

September -December Minyan Times

MORNINGS (times constant)*

Sunday	8:30 am
*Except September 20; October 4, 11.....	see Holiday Schedule
Monday – Friday.....	6:40 am
*Except September 14-17, 21-25, October 5-9, 19; November 17-18.....	6:30 am
*Except September 28.....	see Holiday Schedule
*Except September 7; November 26.....	8:30 am
Shabbat.....	9:00 am
*Except September 19, 26.....	see Holiday Schedule

EVENINGS (times constant)*

Monday – Thursday beginning October 12.....	7:00 pm
*Except November 26 (see below)	

EVENINGS (times vary)

Friday, September 4.....	7:15 pm
Shabbat, September 5.....	7:05 pm
Sunday-Thursday, September 6-10.....	7:10 pm
Friday, September 11.....	7:05 pm
Shabbat, September 12.....	6:50 pm
Sunday-Thursday, September 13-17.....	6:55 pm
Friday-Monday, September 18-21.....	see Holiday Schedule
Tuesday-Thursday, September 22-24.....	6:45 pm
Friday-Monday, September 25-28.....	see Holiday Schedule.
Tuesday -Thursday, September 29- Oct. 1.....	6:30 pm
Friday- Sunday, October 2-4.....	see Holiday Schedule .
Monday-Thursday, October 5-8.....	6:20 pm
Friday - Sunday, October 9-11.....	see Holiday Schedule .
Friday, October 16.....	6:05 pm
Shabbat, October 17.....	5:50 pm
Sunday, October 18.....	6:05 pm

Friday, October 23.....	5:55 pm
Shabbat, October 24.....	5:40 pm
Sunday, October 25.....	5:50 pm
Friday, October 30.....	5:45 pm
Shabbat, October 31.....	5:30 pm
Sunday, November 1.....	4:45 pm
Friday, November 6.....	4:35 pm
Shabbat, November 7.....	4:25 pm
Sunday, November 8.....	4:35 pm
Friday, November 13.....	4:30 pm
Shabbat, November 14.....	4:15 pm
Sunday, November 15.....	4:30 pm
Friday, November 20.....	4:25 pm
Shabbat, November 21.....	4:10 pm
Sunday, November 22.....	4:20 pm
Thursday-Friday, November 26-27.....	4:20 pm
Shabbat, November 28.....	4:05 pm
Sunday, November 29.....	4:20 pm
Friday, December 4.....	4:15 pm
Shabbat, December 5.....	4:05 pm
Sunday, December 6.....	4:15 pm

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 12	Shabbat Luncheon	October 7	Community Sukkah Hop
September 19-20	Rosh Hashanah	October 10	Shimini Atzeret
September 21	Fast of Gedalia	October 11	Simchat Torah
September 27	Kol Nidrei	October 14	Sisterhood Paid-Up dinner
September 28	Yom Kippur	November 11	Sisterhood Mtg.
October 3-4	Sukkot		

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From the Rabbi

Rosh Hashanah is the day of *Yom Hadin* (Day of Judgment). On this day we are being judged on all of our deeds that we did during the year. Although the term "Judgment" sounds harsh and sometimes scary, we should be certain that The Almighty judges us with compassion, mercy, and justice. Every person, no matter whom, does good deeds; even if that person is considered by others as a *rasha* (wicked). Thus, when we are being judged by Hashem, He first looks at our good deeds and then the bad ones. Having said that, we have to strive to do only good deeds as much as possible, because sometimes we don't realize, and we commit bad deeds.

On Rosh Hashanah we ask Hashem: "Our Father our King renew upon us a good and blessed year." This year, with the help of Hashem and with the help of devoted congregants, we were able to renew our sanctuary with a beautiful carpet. Now that we have an even more beautiful sanctuary, we have to fill it with joy and happiness. In order to bring more joy to this sanctuary and to the congregation, we need to make more effort to come to the minyan during the week and on Shabbat and Holidays, and also participate more in the synagogue's events during the year.

