

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday

Candlelighting7:28 p.m.
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv.....
.....7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)
.....7:35 p.m. (Beit Midrash)

שבת

Shacharit7:15 & 9:00 a.m.
Rambam Shiur.....8:30 a.m.

Kiddush after 7:15 a.m. Minyan is sponsored by Rabbi Robert & Maxine Pilavin in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Maxine's father, Gilbert Fishbein— גרשון בן משה יצחק.

Rabbi Whittenburg shiur.....9:30 a.m.
Teen Minyan9:30 a.m.
Latest Shema.....9:30 a.m.
Youth Groups.....10:00 a.m.
Torah with the Morah10:30 a.m.

Kiddush after 9:00 a.m. Minyan is sponsored by the Sisterhood.

Daf Yomi.....6:35 p.m.
Mincha7:25 p.m.
Learning Seudah Shlishit7:45 p.m.
Maariv.....8:33 p.m.
Motzei Shabbat.....8:37 p.m.

אמור

Sunday Shacharit.....8:00 & 9:00 a.m.
Monday & Thursday Shacharit.....
.....6:25 & 7:45 a.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday Shacharit
.....6:35 & 7:45 a.m.
Sunday-Thursday Mincha/Maariv.....
.....7:35 p.m.
Monday-Thursday Late Maariv.....
.....9:30 p.m.
Friday Candlelighting7:35 p.m.
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv.....
.....7:00 & 7:40 p.m.

Northside Minyan Month of April
Martin & Elisha Klein
56 Hamlin Rd, Edison

מזל טוב

Mazel Tov to **Susan & Michael Karpoff** on the birth of a grandson. Mazel Tov to the parents, **Rachel Karpoff & Adam Saltzman**, and to grandparents, **Joan & Barry Saltzman**.

Mazel Tov to **Barry and Rosa Katz** and **Frankie and Yael Ziman** on being honored at Ahavas Achim's 137th Annual Dinner this Sunday.

Mazel Tov to **Eddie and Sharon Lowinger** on the engagement of their daughter, **Danielle** to **Mendel Fogel** of Brooklyn, NY.

SEFIRAT HA'OMER: MORE THAN JUST A NUMBER

This Shabbat after the 7:15 a.m. Shacharit, **Rabbi Whittenburg** will give a special shiur entitled "Sefirat Ha'Omer: More Than Just a Number." The shiur will take place in the Downstairs Social Hall after the hashkama kiddush from **9:30-10:00 a.m.** All are invited to attend!

SHABBAT ERETZ YISRAEL WITH LEV L'CHAYAL

Ahavas Achim's **Shabbat Eretz Yisrael** will take place on **Shabbat, May 8-9**. We will honor the brave soldiers of the IDF and raise support for programs that care for them.

We are excited to welcome **Rabbi Benji Kwalwasser**, Executive Director of Lev LaChayal, along with chayalim that went through the program, who will be speaking throughout the weekend, sharing stories of the soldiers and the incredible impact of the soldiers and the incredible impact of the soldiers. All funds raised from this Shabbat will support **Lev LaChayal**, the first yeshiva based lone soldier program in Israel designed specifically to provide a warm and supportive home for the young men who leave their families and countries behind to serve in the IDF.

הליכות עולם לו

Join us on **Sunday mornings after 8:00 a.m.** Shacharit, as **Rabbi Noah Whittenburg** presents Practical Halacha: new topic every week.

This week's topic: Understanding Early Shabbos

LEARNING SEUDAH SHLISHIT

Join us every Shabbat for Ahavas Achim's new semester of **Learning Seudah Shlishit**. You will have the opportunity to enjoy the weekly buffet and then choose one of the following three learning groups for an exploration of fascinating topics. Sample a different Chaburah each week or stick with the same topic from beginning to end!

Shana Posy: Pesach Time Traveling: A tour through Tanach with visits to the courtyards and courts of Jerusalem (and beyond) throughout the generations.

Rabbi Miodownik: Ayin Hara Protection Plan: How wary must we be about the Evil Eye? Can one be obligated to pay nezikin (damages) for harm caused through metaphysical forces?

Rabbi Whittenburg: Avot in Depth: Through the Lens of Rabbeinu Yonah: Explore the inner wisdom of Pirkei Avot through the timeless commentary of Rabbeinu Yonah. Discover how his careful insights open up new depth, clarity, and relevance in this classic text, and experience Pirkei Avot in a fresh and meaningful way.



