

CONGREGATION AHAVATH ACHIM



WEEKLY BULLETIN

Parshat Devarim

July 24-31, 2015 / 8-15 Av 5775
Tisha B'Av / Tu B'Av

Schedule of Services:			
Friday, July 24, 2015			
Shacharit	6:45 AM		
Mincha/Ma'ariv	7:00 PM		
Candle Lighting	8:02 PM		
Shabbat, July 25, 2015			
Erev Tisha B'Av			
Shabbat Shacharit	9:00 AM		
Latest Shema Time	9:22 AM		
Early Rabbi's Class	5:15 PM		
Early Mincha	6:00 PM		
Shabbat Ends	9:07 PM		
Sun-Thur, July 26-30, 2015			
	Shacharit	Mincha Ma'ariv	L O C
Sun	See Tisha B'Av Schedule		
Mon	6:30 AM	8:00 PM	K
Tue	6:45 AM	8:00 PM	K
Wed	6:45 AM	8:00 PM	B
Thur	6:30 AM	8:00 PM	A
A - Ahavath Achim			
B - Bikur Cholim on			
Park & Capitol Ave., Bpt			
K - Kollel on Arlington St., Bpt			
Friday, July 31, 2015			
Tu B'Av			
Shacharit	6:45 AM		
Mincha/Ma'ariv	7:00 PM		
Candle Lighting	7:55 PM		
Page Numbers:			
Torah Reading			
Devarim	Pages:		
1:1-3:22	938-957		
Haftorah			
Isaiah	Pages:		
1:1-27	1195-1196		

Remember the Temple: This week we mourn the destruction of the First and Second Temples in Jerusalem. We can hasten the building of the Third Temple by attending a Minyan on a regular basis. Commit to at least one minyan a week, and show up on time. This will **Help Make Our Minyan Strong!**

Shabbat Pre-Mincha Shiur: This Shabbat afternoon, due to observing Tisha B'Av on Sunday, the usual time for Rabbi Ephraim Meth's shiur before Mincha will be at 5:15 pm, earlier than usual. Mincha will follow at 6:00 pm, also earlier than usual. The times are changed to allow time for everyone to have the Seudah Sheleesheet meal at home before the fast begins. The meal should be finished no later than 8:11 pm. No work activities should be done until after Shabbat ends. Ma'ariv and Eicha will be at 9:30pm.

Tisha B'Av Information/Schedule: On Sunday morning, *shacharit* will begin at the usual time, 8:30 am, followed by *Kinot* with special explanations and discussion with Rabbi Ephraim Meth. *Tefillin and Tallit* are not donned. There will be two video showings in the afternoon. "Shanghai Miracle," a documentary about the Yeshiva students who escaped Europe and survived in Shanghai (approx. 60 minutes) will be shown at 3:00 pm and "Rebuilding from the Ashes," with recitations and analysis of *Kinot* by Rabbi Dr. Jacob J. Schachter and Rabbi Shalom Rosner will be shown at 4:15 pm (approx. 50 min.). There will be a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation video program entitled *The Power to Yield* from 1:30-4:00 at Congregation Bikur Cholim in Bridgeport. Mincha will be at 7:40pm at Congregation Ahavath Achim.

The Ladies Tehillim Group meets monthly and the new tehillim calendar for 2015-16 will be published in September with the High Holiday Newsletter. To meet and recite tehillim regularly was the late Gina Gelb's inspiration and under her guidance it developed into the monthly Women's Rosh Chodesh meetings. In recognition of her devotion to this chesed to formally recite tehillim for all who need a *refuah shelemah*, the group is now dedicated to continue as **The Gina Gelb Tehillim Group**. The next meeting is set for Thursday, August 13, at 8:00 pm, at the home of Miriam and Charles Parker, 134 Wynnwood Rd, Fairfield. All women are invited to join in; teenagers are also welcome to participate.

Gala Journal Luncheon: Have you made your reservations for this year's Gala Luncheon? Don't Wait! We guarantee a truly special event. The Luncheon committee is very excited and proud to announce that this year the luncheon will be a catered affair - a dairy and parve buffet with a unique theme. Reservations for the luncheon must be made and paid for no later than August 16. We look forward to celebrating together with everyone.

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Congregation Ahavath Achim on Social Media: Don't forget to check the Ahavath Achim website for current updates. You can also read and post to the shul's Facebook page or Twitter

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THE HIGH HOLIDAYS ARE APPROACHING: Dr. David Jutkowitz, Vice President of Ritual Affairs has been working very hard to ensure we have the necessary coverage for the approaching Yomim Noraim. He has already obtained the services of a wonderful Shaliach Tzibur not only for Mussaf services and Kol Nidre night, but also for Shacharit and Mincha. Dr. Jutkowitz also announces that Rabbi Ephraim Meth will continue as our interim rabbi throughout the High Holiday season. Information on purchasing High Holiday Honors and Seats will be in the mail the second week in August. Please remember that all dues and past financial obligations must be paid in full before purchasing your High Holiday seats.

Child Care on Shabbat Morning. For the last hour of tefillah on Shabbat morning, roughly from 10:30-11:30 am. Randy Dimand will be supervising the children in the playroom with Shabbat activity.

BUILDING PROGRESS UPDATE: We are happy to report that the sale of the shul property continues in positive forward momentum. The various engineering and surveying requirements for such a project are being worked on and are proceeding with due diligence. We look forward to a positive result and completion of this phase of the sale by the end of August.

RABBINIC SEARCH UPDATE: The Search Committee wishes to report that since posting an ad in The Jewish Press and re-posting on the Yeshiva University job site, there have been a number of resumes submitted for the position of part time rabbi. All the resumes are being carefully reviewed by the Search Committee. The committee has scheduled a number of meetings over the next week to conduct interviews.

Kollel Konnections: Basketball & Learning Tuesday nights, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at 85 Arlington Street, Bridgeport. Sponsored by The Kollel. Contact: Yitzchak Elchonen or Shlomo Pepper. 248-259-6399 or 845-200-6179. Join in the fun and learning. Refreshments, Prizes, Raffles.

Lost & Found: A pair of eye glasses was found, contact the office to claim.

Refuah Shelemah to: *Lionel Eliovson, Kenneth Epstein, Rabbi Moshe Epstein, David Gordon, Yitzy Hain, Herman Kraut, Deborah Lozanov, Fred Schwartz, Bryan Seedman, and Diane Shinbaum.* May G-d grant each a speedy and complete recovery.

Yahrtzeits for the week: 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.**

Tuesday, July 28 – **Bill Gomberg** (Brother)

Tuesday, July 28 – **Ed Schul** (Father)
