



The September 16th Kiddush is sponsored by Eitan & Anat Mor on the Shabbat Chatan of their son, Ro'ee, on his marriage to Avigail (Simon) Mor



The September 16th Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by the Bnai Israel community in honor of the Sheva Brachos of Ro'ee & Avigayil Mor



The September 23rd Kiddush is sponsored by Kevin & Amy Lefcoe and family in memory of Amy's father, Bernard Ehrlich

Schedule for the week

<u>Friday, September 15th (24th Elul)</u>		<u>Monday, September 18th (27th Elul)</u>	
Mincha/Kabalas Shabbos/Maariv	6:50 P	Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Shabbos Candle Lighting	6:54 P	Slichos	6:15 A
		Shachris	6:45 A
		General Board Meeting	6:00 P
<u>Shabbos, September 16th (25th Elul)</u>		Mincha / Maariv	6:50 P
Shachris	9:00 A	Monday Night Class with Rabbi Haber	7:45 P
BISLI	10:00 A	Partners in Torah at the JCC	8:00 P
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Shabbos Class for Women	5:00 P	<u>Tuesday, September 19th (28th Elul)</u>	
Daf Yomi	5:30 P	Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Pirkei Avos Class with Rabbi Haber	5:40 P	Slichos	6:30 A
Mincha	6:30 P	Shachris	7:00 A
Maariv / Havdala	7:49 P	Mincha / Maariv	6:50 P
Pre-Slichos Sermon	12:50 P		
Slichos	1:00 A	<u>Wednesday, September 20th (29th Elul)</u>	
		<u>Erev Rosh Hashana</u>	
<u>Sunday, September 17th (26th Elul)</u>		Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Daf Yomi	7:00 A	Slichos	6:30 A
Shachris	8:00 A	Shachris	7:00 A
Mincha / Maariv	6:50 P	Eruv Tashvilin	

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Services at B'nai Israel are open to all Jews in Hampton Roads.

Childcare will be provided during all major services.

To inquire about membership or seat reservations please contact the office at office@bnaiisrael.org . We offer one year of free membership to all new members.

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Minchah	6:45 P	Shachris	6:45 A
Candle Lighting	6:47 P	Mincha / Maariv	6:40 P
<u>Thursday, September 21st (1st Tishre)</u>		Monday Night Class with Rabbi Haber	7:15 P
<u>Rosh Hashana - Day 1</u>		Partners in Torah at the JCC	8:00 P
Shachris	8:00 A	<u>Tuesday, September 26th (6th Tishre)</u>	
HaMelech	8:45 A	Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Torah Reading (approximately)	10:25 A	Slichos	6:30 A
Sermon & Shofar (approximately)	10:45 A	Shachris	7:00 A
Community Tashlich	5:00 P	Mincha / Maariv	6:40 P
Daf Yomi	5:30 A	<u>Wednesday, September 27th (7th Tishre)</u>	
Minchah	6:30 P	Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Class with		Slichos	6:30 A
Maariv	7:35 P	Shachris	7:00 A
Candle lighting not before	7:42 P	Minchah / Maariv	6:40 P
<u>Friday, September 22nd (2nd Tishre)</u>		Rabbi Goder Beis Medrash - after Maariv	
Shachris	8:00 A	Daf Yomi - after Maariv	
HaMelech	8:45 A	<u>Thursday, September 28th (8th Tishre)</u>	
Torah Reading (approximately)	10:25 A	Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Sermon and Shofar (approximately)	10:45 A	Slichos	6:15 A
Daf Yomi	5:30 P	Shachris	6:45 A
Minchah	6:30 P	Minchah / Maariv	6:40 P
Candle Lighting	6:44 P	Daf Yomi - after Maariv	
Maariv (Following Mincha)		<u>Friday, September 29th, Erev Yom Kippur - Kol Nidre</u>	
<u>Shabbos, September 23rd (3rd Tishre)</u>		Daf Yomi	6:00 A
Shachris	9:00 A	Slichos	6:30 A
Daf Yomi	4:30 P	Shachris	7:00 A
Shabbos Shuva Sermon: <i>Standing Out</i>	5:30 P	Mincha	2:45 P
Minchah	6:30 P	Kol Nidre	6:30 P
Maariv/Havdala	7:39 P	Candle Lighting before Kol Nidre	
<u>Sunday, September 24th (4th Tishre)</u>		<u>Shabbos, September 30th - Yom Kippur</u>	
<u>Fast of Gedaliah</u>		Shachris	8:00 A
Fast Begins	5:38 A	HaMelech	9:30 A
Selichos	7:30 A	Torah reading	11:20 A
Shachris	8:00 A	Sermon	11:50 A
Toras Chaim Matching campaign	10:00 A	Yizkor (Approximately)	12:10 P
Minchah / Maariv	6:35 P	Minchah	4:45 P
Fast Ends:	7:37 P	Neilah	6:00 P
<u>Monday, September 25th (5th Tishre)</u>		Havdalah	7:28 P
Daf Yomi	6:00 A		
Slichos	6:15 A		

HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF

As our brothers and sisters in Houston seek to recover from the destruction of Hurricane Harvey there are several options for helping through the Orthodox Union and the local UJFT. In addition, Rabbi Haber will be working with Rabbi Litt - who is from Houston - on direct donations to families in need. Donations can be made to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund.

SHABBOS AFTERNOON CLASS FOR WOMEN

Shabbos, September 16th at 5:00 PM

Rebbitzin Chamie Haber will give the class, location will be announced in shul.

MONDAY NIGHT CLASSES WITH RABBI HABER

Rabbi Haber is conducting classes in which he discusses topics which relate to the High Holidays

September 18th at 7:45 PM - The Machzor and how to make it Meaningful

September 25th at 7:15 PM - Yom Kippur: Cleaning Up

THE 5778 BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

This project, published in memory of Dr. Allen S. Bridge, is a wonderful way one can fulfill their obligation (made during Yizkor) of donating tzedaka in memory of our loved ones. Even if you aren't obligated to say Yizkor, you can remember loved ones (grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc.) in this publication.

The charges have not changed: \$18 for each of the first three names (Mr. & Mrs. are separate) and \$12 for each additional name. There are also special dedication pages for past presidents, past rabbis of the congregation, and those members of the shul who were niftar this past year: Mrs. Ann Zukerman, Mr. Bernard Ehrlich and Mrs. Caroline Miller.

The charge for being a sponsor is \$100 (per family) per page. There are also opportunities to become a sponsor of the entire project. For more information, please contact Melissa Schoenfeld. **The deadline for submitting names was Friday, September 15th.**

CEMETERY VISITS WITH RABBI HABER

Rabbi Haber will once again be conducting cemetery visits to B'nai Israel, Forest Lawn, Mikro Kodesh, and Workman's Circle.

The times are as follows:

Sunday, September 17th

10:30 AM - Workman's Circle

Noon - Mikro Kodesh

2:00 - 3:00 PM - Newport News (Please confirm)

Monday, September 18th

9:30 - 10:30 AM - B'nai Israel

1:30 - 2:30 PM - Forest Lawn

Also, please note that the B'nai Israel Cemetery is now locked. Please contact Rabbi Haber or the office for access.

JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE, WHRO PUBLIC MEDIA, CHRYSLER MUSEUM AND EVMS PRESENT

LIVE EACH DAY: A TALK WITH JANE GARDNER

Sunday, September 17, 2:00 PM, Chrysler Museum of Art, free

Presented in conjunction with Jewish Family Service of Tidewater's ongoing commitment to provide cancer education with community partners - the Brock Institute of Eastern Virginia Medical School, WHRO Public Media, and the Chrysler Museum of Art, the event is free and open to the public. As there is limited seating, reservations are suggested.

For more information, call 757-664-6200. To register, go to tinyurl.com/reg4jane.

BNAI ISRAEL GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Monday, September 18th at 6:00 PM

TORAS CHAIM FUNDRAISER

Sunday, September 24th

Toras Chaim is running their 2017 Rosh Hashana matching campaign on Tzom Gedalia (September 24th). Rabbi Loiterman will match every dollar you donate up to \$9,000 for a total of \$18,000. Please consider helping the children of Toras Chaim by making a donation.

SISTERHOOD FLOWER FUND

The Sisterhood provides fresh flowers for the Bimah for every Yom Tov. Contributions to the flower fund can be mailed to Irene Mazel or Frances Berger.

Thank You to our Contributors

To Frances Berger for her contribution to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund for the safety of her children and grandchildren in Florida.

To Jeff & Amy Brooke for their contribution in memory of Jeff's grandmother, Rebecca Brooke.

To Roberta Alperin for her contribution to Bnai Israel Congregation.

To Michael & Roseanne Stupar for their contribution in memory of Roseanne's mother, Susanne Zedd.

