



קליהל קהילה



The weekly newsheet of Clayhall United Synagogue

Shabbos 23 May 2009/ 29 Iyar 5769

Service Times (Machor Chodesh & Shabbaton)

Shacharis	9.00 am
Pre-Shabbos Minchah Shiur	7.35 pm
Minchah followed by Seudah	8.25 pm
Shabbos ends	9.58 pm
Shabbos next week	7.30pm

We extend a warm welcome to **Rabbi Yehudah Lieberman**, our esteemed guest speaker for the annual Shabbaton. After the service at about 11.30 am, all the community is cordially invited to a hot cholent Kiddush. Rabbi Lieberman will then talk about *"Standing the test of time: Building lasting relationships in a disposable society"* followed by a roast chicken lunch. There then follows a choice of presentations by either Rabbi Wilson (*"Mercy Killing: Euthanasia and the Value of Life"*) or Rabbi Lieberman (*"Tradition, Religion and the Generation Gap"*) and the Shabbaton ends with ice cream at 3.45 pm.

Rabbi Lieberman is the head of the prestigious **Edgware Kollel** and he is an experienced educator and lecturer.

Torah Reading

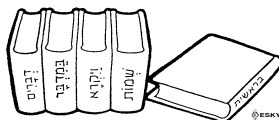
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Rabbi Nissan Wilson

Michael Callaghan

*Rosh Chodesh Sivan is tonight and tomorrow.
Shacharis will be at 8.00 am tomorrow and at 8.15
am on bank holiday Monday.*



This week's Clayhall Kehilla is sponsored by Michelle, Bradley, Simone and Jonathan Mervish in celebration of Alison's 18th birthday

Children's Service: 10.30 am - 11.15 am (alternate weeks)

Weekday Services

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

Shacharis Rosh Chodesh: 6.45 am Monday to Friday.

Shacharis Rosh Chodesh: 8.00 am Sundays.

Minchah: 1.45 pm, Monday to Thursday.

Minchah & Ma'ariv: 7.30 pm, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Sunday breakfasts: 28th June, 2nd August & 13 September

Adventure Activity Day

For all those young people in school years 6-10, there will be a great day out to Gilwell Park Scout Camp on **Sunday 31 May**. So if you fancy your hand at archery, wall climbing and canoeing, then this is for you. Details are on the Clayhall Shul *Facebook* page and a flyer will also be sent out very shortly with an application form. The day starts at 10.30 am and finishes by 3.15 pm. A packed lunch is needed. The cost for Tribe members is £15 each and for non-Tribe members, the cost is £19. For more information, please speak to Rabbi Wilson.

Brekkie and Footie

Tomorrow after Shacharis, stay for a delicious smoked salmon and beigel Rosh Chodesh **breakfast** followed by the popular and highly competitive **Dads n'Lads 5-a-side football**. If the sun shines, play will take place on the outdoor astroturf pitches. As it's Rosh Chodesh, davening will begin slightly earlier at **8.00 am**. The monthly brekkie & footie is enjoying growing interest and success. We look forward to seeing everyone in Shul tomorrow.

Shul Calendar & Magazine

Your insertions are needed for the new Shul calendar. Birthdays, anniversaries, yahrtzeits can be included. This year, Bar and Bas mitzvah dates can be highlighted. Forms were recently sent out but there are spare ones in the office. These should either be returned to **Ruth Lyndon** directly or given to Deana in the office. If you have had a simchah since 1 March or will be celebrating one before 15 July, let **Cynthia Simmons** have a photograph for the Rosh Hashanah edition of *Shalom*. Contact her on 8550 8018.

New Shiur Series

Rabbi Wilson's afternoon Shabbos Shiur series will be based on *Be'er Hagulah* of the Maharal of Prague. This far reaching classic work of the Maharal teaches us to analyse the Aggadic passages of the Talmud and unlock the deeper wisdom hidden within. The Shiurim continue this afternoon, **Shabbos 23 May**. They will always start 50 minutes before Minchah and everyone is warmly welcome.

