



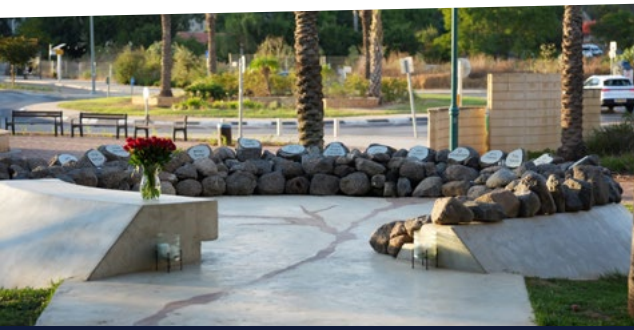
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This Week in Town

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Hod HaSharon
community and nature in the center



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Municipal memorial ceremony – October 7

On Tuesday, October 6, the municipality held its memorial ceremony for Hod HaSharon residents who fell and were murdered in the October 7 massacre and the war that followed.

The ceremony took place at the memorial monument in Atidim Park, with hundreds of Hod HaSharon residents in attendance.

Speakers at the ceremony included Sigal Manzuri, mother of Norelle and Roya Manzuri, who were murdered at the Nova festival together with Norelle's partner, Amit Cohen; Shmuel Efrimi, father of Capt. Ron Efrimi, who fell in battle in central Gaza on January 8, 2024; and Mayor Amir Kochavi.

From the speech by Sigal Manzuri, mother of Norelle and Roya Manzuri:

"This beautiful monument here behind me is a merciless reminder of a wound that will bleed forever. How can it be that the names of Pessi, Hana, Tal, Yitzhak, Galit, Hagit, Johnny, Mai, Ron, Eyal, Ben, Guy – and my daughters Norelle and Roya, who were never parted in life or in death – how can it be that their names are carved in stone?! How can this be the story of our lives?! But this same monument also reminds us that some people leave behind a legacy of deeds, while others leave behind a void that no words can ever fill. It also marks the loss of young people taken before their time, with their best years still ahead of them. This is a wound that does not heal – it learns to take on a new shape. They departed carrying with them all their promise, and left us with the deafening silence of all that will never be."

From the speech by Shmuel Efrimi, father of Capt. Ron Efrimi:

"Those of us who have lost what was dearest to us, and all those who have paid with their bodies and souls, have a purpose and a role to play. We must make sure that the terrible price we have paid was not in vain. I call on everyone who hears my words – and especially the young people among us, for whom this is the reality in which you have grown up: do not choose division and incitement. Do not give hatred a place – not among ourselves, and not towards those who live alongside us. We have had more than enough of that.

I hold close to my heart the values my son Ron believed in, the values in whose name he went out to fight. In the spirit of those values, I call on all of us – citizens and, above all, leaders – to act responsibly. To speak to one another



You are invited to watch Sigal Manzuri's speech

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with respect. To listen, even to those who think differently from us. To respect a range of opinions, and to remember that despite our disagreements, we share one home and a shared destiny.

We need a strong country that can protect its citizens and stand up to its enemies – but also a country that never loses hope for the days when we can live here in security, calm and peace."

 You are invited to watch Shmuel Efrimi's speech

From the speech by Mayor Amir Kochavi:
"Three years on, the pain only grows stronger. The lack of words is like a lack of shade in the desert, scorching body and soul day after day and entrenching the weight we carry. Three years, more questions than answers. Only one thing is certain: those of us fortunate enough not to belong to the circle of bereavement of that terrible day and the war that followed will never truly know how it feels – or how life goes on – for the father, the mother, the brother or sister, the son or daughter. All we can offer is to walk beside you, and to try to see the suffering, the pain and the broken heart, but also the courage and strength it takes to carry on living."

 You are invited to watch Mayor Amir Kochavi's speech



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Screening of the national memorial ceremony

On Wednesday evening, October 7, the national memorial ceremony at Park HaYarkon was screened live at Yad LaBanim Square.



"Eternal Embrace" exhibition

On Sunday, Ifat Pe'er's photography exhibition opened at Kikar HaMoshava square. It features fathers commemorating their sons and daughters who were murdered or fell on October 7 and in the war that followed.

The exhibition, presented in partnership with the World Zionist Organization's Department for Holocaust Commemoration, will be on display until Saturday night, October 10.



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Memorial run/walk — October 7, 2026

On Wednesday, October 7, a run and walk took place at the Ecological Park.

The event was a grassroots community initiative in memory of those murdered in the massacre and those who fell in the Swords of Iron war – a gathering of remembrance, unity and community.

There were two routes to choose from:

7.10 km – a running/walking route

710 metres – a short, accessible route. The event began with a gathering, candle lighting and a ceremony of remembrance and unity.