My family, my wife, and I would like to wish you a *Shana Tovah* – a happy new year. May God accept your prayers and all your wishes for the coming year and for the future.

~ Rabbi Aminadav Adamit

From the President

I am sure that most of our congregation is aware of the damages to the shul in the past months. I would like to take this opportunity to explain how the repairs evolved into an excellent situation for us all.

Initially a hole in the roof caused the water damage to the ceiling, seats and the carpeting. Brian Savitch, who takes care of our insurance, was extremely helpful in quickly organizing the sequence of events to start the process with Travelers Insurance for the necessary repairs. Thank you Brian for all your help, you did more than was asked of you. Travelers was excellent as well, the turn around for payment to the synagogue for the work was immediate and they were very kind to work with.

My greatest appreciation goes to Robert Ellis from Ellis Bros. Furniture, Robert was so helpful in working with me and the insurance co. to find and install carpeting within the budget that we received. The job was completed in a little more than a week taking all precautions to never disrupt our services. We owe Robert and Ellis Bros. thanks for all their help in making this little dream come true.

The insurance company paid for the roof repair where the tree made the hole, for the repairs to the ceiling and for all the carpeting in the sanctuary and the stairs. The original upper roofs had to be replaced at our expense because they were in very bad shape and we could not take the chance of water again leaking in and destroying the work that we have just finished.

Robert Ellis has another surprise for us; I will let you know about that in the future ChaiLine.

Many of you may have questions about the appeal for help in paying for the new roof, please do not hesitate to call me, I will be happy to discuss it with you.

Our synagogue looks beautiful for the Holidays, now we have to fill it with people. Join us for the opening luncheon on September 12 and for the Holidays. Wishing you all a very happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.

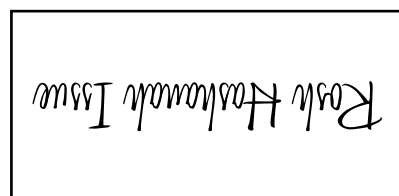
~ Saba Wiesner, President

Give Double Chai to Chailine

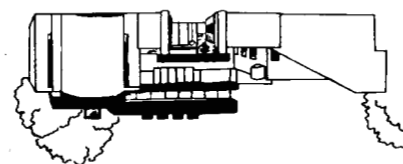
This year, Rosh Hashanah marks the beginning of the Jewish year 5770. It also marks the debut of Volume LI of the ChaiLine, the bulletin of Beth David Synagogue. Over the years our face has changed but our goal is the same, to keep you in touch with what is new at Beth David.

Our sincerest thanks to all those who have made double "Chai" and special sponsor contributions to sponsor and support our bulletin over the past year. Sponsors are needed for all future issues of the ChaiLine. Your \$36 donation, arriving at the shul office before the next deadline, (11/18/09), will make you a sponsor. Your \$180 donation makes you a Special Sponsor. Call me at 729-3235 to reserve your issue. To all our readers, a happy, healthy and sweet year.

~ Marlene Serkin, ChaiLine coordinator



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Sisterhood acknowledges contributions to the Mitzvah Fund wishing:

Mazel Tov to:

Ann Brilliant, on her 75th birthday, and on providing a beautiful Shabbat kiddush.

Karen & Harold Feld, on the birth of their grandson Caren Fisher, in deep appreciation and thanks for everything you've done.

Toby Kohn, thank you for sending out Mitzvah Cards.

Sam & Claire Ladenheim, on their 60th wedding anniversary.

Hershey & Bonnie Rozen, on Brittany's engagement.

Meryl Sasnowitz, in thanks for your Shabbat Rescue.

Rabbi Zev & Judy Silber on the birth of their granddaughter.

Rabbi Aaron & Rivky Slonim, on the birth of their grandson.

Suzanne Triebwasser, on beginning Law School.

Sondra & Fred Weitzman, on the birth of their grandson.

