



Shaarey Zedek Newsletter



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Parshas Korach
June 27 - July 4, 2025
1 Tamuz - 8 Tamuz 5785

Friday, Erev Shabbos, June 27 - Rosh Chodesh Tamuz	
Shacharis	5:45 & 6:30 AM
Early Mincha	6:25 PM
Mincha - Sephardic Minyan	6:30 PM
Early Candle Lighting	6:45 PM
Candle Lighting	7:51 PM
Mincha	7:55 PM
Saturday, Shabbos Day, June 28	
Shacharis	7:00 & 9:00 AM - Main Sanctuary
Rabbi Horowitz's shiur this week from 8:00-8:15am	8:15 AM - Social Hall 9:00 AM - Teichman Beis Medresh Sephardic Minyan
Say Shema by	9:21 AM
Rabbi's Shiur	6:50 PM
Mincha followed by Shalosh Seudos	7:35 PM
Maariv	10 minutes BEFORE SHABBOS ENDS
Shabbos Ends	8:53 PM
Sunday, June 29	
Shacharis	6:45 & 8:00 AM
Sephardic Minyan Plag Mincha followed by Arbit	10 minutes before plag Teichman Beis Medresh
Mincha/Maariv	7:55 PM
Monday, June 30 & Thursday, July 3	
Shacharis	5:49 & 6:45 AM
Sephardic Minyan Plag Mincha followed by Arbit	10 minutes before plag Teichman Beis Medresh
Mincha/Maariv	7:55 PM
Tuesday, July 1 & Wednesday, July 2	
Shacharis	5:59 & 6:45 AM
Sephardic Minyan Plag Mincha followed by Arbit	10 minutes before plag Teichman Beis Medresh
Mincha/Maariv	7:55 PM
Friday, Erev Shabbos, July 4 - Independence Day	
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Rabbi's Discretionary Fund needs your help!
Please see back for details.

Mazel Tov & Thank You

תודה רבה & מזל טוב

Thank you to Mark & Ellen Hurwitz for sponsoring the Kiddush after the 7:00am minyan in memory of Ellen's father, Robert S. Greenberg, Reuven Shaul ben Ze'ev Velvel z"l.

Thank you to Ira & Amy Leibowitz for sponsoring the Kiddush after the 7:00am minyan in honor of their son Eli's birthday this Shabbos on the 2nd of Tamuz. Happy Birthday Eli!

Mazel tov and thank you to Noah & Deena Kay for sponsoring the Kiddush after the 8:15am minyan in honor of the birth of a boy. Mazel tov to big sisters Ariela, Rikki and Shira, grandparents Dr. Marty & Marilyn Kay, grandmother Irina Krapiva, grandfather Chaim Moshkovich, and all the uncles, aunts, and cousins. The Shalom Zachor is at 12733 Chandler Blvd., from 8:30-12:00.

Thank you to Rabbi Avi & Gitty Horowicz for sponsoring the Kiddush after the 8:15am minyan liluy nishmas Avi's grandfather, Tzvi ben Chaim Yehuda, z"l.

Thank you to Eddie & Ilana Klein and family for sponsoring Shalosh Seudos in memory of the fourth yearzeit of Ilana's brother, Sean Tyszler, Shmaya Aryeh Chaim ben Yitzhak Yehuda, z"l.

Mazel tov to Ephraim & Liron Rosenberg on the engagement of their son Zevi to Chasya Berger, daughter of Rabbi Stephen & Sarah Berger of Vancouver, Canada. Mazel tov to the grandparents Gabe & Eva Rosenberg and Michael & Hedy Harris.

Mazel tov to Haim & Gita Hirsch on the engagement of their son, Aaron Dovid to Shifra Horowitz (Baltimore). Mazel tov to Shifra's parents Shlomo & Leah Horowitz, and to grandparents Israel & Phyllis Hirsch and Beni & Diana Warshawsky.

Condolences

ברוך דין האמת

To Xianna Shiffman and family on the loss of her mother, Claire Ladenheim, Chaya bas Yosef, z"l.

New Security Initiative: Entry Point+ Training

We're proud to launch a new community security effort in partnership with CSS (Community Security Service) via Zoom on **Tuesday, July 1 at 8:45pm.**

Entry Point+ is a one-hour interactive training session designed to empower every member of our community with the tools to stay **aware, alert and safe.** Learn how to recognize potential threats, maintain vigilance, and take practical steps to help protect our synagogue and each other.

