

May - July Minyan Times

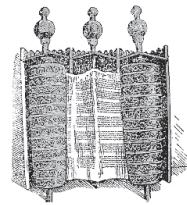
Mornings (times constant)*

Sunday	8:30 am
Monday - Friday	6:40 am
*Except June 9, 10	9:00 am
*Except June 4; July 3	6:30 am
*Except May 26; July 4	8:30 am

Shabbat 9:00 am

Evenings (times constant)

Friday 7:15 pm



Evenings (times vary)

Shabbat, May 24	8:00 pm
Sunday - Thursday, May 25-29	8:10 pm
Shabbat, May 31	8:05 pm
Sunday - Thursday, June 1-5	8:20 pm
Shabbat, June 7	8:10 pm
Sunday, June 8	8:25 pm
Monday - Tuesday, June 9-10	8:20 pm
Wednesday - Thursday, June 11-19	8:25 pm
Shabbat, June 14 - July 5	8:15 pm
Sunday - Thursday, June 22 - July 3	8:30 pm
Sunday - Thursday, July 6-10	8:25 pm
Shabbat, July 12	8:10 pm
Sunday - Thursday, July 13-17	8:20 pm
Shabbat, July 19	8:05 pm
Sunday, July 20	8:05 pm
Monday - Thursday, July 21-24	8:15 pm
Shabbat, July 26	8:00 pm
Sunday - Thursday, July 27-31	8:10 pm
Shabbat, August 2	7:55 pm

E-Mail: bethdavid@stny.rr.com

Web Site: BethDavid.org

CHAI LINE

INSIDE

Sisterhood	2
Shavuot Schedule	2
Calendar of Events	2
Beth David Family	3
May-July Minyan	5

"The Bulletin of Beth David Synagogue"

VOLUME XLIX, ISSUE 4

BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

SHAVUOT/JUNE 2008/5768

From the Rabbi

The holiday of Pesach is already behind us and I hope that you all celebrated Pesach with joy and holiness. The holiday of Pesach is a long holiday and it's not simple to celebrate it with all the small details, but the Jewish people make a lot of effort to celebrate it in the best way possible.

Is the holiday of Pesach really behind us? Our rabbis explain that actually the holiday of Pesach continues until Shavuot and the whole fifty days are one unit because the Torah specifically emphasizes that Shavuot comes fifty days after Pesach. In this period of time between Pesach and Shavuot we count the Omer. One of the reasons for the counting is that people are longing for the festival of Shavuot to come because the Torah was given on that day. By the counting we show how eager we are to reach this day.

Although the Torah was already given, we count and wait for the day of *Kabalat Hatorah*, the day in which we call the "Time of receiving the Torah." Why is it called this? Because on every Shavuot we should feel as if we are re-receiving the Torah and we learn something new about the Torah every time. Learning Torah on Shavuot has a special meaning and is a great mitzvah.

Every year on Shavuot we organize classes during the first night and I hope to see many of you participate in this special learning. Happy holiday and God willing we'll see you at the learning sessions.

Rabbi Aminadav Adamit

From the President

It is my pleasure to wish Laura Greger Mazel Tov on becoming this year's Honoree at our Beth David Annual Dinner. Please mark your calendar for June 15; we are planning a beautiful affair. When you receive your invitation would you kindly respond early so that our caterer will have plenty of time to place orders.

Our room will look very special with new window treatments that Marcy Yonaty has finally been able to have installed, after many years of trying to raise the money. Thank you, Marcy, for working on this project. We want to sincerely thank our anonymous donor for making this wish come true.

In case you have not noticed, our name is back on the front of the building. This section of the work is complete, but there is much more work to be done on other sections of crumbling cement. The outside steps were also coated with a special masonry covering that will prevent further deterioration. The steps had considerable damage from many years of using the wrong ice melt.

On a personal note I want to sincerely thank all the people that were so very kind to my mother and me when she fell on the stairs going up to the sanctuary. Our shul has always been referred to as the Beth David Family, and I certainly realized how true that is when I was in such need of help. In a moment I had doctors, nurses and friends helping my mother, calling the ambulance and seeing that she got the very best care. I shall never forget your kindness and I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Please have a beautiful Shavuot Holiday!

Saba Wiesner,
President

SAVE THE DATE
Shul Dinner
Sunday,
June 15, 2008

Keeping You Up-To-Date

Yes, that is the goal of the *ChaiLine*. You, our readers, help us make it happen by your continued support of the "Give double *Chai* to the *ChaiLine* sponsor program, now in its eighteenth or *Chai* year. We look back with gratitude and say *Todah Rabah* to our readers, sponsors and sustainers. You have been a great help in defraying the costs of printing and sending this newsletter.

We ask for your support and you give it wholeheartedly and generously with your \$36 double *Chai* and \$180 **Special Sponsor** donations. You are, indeed, the *Chai* of the *ChaiLine*. My sincere thanks and appreciation to you all.

Sponsors and would-be sponsors are needed for our forthcoming summer, high holidays and fall issues. Be a sponsor to share a simcha to honor a loved one, commemorate a *Yahrtzeit* or to send a greeting. Be a sponsor because you enjoy receiving the *ChaiLine* and keeping up-to-date on what's new at Beth David. We will also print a thank you note for a minimum donation of \$10. Think of all the postage you can save by saying thank you to your Beth David friends for Mitzvah or Shul Beautiful cards.

To be a sponsor or put a thank you note in the *ChaiLine* contact me at 729-3235, or the shul office at 722-1793, or send your check with a note containing your message to the shul before the next deadline, July 20, 2008.

Marlene Serkin

Thanks to the sponsors of this issue:

In honor of the Beth David community and wishing everyone a good summer by **Rika and Steve Katz**

In memory of **Toni Began** by **Marcy and Gabi Yonaty**

In memory of **Barry Raff** by **Marie Werner**

Thanking everyone for the calls and cards for **Sam's** birthday and recovery from surgery by **Claire Ladenheim**

SHAVUOT ISSUE

BETH DAVID SYNAGOGUE
39 Riverside Drive
Binghamton, NY 13905



NON-PROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
Binghamton, NY 13905
PERMIT NO. 228