WEEKLY SERVICES

FRIDAY: 7:00PM SATURDAY: 9:30AM

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RABBI'S REPORT

As we turn to Shavuot

There's no doubt about it. The least understood and least celebrated of the three pilgrimage festivals is Shavuot, which is coming Saturday night, June 8. Sukkot and Passover are more heavily celebrated among liberal Jews, while there is some mystery, perhaps, about Shavuot. Maybe it is because of the symbols. On Sukkot we build and live in huts and celebrate a harvest. On Pesach we have the ever-present Matzah, the Seder nights and harvest holiday. We know about those holidays and celebrate them at home and in shul.

Shavuot possibly suffers from bad publicity. But why should it? It is the time we recall the giving of the Torah (and, yes, an agricultural holiday, too). One would think that a holiday celebrating the giving of the Torah, would be widely popular. But there are no symbols especially for Shavuot. We have the Torah, but we have the Torah every day. The agricultural meaning is long gone, except for the counting of the Omer. Omer means "sheaf" as in agricultural stems bound together after reaping. Shavuot marks the end of the grain harvest, when all grains are cut down.

The Omer is counted starting from the second night of Pesach for forty-nine nights, marking 50 days after the Exodus from Egypt, the date on which the Torah was given to us.

We don't celebrate the grain harvest directly, but some of the rituals of Shavuot remind us of the grains. For instance we read the Book of Ruth before the Torah service. Ruth traveled with her mother-in-law, Naomi, to her homeland and were very poor. Their existence was dependent upon their gleanings from Boaz' fields. They went and collected grains from the corners of the fields and from crops which were spilled or dropped upon harvest.

Another explanation of why the Book of Ruth is read is that Ruth is King David's direct descendent. King David died, according to the Talmud (Soferim 14:16), on Shavuot. From this, we can see the interconnectedness of the festivals and celebrations.

One thing which separates Shavuot from the other festivals is the tradition of eating dairy foods (think blintzes, cheesecake and ice cream!) on the holiday. That is certainly not the case on Sukkot and Pesach.

Although Jews are known for study, Shavuot is possibly the only time when there is a ritual for studying. This goes back to the Kabbalists and Isaac Luria (16th century). The tradition is to study from nightfall through dawn, followed morning services. Now, many synagogues, including CST, study for a part of the night, and then hold services the next morning.

So we will start celebrating Shavuot with study on Saturday night, June 8, and then with services on Sunday morning, June 9. For our morning services we will combine all elements into one day, which will include Hallel, portions of the Book of Ruth, festival Torah and Haftarah, and Yizkor. (There will not be services on the second day –Monday --of Shavuot at CST.)

That weekend of Shabbat/Shavuot will be my final services with you. I hope you can join us in

welcoming Shabbat on Friday night, June 7 at 7 pm. Then on Shabbat morning, June 8, we start reading the Book of Numbers, Bamidbar (services start at 9:30 am).

It has been my honor and privilege of being your rabbi for this year. I have learned a lot from you. I wish you and your family abundant blessings, including health and peace.

Rabbi Gerry L. Ginsburg

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Thanks to Diane O'Connor for her interesting presentation on Jews in the Adirondacks May 15. It was great to see so many old and new faces at the presentation. You can find photos of the event on our Facebook page.

As I write this, I am looking forward to our scheduled Shabbat hike May 25 at 3:30 PM. Shaaray Tefila is not just a building on Bay Street but a community of people who can do Jewish things together in many settings. This short hike will give us an opportunity to do something a little more physically active and burn off some of the calories from Shabbat kiddush. If you have other ideas about how to bring Jewish life into new and fun locations, please let us know.

Religious school is coming to a close for the season and I would like to thank Rabbis Gerry and Yael, Logan Curtis and Anna Davidi for all their efforts in making this a positive way for our students to grow in their Judaism. Thanks to the parents and grandparents for entrusting us with the religious education of their children and experiencing it along with them. We will be working on Bar Mitzvah preparations during the summer and encourage all parents to bring their children to Shabbat and holiday services and other synagogue events.