Susan Wright, on her special birthday.

Refuah Shelemah to:

Sarah Lynn Adami	Susan Gilinsky	Bob Kutz
Maida Piaker	Shirley Raff	Vicki Rouff
Hillard Rozen	Meryl Sasnowitz	Selma Spector
	Sondra Weitzman	

Condolences to:

Sarah Lynn Adami, on the loss of her father, Myer White

Claire Goldstein, on the loss of her brother, Rabbi Joseph Kelman

Debbie Groner, on the loss of her father, Mordechai Schreiberman

Chaim Joy, on the loss of his mother, Nancy

Hersh Rozen, on the loss of his brother, Hillard

Lillian Sommer, on the loss of her mother, Else Stern

Rummage Sale Report

I want to thank all of you who donated merchandise and/or volunteered your time to help out at the rummage sale held Sunday, Monday and Tuesday August 9, 10 and 11, 2009.

Set up was done on Sunday morning with a great crew of workers coming in at 8:30 am. They were so efficient that we finished before 10:15 am. Thanks go to Shirley Lash and her son-in-law, Gene Shoemaker, who came in and emptied the rummage room Saturday night.

Thanks to the following for helping set up, clean up and working at the sale, we couldn't do it without you:

Judy Silber	Valerie Preston	Marilyn Bell
Dora Feuer	Marcy Yonaty	Claire Ladenheim
Marie Werner	Toby Kohn	Lilly Wolf
Lillian Zodikoff	Meryl Sasnowitz	Susan and Michael Wright

A special thank you to Leslie and Michael Tuchman and children and Rochie Sommer and children (The Sasnowitz children and grandchildren) who came in Tuesday and helped us clean up. With so many hands we finished in record time.

Thank you, also, to Nancy Nagel, Inna Meecham, and Darlene Cady, customers, who come in for every sale and help us set up.

Thank you,

~ Marlene Serkin, Rummage Sale Chairwoman

Sponsorship

- To sponsor a Kiddush, please contact Meryl Sasnowitz, 797-5458. She will fill you in on available dates and what is involved.
- To sponsor, or contribute to a Shabbat Luncheon contact Saba Wiesner, 722-0997.
- To sponsor Seudah Shlishit, contact Rabbi Adami, 773-8980.

Sisterhood

It is hard to believe that summer is gone and a new season is upon us. Sisterhood board members have not spent all their time these past warm months sunning themselves and sipping iced tea. At a board meeting at my home in August many issues were addressed and new ideas presented.

The Program committee was represented by Susan Wright who presented some of the new season's programming events. The theme for this year is "In all your ways know Him," from Proverbs (Mishlei 3:6).

Our feelings and connection to Hashem may be expressed in countless ways and Sisterhood hopes to explore some of the creativity and talent that we are privileged to have in our community. Please join us at our first meeting on Wednesday, September 9. Marilyn Belford will be our guest speaker on the topic of her beautiful quilts.

October 14 is our Paid-Up dinner which will be prepared by Susan Hubal. The dinner is free to members who have paid up all their Sisterhood accounts and besides a delicious meal, we have many prizes that are raffled off.

Our meetings are always fun and very sociable. Come join with us, meet with your old friends and make some new ones. We really have a great time.

Our Recycle (Rummage) sale was successful due to the outstanding and untiring efforts of Marlene Serkin. Yasher Koach to her!

Sam and I pray that this New Year will be a time of peace and prosperity, sweetness and light and above all, good health to everyone.

