

This week's issue of *The Park Page* is dedicated with wishes for everyone to be inscribed and sealed in the Book of Life for a happy and healthy, sweet and safe New Year.



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Schedule of Services and Classes

Day	Service/Class	Time	Sanhedrin
Friday, Sept. 15 / 24 Elul	Shacharit	6:15 am	61
	Candle-lighting, before	6:45 pm	
	Mincha / Maariv	6:45 pm	
Saturday Sept. 16 / 25 Elul	Shacharit	8:45 am	62
	Latest time for Shema	MA 9:07, GRA 9:43 am	
	Sermon	10:30 pm	
	Shiur: "The Sounds of the Shofar"	5:55 pm	
	Mincha / Seuda Shelishit	6:35 pm	
	Maariv / Shabbat ends	7:47 pm	
Sunday, Sept. 17 / 26 Elul	Selichot (nighttime)	12:50 am	63
	Selichot (daytime)	7:30 am	
	Shacharit	8:10 am	
	Gemara Shiur – Sukka (3b)	8:50 am	
	Mincha / Maariv	6:40 pm	
Monday, Sept. 18 / 27 Elul	Selichot 5:45 am, followed by Shacharit at approx.	6:10 am	64
	Mincha / Maariv	6:40 pm	
	Selichot 5:45 am, followed by Shacharit at approx.	6:15 am	65
Tuesday, Sept. 19 / 28 Elul	Mincha / Maariv	6:40 pm	
	Selichot 5:30 am, followed by Shacharit at approx.	6:15 am	66
	Mincha / Maariv	6:40 pm	
Wednesday, Sept. 20 / 29 Elul-Erev Rosh Hashana	Candle-lighting, before	6:37 pm	
	Shacharit	8:00 am	67
	Mincha / Maariv	6:40 pm	
Thursday, Sept. 21 / 1 Tishrei – Rosh Hashana	Candle-lighting, after	7:38 pm	
	Shacharit	8:00 am	68
	Mincha / Maariv	6:35 pm	
Friday, Sept. 22 / 2 Tishrei – Rosh Hashana	Shacharit	8:00 am	
	Candle-lighting, before	6:34 pm	
	Mincha / Maariv	6:35 pm	

- **Daf Yomi** meets Sunday at 12:00 a.m. (!), Monday through Wednesday at 5:15 a.m., Thursday and Friday at 7:15 a.m., and Shabbat at 8:00 a.m.
- Women needing a **Mikvah** appointment should call 718-343-5700.
- An amplified **High Holidays Schedule** is separately available, as is a new **Six-Month Schedule** ("The Pink Sheet").
- This year, an **Eruv Tavshilin** is required on Erev Rosh Hashana, on Erev Sukkot, and on Erev Shemini Atzeret. The procedure is as follows: Set aside a baked food (e.g. bread or matza) and a cooked food (e.g. fish, meat, or egg) and recite this declaration: "Through this Eruv, may we be permitted to bake, cook, insulate [food], kindle flame, prepare, and do anything necessary on the Festival for the sake of the Sabbath."

Drash v'DaSh: A Shabbat Message and Greeting "The High Holidays"

In our traditional liturgy, the upcoming holidays Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur are respectively – and independently – known as *Yom Hazikaron* ("Day of Remembrance") and *Yom Hakipurim* ("Day of Atonement"). Considered jointly, Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur not only mark the two ends of *Aseret Yemei Teshuva* ("Ten Days of Repentance"), but also are collectively known as *Yamim Noraim* ("Days of Awe").

In the vernacular, however, we have yet another appellation: the "High Holidays". Presumably, this term is motivated by the aforementioned moniker *Yamim Noraim*, but "High" sounds more inviting than "Awe". In any event, there is a palatable sense of the magnitude and ramifications of these days when "all of mankind passes before G-d *kivnei maron*, like sheep being carefully examined by their shepherd." And yes, the prices for seats in the sanctuary are *higher* than they are the rest of the year, even as they are a bargain compared with tickets to baseball games in this season of the post-season.

A trip to the local bank gave rise to another understanding of the "High Holidays". An ad prominently displayed near the entrance showed a mother with her young son, dressed an astronaut – spacesuit, helmet, and all. The caption read: "No matter how far you wish to go, we will help you save to get there." Indeed, our own parasha teaches:

[The Torah] is not in heaven, that you should say: 'Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, and make us to hear it, that we may do it?' Neither is it beyond the sea that you should say: 'Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, and make us to hear it, that we may do it?' But the word is very near to you, in your mouth, and in your heart, that you may do it." (Deut. 30:12-14)

While the text itself emphasizes the proximity and accessibility of the Torah, the Talmudic Rabbis saw herein a mandate that were the Torah in fact in the heavens or across the sea, we would in fact be required to go to every length to acquire it.

The High Holidays then are not just high because of the nature of the day, but because of the nature of ourselves and our aspirations -- looking upward, reaching upward, scaling upward.

✧ Shabbat Shalom and Shana Tova ✧



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Announcements

Yasher koach to Eli Mandel for his laining, and happy Bar Mitzvah anniversary.

Seuda Shelishit is sponsored by Rachel and Gavriel Yusupov commemorating the Yahrzeit of his brother Anatoliy Yusupov – Yitzchak ben Katan ve-Tamar a"h (2 Tishrei).

Mazal tov to Dina and Michael Franklin on the birth of a daughter Naama Baila, and to grandparents Mindy and Bob Franklin.