Tikun Leil Shavuos

One of our annual highlights is the Tikun Leil Shavuos. Single malts, lashings of cheesecake, and some great home-grown, inspiring words of Torah provide the perfect blend. We are delighted that Freda & Leslie Pollock are again hosting the event at 149 Herent Drive, Clayhall. It starts on **Thursday 28 May** at 11.45 pm until about 3.30 am. We will then daven Shacharis around 4.00 am. For those not too nocturnal, the Shavuos morning service will be repeated at 9.00 am in Shul. There is no need to attend both services!

Rabbi Wilson's keynote lecture is *"Running for your Life: the Ethics of Pandemics and Contagious Diseases."* This is a very contemporary and intriguing topic. Before that, others will provide short Divrei Torah. If you would like to speak, please let either Lester or Michael know in advance. It is suggested that each contribution should not exceed 10 minutes so as to give everyone a fair chance.

The custom for the Tikun Leil has its source in the Zohar: 'Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai would toil in the study of Torah on the night when the bride (Israel) is reunited with her groom (G-d and the Torah)...Rabbi Shimon and his group would rejoice in the joy of Torah and each one of them would seek new insights into it.

Indulgence Evening

CLASS (Clayhall Ladies Association) invites all ladies to a meeting on **Monday 1 June 2009** to chat about the next fundraising event. This will be **An Indulgence Evening** but the group would like to receive your input and ideas first. This will hopefully ensure that the event is a resounding success that raises a lot of money for the Shul. For more information, please contact Cynthia Simmons on 020 8550 8018. Otherwise, just pop along on the 1st.

Children's Ice Cream Kiddush

The Children's Service will be having a special Shavuos ice-cream Kiddush on **Shabbos (2nd day Yom Tov) 30 May**. There will be plenty of haribos, marshmallows, sprinkles and, of course, delicious ice cream - children only!

Your Money or Your Life!

This is the title of the summer series of Shiurim being given by local Rabbonim on Shabbos afternoon. The first talk on **13 June** is being given by **Rabbi Wilson** at 19 Lakeside Avenue. On successive weeks, Rabbi Geoffrey Hyman, Rabbi Aryeh Sufrin, Rabbi Alex Chapper and Rabbi Moshe Muller will continue the series in their homes. Each presentation begins at 6.00 pm and includes refreshments. As we all try to survive the economic crisis, come and learn what Judaism teaches us in these trying times. There is no need to pre-book.

A Leader with a Cause by Adam Lieberman

While the Jewish people were in the desert, G-d counted them several times. At one point when G-d wanted to take a census, he told Moshe to first take a representative from each tribe. G-d said to Moshe:

"And with you shall be one man from each tribe; a man who is a leader..." (Bamidbar 1:4)

Every tribe had only one leader. While there were certainly many people qualified to "manage" others, there was just one leader amongst the entire group. What is the difference between someone who's capable of managing others as opposed to one who can lead them? The first thing to understand is the reason a leader is such a rare breed is that it's never a unilateral decision to become a leader. A leader requires the consent of those he wants to lead. A leader is only a leader if others choose to follow. If they don't want to follow - or do so against their will - then these people are merely being managed and not being led. This distinction, once understood, can have a very positive impact on your day-to-day life. We all in some way want to make a difference and change the world. To think that this is something that can be done independently of others is foolish. To achieve true and lasting change will always requires the consent, will, and desire of others to follow a leader to accomplish a larger mission. The key to getting others to follow you enthusiastically is to first get them committed to your project or idea. (And remember, before you can get others to believe in anything you have to first believe in it yourself.) Once you have a cause to which you're totally and completely committed, you will naturally radiate enormous enthusiasm. And your ceaseless energy, coupled with a clear plan for success, will attract flocks of followers to your cause. The last key to your success will be never to forget to keep the mission as your primary and sole objective - and never make it about your own ego or personal spotlight. If you can do this, you'll continue to have countless people believing and joining your efforts with a legitimate chance of leading them all to the Promised Land.

Shavuot Times

We will daven Minchah followed by Ma'ariv at 7.30pm on Thursday 28 May. The early Shacharis starts about 3.50am at 149 Herent Drive or 9.00am in Shul. Minchah and Kabbalos Shabbos on Friday 29 May start at 7.30pm. Gut Yom Tov!

Tribe Football Frenzy

This exciting event takes place on **Sunday 28 June**. There is a junior tournament for school years 7 and 8, and a senior tournament for years 9-11. Further details can be obtained from either Bradley Mervish or the Shul office.

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