## **CONGREGATION AHAVATH ACHIM WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**



### **Parsha Shoftim**

# September 9-16, 2016 / 6-13 Elul 5776

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Schedule of Services:						
Friday, September 9, 2016						
Shacharit			6:45 AM			
Mincha/Ma'ariv			6:50 PM			
Candle Lighting			6:53 PM			
Shabbat, September 10, 2016						
Shabbat Shachari			9:00 AM			
Latest Shema Time			9:39 AM			
Rabbi's Class			5:55 PM			
Mincha		-	6:40 PM			
Shabbat End			7:52 PM			
Sun-Thur, September 11-15, 2016						
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	Shacharit		& Ma'ariv	С		
Sun	8:30 AM		6:50 PM	Α		
Mon	6:30 AM			K		
Tue	6:45 AM		6:50 PM	K		
Wed	6:45 AM		6:50 PM	В		
Thur	6:30 AM		6:50 PM	Α		
A - Ahavath Achim						
B - Bikur	Cholim on		B.			
Park & Capitol Ave., Bpt						
K - Kollel on Arlington St., Bpt Friday, September 16, 2016						
Shacharit			6:45 AM			
Mincha/Ma'ari		_	6:40 PM			
Candle Lightin			6:41 PM			
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Page Numbers:						
Torah Reading						
Devarim			Pages:			
16:18-21:9		9	1024-45			
Haftorah						
Isaiah			Pages:			
	51:12-52:12		1199-1200			

<u>The Days are Growing Shorter</u> and as a result, we are resuming our normal Friday night schedule, where we daven according to Sunset. So, please join us this Friday at 6:50 pm. Come early, come often, and **Help Keep Our Minyan Strong!** 

**Pre Mincha Shiur** -Please join us at 5:55 pm for Rabbi Moldovan's Shabbat shiur, followed by Mincha at approximately 6:40 pm. The topic will be "How to choose a beautiful (and kosher) lulav and Etrog." With Succot coming soon, this is a timely topic for discussion. Come early and join in the interesting discussion.

**Baruch Dayan Emet** -We are sorry to inform you of the passing of Sylvia Nemeth wife to Ernest Nemeth. A graveside service will take place at Ahavath Achim cemetery on Reid Street in Fairfield on Sunday, September 11 at 11:00 am. Shiva information will be sent as soon as it is available.

#### Yahrtzeit Plagues Update

As the sale of our property is moving along, we wish to update you on the plans for the disposition of the individual <code>yahrtzeit</code> plaques. This method has been presented to the Board at its last meeting and was approved as the most expeditious, sensitive and dignified manner in which to respond to people's requests for reclaiming a <code>yahrtzeit</code> plaque. The following information will be placed in the shul weekly newsletter, beginning forthwith, for many weekly editions. It will also be posted on the Beit Medrash bulletin board and in the glass case in the front hall. Individual letters will also be sent to those families that have made <code>yahrtzeit</code> contributions this past year.

- 1. Anyone who wishes to claim a *yahrtzeit* plaque(s), please call or email the office to advise us of your intent.
- 2. Once we know how many people wish to remove their plague(s) we will know if all the Memorial Tablets need to be taken down from the shul walls. It will be a difficult and costly job by a qualified contractor and we do not wish to take them all down if it isn't necessary.
- 3. If you come in to pick up the plaque yourself there will only be a minimum charge of \$5.00 towards covering the expenses involved in removing the Tablets from the walls. If the Tablet is not taken down, there is no charge.
- 4. If you wish us to mail the plaque to you, there will be a charge of \$18 per plaque. This is to cover the costs of shipping and handling (the plaque is quite heavy and requires special packing).

We will be taking pictures of the Memorial Tablets and Memorial Windows, to be retained as permanent records. We are planning to install a modern, digital history that will be on display in the new shul, showing all the memorial plaques and memorial windows, with the possibility of future additions.

It would be very helpful to know if you are interested in getting your plaque(s) returned. Please call or email the office if you will want to do this. Please keep in mind that we will not begin this initiative until after we receive Town approval for the new occupancy for our property and final approval of the sale of our property.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I look forward to the opportunity to making the plaques available to those who want to claim them.

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#### **Eruv Training**

Rabbi Moldovan is seeking volunteers to learn how to check the Eruv. Training in the Halachic and practical aspects of the Eruv will be provided. Please call Rabbi Moldovan (203-906-6296) to let him know you are interested as he would like to begin training shortly.

#### **Update on 87 Montauk Street Property**

The perimeter of the Fairfield Eruv would have to be significantly modified in order to include 87 Montauk Street within it. Therefore, we have withdrawn the offer to purchase this property. The Strategic Planning Committee Is continuing its search for a property to purchase in the more immediate area surrounding the shul. We will keep you informed.

#### **Ad Journal & Luncheon Event**

We are very proud and pleased to report that not only have we achieved the goal to raise \$30,000 for our ad journal this year, but we have a sellout crowd for the Luncheon, when we will be honoring Andrew and Sara Klein with the 2016 Bezalel Builders Award. Thank you to everyone who participated in this wonderfully successful campaign.

<u>Thank You to our Journal Planners and Helpers</u>, Roz Fishman, Judy Lerner, Goldie Librach, Stacey Mintz, Sharon Risch, Elaine Schiller, Diana Rich Schwartz, Barbara & Peter Tuckel. **A very special Yasher Koach to Susan Klein**, who took on the job of Editor-in-Chief; typing, editing, proof-reading and preparing the actual Journal and preparing it for inclusion in the shul web site this year so that everyone could have easy access. **Thank you Ellen Rothwax** for your expertise in keeping our web site current and giving us access to the Virtual Journal.

**Tag Sale Update** We are so very glad to announce that Berkowitz Hall is being reclaimed due to the amazing efforts of Susan Klein in running this year's Tag Sale. Susan stepped up to pinch hit for Renee Mizrahi, who urged us to do the event, even though she could not be here this year. Many hours of work were involved, but it paid off with a great sale. Thank you to Susan Klein and her crew of helpers; Hedy & Terry Augenbraun, Ben Canter, Lee Dickens, Jay Dimand, Julia Fischer, Bernard Goldberg, Arlene Jutkowitz, Sara Klein, Goldie Librach, Doron Loeser, Michelle, Loeser, Stacey Mintz, Elaine Schiller, Peter & Barbara Tuckel.

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

#### Yahrtzeits for the week:

Sunday, September 11 – **Samuel Fischer** (Father-in-Law to Julia Fisher)

Thursday, September 15 – **Zone Cells** (Mether to Larry)

Thursday, September 15 – **Zena Gelb** (Mother to Larry Gelb)

Thursday, September 15 – **Joe Lemberger** (Father to Lee

Dickens)

Friday, September 16 – **Sadie Brown** (Mother to Gertrude Kraut

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.