

## CONDOLENCES *May G-d comfort you among the other mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.*

We offer our heartfelt condolences to **Milly Nelkin** on the loss of her sister Pamela Wolf

## STONE SETTINGS *Stock Road Cemetery, SS2 5QF*

**Sunday 20th Sept** 1:45pm **Audrey Goodman** 2:30pm **Joan Pearl** 3:15pm **Arnold Bilkus**

## Yahrzeits *Rabbi Bar and the whole community wish the following members, Long Life.*

*(Yahrzeits begin the night before the date below)*

**Shabbat – 12 September / 28 Elul** Mr Geoffrey Caplan, Mrs Maureen Hyams, Mr Ralph Ruvin, Mrs Henrietta Rabinovitch

**Sunday – 13 September / 29 Elul** Mrs Rosalind Cregor, Mr Michael Gershlick, Mrs Lily Bloch, Mrs Doreen Novitt, Mrs Evelyn Shear, Mr Harvey Shear

**Monday – 14 September / 1 Tishri** Mrs Irene Burston, Mr Jack Burns, Mr Lionel Cordell, Mrs Josephine Pitch

**Tuesday – 15 September / 2 Tishri** Mr Michael Bilkus, Mrs Rochelle O'Brart, Mr Michael Konyn, Mrs Sylvia Bennett, Mrs Annette Samuels

**Wednesday – 16 September / 3 Tishri** Mr Sid Berg, Mrs Jennifer O'Brart, Mr Barry Linton, Dr Gerald Peters

**Thursday – 17 September / 4 Tishri** Mr Mark Felman, Mrs Betty Morton, Mr Ronald Lawrence, Mr Jeffrey Simmons

**Friday – 18 September / 5 Tishri** Mrs Evelyn Walters

*Saying Kaddish in Shul? Please ensure you bring at least two relatives or friends to help with the Minyan.*

## REGULAR EVENTS AT SWHC

<b>Monday Club</b> Talmud Torah Call Maurice on 01702 351845	<b>Pop-In</b> Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October Talmud Torah 2pm - 4pm Email Janice swhcfc@gmail.com	<b>Little Latkes Toddler Group</b> Tuesdays Call Karen on 07887 847059
<b>Raymond House Shabbat</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> October, 10:15am Call Derek Silverstone 01702 616153	<b>Bereavement Support Group</b> Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 8pm At the home Sophie Zetter Call Janice on 07752 874065	<b>AID Society Bridge</b> Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> September Thorpe Bay Bridge Club Call Geoff Cohen 339601 or Jan Linden 343289
<b>Cemetery Opening Times</b> Winter: Sunday - Friday 10am - 3pm GMT Summer: Sunday - Friday 10am - 4pm BST	<b>connect@southend</b> Thursdays, Talmud Torah Contact Chris Sternshine 01702 334655 / <a href="mailto:csternshine@jcare.org">csternshine@jcare.org</a>	<b>Cheder &amp; SJYC</b> Tuesdays / Thursdays <a href="mailto:southendyouth@outlook.com">southendyouth@outlook.com</a> or call Barry 07876 685826
<b>J.A.C.S.</b> Wednesdays Call Allan Goldstein 01268 771978 for more info	<b>SEED</b> Date to be advised 8.45pm in Beth Hamedrash	To announce your event on the Shul website email: <a href="mailto:stan.stanrob@gmail.com">stan.stanrob@gmail.com</a>

**VISITING THE SICK** If you know anyone who would like a hospital or home visit from Rabbi Bar or a member of the *Care Community Committee*, please email [swhcfc@gmail.com](mailto:swhcfc@gmail.com) or [leonardshulton@live.com](mailto:leonardshulton@live.com), call Janice 07752874065 or contact the Shul Office on 01702 344900.



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SHABBAT COMMENCES 7.02pm

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*This week's newsletter is kindly sponsored by **Hazel & Brian Billyack** in celebration of their Silver Wedding Anniversary taking place on 13<sup>th</sup> September. Mazel Tov!*

## SHABBAT SERVICE TIMES

### FRIDAY NIGHT

Mincha / Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00pm

### SHABBAT MORNING

Shacharit 9:15am

Children's Service 11:00am

Kiddush after the Service

### SHABBAT AFTERNOON

Shabbat afternoon Shiur 6:15pm

Mincha then Seudah Shlishit 7:00pm

**Guest Speaker | Jack De Metz**

Ma'ariv & Shabbat ends 8:10pm

## WEEKDAY SERVICE TIMES

*Can be found in the Yom Tov Timetable*

### NEXT FRIDAY

Selichot then Shacharit 7:30am

Shabbat commences 6:45pm

Mincha / Ma'ariv 6:45pm

**Rabbi Bar, President, Honorary Officers, Council Members and Synagogue Staff  
WISH THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY**

*A Very Happy & Healthy New Year*

**Torah Reading**  
**Haftorah Nitzavim**

(Soncino page 1138) Rabbi Bar  
(Soncino page 1145) Derek Silverstone  
*If you would like to repeat your Barmitzvah Haftorah, please contact the Gabbaim.*

