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The weekly newsheet of Clayhall United Synagogue

Shabbos 9 September 2006/ 16 Ellul 5766

Service Times (Sophie Goldman's Bat Mitzvah)

Shacharis	9.00 am
Minchah followed by Seudah	6.45 pm
Ma'ariv & Shabbos ends	8.17 pm
Kabbalos Shabbos next Friday	7.01 pm

We wish Mazel Tov to **Sophie Goldman** on the wonderful occasion of her Bat Mitzvah today. After *Adon Olam* would you please stand in your places as Sophie is sung onto the Bimah with the words of 'Eshes Chayil.' Sophie will then deliver her D'var Torah to the Kehilla and Rabbi Wilson will respond. After the announcements, Shelley, Stuart and Daniella have great pleasure in inviting the community to a Kiddush in celebration of their Simchah. L'Chayim!

Clayhall welcomes back **Moshe Nathan** from Edgware who is leyning this morning. Moshe likes it here so much that he is returning for the third time! You will remember that he is an outstanding Ba'al Koreh and we look forward to hearing him.

Reading of the Torah

Sedrah Synopsis:

Leyning: Ki Savo

Hertz p 859 , Soncino p 1117

Haftorah:

Hertz p 874, Soncino p 1134

Sophie Goldman

Moshe Nathan

Leslie Pollock

Between Minchah and Ma'ariv, we will enjoy a lovely Seudah Shilishis (third meal) and inspiring words of Torah from Rabbi Wilson. It's always a very special occasion so come along.



**This week's Clayhall Kehilla has been kindly sponsored by
Shelley & Stuart Goldman in celebration of Sophie's Bat Mitzvah**

Children's & Youth Service

Reception - Year 6

10.30 am – 11.30 am

Year 7 - Year 11

10.30 am - 11.30 am

Weekday Services

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

Minchah: 1.15 pm, Monday to Thursday.

Ma'ariv: 7.30 pm every Tuesday & Wednesday evenings.

Sunday breakfasts: 1 October, 22 October & 19 November

Special Dedication Service

On **Shabbos 16th September 2006**, we are holding a Dedication Service in loving memory of **Norman Reisman z'l**. Clayhall is presenting two beautiful Paroches for the Children's Service as Norman always took a keen interest in the religious development of young people. **Reverend Gary Newman** and **Harold Marco** together with **Rabbi Wilson** will all participate in the ceremony followed by a Kiddush.

Simchas Beis HaSho'evah

"Whoever did not see the rejoicing of the *Beis HaSho'evah* never saw rejoicing in his lifetime." The festivities associated with the drawing of the water for the libation on Succos were the highpoint of the festival. Clayhall's very own celebrations will take place for everyone on **Wednesday evening 11th October 2006** from 7.30 pm in the Shul succah. There will be live music, a scrumptious dessert buffet and a few L'Chayims! Our '**party in the Succah**' promises to be a really entertaining and fun evening. We'll be singing, dancing, eating and drinking the night away - what better way to spend an autumn Wednesday evening? More details will follow in due course.

NEROS 350th Dinner

NEROS is holding a special *350th Anniversary of our Return Celebration Dinner* at Wanstead & Woodford Shul, Churchfields, E18, on **Sunday 29th October**. The Guest Speaker is Dr Simon Hochhauser, President of the United Synagogue. **Rabbi Wilson** is also speaking. Tickets are £15 each for a chicken meal and the event starts at 8.00 pm. For further details and bookings, please call 8252 1105. Alternatively, the Shul office has a few tickets.

NEROS Selichos

The annual NEROS Selichos Service also takes place at Wanstead & Woodford Shul on **Saturday night 16th September**. Reception is at 10.45 pm followed by an address by **Rabbi Alan Lewis** at 11.40 pm. The Service is being led by **Rev Gary Newman** of Newbury Park Shul. Please make every effort to attend.