This live training has been arranged **exclusively for Shaarey Zedek members** and covers the essential basics of personal and communal security.

Every member can make a difference. Join us and be part of keeping our community safe.

Please see flyer on page 3 of the newsletter to sign up. Everyone should attend this important Zoom!

Important Info

There will be an extra Mincha minyan held at 7:20pm on Sunday, June 29 for those who are attending Tacos & Trivia. Maariv will follow the event.

Steak & Scotch: The Art of Pairing

Thursday, July 17 at 7:30pm

Join us for a fresh take on our classic Steak & Scotch evening — now with a twist!

Experience the refined art of pairing premium scotch with **gourmet pareve chocolates, succulent meats, and fine cigars.** Plus, don't miss your chance to win **exciting new raffle prizes!**

Space is limited — reserve your spot early!

<https://valleyshul.shulcloud.com/form/Steak-Scotch-2025>

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

The Rabbi's Discretionary Fund helps with local Tzedakah needs in the community. The fund is low. If you would like to assist in replenishing the fund, please make a check out to Shaarey Zedek and reference "Rabbi's Fund" in the memo ONLY (the actual check must be made out to Shaarey Zedek), or you can send via Zelle to info@valleyshul.com.

Thank you to Perla & Herman Muhlstein for sponsoring one month of Youth Groups!

Let Us Know!

We at Shaarey Zedek strive to stay on top of all community events, simchas and personal difficulties. But we are not always made aware of everything that happens with our members. In order for us to get involved appropriately with all community needs, we have created an email address called letusknow@valleyshul.com. Please help us stay informed about babies born, health issues of members, any members that need help, security issues, etc. We appreciate your assistance.

Upcoming Events

Tacos & Trivia THIS Sunday, June 29!
Steak & Scotch will be on July 17 and Casino Night dates to be announced.
We'd love to have more events in the shul.
If you have an idea for an event and are interested in running it, please email Jason at president2025@valleyshul.com.
We love your suggestions; we love your help even more!

Catering Options

Platinum Catering: Rachel Celnik (818) 625-8083 platinumcatering1@gmail.com

Culinary Creations by Chumie Vann: Chumie Vann (818) 300-5687
culinarycreationsbychumie@gmail.com

La Gondola: Nir Weinblut (310) 247-1239 nir@lagondola.com

Events by CNH (Chabad of N. Hollywood): Shmulie Abend (818) 336-1089
eventsbycnh@gmail.com

Barbeque King: Steven/Tzvi Graubard 310-770-4842 steven@thebarbecueking.com

MBT Events: Tomer Shoshani (347) 809-0478 madebytomer@gmail.com

Helpful SZ Contacts

- Shul President - Jason Bayever
president2025@valleyshul.com
- VP Religion - Hudi Ehrenberg
bigberg613@hotmail.com
- VP Membership - Daniella Linden
daniellalinden1@gmail.com
- To add a yahrzeit to the shuls database:
<https://forms.gle/VsET1FEcoTyLsn3h6> or call shul office
- Shaarey Zedek & Mount Sinai—Naomi Silbermintz
naomis@mountsinainaparks.org or (323) 769-1374.
- Hachnassat Orchim - Devorah Perchik (818) 784-5691
- Shiva Committee - Dr. Jeremy Frend (818) 642-9246 and Rich Sieger (818) 205-3459.

Other Helpful Contacts

- Hatzolah (800) 613-1911
- Chaverim (323) 903-7613
- Aleinu Family Help (818) 623-0300
- Bikur Cholim Committee-Anne Greenfield (818) 398-0018
- Relief LA-Daniel Berman (818) 655-0032 or dberman@reliefhelp.org (Free Mental Health referrals for the Orthodox community)
- Valley Eruv www.valleyeruv.org tiny.cc/eruv
- Teichman Mikvah www.teichmanmikvah.com (818) 760-4567
- Tomchei Shabbos Ruth Dimant (818) 517-4902
- Ateres Avigail Medical Supply G'mach (323) 937-8300
- Funeral Liaison - Israela Conzevoy (818) 599-2463
- Checking Mezuzahs, Tefillin, Torah & Megilla Scrolls-Neriya Iskhakov (323) 350-5947
- LA Formula Gemach formulagemach.la@gmail.com or (text only) 310-981-8553
- Chair & Table Gemach - Avi Horowicz (323) 326-6273
- Daily Tehillim Group - Please email bethappel@aol.com