**MAZEL TOV!** *A hearty Mazel Tov from the SWHC community.*

**Milly & Michael Nelkin** on the engagement of their daughter Stacey Goldstein to Jeremy Lichtenfeld  
**Sylvia Shaw** on the occasion of her 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday

**TOGETHER ON ROSH HASHANAH** *Thoughts on the Parasha.*

“You are standing together today, all of you... to enter into a covenant.” Devarim 29:9

The Parasha of Nitzavim is always read on the Shabbat before Rosh Hashanah, which is the anniversary of the creation of man and the day on which, every year, all of creation is judged. How do we merit receiving a favorable judgment from Hashem? The answer is alluded to in the opening verse of this week’s reading: “You are standing together today, all of you . . . to enter into a covenant.”

Each part of this statement is significant. “Standing” connotes victory, that we should merit to receive a favorable verdict. “Today” is the yearly Day of Judgment, Rosh Hashanah. “All of you” means the entire nation—as one. “To enter into a covenant” refers to the fact that every individual pledges responsibility to one another, that each is a guarantor for the other. In other words, upon what basis do we receive a favorable judgment? It is based on our unity. As long as we hold true to our pact of mutual guarantorship, then we are assured that G-d’s judgment of us will be for the good.

A question arises, however: How can every single member of a nation be a guarantor for everyone else? A guarantor must be one who is better off than the one he is guaranteeing. For instance, when a poor man applies for a loan, he asks a wealthier man to be his guarantor. You would not take someone who is poorer than you to be your guarantor. In that case, how can every single individual be a guarantor for all others? Certainly, in any large group of people there are those who have little to offer. How can every individual then be a guarantor for every other?

The answer is simple. In the case of the covenant between G-d and His people, every individual possesses some unique advantage over every other. Each one can therefore serve as a guarantor for the other. Each member of the nation has some positive quality that is unique to him or her. Every individual is uniquely needed and indispensable.

By “standing together,” in a way that emphasizes our complete interdependence, we surrender our personal identities and redefine ourselves as a part of a greater, unified whole. In this way, we are no longer judged on an individual basis, but as one whole—which includes all of the redeeming virtues of *all* of the individuals combined.

L’Shana Tova Tikatevu Vetechatemu, may we all be written and sealed for a good, healthy, happy and sweet Year!

Shabbat Shalom!  
*Rabbi Binyamin Bar*

**WHAT’S ON AT SWHC**

**Dirshu Bahalacha - Code of Jewish Law** 15 minute interactive *Halacha Shiur* with Rabbi Bar. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday following the morning service.

**Shabbat 12<sup>th</sup> September** | We welcome back to the UK Rabbi Yisroel Newman who will be assisting Rabbi Bar over the High Holiday Services.

**CST Security Check** Please leave your lockers & seats unlocked to enable the CST to make their inspections. Many thanks.

**Mikveh for Men** on Rosh Hashanah, open on Sunday Erev Rosh Hashanah from 11am – 2pm. Contact Rabbi Bar on for more information.

**YOM TOV SERVICE TIMES and CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES**

*Please see separate Yom Tov Timetable*

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September** | Erev Rosh Hashanah

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September** | 1<sup>st</sup> Day Rosh Hashanah

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September** | 2<sup>nd</sup> Day Rosh Hashanah

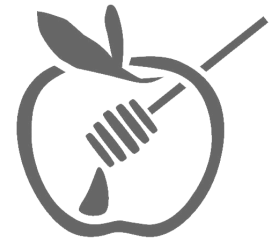
**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September** | Fast of Gedaliah

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September** | Yom Kippur/ Kol Nidre

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** | Yom Kippur

**26<sup>th</sup> September Shabbat Ha`azinu** | “**Birthday Cake**” Kiddush

Rabbi Bar and Gabbaim invite everyone who is celebrating a birthday, especially during August and September. Discretion 100%. Everyone NOT celebrating a birthday is very welcome to attend as well! RSVP Shul office.



**Celebrating a Birthday or Anniversary?** Why not celebrate in Shul, honour your relatives and friends and sponsor the Newsletter and/or Kiddush? Please contact the Shul Office to confirm availability, if you would like to book a Kiddush, contact **Lisa Berg on 07760 141162.**

**NOTICES**

**The Shul Office** will be closed on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September and Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September

**THE SHOP | Opening hours this week**

**Sunday** 10am – 2pm    **Thursday** 10am – 4:30pm    **Friday** 9am – 12:30pm.

Telephone (01702) 430307 (during opening hours).

For orders email: [alanmarkovitch@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:alanmarkovitch@yahoo.co.uk) or leave a message on 07956 597271.

**Mrs Fay Sober** wishes all her good friends in Westcliff a *Shana Tova Umetuka*, and would like to announce a change of address to the Princess Alexandra Home, Common Road, Stanmore, HA7 3JE. Private number: 0208 950 9622. Visitors and calls greatly welcomed.

**JAMI Walk** - If you have not yet given your sponsorship, please pass to Larry 300812.