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Ahavas Achim Annual Dinner
Sunday, April 26
Guests of Honor:
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Robert Rosner
Young Leadership Award:
Frankie & Yael Ziman

רפואה שלמה

Please include the following חולים in your תפילות.

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עליזה שושנה בת מיכל
עופר בן יפה
אילנה בת ציפורה
שמואל חיים בן ציפורה
ניתאי בן חנה
אדירה בתיה בת שירה מרים
חיה גילה בת שרה הירשה
משה מאיר הלוי בן מרים
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Lori Nagel - לאה בתיה בת דבורה

Yussie Weiss - יוסף חיים בן באשע

To submit a name for the חולים list, call the Shul office: 732-247-0532 or email: secretary@ahavasachim.org.

THE PODCAAST WITH THE RABBIS OF AHAVAS ACHIM

New episodes drop every Monday at 9:00 p.m. Listen on Spotify or at: <https://www.ahavasachim.org/aa-torah.html>.

- 1st Monday of the month: **Interview of the Month:** Meet compelling personalities that have shaped our community
- 2nd Monday of the month: **The Big Picture:** Trends and controversies in our Shul, community and nation
- 3rd Monday of the month: **Riveting Responsa:** The most fascinating Halachic questions we investigated this month
- 4th Monday of the month: **Sh'ar Yerakot:** Our favorite Torah gems, stories and insights that never made it into a Drasha

AA TORAH

Catch the latest Shiurim from the AA Rabbis through the new AA Torah section on our website. Visit: <https://www.ahavasachim.org/aa-torah.html> to explore Shiurim.

SHARE SHABBAT WITH OTHERS

Shabbat provides opportunities to add to your celebration by sharing meals with others. Whether you will be home and are interested in having others join you, or you are ready to join others, you can contact Tzippy Russ-Fishbane at trussfishbane@gmail.com or Mark Abraham at abraham839@gmail.com and identify whether you are interested in being a host or a guest.

WELCOME TO AHAVAS ACHIM

Are you new in town? Just visiting? Please reach out to a member of our welcoming committee whom you may have met in shul!

Yael Ziman-VP Membership: 732-986-0868

Nonnie Sinoff: 720-884-7504

Brooke Billig: 973-985-2671

Keren Ebel Avery: 917-428-6441

AAU SHIURIM 5786

DAILY

9:00 p.m. Sunday-Thursday Amud Yomi: Shekalim with Rabbi Whittenburg

Mishnah Yomit via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86296212963?pwd=aEt1aVNERNZ4akpxekdZZEZ4b2N5dz09>

Motzei Shabbat: 10:15 p.m.

Sunday-Thursday: 9:15 p.m.

SUNDAY

8:40 a.m. הליכות עולם לוי with Rabbi Whittenburg

TUESDAY

8:30 a.m. Retirees Kollel: Parsha Gems with Rabbi Moshe Goldberger (in person and via telephone: 605-313-5890 code: 399719#)

WEDNESDAY

9:00 a.m. Women's Tehillim with Rabbi Miodownik

8:30 p.m. Wednesday Nights in the Beis

THURSDAY

8:30 a.m. Retirees Kollel: Gemara Chulin with Rabbi Miodownik

9:15 a.m. Retirees Kollel: Sha'ar HaBitachon with Rabbi Whittenburg

SHABBAT

8:30 a.m. Rambam Shiur with Elisha Russ-Fishbane

50 Minutes before Mincha: Daf Yomi with Judah Abraham

SEFIRAT HAA'OMER IS BACK!

Join Ahavas Achim in the invigorating journey of completing Sefirat Ha'Omer together. Each night, a video will be shared in the AA Torah group, showcasing a different member of our community counting the Omer (except Shabbat and Yom Tov). To join, please scan the QR code below!



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Do you have something to celebrate or commemorate? There are many different possibilities for your sponsored kiddush or Seudah Shlishit. In order to sponsor a kiddush or a Seudah Shlishit, first contact **Rachel** in the office at **732-247-0532** or **secretary@ahavasachim.org**, and she will secure a date for you. Then:

- Call **Elena Orgel** at **732-259-9078** to sponsor a Sisterhood dairy kiddush
- Contact **Emily Menasha** at **732-236-1082** or **aakiddush@gmail.com** to sponsor a hot meat kiddush
- Contact **Ari Sofair-Fisch** at **arisfisch@gmail.com** or **201-341-1250** to sponsor a Seudah Shlishit

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS IN THE BEIS

Make the AA Beit Midrash your address for Wednesday night learning. Come with your chavruta, or on your own to join our learning groups, and contribute to the sound of Torah study in our shul each **Wednesday night** at **8:30 p.m.** Fantastic refreshments will be served in the Beit Midrash to fuel your learning, and an array of study options will be available. For sponsorship information, please contact **Rachel** in the Shul office: **secretary@ahavasachim.org** or **732-247-0532**.