Tehillim Circle

Women

Chana Rachel bat Miriam
Chaya bas Penina
Chaya bas Teibel
Chaya Malka bas Galina
Deborah Leah bat Tzipora
Devora Basya bas Rochel Leah
Esther Bracha bas Chaya
Geulah Shira bat Miriam
Hinda bas Chaya Elisheva
Itta Naomi bas Dreizsha Chaya Rivka
Leah Chana bas Sarah Leah
Leba Sasya bas Esther
Leelee Leeba Masa bas Shana
Leiba Ariella bas Ita Sarah
Lieba Yidasil bas Frida
Machala Erin bas Lieba

Meira bat Margolit Chaviva
Mindel bas Leah
Rafaela Inna bas Lucia
Rena Leah bat Aviva Geulah
Rivka Esther bas Sara Gittel
Rivkah Leah bat Raisel
Rochel bat Sarah Zlotteh
Rochel Leah bas Tzippa
Rut bat Chana
Sara Masha bat Esther Leah
Sarah Bracha bat Shoshana
Shoshana bas Fayga Raizel
Temima bat Rena Leah
Yehudit Gilah bas Rochel Leah
Yehudit Perel bas Sarah Malka

Men

Aharon ben Pesseh
Aharon Yitzchak Ben Chaya Malka
Akiva Moshe ben Zahava Devora
Avner Moshe Mordechai ben Sorah
Rochel
Binyomin Chaim ben Chaya
Boruch ben Magdalena
Dov Ber ben Rachel
Chaim Berel ben Tziporah Miriam
Chaim Zelig ben Nasha
Eliezer Shmuel ben Chana Yitta
Eliezer Yehuda ben Menucha
Ghodrat ben Anbar
Melech Shlomo ben Rachel
Michael Efraim ben Chaya
Moshe Aaron ben Leah Baila
Moshe Asher ben Esther Sara
Moshe ben Penina

Naftali Gershon ben Frida
Naftuli Sender ben Chaya Bryna
Natan Dovid ben Yoela Naomi
Natan Nahum ben Yehudis Perel
Pesach Tzvi ben Tamarah Golda
Reuven Moshe ben Sara
Shimon ben Rovia
Shlomo Meir ben Leah
Yehuda Ruven ben Leah Naomi
Yoel Elyasaf Chai ben Sharon Simcha
Yisroel Yehuda HaCohen ben Ida
Yocheved
Yitzchak Yosef ben Shasha
Tzion Ben Eshrat
Tzvi Aharon ben Nechma
Tzvi ben Leah Miriam
Yitzchok Peretz HaLevi Ben Tzippa
Yitzhak ben Keshvar
Zev Yosef Ben Gittel



COMMUNITY
SECURITY
SERVICE



Reserve Your ZOOM Code for Entry Point +

Tuesday, July 1 at 8:45 PM PT

Dear Shaarey Zedek Member,

We are launching a new security initiative. CSS's program, [Entry Point +](#) is a one-hour interactive training session on how to identify threats on the street, be alert, and vigilant in our community. This live session has been arranged specifically for Shaarey Zedek members about the basics of security and how to protect and keep our community safe. The methods are designed for every member. Check out the [promo video here](#).

Topics covered include:

- Identifying security threats
- Recognizing suspicious activity
- The importance of community volunteer security
- Reducing and responding to threats to your synagogue
- How to volunteer to protect your community

* This is a **one-hour** standalone program and **no background in security is required**.

[Sign Up for the SZ ZOOM Entry Point Session Here](#)

- **INSTITUTION NAME:** Shaarey Zedek (Valley Village, CA)
- **WEBINAR CODE:** 82665223507

You will receive a confirmation email from Zoom. For registration help, contact entrypoint@thecss.org.

Contact **Rachel (Victor) Jaffe** at rachel@valleyshul.com for last minute signup.

- Do not share this registration information.
- Sign in from a computer or tablet (phone not recommended) to participate.
- Access will be closed a few minutes after the session's start time.