Speaking of Bar Mitzvahs, please join Cooper Nadler for his Shabbat morning Bar Mitzvah Saturday June 22. When Cooper becomes a star in the NBA, you will be able to say you attended his Bar Mitzvah in Glens Falls, NY.

Our Congregational meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 23 at 6PM. Several important items are on the agenda, including board elections, clergy appointments, budget presentation, and a very important presentation on synagogue security. Please make every effort to attend.

Best wishes to Mike Gersten on his move to South Carolina. Mike was born into this synagogue and has served it as a devoted member, board member, president, house chair, religious committee chair, Gabbi, bingo volunteer and all-around great guy for so many years. Mike says he will be back to visit so we will all look forward to his return.

I would like to congratulate Rabbi Gerry Ginsburg on his appointment as Assistant Rabbi at his large and important home synagogue in Stamford, Connecticut. His last weekend here will be June 7-9, which includes Shavuot and we have a kiddush in his honor Shabbat morning. He will be leading a stimulating study session on Shavuot eve June 8 at 7:30 PM, after a dairy dessert.

Mark Hoffman

WEEKLY TORAH PORTION



Bechukotai TORAH HAFTARAH	1 June <u>Leviticus 26:3 - 27:34</u> <u>Jeremiah 16:19 - 17:14</u>
Bamidbar TORAH HAFTARAH	8 June <u>Numbers 1:1 - 4:20</u> <u>Hosea 2:1 - 2:22</u>
Nasso TORAH HAFTARAH	15 June Numbers 4:21 - 7:89 Judges 13:2 - 13:25
Beha'alotcha TORAH HAFTARAH	22 June Numbers 8:1 - 12:16 Zechariah 2:14 - 4:7
Sh'lach TORAH HAFTARAH	29 June Numbers 13:1 - 15:41 Joshua 2:1 - 2:24

SYNAGOGUE NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

Congregation Shaaray Tefila & Sisterhood Send Their Very Best Birthday Wishes to the Following Members & Friends:



Jerry Kudan Clara Rudnick

June 1 June 1

Salomon Charhon Judith Korot

June 2 June 2

Naum David Matzner Dr. Mitchell Cohen

June 4 June 5

Charlotte Pine Karen Wurzberger

June 6 June 7

Lynn Meyer Rose Rothstein

June 12 June 13

Sari Ilene Bobbin David Every
June 15 June 15

Mark Beale Mark Aronson

June 21 June 23

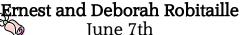
Ava Ashendorff Martin Ashendorff

June 24 June 24

Michael Kanofsky

June 25

Best Wishes to the Following Members for a Very Happy Anniversary!!



32nd anniversary

Eugene and Myra Kaplan

June 10th 57th anniversary

Alex Frank and Stacey Mandelbaum

June 15th 33rd anniversary



31st anniversary

Scott and Michele Schwartz

June 28th 32nd anniversary

Dolph and Karen Rotfeld

June 29th 52nd anniversary

Deepest Sympathy and Love



Congregation Shaaray Tefila & Sisterhood express their deepest condolences to the Aronson family on the passing of Ben Aronson, husband of Sharon Aronson, who passed away at the age of 81 years old

on May 21 (IYYAR 16, 5779).

Special Upcoming Event:

Bar Mitzvah of Cooper Nadler
June 22nd

Everyone is invited!

Mazel Tov to Cooper on becoming a Bar Mitzvah... And to his Parents, Family and Friends!



If you have an upcoming yahrzgit and nggd a minyan, please let us know.

We welcome member articles and news to



our monthly Bulletin. We reserve the right to edit submissions for content and length. We reserve the right, at our discretion, to refuse to publish or remove any

content we deem inappropriate. The monthly due date is usually the third Thursday of each month. Please submit items to: cstgfny@gmail.com. Thanks!



SISTERHOOD NEWS June 2019

Finally some beautiful spring weather!

Welcome back more Snowbirds.