For **High Holiday Seats**, please visit the office on Sunday, September 17, 9:00-10:00 a.m. or Tuesday, September 19, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Copies of the order form, cover letter, and High Holidays schedule are all available in the shul lobby. For any questions, contact the High Holidays Seats Chairman, Chuck Waxman.

Entries for the **5778 Book of Remembrance**, to be used when we recite Yizkor (Yom Kippur, Shemini Atzeret, Pesach, and Shavuot), should be submitted to the office. The cost is \$90 for a full-page, \$54 for a half-page, or \$18 for an individual name. The due date for all submissions is Sunday, September 17.

Donations for our **Chair-Lift Project** can be sent to the office, given to the Project Chair Marc Horowitz, or made on-line using the custom link, <http://tinyurl.com/YINHPChairLiftProject>

A special edition of **The Park Page** will be published for Yom Kippur 5778 (September 30th) marking the 567th issue of the publication and the 12th yahrzeit of the publisher's father, Dr. Bernard Teitelman a"h. Sponsorships are \$36 and will help support our youth Torah-learning program (aka "Kids Kollel").

YINHP Cards ("In Memoriam", "Mazel Tov", "Get Well", and "Thank You") are now available for purchase through Ellen Barth or David Mandel. The cost is \$18 each or \$72 for five (mix 'n match).

Food Certificates for Fairway, Shop Rite, and Stop & Shop; **Gift Cards** for Amazon and Home Depot; and **Chesed Dollars** for various Jewish businesses can be purchased from Art Feldman 516-227-0707, Paige Finkelstein 718-343-4821, Rena Gombo 718-343-3855, and Ilene Horowitz 718-470-9474.

For information about the **Clothing Gemach**, contact Mark Krieger at 917-703-4694, visit BeautifulMemoriesGemach.org, or check out and "like" the Beautiful Memory Gemach's Facebook page.

Office Hours this week are Tuesday 10:00 – 2:00.

Nach Yomi

Study for September 16-22, per Rabbi Jack Abramowitz's *Nach Yomi Companion*. For more information, visit www.ou.org/torah/nachyomi.

Esther 8: Light Time

Esther 9: Purim!

Esther 10: Back to Business

Daniel 1: Babylonian Vegans

Daniel 2: Feet of Clay

Daniel 3: "Nebuchadnezzar, That's Your Answer for Everything!"

Daniel 4: Not a Bald Eagle, I Guess...

The Park Page Puzzle "Dip the Apple..."

This week's Puzzle: Where do we find *tapuach* (=apple) in the Bible?

Solution to the previous week's Puzzle: The Maftir for Parashat Ki Tetze is always the same as that for Shabbat Zachor. Moreover, when Rosh Chodesh Elul coincides with Parashat Re'eh, and displaces its regular Haftara, many communities lain both the Haftara for Re'eh and for Ki Tetze (they are contiguous in the Book of Isaiah) for Parashat Ki Tetze, and that combined Haftara is identical to the one for Parashat Noach. *Yasher koach* to Susan Isler, Karen Klein, Dr. Howie Lerner, and David Rouhani for their solutions.

CPR / AED Training Complete



Congratulations to those who completed the CPR / AED training and certification on Monday evening: Miriam Chalouh, Parisa Verdi, Yafa Israelian, Lisa Lerner, Wayne Gobiuff, Gavriel Yusupov, David Rouhani, Dan Stevelman, Rabbi Boruch Wolf, Chaim Israeli, Rabbi Lawrence Teitelman, and Eric Finkelstein.

The course accompanied the acquisition of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) device that can – in case of cardiac emergencies – deliver an electric shock which can restore an abnormal heart rhythm back to normal.

Thank you to our donors/sponsors Debbie and Dr. Joseph Gul, in memory of Debbie's parents Louella and Martin Glick, and Betsy and David Mandel and friends, in memory of David's father Murray Mandel.



Simcha Kiddush Sponsors

Ellen & Larry Barth, celebrating simchas

Arlene & Art Feldman, celebrating Grandma Reg's birthday

Paige & Eric Finkelstein, celebrating simchas

Rena & Jerry Gombo, celebrating simchas

Myra & Jeff Grunfeld, celebrating simchas

Hannah Hurewitz, in gratitude of her daughter Joannie weathering the hurricane in Miami Beach

Ilene & Marc Horowitz, celebrating Ilene's birthday

Susan & Bill Isler, celebrating all simchas

Linda & Chaim Israeli, celebrating simchas

Dr. Beth & Mark Krieger, wishing everyone Shana Tova

Rita & Selig Lenefsky, celebrating their 60th anniversary and the birthday of son Dr. Ronald Lenefsky

Betsy & David Mandel, in honor of Eli on the occasion of the 4th anniversary of his Bar Mitzvah

Laurie & Larry Michaels, wishing mazal tov to the Teitelman family on their daughter Yedida's Bat Mitzvah

Rashel & David Rouhani, celebrating simchas

Audrey & Benny Shmuel, celebrating simchas

Nehama & Rabbi Lawrence Teitelman, celebrating the birthdays of Sara and Atara

Adrienne & Craig Wolf, celebrating simchas

Mushkie & Rabbi Boruch Wolf, celebrating simchas

Rachel & Gavriel Yusupov, celebrating simchas

The next Simcha Kiddush will be Shabbat Parashat Noach / Rosh Chodesh Marcheshvan – October 21. Sponsorships are \$18 per Kiddush or \$200 annually. Please submit payments to the office and e-mail simcha details to office@yinhp.org.