

CONGREGATION AHAVATH ACHIM WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Happy Father's Day

Parsha Sh'Lach

June 16-23, 2017 / 22-29 Sivan 5777

Schedule of Services:

Friday, June 16, 2017

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| Shacharit | 6:45 AM |
| Mincha/Ma'ariv | 7:00 PM |
| Candle Lighting | 8:09 PM |

Shabbat, June 17, 2017

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| Shabbat Shacharit | 9:15 AM |
| Latest Shema Time | 9:07 AM |
| Rabbi's Class | 7:15 PM |
| Mincha/Ma'ariv | 8:00 PM |
| Shabbat Ends | 9:10 PM |

Sun-Mon, June 18-22, 2017

Father's Day – June 18

| | Shacharit | Mincha / Ma'ariv | |
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| Sun | 8:30 AM | 8:10 PM | A |
| Mon | 6:30 AM | 8:10 PM | K |
| Tue | 6:45 AM | 8:10 PM | K |
| Wed | 6:45 AM | 8:10 PM | B |
| Thur | 6:30 AM | 8:10 PM | A |

A - Ahavath Achim
B - Bikur Cholim on
Park & Capitol Ave., Bpt
K - Kollel on Arlington St., Bpt

Friday, June 23, 2017

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| Shacharit | 6:45 AM |
| Mincha/Ma'ariv | 7:00 PM |
| Candle Lighting | 8:11 PM |

Torah Reading Page Numbers

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| Sh'lach | 13:1-15:41 | 798-819 |
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Haftarah

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| Joshua | 2:1-24 | 1184-1185 |
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Ahavath Achim Wants You! There is a place where you are wanted and needed – the Daily Minayn. 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. Please join in the discussion. Mincha/Ma'ariv will follow at 8:00 pm

Torah Message from Rabbi Moldovan

The Jewish people send spies into the land of Israel to evaluate the strength of the Canaanites living in the land. As we all know, the spies return with a negative report about the land and claim that the people are too strong to overcome. The Jewish people give up hope of entering the land and ask Moshe for an alternative destination. The commentaries ask that these Jewish people had witnessed ten miraculous plagues wrought on the Egyptian people by Hashem, the miraculous splitting of the Red Sea by Hashem, and all had the experienced prophecy when the Torah was given on Mount Sinai. How can they doubt that Hashem would help them conquer the land of Canaan? Rav Moshe Feinstein explains that the belief that the Jewish people had in Hashem at that point was not based on their effort to develop a strong faith. In Egypt, they had been entrenched in idol worship. Their belief in Hashem came to them without any exertion on their part and was entirely based on the supernatural phenomenon that they witnessed. This type of faith may appear to be strong, but in reality, it can dissipate just as quickly as it came. We live in a world where we can get almost anything without so much as pushing a button. We may feel frustrated with the effort that we need to expend in building a relationship with Hashem and understanding His will through the study of Torah. But in order for us to really internalize the message of Hashem, we must exert effort and work to build our character and our love of Hashem.

Mazel Tov!

The end of the waiting period for any appeals regarding the sale of our property is right around the corner. It looks as though we will successfully complete this last hurdle. We are looking forward to moving to a smaller location in the neighborhood and celebrating our successful downsizing.

Barbara Tuckel

Unveiling for Joseph Macy, z"l

The unveiling for Mr. Macy will take place on Sunday, June 25th, at 11:15 am at the Ahavath Achim cemetery. There will be no conflict with our annual meeting, which is scheduled to begin promptly at 9:30 A.M.

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2017 Journal Event Is in The Planning Stage

Your Journal Committee has the great pleasure to announce that this year's Journal event is planned for Sunday, August 6th as a Brunch, to be held from 10 am to Noon in our Main Sanctuary and in Zimmer Hall. We are honored and proud to announce that Barbara and Peter Tuckel have agreed to be our 2017 Honorees. Barbara and Peter, as President and Gabbai respectively, have devoted untold hours volunteering their time and resources for Ahavath Achim.

As President, Barbara has led our Congregation through the past five years of transition. Under her presidency, we have negotiated the sale of our property, completed the change and search for new rabbinic leadership, and worked closely with the Strategic Planning Committee to plan for a new Shul site.

Peter has served as Gabbai for the past 10 years. On many Shabbatot he has handled the job single-handedly, with discretion and humility. How fitting that we are now

able to properly acknowledge and honor these two tireless volunteers for Ahavath Achim.

The Journal Committee members currently are Terry Augenbraun, Sara Klein, Susan Klein, Joel Rothwax, Diana Rich Schwartz, Elaine Schiller and Marshall Simon. We welcome anyone who would like to serve with us in planning and making this the biggest and best Ad Journal and Event we ever had. Please call Elaine or the office to give us your name.

This will be the last social get-together to be held in our building. We look to every single member to be a part of the journal and to attend this event honoring Barbara and Peter. Mark your calendar right now for Sunday morning, August 6th, Brunch from 10:00 am to noon. Ad materials and brunch reservation forms will be in the mail and on your e-mail very shortly. Please respond immediately so we can begin planning for the brunch and create the journal. We are looking forward to everyone with a love for Ahavath Achim to respond quickly.

Safe and Happy Return to Israel

We are very glad to celebrate Daniel Mizrahi's recent return to Israel where he is planning to resume his army service. May HaShem spread His sheltering wings over Daniel and all Israel.

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.

Yahrtzeits for the week:

Saturday, June 17 – **Michael Levine** (Friend to Terry Augenbraun)

Monday, June 19 – **Zivia Breiner** (Mother to Ernest Breiner)

Wednesday, June 21- **Harold Zimmer** (Uncle to Pamela Zimmer)

Thursday, June 22 – **Rose Jutkowitz** (Mother to David Jutkowitz)

Friday, June 23 – **Elaine Felt** (Sister to Linda Eliovson)

Friday, June 23 – **Pearl Zweig** (Mother to Gina Gelb, a'h)

Friday, June 23- **Josephine Greenspan**

(Mother to Rabbi Allan Greenspan)

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.
