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**APRIL 21 & 22, 2017
SHABBAT SHALOM**

**BIRCHAT HACHODESH
SHABBAT NEWSLETTER**

**26 NISAN 5777
GUT SHABBOS**

CANDLE LIGHTING - 7:29 P.M.

KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE 6:00 P.M. - BERLIN CHAPEL

OFFICIATING FRIDAY NIGHT	Rabbi Steven Saks Ed Zukoff
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PARTNERSHIP SHABBAT SERVICE 9:00 A.M. - BERLIN CHAPEL

OFFICIATING SATURDAY MORNING	Rabbi Steven Saks	
	Ben Slomowitz	- Shacharit
	Gail Kritz	- Torah Service
	Neil Lattin, Mel Zussman, Gail Tolpin, Eleanor Weinglass, Vivian Goldberg, Scott Slomowitz and Gail Weinberg	- Kriat Hatorah
	Juliana Castillo	- Haftorah

SERMON - Rabbi Steven Saks **“The Purpose of Ritual”**

Mark Wagman	- Musaf
Mel Zussman and Neil Lattin	- Gabbaim

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS	Harriet Ainbinder
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SIDRAH OF THE WEEK

Shemini
Levit. 9:1 - 11:47
Stone - p. 588

HAFTORAH

II Samuel 6:1 - 7:17
Stone - p. 1168

TORAH STUDY - The Taryag Mitzvot (613 Commandments)

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES		THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF SERVICES	
Mincha	7:30 p.m.	Sunday Morning	8:00 a.m.
Torah Study (after Mincha)		Monday - Thursday Mornings	7:00 a.m.
Havdalah	8:35 p.m.	<i>NO Wednesday Morning Community Minyan at CBS</i>	
		Friday Morning Community Minyan at AKSE	7:30 a.m.
		Monday - Thursday Afternoons	5:30 p.m.

Perform a Mitzvah - Come to a Daily Service - Help to Make a Minyan

ROSH CHODESH IYAR, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, APRIL 26 & 27, 2017

CONDOLENCES: The Congregation, Rabbi and Cantor express *nichum aveilim* to **Ruth Jarin** upon the passing of her mother. **Grace Weintraub.** “May the mourners be consoled among all who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.”

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YAHRTZEIT OBSERVANCES

This week we observe the Yahrtzeit of the following individuals:

April 21 - Irving Schwedelson, Miriam Swerdlow

April 22 - Jack Gold, Albert Golden, Robert Lattin, Nathan Schwartz, Howard Simon

April 23 - Elizabeth Murphree

April 24 - Nathan Michlin, Pauline Potter, Dorothy Kessler Weinberg

April 25 - Irving Freiberg, Maurice Kauffman, Lea Kruger

April 26 - Rebecca Bank, Pauline Fisher, Louis Miller, Irene B. Russell, Esther Seidel

Max Sitzer, Rosalyn Weiss

April 27 - Harry Cherrin, Albert M. Jacobs, Molly Kagen, Ruth Pratt

May their memory be for a blessing.

AKSE ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

WELCOME - NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS: We are glad you are with us and look forward to greeting you with a warm AKSE welcome at our Kiddush following services.

KIDDUSH: All congregants are invited to share in the friendship and ruach of Shabbat at our Kiddush sponsored by the Kiddush fund. Thank you to **Judy Berlin** and committee for preparing the Kiddush.

LEARN TO READ HEBREW: Learn to read Hebrew, to read from the Siddur, and to understand what you are saying. Classes meet on Shabbat morning **from 9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. (beginners) and 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. (advanced).** For more information, please call **Eleanor Weinglass** at **302-478-3378.**

PARTNERSHIP MINYAN SERVICE THIS SATURDAY: On Saturday morning, AKSE will have a **Partnership Minyan Service** beginning at **9 a.m.** as our only service. At this service both men and women will read Torah; men will read for men and women will read for women having aliyot. In addition, women may lead other parts of the service that are not obligatory for men. This service will have a mechitza; there will be no mixed seating.