To Aaron & Ruth Cohen for their contribution to the Bridge-Sturman Fund in honor of Dr. Adam & Avigayil Perry and family.

To Eileen Berman for her contribution in memory of her uncle, Leonard Berman.

For the Week of Shabbos, September 16th through Friday, September 29th

BIRTHDAYS

Ely Bloch	19th	9/16	Robert Low		9/19	Pamela Blais		9/27
Norman Soroko		9/16	Aryeh Leib Brandt	10th	9/21	Yoel Schoenfeld	8th	9/27
Sarah Lipman		9/17	Shari Berman		9/22	Diana Ruchelman		9/28
Sylvia M. Belkov		9/18	Miri Danziger	5th	9/24			
Dr. Morton Coleman		9/19	Elazar Danziger	10th	9/25			

YAHRTZEITS

Milton Barschi	9/16	Rebecca Sacks	9/21	Henry Levinson	9/24
Pearl Vogel	9/16	Frada Shapiro	9/21	Esther Eleanor Stern	9/24
Anne Lerman	9/18	Leibse Shapiro	9/21	Harvey Levin	9/25
Samuel Loren	9/18	Jennie Casper	9/22	John Stein	9/25
Alexander R. Becker	9/19	Chaim David Floch	9/22	Avraham Yoel Wecker	9/25
Robert Frost	9/19	Norman Gutterman	9/22	Moshe Shapiro	9/26
Philip Kaufman	9/19	Myer Levin	9/22	Bella Epstein	9/27
Zelda Asher	9/21	Nathan Loren	9/22	Mildred Wesley	9/27
Ada Igdalsky	9/21	Leonard Berman	9/23	Charles K. Adler	9/28
Alexander Ziskind Igdalsky	9/21	Basha Dean	9/23	Bernard Ehrlich	9/28
Leah Kessel	9/21	Barbara Lutsky	9/23	Rebecca Kahn	9/29
Benjamin Jason Putterman	9/21	Herman Kravitz	9/24		

REFUAH SHELAIMA

Women

Men

Shoshana bas Miriam Vittel Zilke bas Leah Leah Adina bas Chaya Esther Yochana bas Chana Nava bas Fruma Leah Basha Leiba bas Baila Fruma Simcha bas Tzipporah Malka Esther bas Devorah Devorah bas Ruchel Sara Bas Sara Miriam Rochel bas Chava Elisheva Kayla Dodie bas Rochel Bracha Rochel Bracha bas Baila Tirtze Sorah bas Rochel Bracha Rivka Tehilla bas Sarah Hinda bas Dena Shula bas Carmela Eliana Chaya bas Nacha Adi Simcha bas Penina Leah Gilsom Gila bas Tzipporah Tzipporah bas Gilsom Gila Aida Batya bas Etta Chaya Tova Gittel bas Shulamis Sima Elka Gittel bas Basya Chana Yitta bas Bryna Yehudis bas Irma Bayla Mishka bas Devora Malka Chana bas Ruchel Miriam bas Tzipora Chaya Raizel bas Dena Chana bas Sarah	Devora Leah bas Civet Elkie Samecha Yehudis bas Esther Reva Raza bas Malka Shoshana bas Netta Adi Bat Miriam Chana Leah bas Fraydel Ruth bas Sarah Chaya bas Ruchel Tinokes bas Esther Hadassah Sheva bas Rivka Chaya Ruchel bas Zelda Shirah bas Sarah Nechama Getzel bas Rachel Ruchama Malka Briendel bas Shaina Shifra Miriam bas Chava Leah Aviva bas Masha Rochel bas Tova Chaya Rochel bas Esti Rivka Rivka bas Chaya Ruchel Rivka bas Yocheved Tzippora Aviva bas Rivka Devora Rivka bas Tzipora Raizel Shoshana bas Faiga Leah Chana Shifra bas Freidel Orly Rachel Bat Yehudit Rus Leah Rivka bas Sarah Yehudis bas Chana Leah	Shalom Boruch ben Masha Yehuda ben Chasha Ruchel Moshe Yechezkel Halevi ben Sara Malka Reuven Simcha ben Naomi Rus Yonah Michael Alter ben Esther Sarah Shlomo Yaakov Yonason ben Chana Raizel Aryeh Nachman HaCohen ben Ita Shlomo ben Tzipporah David Shlomo ben Rivka Tehilla Noach HaLevi ben Miriam Koppel ben Bayla Yonatan ben Rivka Abraham ben Iza Yoel Meir ben Chaya Yehudah Ben Batya Rafael Messod ben Naomi Sarah Eliezer ben Sara Avraham Beryl HaLevi ben Miriam Yissachar ben Rachel Binyamin Leib ben Rachel Chana Zecharia Avraham ben Devorah Rivka Nossan Yitzhak Ben Leah Moshe ben Raizel Eliezer ben Penina Kaila Meir Yehoshua ben Penina Kaila Beryl ben Chava Shmuel Yeruchem ben Baila Eitan ben Sarah Yehoshua ben Nechama Aliza Menachem ben Tzipka Avraham ben Chana Asher Eliyahu ben Leah	Akiva Hillel Ben Cooki Tziporah Feige Gittel Yehuda Herschel ben Chaya Leah Dovid Leshem ben Esther Chaim Yaakov Dovid ben Avigail Abba ben Tzipora Pesach ben Baila Dovid Avraham ben Miriam Yosef Aaron ben Keren Shoshana Robert ben Jean Rachmiel Leib ben Mordechai HaLevi Yehuda Sema ben Alta Ruchel Chaim Rafael Yoel ben Shayna Golda Daniel Yosef ben Miriam Aaron Emanuel ben Tzippora Michael Dovid ben Rivka Moshe Yosef ben Esther Reuven HaCohen ben Sarah Eitan Shmuel bas Chana Leah Eliezer Yehuda ben Chana Shaindel Yisroel Shmuel ben Sarah Chaim Avraham ben Feiga Chaim Shmuel ben Rivka Eliyahu Aron ben Hudel Sholom Yehuda ben Fayga Tinok ben Rochel Shlomo Yoel ben Chaya Leah Chanina Getzl ben Chana Fradel Meyer Yisroel Hirsch ben Zahava Zippora Yitzchak ben Emma
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CLASSES FOR EVERYONE

