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The weekly newsheet of Clayhall United Synagogue

Shabbos 22 October 2005/ 19 Tishri 5766

Service Times (Chol Hamoed Succos)

Shacharis	9.00 am
Minchah followed by Seudah	5.10 pm
Ma'ariv & Shabbos ends	6.40 pm
Kabbalos Shabbos next Friday	5.26 pm

Shabbos Chol Hamoed Succos is packed full of extras! We say **Hallel** at the end of Shacharis immediately followed by **Koheles** (*Ecclesiastes* - see below). Although we do not take the Arba Minim on Shabbos, nevertheless we still recite the Hoshanos prayer but the Sefer Torah is not removed from the Ark.

Reading of the Torah

Leyning: Ki Sisa (part)

Shemos 33:12-34:26

Hertz p 362, Soncino p 558

Haftarah:

Rabbi Simon Harris

Victor Shafier

Shacharis tomorrow (Sunday) is at **8.00 am** followed by a breakfast in the Succah. Davening for Hoshanah Rabba on Monday starts at **6.00 am** as it is a long Service. On Monday evening, Minchah and Ma'ariv (Shemini Atzeres) begins at **5.34 pm**. King Solomon's Book of Koheles (*Ecclesiastes*) is read today, Shabbos Chol Hamoed Succos. The most familiar reason why this Megillah is read on Succos is that it describes the futility of worldly striving and extols the virtue of fear of G-d and His mitzvos. This theme is especially appropriate to Succos for the Succah symbolises the futility of material possessions and encourages man to live frugally under G-d's protection.



This week's 'Clayhall Kehilla' has been kindly sponsored by Sonia and Norman Myers, recently joined Clayhall members.

Children's & Youth Davening Service

Reception - Year 6

10.30 am – 11.30 am

Year 7 - Year 11

10.30 am - 11.30 am

Weekday Services

Shacharit: Monday to Friday, 7.00 am. Sunday @ 8.15 am.

Minchah: 1.15 pm, Monday to Thursday.

Ma'ariv: 7.30 pm every Tuesday evening.

Sunday breakfasts: 23 October & 6 November.

A Succos thought



According to one Rabbinic opinion, the fruit of the Tree of Knowledge of which Adam ate was an esrog. It emerges, accordingly, that with this fruit the first sin began. Thus, the mitzvah of esrog (i.e Succah and the Arba Minim) evokes memories of history's first accounting of sin.'

Clayhall Family Shabbaton

You would have received details by now about our Family Shabbaton on **Shabbos 12 November 2005**. We are very pleased that **Chazan M**

Josephbashvilli will be leading a Carlebach-style Friday night service and he will also be leyning and davening the following day. A very pleasant fish lunch will be served (prices are on the application form, including discounts for families) followed by an *Any Questions* panel.

Rabbi Simon Harris and **Rabbi Zev**

Glass have confirmed their participation. There will also be a children's activity. Please apply as soon as possible as time is short.

Ladies Guild Dinner

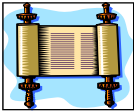
Come and enjoy a lovely dinner with **Lee Scott**, MP for Ilford North on **Sunday 4 December 2005**. The event is open to both men and women and the cost is £12.50 per person. Lee Scott was elected as a Conservative MP in May 2005. He is a former UJIA fund raiser and Israel is a subject very close to his heart. The Ladies Guild are hoping for good support. Funds raised will naturally benefit Shul activities.

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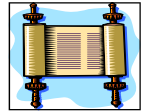
The Shul needs sponsorship for the '*Clayhall Kehilla*' newsheet. For just £15, you can celebrate a birthday, anniversary or special occasion. Alternatively, you may choose to commemorate a Yahrzeit of a loved one. Please let Michelle know immediately as there are still vacancies for most of November.

Simchas Beis HaSho'evah - One Big Succos Party!

