT FRIDAY BBQ DINNER

Join us for a very special Shabbat,
as we celebrate with a themed
dinner and BBQ halachot shiur.
Celebrate 250 years of American
independence with your Ahavat
Achim family!

07.03.2026 | AFTER MAARIV

Early Bird Pricing:

RESERVATIONS MADE BEFORE 6/11:

ADULTS (12 YEARS OLD +) - \$25
CHILDREN AGES 6 - 11 - \$10
CHILDREN AGES 3 - 5 - \$3
FAMILY MAX - \$70

RESERVATIONS MADE AFTER 6/11:

ADULTS (12 YEARS OLD +) - \$30
CHILDREN AGES 6 - 11 - \$13
CHILDREN AGES 3 - 5 - \$5
FAMILY MAX - \$85

RSVP NOW!





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FOR
 THE WHOLE
 FAMILY!

Summer Hike

at

Ramapo Valley County Reservation

**SUNDAY,
 JULY
 12**

10:00 AM
 Meet at the main
 parking lot

Ramapo Valley Rd
 (Route 202),
 Mahwah, NJ

- Only ~20 minutes away from Fair Lawn!



HIKE OPTIONS:

A. SCARLET OAK POND TRAIL

- STROLLER FRIENDLY!
- PAVED LOOP AROUND THE POND
- PICNIC AREAS FOR RELAXING AND ENJOYING THE VIEWS

B. RIDGE LOOP - VISTA LOOP TRAIL

- ADVANCED OPTION, ~3 MILES
- SCENIC VIEWS WITH A RIVER
- A UNIQUE VIEW POINT WITH NATURAL CACTUS!

**RSVP HERE
 BY 7/10**

[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/SUMMERHIKE26](https://tinyurl.com/summerhike26)