Protecting Jewish Life and Jewish Way of Life



Happening in the **COMMUNITY**

Free Sarah Vanounou, A Long-Suffering Agunah
<https://thechesedfund.com/vaadhachessed/free-a-long-suffering-agunah>
See page 8 in the online newsletter for more information

New WhatsApp group called Elazar Refael Minyan Link, in memory of Elazar Refael, z”l
(Grandson of our members Ron & Miryam Rivkah Heckman).
We are seeking volunteers available to attend Jewish funerals needing a minyan. It's a good mitzvah opportunity for those who are retired or self employed. The URL for the WhatsApp group is
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Gr5uHU904L1SDrRtQWq5h>
Anyone can click on it to join the group.

Would You Like To Elevate Yourself As Well As The Blessings In Your Life?
Committing to learn about the laws of shmiras halashon, guarding your tongue, and implementing those laws, is the closest thing to guaranteeing blessing in your life. Hashem loves when His children get along and what better way to promote peace than by using our words properly. A community member is offering free copies of the sefer, The Chofetz Chaim-A Daily Companion, to anyone who is willing to commit to learning through it at least once. Books will be available in the Shaarey Zedek office.

Are you interested in visiting residents of the Four Seasons nursing home?
There are three Jewish men who are permanent residents at the Four Seasons nursing home on Laurel Canyon off Chandler Blvd. If you are interested in meeting them and visiting, please call or text Debbie Striks at 818-421-4681. No commitments are necessary for ongoing visits, any interaction is appreciated.

Sharsheret, the Jewish Breast and Ovarian Cancer community, is holding their annual West Coast Dash 5K/10K/ Family Fun Race on Sunday, September 14th at Dockweiler Beach. We would love for Shaarey Zedek to form a team of runners or walkers and join us at the beach!
Sharsheret will use the money raised at the dash to support families facing breast cancer, ovarian cancer, and increased genetic risk for cancer in our community.
Please reach out to Sari Abrams with any questions or for more information: sarilynnabrams@gmail.com; 310-497-2768.

Once more with feeling! Please help Jan Moore raise money for Chai Lifeline by sponsoring his 6th year riding in Bike4Chai. Sponsor him at www.Bike4Chai.com/janmoore

The **Shaarey Zedek Jewish Book Club**, open to all adults, will be reading Cry of the Peacock by Gina B. Nahai. We will meet during late July to discuss. For more information, contact Anne Greenfield at 818-398-0018.

Kid's GROUPS

Girls & Boys Ages 2 to 3

will meet in the room behind the main sanctuary from 9:00am-11:00am

Girls & Boys Ages 4 to 5

will meet in the room behind the main sanctuary from 9:00am-11:00am

Girls Ages 6 to 10

will meet in the Ratner Chapel from 9:00am-11:00am

Boys Ages 6 to 9

will meet in the Downstairs Social Hall by the windows from 8:30am-11:00am

Teen Girls 6th Grade and Up

will meet downstairs by the staircase on the Chandler side from 9:45am-11:00am

Weekly SHIURIM

On Zoom	In-Person Weekday	Shabbos
<p><u>Rabbi Rosenberg</u></p> <p>Monday Nights at 8:00 PM Navi Shiur—Yeshaya for Women https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82352434355</p> <p>Wednesdays at 10:00 AM Chumash Shiur Parshas HaShavuah for Women https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82352434355</p>	<p><u>New Women's Shiur</u> <u>Featuring Michelle Hirsch</u></p> <p>Tuesdays at 11:15am at the Moritz home, 12923 Chandler Blvd. All levels welcome (in-person only). Please RSVP to 323-791-4912.</p>	<p><u>Rabbi Chaim Davidowitz</u></p> <p>Shiur after the 7:00am minyan (and right before the 9 AM minyan), in the Downstairs Social Hall room with the windows.</p>
<p><u>Rabbi George Lintz</u></p> <p>Mishna Brura Shiur Monday-Thursday 6:35 AM -7:00 AM Friday 6:35 AM -7:15 AM https://us02web.zoom.us/j/525194936 Password: 123456</p>	<p><u>Every Tuesday evening at 8:30pm</u></p> <p>A weekly learning group led by Rabbi Simcha Striks. Either learn with a chavrusa or join a small group - For all ages and stages! Currently learning the 1st perek of Sanhedrin. A special thank you to Mr. Johnny Istrin for sponsoring new Artscroll Gemaras for all who attend. At the Valley Village Community Kollel, 12422 Chandler Blvd. Come and bring a friend!</p>	<p><u>Rabbi Striks</u></p> <p>Shiur on Pirkei Avos immediately after the 8:15am minyan, inside the Social Hall.</p>
<p><u>Dr. Susan Snyder</u></p> <p>Text based with some level of Hebrew: Navi and Kesuvim inside with meforshim Thursdays at 11:45am https://us02web.zoom.us/j/ Meeting ID 871 4346 3552</p>		<p><u>Rabbi Aryeh Davidowitz</u></p> <p>The Daf Yomi shiur will be given at 7:15am in the Ratner Chapel. During the week, the shiur will be at 6:00am.</p>