DAF YOMI

Morning Class: Sundays at 7:00 AM, weekdays at 6:00 AM
with Rabbi Loiterman

Evening Class: Sunday through Thursday after Ma'ariv

Shabbos & Yom Tov: both classes meet together one hour before Mincha
with Rabbi Loiterman

SHABBOS LEARNING FOR BOYS

Grades 5th - 8th Gemara class at the Harpaz home at 3:00 PM with Rabbi Harpaz

Grades 1st - 4th with Rabbi Lipman at shul 30 minutes before Mincha

Grades 5th - 8th Mishnayos Shiur with Rabbi Harpaz at shul 30 minutes before Mincha.

PIRKEI AVOS WITH RABBI HABER

Shabbos afternoons, 50 minutes before Mincha

How Pirkei Avos influenced the lives of the Rebbes; how Pirkei Avos should influence our lives.

MONDAY NIGHT CLASSES WITH RABBI HABER

9/18 (7:45) - The Machzor and how to make it Meaningful

9/25 (7:15) - Yom Kippur: Cleaning Up

PARTNERS IN TORAH

Mondays from 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM

For both men and women, meets at the JCC in Room 238

Women's Tuesday Noon Learning Class

The Tuesday noon class for women is on hiatus until after Sukkos.

TALMUD CLASSES - 75 minutes before Mincha

Tuesday evenings: With Gershon Aronoff - Megilla

RABBI GODER OPEN BEIS MEDRASH LEARNING NIGHT

Wednesdays after Maariv at B'nai Israel

Join one of several informal study groups being offered.

THE B'NAI ISRAEL CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Week of September 10th through September 16th

Shabbos, September 16th: Shabbat Chatan of Ro'ee & Avigail

Shabbos, September 16th: Shalosh Seudos Sheva Brachos for Ro'ee & Abigail Mor

Motzei Shabbos, September 16th: Slichos for Yomim Noraim

Week of September 17th through September 23rd

Sunday, September 17th: Live Each Day: A Talk with Jane Gardner at the Chrysler Museum

Monday, September 18th: Bnai Israel General Board meeting at Bnai Israel at 6:00 PM

Monday, September 18th: Class with Rabbi Haber: "The Machzor and How to Make it Meaningful" (7:45 PM)

Wednesday, September 20th: Erev Rosh Hashana (Eruv Tashvilin)

Thursday, September 21st: First Day of Rosh Hashana (Tashlich)

Friday, September 22nd: Second Day of Rosh Hashana

Week of September 24th through September 30th

Sunday, September 24th: Tzom Gedalia (Nidche)

