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VA'ETHANAN (Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11) Shabbat Nahamu

August 5, 2006 / 11 Av 5766

Haftarah: Isaiah 40:1-26

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Mazal Tov to:

Rabbi Lauren Kurland and Scott Cohen on the birth of their twins, a girl and a boy.

Condolences to:

Carolyn Lee and Jasper Lee on the death of Carolyn's father and Jasper's grandfather, Clifford Lee.

Todah Rabbah to:

Elaine Morris for organizing this year's Scribblers on the Roof reading series, Melvin Bukiet for assisting, and those members of the Adult Education Committee and others who helped out on the various evenings: Claudia Chernov, Ellen Flax, Israel Fridman, Josh Hanft, Eric Gertner, Sheldon Lewis, Ron Morris, Marcia Talmage Schneider, Fred Schneider, Herta Shriner, Burt Visotzky, Adrienne Weiss.

On Shabbat

Shabbat Morning Study

There will be no Shabbat morning study sessions during August. Beginning in September, Rabbi David Gedzelman will teach weekly *parsha* study sessions based on teachings by Hasidic masters, alternating with a series on Nachmanides taught by Rabbi Kalmanofsky.

Shabbat Morning Services 10 a.m.

Sanctuary Minyan
Minyan M'at
Minyan Rimomim

Summer Children's Services

Children's services will not meet in August; they will resume after Labor Day.

Morning Minyan

Monday and Thursday 7:20 a.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 7:30 a.m.
Sunday and civil holidays 8:30 a.m.

Israel-Zionist Reading Group

Monday, August 7 at 7:45 p.m.

The group will meet to discuss the current situation in Israel.

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 10

The group will discuss the first six chapters of Gershom Gorenberg's *The Accidental Empire: Israel and the Birth of the Settlements, 1967 – 1977*.

Rabbi's Elul Class: Ethics of Speech

Join Rabbi Jeremy Kalmanofsky during the month of Elul to begin preparing for the High Holidays.

Rabbinic lore proposes that the tongue is the best and worst organ in the body. It can speak truly, kindly, lovingly. It can lie, slander, and wound. Let us move toward Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur by considering the ethics of how we speak to and about each other, and how we speak to and about God.

4 Wednesday Evenings at 7 p.m.
August 30, September 6, 13, 20

Membership Renewals and New Member Applications

Please return your membership forms promptly, noting any changes in your personal information. Please return your **High Holiday seat request forms** at the same time. Applications may also be downloaded from our web site, www.anschechesed.org. You must renew your membership in order to receive High Holiday seating cards.

Help for Israel

There are many ways you can help the people of Israel during the current crisis. Among them is by donating to the UJC (United Jewish Communities / Federations of North America), which is launching the **Israel Crisis Fund** in response to the ongoing terrorist threat against Israel by Hezbollah and Hamas. In the short term, they aim to help the most vulnerable populations in Israel's besieged north, chiefly children, seniors and the disabled, and new immigrants such as those from Ethiopia. Go to www.ujc.org to find out more, or to donate locally, go to www.ujafedny.org.

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday evening, December 9, 2006
ITZHAK PERLMAN, the reigning virtuoso of the violin, will perform at Ansche Chesed in a very special benefit concert.

Beloved for his charm and humanity as well as his talent, he has come to be recognized all over the world. Audiences respond not only to his flawless technique, but also to the irrefragable joy of making music that he communicates. Mr. Perlman has appeared with every major orchestra and in recitals and festivals throughout the world, and he enjoys a superstar status rarely afforded classical musicians.

He and his family are members of Ansche Chesed, and we are thrilled that his music will fill our sanctuary. The concert offers us a unique opportunity, not only in fund raising, but also in community building and membership outreach. Tickets will be available at \$125 and up. Sponsorships are available at \$3,600 and up. Proceeds will benefit Congregation Ansche Chesed. Don't miss this fabulous evening. Call 800.954.9694 for more information and to reserve tickets for yourself, your family, and your friends. You can also purchase tickets by going to www.benefitoffice.org/fiddler.

AC OUTINGS GROUP NEWS

Free: Shakespeare in Central Park
The Comedy of Errors

Saturday, August 5 at 7:00 p.m.

The audience follows the performance from place to place, as the plot unfolds from scene to scene. No tickets or reservations are necessary. Ansche Chesed will meet promptly at 6:45 p.m. at the entrance to Central Park on Central Park West at West 103rd Street.

The Jewish Museum - Free!

Saturday, August 12

The Jewish Museum is a special part of New York's cultural scene. Enjoy a midsummer visit to the museum, which is open on Saturdays during the summer, with free admission. Meet on the north side of East 92nd Street near the corner of Fifth Avenue and the entrance to the museum at 2:45 p.m. promptly. More information about the museum is available at <http://www.thejewishmuseum.org>.