After the intense spirituality of the Yomim Noraim, let your hair down with song, dance, and good food at our Succos bash **tomorrow** in the Shul Succah. The family fun begins at 2.30 pm with our special guest, the effervescent and charismatic singer **Shlomo Cramer** and the Chasidic Rockers! It will be a really great afternoon and here's the best bit...**it's FREE!** The festivities associated with the drawing of the water for the libation on Succos were the highpoint of the festival. As Rashi explains, they were in fulfilment of the verse in Isaiah (12:3) *'and you shall draw forth water with gladness.'* The Mishnah relates that, *'Whoever did not see the rejoicing of the Beis HaSho'evah, never saw rejoicing in his lifetime.'* Come along then for a few smiles & L'Chaims!



The Honorary Officers have sought reassurances from Jewish Care that the leaking roof will be repaired soon!



***We have a record
135 blue tins
distributed among
our members.***

Rosh Chodesh Group

The Clayhall Ladies Rosh Chodesh group resumes on Tuesday 2 November 2005. The guest speaker is **Mrs Henny Sufirin**, always bound to inspire and entertain! This takes place at 39 Bergholt Avenue, Redbridge. The excellent **Flora Frank** from the Board of Deputies is the guest speaker on 30 November at 48 Campbell Avenue. Both evenings begin at **8.00 pm**.

Sponsor a Gemara - just £25

Why not donate just £25 per volume and personalise our beautiful new Gemaras. You could commemorate a Yahrzeit of a loved one, perhaps a special birthday or wedding anniversary, or simply for any other event. Contact the Shul office on 020 8551 6533.

Shacharis Minyan

The daily Shacharis Minyan has been running for nine months and, after a few teething problems, the numbers seem to be thankfully stable. However, there is always room for improvement especially when some of the hard-core regulars are on holiday. It's also unfair to continually expect the few to share the burdens of the many. The month of Tishrei is an appropriate time to make an extra commitment even on a weekly or fortnightly basis. We daven at **7.00 am (6.50 am on Rosh Chodesh)** and the Service is always over by **7.50 am** or earlier. If you would like to have private lessons in putting on Tefillin, these will gladly be arranged. The Shul also owns three sets of Tefillin - two right-handed and one left.

The Hoshana Prayers

The prayers recited during the Hakafah-circuits are called **Hoshanos** because their constant refrain – reminiscent of the one used in the Temple – is *Hashana*, '**please save.**' The prayers used in the Ashkenazi rite were composed by the medieval paytan, *R'Elazar HaKalir*. Each contains twenty two verses, the initial letters of which form an alphabetical acrostic, following the order of the *Aleph-Beis*. Although each prayer has its own theme, the primary theme of all is the plea - repeated after each verse - '**Hoshana!**' Both spiritual and material prosperity form the themes of the *Hashanos*. The first three of the seven prayers of the **Hoshana Rabbah** circuits are requests for: the return of the *Shechinah* (Divine Presence) to the Land of Israel; restoration of Jerusalem and the Holy Temple; and the redemption of the Israelite nation from exile. The next three are pleas for the material goods we need to devote our time to a spiritual life: sustenance in general; rainfall and abundant crops; and protection of our crops from destructive forces. The seventh and final *hakafah* is accompanied by a prayer that we be successful in emulating the achievements of our forebears, our spiritual models, and that we be released from our exile in the merit of their deeds. After the seven circuits, more prayers are recited, most of them for abundant rainfall – for on Succos the world is judged with regard to the coming year's rainfall – and culminating with a plea for the coming of Elijah, the herald who will proclaim the arrival of the Mashiach.

Chasanim & N'Shei Chayil

We wish a hearty Mazel Tov to **Ernie Lion** and **David Grant**, Chasan Torah and Chasan Bereishis respectively, and to **Bertha Chaplain**, our Eshes Chayil. **Aron Goldberg** and **Ryan Alicoon** are the junior Chasanim and **Naomi Harris** is the Junior Eshes Chayil. The Kehilla looks forward to joining in their Simchah. Hakafos on Monday are at **6.50 pm**.

Book Cupboard

The Honorary Officers are very disappointed with the general state of the book cupboard. All that is asked is for books and other articles to be returned neatly rather than just being dumped for convenience. It is unfair on the very few who have to tidy up the mess **EVERY** week. Ladies, this is a male trait. You are all exonerated. Perhaps a word in the gentlemen's ears?.....

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