L'Shana tova ~ Claire Ladenheim, Sisterhood President

Sisterhood Meeting

Join us at the opening Sisterhood Meeting
featuring Marilyn Belford, nationally recognized quilter
Wednesday, September 9, 2009 @ 7:30 pm
The program is free and open to the community

"Ladies Night Out"

Wednesday, November 18 at the JCC, 5:30 pm



Dinner and Panel Discussion
"Sexuality and the Jewish Woman"
(Panelists: Rabbi Barbara Goldman-Wartell,
Barbara Ruchames MSW, Rivky Slonim; Rabbi
Tziona Szajman, Moderator)

Prepaid reservations required. Send a check
for \$9.00 to Jewish Family Service, 500 Clubhouse Road, Vestal,
NY 13850 or Call Roz Antoun at 724-2332

VOLUNTEER FOR HOLIDAY KIDDUSHIM

Beth David Sisterhood needs your help with the Holiday Kiddushim. Volunteers are needed to help prepare, set out and clear up on the following dates: Sukkot – October 3 and 4 – daytime • Shimini Atzeret – October 10 – daytime • Simchat Torah – October 10 – evening, and October 11 – daytime. If you can help on any of these dates, please call Miriam, 724-6968, or Paula, 797-0181. Save us a phone call.

BETH DAVID WEB PAGE: In case you are not aware, Beth David has a web page at www.bethdavid.org, maintained by Mark Budman.

Besides interesting and important information and links about the shul and community, you can find a link to past issues of the ChaiLine as well as to the monthly Minyan calendar. There is also a button to submit your e-mail address to the shul to request that you be included in important announcements from the Synagogue and rabbis. Check it out!

Beth David Family

Hometown visitors abounded this summer season. Southern Tier memories were evoked from travelers now based in America and Israel. Sighted were: Eliyahu Groner; Ari and Tova Sacher with six of their seven children; Aniko and Andy Sarkany and their granddaughter Debra (daughter of Andrea and Greg Riskin); Zehava Schechter and her children Michal and Meir; Claire Goldstein; and, Becca and Ed Webb. Here to say *l'hitraot* to his mother, Marlene Serkin, was Paul Serkin who made aliyah in July. His daughter, Devorah, also bid farewell to Grandma Marlene prior to her making aliyah in September. They both join Paul's daughter and son-in-law Tova and Yair Yehudah already residing in Eretz Yisrael. Elaine Green joined her son Bryan for a holiday at his home in Dallas. Several weeks later, her daughter Samara, visited Binghamton from her home in Virginia. Marilyn Bell and her daughter Rachel enjoyed nature's beauty as they cruised Alaska's shores.

Several grandparents had the *nachas* of hosting their grandchildren sans their parents. Susan and Gerry Hubal loved spoiling Noah and Jordan, children of Lisa and Todd Hubal; Dora and Steve Feuer enjoyed entertaining Ari and Corey, children of Melissa and Allen Feuer, and then Yael and Rina, daughters of Amy and Amir Poran; Paula and Charles Rubin had fun with Andrew and Ethan, sons of Lisha and Adam Levin; and, Judy and Rabbi Zev Silber had the pleasure of their grandchildren Avi and Shayna's company for a week. They're the children of Eliezer Silber. Roz and Harry Wiesel housed their grandchildren Katie and Hanna and the girls' parents Naomi and Eli Katz at their Monticello home for the entire summer.

Once again, we had the joy of a brit in our community as Chany and Levi Levertov welcomed a son, Mendel, to their family. We wish a Mazal Tov to grandparents Rivky and Aaron Slonim, to aunt and uncle Hadasa and Levi Slonim, and to the rest of the Slonim *mishpacha*. Marcia and Steve Sutter happily reported the birth of a grandson, Benjamin Jack, to Florence and Jonathan Sutter. Mazal Tov to the entire family. May the boys grow to Bar Mitzvah and *chupah* and to 120 in good health!

Amy Alaniz and David Bank were married in Colorado amid nature's beauty. Several Binghamtonians, including Arieh Ullmann, attended the festivities. Mazal Tov to parents Barbara and Leslie Bank and the Bank Family. Lulu Feldhamer became engaged to Nathaniel Dubin of Queens during her parents' Suzanne and Leon's American summer hiatus. Mazal Tov to the whole Feldhamer clan.

