



Sharei Chessed Congregation

שערי חסד

Welcome to our synagogue! ברוכים הבאים

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עקב - Ekev

August 27, 2016 – 23 Av 5776

Ekev is the third portion in the Book of Dvarim, which contains Moses' farewell speech to his people. In this Parasha, a wonderful life of peace and prosperity is promised for the people in the Promised Land, provided they keep God's commandments. They and the land will be blessed—with healthy children and excellent crops.

In this Parasha, Moses describes what happened forty years ago, after they had witnessed the Giving of the Torah at Mt. Sinai. He was coming down from the mountain holding the two tablets:

“The Lord gave me two tablets of stone, inscribed by the finger of God, with the exact words that the Lord had addressed to you on the mountain, out of the fire, on the day of the Assembly.” However, upon seeing that the people were worshipping the Golden Calf, he threw them and broke them in front of them. God accepted his prayers on their behalf and forgave them.

There is a beautiful verse in this week's Parasha. Moses emphasized how they survived the forty years in the desert despite the lack of food, because they were sustained by the manna to prove “that man does not live on bread alone, but by the utterance of G-d's mouth does man live.”

This Parasha also contains the second chapter of the Shema.

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National Track and Field Champion with Sharei Chesed Connections

Congratulations to Eve Goldstein, 14, of Somerset, Wisconsin, who took first place (girls age 13-14) in the shot put competition at the U.S. Track and Field Championships in Sacramento, California last month. Eve is the granddaughter of our own Annalee Odessky, and will be a freshman at Somerset High School in the fall. Eve's winning throw measured 45 feet, 9 inches. Eve also placed 8th nationally in the discus throw.



If you're curious, a shot put in women's competition weighs 4 kilograms (about 8.8 pounds).

This Day in Jewish History—23 Av



Yahrtzeit of Rabbi Yaakov Yisrael Kanievsky (1899-1985), a Talmudic genius known as the Steipler Gaon. His father was widowed at age 60, and then remarried, fathering Yaakov Yisrael. Yaakov Yisrael was conscripted into the Russian army where he continued strict Jewish observance, despite the harsh conditions.

After the army, he was appointed to a leadership post in the Novardak yeshiva. He wrote a multi-volume Talmudic commentary, *Kehilos Yaakov*, which is studied widely today. He married the sister of the saintly Chazon Ish, and later moved to Israel. Though he held no official position, he was consulted by individuals from all walks of life on every imaginable issue -- business, marriage, health, and matters of Torah law. His son, Rabbi Chaim Kanievsky, is a leading Torah authority in Israel today.

(courtesy of Aish.com—'Day in Jewish History')

Upcoming Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to:

- Madalyn Braufman
- Gennady Geyfman

Mazel Tov to:

Roz and Maurice Ettedgui on the wedding of their grandson Elia to Tsippy. Mazal Tov to the happy couple as well!!



Today's Kiddush Luncheon

We hope you will stay with us after services for Kiddush luncheon. Today's luncheon is sponsored by Archelle and David Feldshon in honor of their anniversary and David's birthday.

Minneapolis Yiddish Vinkl—Sunday September 18th

Sunday, September 18, 2:00 p.m., the Sabes JCC will host the premiere performance of "The Wind Gave Birth To Me," a collaborative work of chamber music and poetry. The concerts are part of the 25th anniversary celebration of the Minneapolis Yiddish Vinkl, a club dedicated to preserving the "Mama Loshen" through monthly meetings and special events. Tickets at the door, suggested donation \$10. Free admission to Yiddish Vinkl members.

Sharei Chesed is proud to help co-sponsor this event.

For more information, go to 'shareichessed.org/calendar' or 'shareichessed.org/happenings'.



Yahrzeits for week of August 27 - September 2, 2016

23 Av - 29 Av 5776

Please help with the daily Minyan

Yahrzeit of

Remembered by

Saturday, August 27th (23 Av)

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| Jeannie Gordon | Hoda Gitel bat Shmuel Yakov | |
| Rieva Orensten | Rieva bat Yosef v' Florence | Myrna Orensten |
| Lois Phillips | | Fred Phillips |

Sunday, August 28th (24 Av)

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| Bluma Spektor | Bluma bat Avraham | Yelizaveta Zaytsev |
| | | Artur Zaytsev |
| Clara Uditsky | Chaya bat Avraham | Paul Tanick |

Monday, August 29th (25 Av)

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| Howard Berkowitz | Chaim Baruch ben Chune | Lois Rein |
| Rose Rosen Gottlieb | Raizel bat Simcha | Maddy Braufman |
| Alvin Hork | | Shelly Zien |
| Sarah Yankelevich | | Leo Kudishevich |

Tuesday, August 30th (26 Av)

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| Harriet Berine | Chana Malka bat Meier | Jack Moskowitz |
| Mort Leder | Mordechai ben Avraham v'Chana | Sally Leder |
| Thelma Lewis | | Aileen Snyder |

Wednesday, August 31st (27 Av)

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| Louis Locketz | Lepa ben Yosef David | |
| Myer Schwartz | Mayer ben Hershel | |

Thursday, September 1st (28 Av)

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| Rose Berkowitz | Rachel bat Leib | Lois Rein |
| Riva Klepach | Riva bat David | Avram Vaynberg |
| Sadie Plotnick | Shanah bat Myer | Jack Moskowitz |
| Nachum Ber Reznick | Rav Nahum Ber ben Baruch v'Shiva | Mark and David Feldman |
| Telya Reznick | Telya bat David v'Chaya | Mark and David Feldman |
| Sam Toretsky | Leb Shmuel ben Moshe | Morris Toretsky |

Friday, September 2nd (29 Av)

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| Robert Bigelow | Yerachmiel ben David | |
| Israel Block | Eser ben Boruch Yitzchak | |
| Sarra Kigelman | Sarra bat Eliyuhah | Ilya Kigelman |
| Nathan Pinsky | Nusan Nuter ben Shraga Favel | Sheldon Pinsky |
| Nina Shifman | | Rachel Kogan, Lilya Mayzel, Berta Gerbusz and Tanya Feldman |

May their memories always be for a blessing.