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Hi,

As people are already preparing for Purim the Rav felt the following should go out now as opposed in next week's newsletter. Any questions, feel free to call the Rav.

- This Shabbos will be the last Mishlei shiur for this season. all are welcome.
- This Shabbos we read Parshas Zachor, which is a Torah obligation to hear it read from a Torah scroll. the shul has organized a number of minyanim. if you have not yet signed up, please contact Yaakov Grunstein to find out which minyan has space for you. **Anyone ill should not attend.**
- Reading the Megillah--the same rules apply as for parshas zachor. all are obligated to hear megillah **Anyone ill should not attend.**
- Mishloach Manos--while rejoicing on Purim with family and friends is a wonderful and enjoyable mitzvah, in this age of Covid, everyone should practice caution and good sense. The mitzvah requires each person give gifts to two people ,though giving many will add to the enjoyment of the chag , and help develop friendship (which are surely desirable) this year staying safe is more important. As always it is preferable give charity poor than shaloch manos.
- machtzis hashekel custom give Thursday afternoon
- Taanis Esther--Thursday is Taanis Esther, but someone who is not feeling well should not fast. if someone is fasting, but is scheduled for a late reading of the Megillah on Thursday evening, it is permissible this year to eat after 6:33pm, even before hearing the Megillah.
- Kiddush Levana may take place until Friday morning.
- Seudas Purim--it is a positive mitzvah to have a festive meal on Purim. Since this year Purim is Erev Shabbos, the seudah preferably should be by 12 noon. that is because on Friday afternoon, one should not eat a great deal, so as to be able to enjoy the Shabbos meal.if one can't have seudah at this time please call Rabbi Cohen

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