Thank you for your support for the May 15th program with the Warren County Historical Society, our shul and Temple Beth-El. A special thank you to presenter Diane O'Connor of the Ticonderoga Historical Society, and Stan Cianfarano, Teri Podnorszki, and Patricia Dalton of the Warren County Historical Society. We also want to thank Barbara and Robert Rosoff, Ellen Katz, Bonnie Yanklowitz, Marilyn Bazan and George Conable, as well as Dr. Mark Hoffman for their assistance with this successful program. There has been much positive feedback as well as discussion about more local Jewish history being presented in the future.

Mike Gersten has let us know that he will be in the shul whenever he visits the area. He leaves the end of June; he will be missed! Best wishes again to Mike and his family.

Sunday, June 2nd will be the unveiling for Norm Kudan - at 3:00pm, Shaaray Tefila

Cemetery, Media Drive off Corinth Road, Queensbury (West Glens Falls), followed by a meal at the Synagogue. Our beloved Norm and many others will be in Sisterhood hearts forever.

Thanks again to all who have sponsored an Oneg or Kiddush, have prepared for those events and others, set foods and beverages out, helped with clean-up or given support in any way. You are appreciated!

To our Well-Loved Student Rabbi Yael Werber and Rabbi Gerry Ginsburg: Sisterhood thanks you for your service to our congregation and friends. You are appreciated and we valued your times with us. Student Rabbi Yael, best wishes with your continued studies in Israel, and Rabbi Gerry, we wish you the best in your new position as Assistant Rabbi in Connecticut. Mazel Tov to you both!

We look forward to Cooper Nadler becoming a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, June 22nd.

Have a safe, healthy June.

Our deepest condolences to Sharon Aronson and family, Ruth Goldman and more Aronson relatives on the sudden passing of Ben Aronson. Each Jewish New Year and other times throughout the year, Ben would praise Sisterhood. Ben as well as many other congregants have helped to support Sisterhood in many ways. Ben will be greatly missed.

Co-Presidents of Sisterhood Bonnie and Dolly

JUNE ONEGS & KIDDUSHES SPONSORED BY:

Friday, May 31:

Oneg sponsored by Francine Torra in Memory of Jeanne Sanford Silverman.

Saturday, June 1:

Kiddush sponsorship available.

Friday, June 7:

Oneg sponsorship available.

Saturday, June 8:

Kiddush sponsored by CST in honor of Rabbi Gerry Ginsburg.

Friday, June 14:

Oneg sponsorship available.

Saturday, June 15:

Kiddush sponsored by Dave and Sue Matzner in honor of their new granddaughter Molly Matzner.

Friday, June 21:

Oneg sponsorship available.

Saturday, June 22:

Kiddush sponsored by Howard and Jennifer Nadler in honor of Cooper Nadler becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

Friday, June 28:

Oneg sponsorship available.

Saturday, June 29:

Kiddush sponsorship available.

Sponsoring an Oneg or Kiddush

Consider sponsoring an Oneg or Kiddush to honor or remember your loved ones for their birthdays, wedding or bar/bat mitzvah, anniversaries and yahrzeits. Call the office if you'd like to sponsor one. Thanks for supporting Sisterhood, as we support you!

HONORABLE MENTCHEN:

Thank you to all who sponsored an Oneg or Kiddush during May, including: Laura Fram, Roz Winston, Bonnie Yanklowitz, Dolly Morrisey, Dr. Alex Frank and Stacey Mandelbaum, Francine Torra, and Congregation Shaaray Tefila & Sisterhood.

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Healing Prayers for Dr. Syd Hochman From Bonnie Yanklowitz



YAHRZEIT RECORD FOR JUNE 2019



"The Memory of the Righteous is for a Blessing" Yahrzeit date listed after the name(s) of deceased.