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Salon Otef

Eden – the story of a grandmother and a friend

An emotional gathering at the Hod Center with Varda Katz, grandmother of Eden Ben Rubi, who was murdered at the Nova festival on October 7. Varda spoke about the special friendship she shared with her granddaughter Eden – a one-of-a-kind, vibrant girl – and about how she and her family have lived with their loss, coped with bereavement and kept Eden's memory alive. An inspiring, touching talk, full of humour and hope



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Marking October 7 Memorial Day at Tsurim School

Tsurim School marked the day of remembrance for the October 7 massacre with an installation titled "The Communities That Were and Are No More", a school ceremony, and cooking in the school café as part of a project by the Matkon Im Zikaron ("A Recipe with a Memory") nonprofit. The nonprofit commemorates Israel's fallen soldiers and victims of terror in a unique way – through the recipes they loved and left behind.

As part of the activity, we cooked the recipes of Eliraz Gabai, Dor Rider, Dror Altun and Liam Hazi in their memory.



"We Shall Rise"

October 7 Memorial Day activity at Yigal Allon School

To mark the national day of remembrance for the events of October 7, Yigal Allon School held an activity inspired by "We Shall Rise" (Mipo Nakum), a multi-sensory art installation by poet .Noam Horev and photographer Ziv Koren

The activity gave the students a chance to share their personal experiences and feelings, and to talk and listen to one another. Afterwards, the children made a rainbow filled with words of hope that they chose and wrote themselves



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Hope grows out of heartbreak- activities at Ron Arad Mamlachti Alef Community School

The school held an emotional ceremony. We chose to keep the words to a minimum and make plenty of room for music and song.

Music has a wonderful power to bring hearts together, to comfort, to stir memories and to carry great hope – even without words. Through the songs we sang and listened to, we found a shared voice for what the heart can struggle to put into words.

The ceremony was dedicated with love and appreciation to the families of those serving in the army from within our school community - students and teachers who live with longing and worry every day, and who are an inspiring example of strength, resilience and perseverance.

In addition, during an art lesson, we held a discussion with our 4th graders on resilience, unity and growth. We talked about the meaning of the yellow ribbon (hope, support for the hostages' families, unity and togetherness), connected it to our own class, and talked about what can help students through difficult times.





Infrastructure works in the city



Public Update

Upgrading central Ramatayim Way



in two sections:

From HaTalmid St. to HaReshut St. | From HaReshut St. to HaBanim St.

The works include: replacing existing streetlights with innovative, energy-saving and eco-friendly LED streetlights, laying advanced communications infrastructure, fibre optics and cameras underground, and carrying out gardening and landscaping works.

Work begins: October 2026

Work ends: February 2027

During the works, half a lane will be closed on the eastern side of the road to install temporary streetlights. Work will be carried out on the western side of the road using temporary traffic arrangements and alternating single-lane closures.

Thank you for your cooperation

Dear residents,

Upgrading central Ramatayim Way

Work began on Tuesday, October 6, at 22:00.

The work will continue from Sunday to Tuesday next week (October 11–13).

The work will take place at night, between 22:00 and 05:00.

Traffic on Ramatayim Way will flow as normal. From 22:00, there will only be lane reductions in the southbound direction.

From Tuesday, October 13, work will take place during the day, between 07:00 and 17:00. During these times, half a lane will be closed on the eastern side of the road, with traffic continuing as normal.

Thank you for your cooperation - please drive carefully



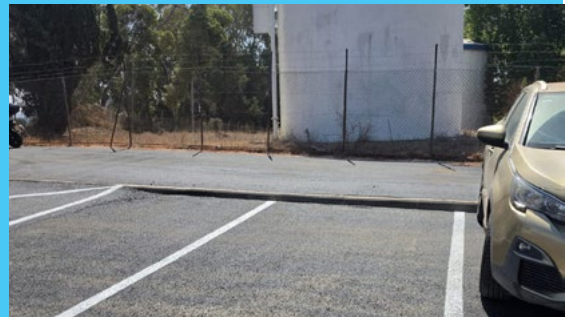
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Parking improvements near Yigal Allon School and the Democratic School



Municipal Activities

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the Municipal Activities
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*Free Public Transport

From Hod HaSharon to Tel Aviv and back

FRIDAY

To Tel Aviv | 17:00 To 00:30

To Hod Hasharon | 17:00 To 01:30

SATURDAY

To Tel Aviv | 09:00 To 18:00

To Hod Hasharon | 10:00 To 18:00

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Education system updates



Special residents in the
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Hod HaSharon Municipality
job post updates



English Speakers
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Health and sports updates



Age 60+ updates



Sustainability and
environmental updates



Early childhood
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Children's updates (6-12)



Teenagers' updates (13-18)



Young adults' updates (18-35)



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