

# CONGREGATION AHAVATH ACHIM WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



## Parsha Chukas

June 30-July 7, 2017 / 6-13 Tammuz 5777

Schedule of Services:		
<b>Friday, June 30, 2017</b>		
Shacharit		6:45 AM
Mincha/Ma'ariv		7:00 PM
Candle Lighting		8:11 PM
<b>Shabbat, July 1, 2017</b>		
Shabbat Shacharit		9:15 AM
Latest Shema Time		9:11 AM
Rabbi's Class		7:15 PM
Mincha/Ma'ariv		8:00 PM
Shabbat Ends		9:11 PM
<b>Sun-Thus, July 2-6, 2017</b>		
Sun	8:30 AM	8:10 PM <b>A</b>
Mon	6:30 AM	8:10 PM <b>K</b>
Independence Day		
Tue	<b>8:30 AM</b>	8:10 PM <b>K</b>
Wed	6:45 AM	8:10 PM <b>B</b>
Thur	6:30 AM	8:10 PM <b>A</b>
<b>A - Ahavath Achim</b>		
<b>B - Bikur Cholim on</b>		
<b>Park &amp; Capitol Ave., Bpt</b>		
<b>K - Kollel on Arlington St., Bpt</b>		
<b>Library</b>		
<b>Friday, July 7, 2017</b>		
Shacharit		6:45 AM
Mincha/Ma'ariv		7:00 PM
Candle Lighting		8:09 PM
<b>Page Numbers:</b>		
<b>Torah Reading</b>		Pages:
<b>Chukas</b>	19:1-22:1	838-855
<b>Haftarah</b>		
Judges	11:1-33	1187-1189

**Lazy, Hazy, Crazy Days of Summer!** The days may be Lazy, Hazy, and Crazy, but the Minyan needs to keep rolling along. So, when things seem to get really crazy, remember there is a place where you are wanted and needed – the Daily Minyan. Make the commitment to attend at least one Minyan a week. Please help out as often as you can to ensure a Minyan – morning and night. So - show up, come early, come often, and **Help keep Our Minyan Strong!**

### Pre-Mincha Shabbat Shiur

Rabbi Moldovan will give the pre-Mincha Shabbat shiur at 7:15 pm. Everyone is welcome to join in the discussion. Mincha/Ma'ariv will follow at 8:00 pm.



**Start your Independence Day Celebrations** with the morning Minyan at 8:30 am, and end the day with the Mincha/Ma'ariv Minyan at 8:10 pm

### Happy Birthday

Mazel Tov to Dr. Joel Allen who will be celebrating his birthday with his family here in Fairfield this weekend. The Allens are sponsoring Shabbat Kiddush in honor of Joel's birthday.

### Library Clean-up Campaign – Sunday 9:30 am-11:00 am

Shul members are invited to come to the shul on this Sunday morning between 9:30 am and 11:00 am and choose any library books you would like to have. Rabbi Moldovan has designated those books that will no longer be useful for our library and we would be very happy to have you take any books you would like to have before they are donated to others.

There are also many books from the Hillel Annex that have been prepared and bagged and are ready for donation to the Pequot Library in Southport. Volunteers are needed who will drive them there. Please call Sara Klein (203-374-9365) if you can be a driver. The more we do ourselves, the less money we spend paying others.

### 2017 Journal Event and Ad Information

The Journal ad and Brunch reservation information has been sent out to everyone by email and post office mail. If you haven't received your packet please call Arnell

in the shul office so she can send you a new packet. As we announced at the Congregation meeting last week, we are expecting every Ahavath Achim member, whatever level you are in, to bring in as many ads as you can. The easiest is to ask people you do business with. Especially easy are the business card ads for just \$36. **No one will refuse such a small request and 10 business card ads will get you 2 free tickets to the brunch. \$360 in ads gets you 2 free brunch tickets.** That's easy as apple pie. Remember to ask your cleaners, gas station, car wash, hair dresser, restaurants, banks. Where do you buy your wine? Where do you get your shirts cleaned and pressed? Where do you buy flowers?

Our first ads have come in from Goldie Librach and Helene & Ralph Green. Thank you very much. Next week let's make the list 100 strong. Our goal is to match last year's \$30,000 and we can do it again with everyone's participation.

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### **Congregation Annual Meeting Report**

The Congregation annual meeting was held on Sunday morning, June 25<sup>th</sup> and was called to order by President Barbara Tuckel at 9:45 am. Our meeting began with a short D'var Torah by Rabbi Moldovan. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Joseph Macy, Sylvia Nemeth, and Jack Rubin. The new Presidium, Officers, Gabbaim and Board of Directors were elected unanimously and will be taking office on July 1. President Barbara Tuckel will have the position of Advisor to the Presidium.

We are very happy to announce that Rabbi Yirmiyah Moldovan was unanimously confirmed and will continue as our part-time rabbi. President Barbara Tuckel and Terry Augenbraun, Chairperson of the Strategic Planning Committee, reported that final arrangements for the sale of our property should be completed at the end of August and there is a very active search for our new location. Elaine Schiller

reported that this year's 2017 Bezalel Builders Award will be presented to Peter and Barbara Tuckel at the Journal Brunch Event on Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>. Every member is urged to work on bringing in ads for the journal to meet our goal of raising \$30,000. We did it last year and we can do it again this year. Coffee and Refreshments were served. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am.

**Refuah Shelemah to:** *Kenneth Epstein, Rabbi Moshe Epstein, David Gordon, Fred Schwartz, and Diane Shinbaum.* May G-d grant each a speedy and complete recovery.

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### **Yahrtzeits for the week:**

Saturday, July 1 - **Karen Dimand** (Wife to Jay Dimand and daughter to Lee & Bernard Dickens)

Tuesday, July 4 **Abraham Barnum** (Father to Max Barnum)

Friday, July 7 - **William Augenbraun** (Father to Terry Augenbraun)

Yahrtzeits begin at Ma'ariv the evening before. Please make an extra effort to ensure a minyan for those saying Kaddish. **Be there for others, and they'll be there for you.**

If you would like an Aliyah on the Shabbat before the Yahrtzeit, please make sure you are in Shul before Torah Reading. If you arrive late, we cannot guarantee you an honor.

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