MEN'S CLUB BREAKFAST – SUNDAY, APRIL 23RD: We welcome AKSE's **Eric Doroshov**, who will speak on “**The Lighter Side of Law.**” Breakfast starts at **9 a.m.** and the program starts at **9:30 a.m.** The cost is **\$6.** If possible, please call the AKSE office at **302-762-2705** by **12:45 p.m. Friday** to make a reservation.

SCIENTISTS IN SYNAGOGUES - SUNDAY, APRIL 23RD: Join us from **7 to 9 p.m.** for the second of three events exploring the perspectives of science and Judaism on the theme of Natural and Man-made, led by a task force of scientists and other professionals, including Rabbi Saks. Three presentations will address the question: **Distinguishing the natural from the man-made—how and why?** Refreshments and discussion will follow. Free and open to the public. Questions—contact **Mark Wagman** at mewag1@comcast.net or **302-475-8351**.

YOM HAZIKARON OBSERVANCE - WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26TH: Siegel JCC at **7 p.m.** See announcement.

YOM HA'ATZMAUT CELEBRATION - MONDAY, MAY 1ST: Siegel JCC at **7 p.m.** Israeli music and a catered Israeli buffet dinner. You can request to be part of an AKSE table when you register by **April 25th**. See announcement.

COMMUNITY YARD SALE - SUNDAY, MAY 21ST: Brandywine Hills Community Association will be holding a community yard sale in the AKSE parking lot starting at **10 a.m.** Consider having a table to get rid of some of your chatchkas! Or come shopping and support us! "One man's trash is another's treasure!" A percentage of the proceeds will go to **BHCA & AKSE**. If you are interested in having a table, please contact **Anne Saks** at ahsaks17@gmail.com.

RESERVE YOUR PLACE NOW!

(Deadline - May 1st)

In the special Memory Book Honoring **Gail Weinberg's 33 Years of Dedication to Jewish Education at AKSE**.

On **Sunday, June 18th**, AKSE will celebrate the retirement of **Gail Weinberg**, longtime principal of our Talmud Torah, at a brunch to be held at the Synagogue.

(Reservation and payment information will be forthcoming.)

To honor Gail for her great work and contribution to AKSE, we are creating a Memory Book to include photos of some of the students she taught, events and activities she organized over the years, and well wishes from congregants and former students. **To place a greeting, contact the synagogue office** at office@akse.org or **302-762-2705**

or **Dawn Abukasis** at dabukasis@yahoo.com or **610-529-2040**.

Yom Hazikaron

ISRAEL MEMORIAL DAY
OBSERVANCE

"Soon We Will Become a Song"
COMMEMORATING FALLEN SOLDIERS THROUGH MUSIC

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2017 | 7PM
SIEGEL JCC

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
LED BY DELAWARE TEENS

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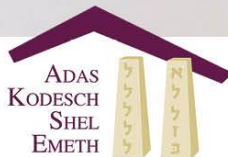
3 SUNDAYS @ 7 PM ADAS KODESCH SHEL EMETH

- APRIL 2** Humans – A part of nature, or apart from nature?
- APRIL 23** Distinguishing the natural from the man-made – How & why?
- MAY 7** Is natural “better”? – Perception and reality

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Yom Ha'atzmaut
ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY
A BLUE & WHITE CELEBRATION

MONDAY,
MAY 1, 2017
7PM
SIEGEL JCC

 Jewish Federation
OF DELAWARE | ISRAEL & OVERSEAS COMMITTEE

Experience Israel

ENJOY A FESTIVE EVENING AND CELEBRATE
ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY WITH
LIVE **ISRAELI** MUSIC

CATERED **ISRAELI** BUFFET DINNER

**SEATING
CAPACITY
ONLY 120!**

\$25 PER PERSON
A PORTION OF ALL FUNDS
WILL BE DONATED TO
SUPPORT MUSIC
PROGRAMS IN ISRAEL

REGISTER IN ADVANCE BY APRIL 25
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302-427-2100

BABYSITTING AVAILABLE WITH ADVANCE NOTICE

