

Sharei Chesed Congregation שערי חסד

Welcome to our synagogue! ברוכים הבאים

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Pinhas - פינחס July 30, 2016 – 24 Tammuz 5776

The last story in last week's portion told of Midianite women who had come to the camp of the Israelites. They induced men to commit immoral acts with them and influenced them to worship idols. Zimri, a leader from the tribe of Simeon, brought a Midianite woman in front of Moses and all the people and took her into his tent to perform a sex act. Moses and the Children of Israel were shocked to witness such a failing of all modesty and morality. Pinhas, the grandson of Aaron took a javelin and killed Zimri and the Midianite woman. That act is credited with stopping the plague that had spread in the camp and killed 24,000 men.

Since the people will be entering the Promised Land soon, Moses is told that the land distribution will be made by lottery, with larger portions going to the large families, etc. The daughters of Zelophad appeared before Moses and the elders, and demanded that they, too, should get land even though there were no sons in this family. God agrees with them and instructs Moses to make sure that they also get an inheritance in the Promised Land.

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Mazal Tov to:

The family of Emmalyn Rajsombath, who is having her 'Simhat Bat' (Baby Naming Ceremony) today. Emmalyn is the daughter of Lilya and Soda Rajsombath, sister of Aila, the Granddaughter of Zina and Lev Vaynberg, and the Great-Granddaughter of Sahra and Avram Vaynberg.



This Day in Jewish History—24 Tammuz



Yahrtzeit of Rabbi Jacob Joseph (1840-1902), one of the only "chief rabbis" of New York City. A revered leader in Lithuania, Rabbi Joseph was invited to come to America and lead a fledging group of Eastern European immigrants --

at a time when America had little infrastructure for lewish education, kashrut, and other keys to Jewish continuity. Rabbi Joseph fought vigorously to uphold Jewish tradition, but it was an uphill battle against a Jewish community that was assimilating, and against a government that was not yet fully supportive of religious rights. Tragically, Rabbi Joseph often bore the brunt of mockery and scorn from Jews who saw him as clinging to the "old ways," and he withdrew from public life after suffering a debilitating stroke. A crowd estimated at 100,000 lined the route of his funeral; as the procession passed through an Irish neighborhood, the mourners were attacked by a barrage of bottles and buckets of water. The police were called in and over 300 Jews required medical attention. After Rabbi Joseph's death, a dispute ensued who should be his successor; it went unresolved and the office of Chief Rabbi ended.

Upcoming Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to:

- Robyn Awend
- Sonja Hauter

Happy Anniversary to:

Anastasia & Dmitry
 Shtulman

Today's Special Guest—Dean Goldberg

We are pleased to welcome our special guest Dean Goldberg to Sharei Chesed today. Dean is chair of the Temple Israel Committee to End Homelessness. He also volunteers twice weekly at the Bridge for Youth, a crisis shelter, and is active in advocating for legislation to benefit the homeless. Today, Dean will explain a program cosponsored by the JCRC and St. Stephen's Human Services intended to raise awareness of the consequences of homelessness and what individual Jewish congregations can do to address the issue.



Annual Picnic—Sunday August 21st

A reminder—Join us for our annual picnic and congregational meeting Sunday afternoon August 21st at 5:30 P.M. at Brookview Park in Golden Valley—rain or shine!!. Lots of fun, food and music, plus door prizes and a raffle.

Cost:

\$10 per person \$5 for children 6-12 Free for children 5 and under

To RSVP, call the synagogue office at 763-545-8800. To volunteer, contact the synagogue or our co-chairs. Ron Scholder and Julie Miller.

Also, we will hold Mincha/Ma'ariv services at 5:45 at the picnic grounds, so come early and help us make a minyan.



Yahrzeits for week of July 30 - August 5, 2016 24 Tammuz - I Av 5776 Please help with the daily Minyan

<u>Yahrzeit of</u> <u>Remembered by</u>

Saturday, July 30th (24 Tammuz)

Musya Kramarenko Musia bat Nahum v'Freda Vladimir Kramer

Sunday, July 31st (25 Tammuz)

George Scherling Yehuda Gershon Elliot Scherling

ben Yehezkel

Monday, August 1st (26 Tammuz)

Shmuel Malamudman Shmuel ben Yosef Yechiel Alex Malamudman Moshe Shapiro Moshe ben Michael v'Leah Liya and Emma Shapiro

Herb Sorin Chaim Leib Patricia Sorin

ben Samuel v"Sara

Louis Udell Yehuda Lev ben Yitzchak

Tuesday, August 2nd (27 Tammuz)

Frank Fisher Chaim Fishel Rosalee Hulse Larson

ben Yitzchak Cohen

Mary Miriam Esther bat Yehkesiel Sheldon Pinsky

Solomon Neydelman Arkady Neydelman Laura Shifrin Alex Shifrin

Alex Shifrin Allen Shifrin Ariel Shifrin

Simandu Simanduyev Simandu ben Aron Nakhamiya Simanduyev

Shirley Zieve Sheva Zelda

bat Eliahu Reuven

Wednesday, August 3rd (28 Tammuz)

Gershon Fishman Gershon ben Naftali Alla Vaynberg
Nathan Schwartz Darlene Schwartz

David Vayntrub David ben Moshe Greg Vayntrub

Thursday, August 4th (29 Tammuz)

Esther Gershman Esther bat Avraham Liya and Emma Shapiro Manya Gershman Mindel bat Yisrael Liya and Emma Shapiro

Friday, August 5th (1 Av)

Iser Chervonka Yiser ben Ahron

Charna Hetera Soura Vaynberg
Gedalya Hetera Soura Vaynberg
Leib Shmulevich Hetera Soura Vaynberg

Pauline Wilensky Pesa bat Yakov Roz Strimling and Marvin Wilensky

May their memories always be for a blessing.