SISTERHOOD NEWS

BOOK CLUB

The next Book Club meeting will be on **Tuesday, June 9** at **8:00 p.m.** at the home of **Esther Posen, 12 Fairhill Road, Edison**. We are reading *Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano. Please join us!

KIDDUSH REMINDER

Shabbat, April 25: *Bryan & Shira Kinzbrunner, Peri Horowitz, Chaye Kohl*

Shabbat, May 2: *Marc Kolb & Arielle Fagan, Steven & Suzette Kolb, Jeffrey & Dana Korbman*

Shabbat, May 9: *Michael & Michele Kornblum, Michael & Cheryl Kornfeld, Elie & Elana Kurtz*

Shabbat, May 16: *Stuart & Devorah Landau, Micah & Nonnie Lebowitz, Eitan & Shari Leff*

YOUTH NEWS

TEEN MINYAN KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Teen minyan kiddush is sponsored by the **Freidenreich family**.

If you'd like to sponsor Teen Kiddush, please email **Alex Ostrin** at: **aayouth100@gmail.com**.

CELEBRATE YOUR CHILD'S BIRTHDAY IN GROUP

Celebrate your child's birthday in group at shul! A special birthday snack for the whole group will be given out, and the birthday boy/girl will receive a birthday prize! Sponsorship is **\$36**. To celebrate your child's birthday, contact **Jesse Lerner** at **lernerjesse@gmail.com**.

COMMUNITY NEWS

RPRY ANNUAL DINNER

Please join **RPRY** for their **Annual Dinner** on **Wednesday, May 27** at **6:30 p.m.** at Bell Works. They are honoring **Rabbi Yaakov and Faigie Luban: Omdei Torah Community Pillar Award; Rabbi Ronald and Judy Schwarzberg**, along with **Naomi and Ari ('97) Schwarzberg, Elana ('99) and Elie Kurtz, Aviva ('03) and Phil ('02) Reich, Shayna ('08) and Noam Itzhak: Pri Eitz Hadar RPRY Legacy Family Award; and Yacov and Hannah Farkas: Eitz Chaim Young Leadership Award**.

NETIVOT GALA DINNER

Join **Netivot**, 511 Ryders Lane, East Brunswick, at their **Cornerstones Gala Dinner** on **Sunday, May 3**, honoring **Matt Hale and Carrie Mitnick, and Herman and Edith Itzkowitz**. 6:00 p.m. cocktail hour; 7:00 p.m. dinner. Place your ad and book your tickets at **mynetivot.com/gala**.

ISRAELI DANCE CLASS

Israeli dance is open to all women of the community in **Ohr Torah's social hall** on **alternating Wednesdays** from **8:00-9:00 p.m.** This is a free session for all dance enthusiasts where multiple participants teach old and new dances. Our next class dates are: *April 29, May 6 & 20, June 16 & 24*. For more information, please email **naomi.caplan@gmail.com**

YAHREZITS

4/25	Gary Breitbart	Father
4/27	Rena Blau	Father
4/29	Melissa Mann	Mother
	Elaine Berlin	Father
	Lori Leff	Father
4/30	Michael Karpoff	Mother
	Phyllis Kula	Father
5/1	David Blain	Father
	Simi Lichtman	Brother
	Irving Mandelbaum	Mother

MESORAH NJ 10TH ANNIVERSARY SIYUM & DINNER

Please join **Mesorah NJ's 10th Anniversary Siyum & Dinner** on **Sunday May 3** at **7:00 p.m.** at **Rutgers Hillel**. They are celebrating 10 years of reconnecting Jewish young professionals across New Jersey. For dinner reservations, ad journals and donations, please visit: **crowdspark.com/mesorahnj/mysiyum**.

