

# CONGREGATION AHAVATH ACHIM WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



## Parshat Ki Sisa

February 26 – March 4, 2016 / 17-24 Adar I - 5776

Schedule of Services:			
<b>Friday, February 26, 2016</b>			
Shacharit		6:45 AM	
Mincha/Ma'ariv		5:20 PM	
Candle Lighting		5:21 PM	
<b>Shabbat, February 27, 2016</b>			
Shabbat Shacharit		9:00 AM	
Latest Shema Time		9:19 AM	
Rabbi's Class		11:50 AM	
Mincha		12:35 PM	
Shabbat Ends		6:23 PM	
Ma'ariv		6:40 PM	
<b>Sun-Thur, Feb 28-Mar 3, 2016</b>			
	<b>Shacharit</b>	<b>+ Ma'ariv * Mincha &amp; Ma'ariv</b>	<b>L O C</b>
Sun	8:30 AM	7:40 PM +	<b>A</b>
Mon	6:30 AM	7:40 PM +	<b>K</b>
Tue	6:45 AM	7:40 PM +	<b>K</b>
Wed	6:45 AM	7:40 PM +	<b>B</b>
Thur	6:30 AM	7:40 PM +	<b>A</b>
<b>A - Ahavath Achim B - Bikur Cholim on Park &amp; Capitol Ave., Bpt K - Kollel on Arlington St., Bpt</b>			
<b>Sun-Thur 2:40 PM Mincha at Kollel</b>			
<b>Friday, March 4, 2016</b>			
Shacharit		6:45 AM	
Mincha/Ma'ariv		5:25 PM	
Candle Lighting		5:29 PM	
<b>Page Numbers:</b>			
<b>Torah Reading</b>			
Shemot	Pages:		
30:11-34:35		484-515	
<b>Haftorah</b>			
I Kings	Pages:		
18:1-39		1160-1162	

**The Days are Getting Longer:** Getting up for the morning minyan isn't as much as a challenge as it was a few short weeks ago. Sunrise is getting earlier. You can travel to minyan in daylight. Start your day a little earlier and join the morning minyan. Please commit to 1 or more days a week. Please be on time. Come and **Help Make Our Minyan Strong!**

**Early Shabbat Mincha:** Immediately after Kiddush, Rabbi Moldovan will give his per-mincha shiur at (11:50am), followed by Mincha (at 12:35pm). The shiur topic is "The ancient art of making tea on Shabbat." Please return after Shabbat ends (at 6:23pm) for Ma'ariv (at 6:40pm). Please remember to recite "**Baruch hamavdil bein kodesh l'chol**" in order to end Shabbat before driving or doing other work that is prohibited on Shabbat.

### Notice of next Board Meeting:

There will be Board Meeting on Tuesday evening, March 1st at 6:30 pm in the library. Please call the office or Dr. Tuckel to let us know if you will be attending.

### Extreme Shabbat NCSY Event

It was wonderful to gather together in Zimmer Hall as a congregational family to partake in the NCSY event last Shabbos. The teens had a great time and the advisors and representatives sent to our local chapter did an excellent job of leading services, speaking, and making Shabbos especially lively. We thank Rabbi Moldovan for his extraordinary efforts and time spent organizing the event. The committee went to great lengths preparing Zimmer Hall in such an inviting way, setting up, serving, and clearing. Thank you to Diana Rich, Debbie Lozanov, Stacey Mintz, Hadassah Moldovan, and Roz Fishman for your hard work. Special thanks to Elaine Schiller, Peter Tuckel, and Shalom Mizrachi for your extra support with calling congregants and setting up the room. We are very appreciative and thankful to Arlene and David Jutkowitz, Sharon and Harvey Risch, and Alan Gorenstein for hosting the teens who participated in and led the event.

### Purim is Coming!

We are looking forward to our Purim program here at Ahavath Achim. Rabbi Moldovan will read the Megillah on the evening of March 23rd. Please join in for a light break fast and a lively talk by the rabbi. The times for the Megillah reading on March 23rd and March 24th will be coming soon. Please call the office to RSVP if you are planning to attend the break fast.

### Mishloach Manot

The letters and order forms for our annual Purim fund raising project have been mailed. If you haven't received yours, please call Arnell in the shul office so she can send it to you. Please complete your order and return it with your check as soon as possible. Renee is preparing beautiful mishloach manot baskets again this year with Israeli products and we look forward to everyone joining in this beautiful Purim mitzvah. We also look forward to everyone participating in our matanot levyonim campaign again this year as we send funds to support our brothers and sisters in Israel to enable them to enjoy the Purim holiday.

Address	1571 Stratfield Road Fairfield, CT 06825
Phone	203-372-6529
Fax	203-373-0467
<b><i>Email Addresses</i></b>	
Rabbi:	rymoldovan@gmail.com
Office:	<a href="mailto:office@ahavathachim.org">office@ahavathachim.org</a>
Website	<a href="http://www.ahavathachim.org">www.ahavathachim.org</a>
Office Hours: Tue-Fri 8:30 AM–12:30 PM	
<b><i>Personal Contact Info</i></b>	
Rabbi Yirmiyah Moldovan 203-906-6295	
Barbara Tuckel PhD Pres. 203-581-2405	
<i>Find us on: Facebook, Twitter, &amp; LinkedIn</i>	

### **Eruv News**

Thank you to Mark Fishman for informing the Rabbi of cherry-pickers working along the Eruv route. The perceptive eyes of the congregation are essential to the Kashrus of the Eruv. We strongly encourage anyone who notices new building works, electricity, phone, or government workmen interacting with electricity poles or wires in the area to contact the Rabbi.

### **Community Events**

Sunday, February 28, 7:00 pm: Program will be at Young Israel of Stamford & United Jewish Federation of Greater Stamford, New Canaan, and Darien co-sponsor **Barry Shrage**, President, Combined Jewish Philanthropies

of Greater Boston, speaking on "The Jewish Renaissance: Looking Back...Ten Years Later." Mr. Shrage looks back at some of the forecasts that he made and what can the American Jewish community expect in the next ten years. Young Israel of Stamford, 69 Oaklawn Avenue, Stamford. Free. Open to the Public.

**MOVIE, MARCH 2, 7:30 pm:** *Return of the Violin*. The program, led by historian Ed Bader, is free and open to the public. The story is about a 1731 Stradivarius violin, once owned by Israeli Philharmonic founder Bronislaw Huberman, it was stolen in 1936 and remained "lost" for 50 years. Rediscovered in 1985, it was eventually purchased by violin virtuoso, Joshua Bell, who now plays it during his concerts. The movie program is at Cong. Bnai Torah, 5700 Main Street, Trumbull.

**Father & Son learning** Continues at Cong Bikur Cholim Parshat Ki Tisa, February 27, at 6:30 pm

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

---

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

Monday, February 29– **Bernard Goldberg** (Father)

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.

---