The Pre-High Holy Days Programme - Week 2

The Rabbinical Council of East London, the Community Development Group of the United Synagogue and Sinclair House presents the 5767 Ellul Programme that began last Tuesday. All sessions take place at Sinclair House from 8.00 pm for just a £3 donation per evening, or a pre-paid donation of £20 for the entire programme. This coming week sees six speakers. On Monday 11th September, **Dayan Shmuel Simons** of the London Beis Din will talk on 'Making Teshuvah Accessible' followed by **Spencer Lewis**, Deputy Head of King Solomon High School. The next night, the ever-popular **Rabbi Alan Plancey** kicks off the programme followed by the new Rav of Ilford United, **Rabbi Geoffrey Hyman**, speaking on "The 'I' in Jewish Identity." On Thursday evening, **Maureen Kendler**, Head of Jewish Literacy at UJIA Makor is tackling the subject of "Yom Kippur Rebellions" and she is followed by **Rabbi David Lister** of Muswell Hill Shul. Tomorrow evening, there is an exclusive Young Adult Evening with **Rabbi Reuven Stepsky** of the Jewish Learning Exchange.

Children/Young Peoples' Succos lunch and crawl - watch this space!

Selichos Times

As Rosh Hashanah fast approaches, we will begin reciting *Selichos* (prayers of forgiveness) before Shacharis from Monday 18 September starting at **6.30 am**. On Erev Rosh Hashanah (Friday 22 September), *Selichos* will begin at **5.45 am**. During the Aseres Yamei Teshuvah - the days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur - *Selichos* commence at **6.25 am**, and on Erev Yom Kippur, we will begin at **7.45 am** (Sunday).

Ma'ariv Services

From this Monday 11 September, Clayhall is extending Ma'ariv services to a Monday and Thursday evening at 7.30 pm. This means that, except for Sunday evenings, we have a **FULL** complement of davening. Fantastic news!

Clayhall Youth Coordinator

The Shul has received interest in the position of Youth Coordinator. It is hoped that an appointment will be made before Rosh Hashanah subject to suitability. Among some of the post's key objectives are:

- To develop an enjoyable programme for young people in school years 7 to 11 every fortnight on a Shabbos morning.
- To encourage a greater level of commitment across the age range.
- To identify and train suitable young leaders who can take the Service during the Youth Coordinators absence.
- To run at least one Youth Shabbaton.
- To assist the Shul in organising activities and events outside of a Shabbos.

"But it will be that if you do not listen to the voice of Hashem" (Devarim 28:15)

The admonitions (known as the *Tochachah*) listed here are by no means exaggerations meant primarily to scare people. Unfortunately, they are exact prophecies, and in fact foretold what did subsequently transpire hundreds of years later. *Ramban* states that the admonitions which were cited in *Vayikra* (*sedra of Bechukosai*) refer to the destruction of the First Temple, as well as the Babylonian exile and the partial redemption during the reign of Cyrus. The present chapter deals with the tragedies that were to occur during the destruction of the Second Temple and the frightful exile that ensued, which continues even to this very day. It also predicts the glorious redemption that will follow at the end of days. *Arbabanel* and others, however, disagree with *Ramban*. In their opinion there was only one destruction, one exile, and one redemption. Accordingly, we have never fully recovered from the loss of the First Temple. Rome is but a continuation of the original catastrophe. The building of the Second Temple was not recognised as freedom, since it was dependent upon the goodwill and permission of the non-Jewish authorities. The Second Temple remained constantly under their rule. Thus, the redemption during the time of *Ezra the Scribe* was only a temporary relief but not true freedom. The only true redemption is the final one, which will come with the advent of Mashiach. The Israelites are addressed in the plural form in *Vayikra*, whereas here the singular form is used. *Maharsha* explains that before the Israelites entered the Promised Land the community was not responsible for sins of individuals. Hence, the admonitions in *Vayikra* which were said during Israel's 40-year sojourn in the Wilderness appear in the plural. However, in *Devarim*, they were given right before Israel entered the land and assumed collective responsibility for each individual's public actions. Thus the singular form is used. The *Zohar*, however, offers another explanation. The Admonitions of *Devarim* pertained to the Second Temple era. During this period only part of the nation returned to the Land of Israel; others remained in Babylonia. Thus, the people were more like individuals than a unified nation, and the usage of the singular form is appropriate. ***(Based on the teachings of Rabbi Elie Munk)***

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