Lillian Kopelovitz Stanley Oppenheim Mollie Stewart

Sunday, 6/2/2019 Iyyar 28, 5779

Mordecai Ginsburg

Tuesday, 6/4/2019 Sivan 1, 5779

Allen Elliott Mary Levin Nathan Slawsby Mary Snyder

Wednesday, 6/5/2019 Sivan 2, 5779

Herman Kingon
Thursday, 6/6/2019 Sivan 3, 5779
Irene Vengrove
Aaron Barney Yanklowitz
Friday, 6/7/2019 Sivan 4, 5779
Harvey Segal
Saturday, 6/8/2019 Sivan 5, 5779
Elvira Rita Capone
Agnes Klingo
Yosif Pytigorsky
Sunday, 6/9/2019 Sivan 6, 5779
Janet Berkowitz
Isadore Kaplan
Raymond Suckman
Monday, 6/10/2019 Sivan 7, 5779
Rose Goldstein
Edward Meyer
Tuesday, 6/11/2019 Sivan 8, 5779
Dorothy Buchman
Hans Cherney
Esther Cohen
Jennie Goldman
Anna Pine
Wednesday, 6/12/2019 Sivan 9, 5779
George Day
Marjorie Robinson
Sarah Swirsky
Trixie Wachtel
Thursday, 6/13/2019 Sivan 10, 5779
Yvette Benson
Friday, 6/14/2019 Sivan 11, 5779
Harry Cohen
Shirley Kanofsky
Abraham Lucks
Martin Spar
Saturday, 6/15/2019 Sivan 12, 5779
Ethel Gould
Sunday, 6/16/2019 Sivan 13, 5779
Margaret Aronson
Leonard Handen
Monday, 6/17/2019 Sivan 14, 5779
Jay Rutstein
Rose Zweibelson
Tuesday, 6/18/2019 Sivan 15, 5779
Harry Brezner
Arline Hochman
Wednesday, 6/19/2019 Sivan 16, 5779
Hyman Yanklowitz
Wednesday, 6/19/2019 Sivan 16, 5779
Joseph Levy
Thursday, 6/20/2019 Sivan 17, 5779
Steven Cohen
Judah Kaplan
Friday, 6/21/2019 Siyan 18, 5779
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Charles Kasper Pearl Kitmacher **Dorothy Kopelovitz Isadore Levine** Saturday, 6/22/2019 Sivan 19, 5779 **Irving Abels** Sunday, 6/23/2019 Sivan 20, 5779 Harry Berkowitz **Louis Berkowitz Bernard Diskin Anna Shubert** Monday, 6/24/2019 Sivan 21, 5779 **Gerald Rothstein Barbara Slater Irving Vengrove** Tuesday, 6/25/2019 Sivan 22, 5779 **Mildred Berg** Wednesday, 6/26/2019 Sivan 23, 5779 Jennie Dorfman Celia Dube **Albert Shubert** Thursday, 6/27/2019 Sivan 24, 5779 **Frances Sagan Helen Silverstein** Friday, 6/28/2019 Sivan 25, 5779 **Anne Brandon Ruth Etta Brender** Lena Every Saturday, 6/29/2019 Sivan 26, 5779 **Theresa Greenberg** Sunday, 6/30/2019 Sivan 27, 5779



YAHRZEIT RECORD FOR JULY 2019



"The Memory of the Righteous is for a Blessing' Yahrzeit date listed after the name(s) of deceased.