Dear Members,

As many new families and individuals are moving to the Valley, Shaarey Zedek is planning a whole new Hachnasas Orchim/Chesed initiative. The goal of the initiative is to find hosts for Hachnasas Orchim/Chesed for the following groups of people:

1. singles in the community who might otherwise be alone on Shabbos
2. connecting with new or prospective members of the community to help them feel welcome and integrated
3. providing visitors with Shabbos meals, if needed
4. those in our community who could use a break from a long week, need some care and support due to life-cycle events, want to socialize, etc.

To achieve this goal however, we need help from our members. We are looking for at least 10 Shaarey Zedek families who are Shomer Shabbos/Shomer Kashrus*, who are willing to host. The privilege and work involved in these great mitzvos will be shared among all the hosts. The process is simple: Via email and a Google doc, one can choose to host for a specific date/meal. No one will be expected to host when they are simply too busy. The link to the "sample" Google doc is here:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1XC6wBqw97OVdCihbyPqjeQU_K65q_0Ew5VEy_QKHF4Y/edit?usp=sharing

If you would like to sign up for this special mitzvah, please email hello@valleyshul.com to be a Shaarey Zedek host. Once we confirm the roster, we will create a CONFIDENTIAL hosting team who will receive the email requests via a Google group. Those looking for hospitality will email hello@valleyshul.com and an email will be sent to the hosting team with the details. We will do our best to "vet" guests to our community to ensure safety and a pleasant experience, before requesting hosting.

Thank you in advance for those who wish to participate in this special mitzvah!

*Shomer Kashrus in this context means you meet the standards set by kosherquest.org (Rabbi Eidlitz) and ask kashrus questions to an Orthodox Rabbi.

Free Sarah Vanounou, A Long-Suffering Agunah

Click on this link to contribute: <https://thechesedfund.com/vaadhachessed/free-a-long-suffering-agunah>

Sarah Vanounou, a young mother living in Los Angeles, is still chained in a marriage that for all intents and purposes ended many years ago. Her husband, Moshe Vanounou refuses to give her a Get despite large financial offers from generous members of our community and even Sarah's. She needs funds to cover thousands of dollars of attorney's costs that have accumulated as a result of his litigiousness and use of the court systems in a manner not sanctioned by Halacha or even falling within the realm of fairness and reasonableness. In fact, in some decisions the judge has not refrained from expressing his negative reaction to some of the statements made by her husband. For example, in one decision the judge stated that his "testimony has generally deteriorated from "contradictions and inconsistencies" to outright falsehoods and deception".

Our community must help defray these costs, protest and offer prayers for her plight. He refused to go to a legitimate Bais Din and initiated numerous frivolous, false court proceedings costing over \$200,000. in attorney fees. We urge you to join in the efforts to free her. Her husband, aided and abetted by some members of his family, is treating his wife in ways we as a community cannot tolerate. These behaviors are well outside the pale of family disputes and must be condemned as an affront to our values and the morals of Klal Yisrael.

Rabbi Berish Goldenberg

Rabbi Boruch Yehuda Gradon

Rabbi Moshe Kesselman

Rabbi Yaakov Krause

Rabbi Nechemia Langer

Rabbi Mordechai Lebhar

Rabbi Avraham Levychaim

Rabbi Yehuda Moses

Rabbi Elazar Muskin

Rabbi Dovid Revah

Rabbi Jonathan Rosenberg

Rabbi Michael Segankohanim

Rabbi Avrohom Stulberger

Rabbi Yitzchok Summers

Rabbi Kalman Topp

Rabbi Shlomo Yisraeli

Rabbi David Zargari