LEFKOVITS FAMILY PARK MIKVAH WOMEN'S COMEDY NIGHT

Attention women of Edison/Highland Park! You are invited to a fun and uplifting women's-only comedy night featuring **Zeya Comedy** on **Sunday, May 17** at **7:00 p.m.** Enjoy an evening of laughter while supporting the **Lefkovits Family Park Mikvah**.

LOOKING FOR BAKERS FOR SHAVUOT BAKE SALE 2026!

All proceeds will go to **ADI Negev-Nahalat Eran**, a one-of-a-kind rehabilitation village in Israel's south that empowers children and young adults with severe disabilities and pioneers cutting edge therapeutic and recovery services for anyone touched by disability, including many war-wounded civilians and IDF soldiers from the hardest hit communities in the Negev. For well over two years, the **Kaylie Rehabilitation Medical Center** at **Adi Negev-Nahalat Eran**—the first and only fully dedicated rehabilitation hospital in southern Israel—has been a lifeline for more than 100 war-wounded IDF soldiers and reservists from the Negev, providing them with the highest-level medical, rehabilitative and emotional care available.

The bake sale will take place at **Ohav Emeth** on **Tuesday, May 19** from **7:00-9:00 p.m.** They will be unable to accept refrigerated/freezer items. For questions please contact **Cindy Baruch** at **cindy.baruch@verizon.net** or **908-309-8818**.

SISTER TO SISTER

This Wednesday, April 29 at 7:45 p.m., join the entire Edison/Highland Park community for an inspiring evening to learn about **Sister to Sister**—a comprehensive support network for divorced women, serving over 2,500 women across the U.S. and Canada. Come gain awareness, feel inspired, and connect to the important work being done for families within our own community. This free meeting and dessert reception will be held at **450 Harrison Ave., Highland Park.** Tizku Limitzvot!

NORPAC 2026 MISSION

NORPAC's Mission to Washington is an annual event bringing close to a thousand citizen activists to Washington, DC, in order to advocate for a stronger U.S.-Israel relationship with Members of Congress. Join NORPAC on **Wednesday, May 13, 2026,** and travel to Washington, DC. On a single-day trip, you will meet with Members of Congress and their staff and share your concerns with them about Iran, antisemitism, security cooperation, and more. Help make a difference once again!

Buses will leave for Washington, DC from the Highland Park/Edison area at 6:30 a.m. and return between 9:00-10:00 p.m. There will be briefings on the bus. All meals will be provided. Register now for the Early Bird discount at www.norpac.net or call **201-788-5133.** Adults **\$250,** Full-time students **\$125.** (Must be over 12; students under 18 must be accompanied by parent or legal guardian.) For more information, contact: Milton.Erdfarb@gmail.com.

OLIM ADVISORS PRESENTS: ALIYAH & ISRAELI REAL ESTATE PARLOR MEETING

Thinking about making Aliyah or buying a home in Israel? Join a **Parlor Meeting this Monday, April 27 at 8:00 p.m.** in Highland Park to get the clarity and guidance you need. They will cover the 3 keys to a successful Aliyah, how to buy smart and spend less, financial planning, fund transfers, telecom setup, legal guidance, and exclusive presale real estate opportunities. They will showcase presale buying opportunities in Jerusalem, Raanana, Ramat Beit Shemesh, Netanya, Nahariya, Ashkelon, and Carmei Gat. The meeting features expert presentations from Olim Advisors, TCS Telecom, IsraTransfer, GroupBuy Investments, Avraham Levinsky Real Estate Law Firm, and Green Peak Financial Advisors. Please register at: www.olimadvisors.com/USParlor. Exact location will be shared upon registration.

SCAM LANDSCAPE: AVOIDING FRAUD & STAYING VIGILANT AGAINST CYBERCRIME

Let's all learn how we can avoid identity theft, fraud and cybercrime! **Raritan Valley Hadassah** presents **"Scam Landscape: Avoiding Fraud & Staying Vigilant Against Cybercrime"** on **Wednesday, May 13 at 7:30 p.m.** at **Ahavas Achim.**

Presented by Marty Siederer of AARP, this program helps empower individuals in the fight against fraud with proven resources and tools to help you spot and avoid identity theft and other fraud. In today's fast-paced online environment, protecting your personal information is more crucial than ever. This program is designed to empower you with the knowledge and tools to navigate the digital world safely. We'll cover how to stay safe in public, at home, when using social media and when shopping and banking. We'll also look at common scams and how to avoid them. *No charge to attend but donations welcome.*

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