Abram Corton Ruth Dominick Joseph Spiegel

Monday, 7/1/2019 Sivan 28, 5779

Martha Friedman Schiffman

Tuesday, 7/2/2019 Sivan 29, 5779

Alfred Frost Sender Goldstein

Charles Tate

Wednesday, 7/3/2019 Sivan 30, 5779

Jill (Yanklowitz) Shannon

Ruth Gendon

Friday, 7/5/2019 Tammuz 2, 5779

	Andrew Torra			
Rose Kaplan	Saturday, 7/20/2019 Tammuz 17, 5779			
Irving Levin	Morris Aronson			
Fannie Poretz	Gloria Blickman Horwitz			
Saturday, 7/6/2019 Tammuz 3, 5779	Manning Cohenn			
Isidore Ashendorff	Fishel Fiedel			
Mary Ryen	Drean Hanley			
Sunday, 7/7/2019 Tammuz 4, 5779	Milton Hoffman			
Robert Cahn	Arthur Kasper			
Judy Drazin	Rheba Weingust			
Monday, 7/8/2019 Tammuz 5, 5779	Sunday, 7/21/2019 Tammuz 18, 5779			
Dr. Albert Berkowitz	Edward Gersten			
Vince Cervone	Samuel Yanks			
Roehe Ginsburg	Monday, 7/22/2019 Tammuz 19, 5779			
Tuesday, 7/9/2019 Tammuz 6, 5779	Glenn Kass			
Jack Friedman	Lila Lebowitz Paul			
Morris Mandwelle	Joan Tripp			
Bernard Radin	Tuesday, 7/23/2019 Tammuz 20, 5779			
Wednesday, 7/10/2019 Tammuz 7, 5779	Nathalie Silverman			
Nathanial Isaacman	Wednesday, 7/24/2019 Tammuz 21, 5779			
Thursday, 7/11/2019 Tammuz 8, 5779	Erwin Levy			
Murry Dubner	Harold Luria			
Berta Rotfeld	Thursday, 7/25/2019 Tammuz 22, 5779			
Friday, 7/12/2019 Tammuz 9, 5779	Rebecca Alkes			
Lisa DeLong	Abe (Abraham) Aronson			
Milton Rosenberg	Stanley Fuld			
Saturday, 7/13/2019 Tammuz 10, 5779	Gerald Israel			
Rose Grossman	Arnold Koslow			
Arnold Mandwelle	Samuel Sagan			
Henrietta Oppenheim	Eileen Seaman			
Joseph Rosenthal	Friday, 7/26/2019 Tammuz 23, 5779			
Sunday, 7/14/2019 Tammuz 11, 5779	Joan (Aronson) Cervone			
Rita Dougherty	Rosalind Cohen			
Monday, 7/15/2019 Tammuz 12, 5779	Jack Kaufler			
M. Louis Paltrowitz	Florence Saidel			
Myer Snyder	Saturday, 7/27/2019 Tammuz 24, 5779			
Tuesday, 7/16/2019 Tammuz 13, 5779	Nathan Friedman			
Paul Buchman	I. Charles Lebowitz			
Zelda (Jennette) Kanoff	Monday, 7/29/2019 Tammuz 26, 5779			
Wednesday, 7/17/2019 Tammuz 14, 5779	Hannah Berkowitz			
Max Hoffman	Arthur Fried			
Thursday, 7/18/2019 Tammuz 15, 5779	Tuesday, 7/30/2019 Tammuz 27, 5779			
Goldye Beck	Silas Berkowitz			
Celia Goldstein	Bertha Bronne			
Lena Luria	Wednesday, 7/31/2019 Tammuz 28, 5779			
Friday, 7/19/2019 Tammuz 16, 5779				

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JUNE 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						9:30am Service
YOM YERULSHALAYIM 3pm Norm Kudan Unveiling with meal following at Synagogue	3	4 SIVAN ROSH CHODESH	5 7pm ADULT ED: TORAH CLASS	D-Day Observance	7:00pm Service with Rabbi Gerry Ginsburg	8 EREV SHAVUOT 9:30am Service with Rabbi Gerry Ginsburg 7:30pm Tikkun Leil Shavuot Dessert & Study Session
9 SHAVUOT DAY ONE 9:30 Service Including Yizkor Service	SHAVUOT DAY TWO Office Closed	11	7pm ADULT ED: TORAH CLASS	13	7pm Service with Rabbi Yael Werber at the Synagogue	9:30am Service with Rabbi Yael Werber
16 → HAPPY → FATHERS DAY!	17	18	7pm ADULT ED: TORAH CLASS	20	Happy First Day of Summer	9:30am Service - Bar Mitzvah of Cooper Nadler
23	24	25	26	27	28 7pm Service	9:30am Service
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