July-September Minyan Times

Mornings (times constant)*

Sunday ..... 8:30 am
Monday – Friday ..... 6:40 am
**Except July 22* ..... *6:30 am*
**Except Aug. 20* ..... *6:30 am*
**Except Aug. 21* ..... *6:30 am*
**Except Sept. 14-17* ..... *6:30 am*
**Except Sept. 7* ..... *8:30 am*
Shabbat ..... 9:00 am

Evenings (times constant)

Friday (*until September 11*) ..... 7:15 pm

Evenings (times vary)

Sunday --Thursday, July 19-23 ..... 8:15 pm
Shabbat, July 25 ..... 8:00 pm
Sunday-Tuesday, July 26-July 28 ..... 8:10 pm
Wednesday, July 29, ***Mincha*** ..... ***6:15 pm***
Fast begins ..... ***8:26 pm***
Ma'ariv and Eicha ..... ***9:00 pm***
Thursday, July 30 ..... ***7:55 pm***
Fast ends ..... ***9:07 pm***
Shabbat, August 1 ..... 7:55 pm
Sunday-Thursday, Aug. 2-6 ..... 8:00 pm
Shabbat, August 8 ..... 7:45 pm
Sunday-Thursday, Aug. 9-13 ..... 7:55 pm
Shabbat, Aug. 15 ..... 7:35 pm
Sunday- Thursday, Aug. 16-20 ..... 7:40 pm
Shabbat, Aug. 22 ..... 7:25 pm
Sunday-Thursday, Aug. 23-27 ..... 7:30 pm
Sunday - Thursday, Aug. 30 - Sept. 3 ..... 7:20 pm
Shabbat, Sept. 5 ..... 7:05 pm
Sunday-Thursday, Sept. 6-10 ..... 7:10 pm
Friday, Sept. 11 ..... 7:05 pm
Shabbat, Sept.12 ..... 6:50 pm
Sunday-Thursday, Sept.13-17 ..... 6:55 pm

Tish'a B'Av Schedule

Wednesday, July 29
Mincha ..... 6:15 pm
Fast Begins ..... ***8:26 pm***
Ma'ariv amd Eicha ..... 9:00 pm

Thursday, July 30
Shacharit and *kinot* ..... 6:40 am
Mincha/Ma'ariv ..... 7:55 pm
Fast ends ..... ***9:07 pm***

ChaiLine Deadlines

The following are deadlines for the 2009-2010 ChaiLine	Purim issue – 2/7/10 (Sunday)
	Pesach issue – 3/7/10 (Sunday)
Rosh Hashanah issue – 8/30/09 (Sunday)	Shavuot issue – 5/2/10 (Sunday)
Chanukah issue – 11/18/09 (Wednesday)	Summer issue – 6/27/10 (Sunday)

The Month of ELUL

The month of Elul: A month before Rosh Hashanah, this year Friday, August 21, we begin preparing for the Day of Judgment. We blow the shofar each weekday morning, with the exception of *Erev* Rosh Hashanah, and add Psalm 27 into our prayers each morning and evening, in order to begin awakening within us feelings of repentance.

Selichot: Penitential prayers are recited each weekday morning until Yom Kippur. We begin reciting these prayers at a special midnight service on Saturday night, September 12.

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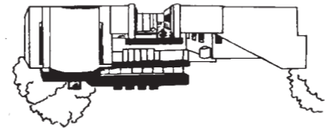

Tish'a B'Av
Thursday July 30
Fast Day

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From the Rabbi

We are in a period of time called *"bein hametzarim,"* which begins on the 17th of Tammuz and ends on *Tisha B'Av*. Both are fast days, the former extending from dawn to dusk and the latter beginning in the evening and lasting through the next evening (see details on the section of the laws and customs in this ChaiLine issue). These two days express the many afflictions and calamities that befell Israel during the sad times in our history. The dates of these days correspond to the times in which the events occurred, and are associated specifically with most hurtful episodes to the Jewish Nation – the destructions of our two temples.

Therefore during these three weeks of sorrow we refrain from celebrations such as weddings, bar mitzvahs, and other joyous festivities. This is so that we can awaken our hearts to be better Jews and contemplate our deeds. In this way we can truly do *teshuvah* (repentance) and ask for forgiveness for our sins, which caused these tragedies, as our prophet says, *"And they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers"* (Lev.26:40). We should at least fast and confess our sins, just as the people of Ninveh did, so that Hashem will forgive us, as is written in the book of Jonah, *"And G-d saw their deed, in that they turned from their evil way, and G-d repented of the evil which he had said that he would do to them, and he did not do it"* (3:10). From here we see that fasting is the preparation for *teshuvah*, and we must take this first step towards repentance.

May G-d accept our *teshuvah* and answer our prayers to bring the redemption speedily.

Rabbi Aminadav Adamit

Give *Chai to Chailine*

Thanks to all of you who were sponsors and/or put in thank you notes, the ChaiLine was self-sustaining this year. In all the years I have been working on this bulletin, this is the first year that this has happened. It really is a good feeling to see the balance sheet at the end of the year and realize we were not a drain on the Shul budget.

I would like to see this be a yearly occurrence and that can only happen if you continue to remember us when commemorating a yahrtzeit, celebrating a birthday, a new baby, a graduation, an anniversary or any other occasion. A donation of double Chai ($36.00) will make you a sponsor. A donation of $180.00 will make you a **Special Sponsor**. Also, an easy way to say thank you is to put a notice in the ChaiLine for a donation of $18.00.
Just send your donation, with a note telling us what you would like to say, to the shul office before the next deadline (8/30/09) and we will take it from there. Thanks again for your cooperation.
Have a nice summer and I hope to see you in Shul.

Marlene Serkin, *ChaiLine* coordinator

Thanks to the Sponsors

Melvin Rozen thanking us for mentioning Rita (of blessed memory) in a former issue

Ann Brillant in honor of **Beth David members**

From the President

I hope you are enjoying your summer days. Here at Beth David I am very busy negotiating with Insurance people, roofers, ceiling replacement companies, upholstery cleaning people and carpet replacement stores.

Let me explain, in May a nasty storm caused a large branch from a tree to make a hole in the roof. Water came in and damaged the ceiling, chairs and the carpeting and now we are in the process of making the shul beautiful again.

By August all should be finished and we invite you to come and see how lovely it all turns out. During the time or the renovations our shul is certainly open and functioning as always. Shabbat services are beautiful in the summer months, come and join us. Have a happy rest of the season.

Saba Wiesner, President

Special Thank You

We want to thank the following people for helping enhance the Shavuot holiday:
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