Sunday, September 24th: Toras Chaim 2017 Rosh Hashana Matching Campaign

Monday, September 25th: Class with Rabbi Haber: "Yom Kippur: Cleaning Up" (7:15 PM)

Friday, September 29th: Erev Yom Kippur

Shabbos, September 30th: Yom Kippur

Week of October 1st through October 7th

Wednesday, October 4th: Erev Sukkos (Eruv Tashvilin)

Thursday, October 5th: First Day of Sukkos

Friday, October 6th: Second Day of Sukkos

Shabbos, October 7th: First Day of Chol HaMoed

Week of October 8th through October 14th

Sunday, October 8th: Second Day of Chol HaMoed

Monday, October 9th: Third Day of Chol HaMoed

Monday, October 9th (night): Mostofsky/Krischer Vort - Bnai Israel Sukka

Tuesday, October 10th: Fourth Day of Chol HaMoed

Wednesday, October 11th: Hoshana Rabbah

Wednesday, October 11th (night): Erev Shmini Atzeres (Eruv Tashvilin)

Thursday, October 12th: Shmini Atzeres

Thursday, October 12th (night): Simchas Torah / Hakofos

Friday, October 13th: Simchas Torah / Hakofos

BREAKING THE RULES

On Rosh Hashana we beg G-d to rise from His throne of Judgment and sit on His throne of Mercy.

What's up with that?

Didn't Hashem make rules? Didn't he tell us what will happen if we don't follow the rules? How do we have the Chutzpa to stand before G-d and ask for special treatment after He clearly stated and restated the rules?

At best we are asking for trouble.

I spent the last few hours of last year at the Enterprise car rental agency. You need a credit card to rent a car, and I had the good fortune to get in line behind an angry marine who was trying to rent a car without a credit card. (Most marines are nice guys, but this one was not). The Marine tried cash, debit cards, and ID tags, but the clerk just kept repeating the rule: You Need a Credit Card to Rent a Car.

As I stood and watched this exchange, the marine finally lost his patience. He took his entire wallet, closed it and threw it at the clerk.

"Take whatever you need", he said, "Just give me a car"

Everyone in the store was aghast at the man's behavior and the clerk refused to serve him.

A supervisor came out a few minutes later and calmed him down. She said that she could get him a car. She would need to check his credit record, his driving record, and his personal history. She began drilling the Marine: Who is your employer? (U.S Marine Corp) How many years have you been with the Corp? (Twenty five years) What is your rank? (Sergeant) Who can we call for a recommendation? Do you have any outstanding debts and to which banks? Do you have a criminal record?

The tough marine was embarrassed and humiliated. Only after a full interrogation and extra paperwork was he allowed to take a car.

At first I looked on condescendingly as I thought of the teaching of Ben Zoma: "Who is Strong? He who conquers his emotions." Apparently, a man can rappel from helicopters into enemy fire and still be a wimp when it comes to conquering his own anger.

A few minutes later, it occurred to me that I might not be much better than this Marine. What is the difference between his behavior at Enterprise and our own behavior on Rosh Hashana? Don't we ask Hashem to ignore the rules and make an exception for us? Don't we just 'throw everything we have' at Hashem and demand that He make it right? Are we really looking to be interrogated and judged like the Marine was judged? Why would Hashem bypass the rules that He Himself set up? How do we have the Chutzpa to ask?

Many great thinkers have asked this question and they all seem to agree on one basic answer: Mercy is not a way to bypass judgment; it is a form of judgment.

Hashem judges us as we judge others. If we are unwilling to bend our will and our desire for others, Hashem will (chas veshalom) act in kind and not veer at all from the rules that he has set forth.

On the other hand, if we are merciful when considering the actions of others, Hashem will be merciful when considering our actions as well.

Enterprise rent-a-car isn't sophisticated enough to change their policies on a case by case basis. Hashem, in His infinite wisdom, is able to base His Judgment on each person's individual approach to justice.

The last line of Avinu Malkeinu was composed by Rabi Akiva. The Jewish people were desperate for rain and Rabi Akiva asked Hashem to have mercy upon us. He was answered immediately with torrents of rain. The students wondered why Rabi Akiva had been answered so quickly while Rabi Eliezer's many Tefillos had gone unanswered. A heavenly voice explained that Rabi Eliezer was a student of Shammai. He was always strict and unforgiving on the Torah's behalf. Rabi Akiva was a student of Hillel and he was being judged in the way that he judged others.

If we are merciful in judging others; Hashem will be merciful when He judges us.