We bid farewell to members Leah Bridavsky and her daughter Eugenia who are moving to greener employment pastures in Dallas. Although only here for a few years, they managed to seize many of the learning opportunities our town had to offer. We wish them well. *L'hitraot* to Michael Alweis, son of Miriam and Aaron Alweis, who left for a year of study at Yesodei ha Torah in Beit Shemesh, and to Gilad Adami who was here from Israel for an extended visit with his parents SarahLynn and Rabbi Ami Adami.

Although not all from Beth David families, the following young men were a part of our Beth David Community in their youth, and I thought it worthy to wish them *kol hakavod* in their particular fields of endeavor. Jeremy Greenberg, son of Stacey and Mickey Greenberg, who uses the stage name Jeremy Davidson, has appeared in acting roles in several TV shows. His latest venture is directing a major movie, *Tickling Leo*, a Holocaust film. Mendel Tropper, son of Rivka and David Tropper, has been part of the Hollywood production scene for years. He is the Executive Producer of a summer movie, *My Sister's Keeper*. Then there is Ian Pear, son of Beverly and Marty Pear, who has made his niche in another venue altogether. Those of you who read Janet Wilson's emails know him as Rabbi Pear. He and his wife Rachel created and lead Shir Hadash, a synagogue and education center in Jerusalem. He is a well-known and beloved speaker and recently authored a well received book, *The Accidental Zionist*. We have much to *kvell* about from our Southern Tier youth.

Refuah shelema to Jerry Schachter.

With sadness I note the passing of SarahLynn Adami's father, Myer White, Lillian Sommer's mother Else Stern, and Debbie Groner's father, Mordechai Schreiberman.

May SarahLynn and Rabbi Ami Adami, her mother Olga White, and their children Adina, Tal, Gilad, Ahi, and Ayal; Lillian Sommer, her brother Paul, and her children Rachel and Dan; and Debbie and Raphael Groner, her mother Miriam, and their children Eliyahu, Hadassah, Meira, and YomTov find comfort among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

May we each find pause for introspection during this time of Elul, the month leading up to Rosh Hashanah, and may each of us be written and inscribed for a year of good health! *K'tiva v'chatima tova.* -Meryl Sasnowitz

Contributions

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Dora & Steve Feuer wishing Shirley Raff a speedy recovery
Dora & Steve Feuer wishing Susan Gilinsky a speedy recovery
Shelemayah & Hanna Zacks wishing Meryl Sasnowitz a speedy recovery
Arieh Ullmann thanking Bob & Charney Oppenheim for all their work
Arieh Ullmann wishing Meryl Sasnowitz a speedy recovery
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Dora & Solomon Polachek wishing Les & Barbara Bank Mazel Tov on the marriage of David & Amy
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The Sarkany family to say Thank You to Lillian Zodikoff
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Arieh Ullmann in memory of Lillian Sommers' mother

Shul Beautiful to:

Sarah Lynn Adami in memory of her father, Myer White, by Cathy Velenchik & Chaim Joy.

Meryl Sasnowitz, Refuah Shelemah, by Dora & Steve Feuer.

Meryl Sasnowitz, Refuah Shelemah, by Claire & Sam Ladenheim.

Charney & Bob Oppenheim, thanking you for all you've done for the shul by Marcy & Gabi Yonaty.

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Les & Barbara Bank in honor of their son's marriage, by Ilene Goldman.

Debbie Groner in memory of her father, by Marcy & Gabi Yonaty

Debbie Groner in memory of her father, by Dora & Steve Feuer

Vicki Rouff Get well soon, by Dora & Steve Feuer.

Lillian Sommer, in memory of her beloved mother, by Claire & Sam Ladenheim.

Lillian Sommer, in memory of her beloved mother, by Lillian Zodikoff.

Meryl Sasnowitz, speedy and complete Refuah Shelemah, by Dora and Steve Feuer.

Meryl Sasnowitz, Refuah Shelemah, by Steve and Rika Katz and Family

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