

STONE SETTING *Stock Road Cemetery, SS2 5QF unless otherwise stated.*

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2pm** **Michael Millstone** (Late Brother of Lawrie Millstone)  
*Western Cemetery, Bulls Cross Ride EN7 5HT*

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

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

**Shabbat – 4 November / 15 Cheshvan** Mrs Frances Goldstone, Mr Ronald Roback,  
Mr Gordon Rosenberg, Mrs Rita Phillips

**Sunday – 5 November / 16 Cheshvan** Mrs Joan Bryer

**Monday – 6 November / 17 Cheshvan** Mr Chesney Lewis, Mr Gerald Walters

**Tuesday – 7 November / 18 Cheshvan** Mr Roy Barnes, Mr Geoff Newman,  
Mr & Mrs Geoffrey Struminger

**Wednesday – 8 November / 19 Cheshvan** Mr Peter Baum, Mrs Dorothy Young

**Thursday – 9 November / 20 Cheshvan** Mr David Fine, Mrs Gill Hyams,  
Mrs Ella-Myrtle Hyman

**Friday – 10 November / 21 Cheshvan** Miss Angela Davis, Mrs Helena Rosenberg

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

## REGULAR EVENTS & NOTICES

<b>Monday Club</b> Social club with card games 11:45 - 3:30pm, Shul Hall Call Maurice 01702 351845	<b>Bereavement Support Group</b> Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November at the home of Florette Call Janice on 07752 874065	<b>Pop-In   Talmud Torah</b> Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov 2pm-4pm Email Janice <a href="mailto:swhcf@gmail.com">swhcf@gmail.com</a>
<b>Cheder Classes</b> Every Tuesday <a href="mailto:rabbibar@gmail.com">rabbibar@gmail.com</a>	<b>J.A.C.S. Wednesdays</b> Call Allan Goldstein 01268 771978 for more info	<b>SIYC – Youth Club</b> Contact Shul Office
<b>AID Society Bridge</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> November Thorpe Bay Bridge Club Call Geoff Cohen 339601 or Jan Linden 343289	<b>Stock Rd Cemetery, SS2 5QF</b> Sunday – Friday Winter 10am – 3pm GMT Summer 10am – 4pm BST	<b>Seudah Shlishit</b> Contact <a href="mailto:geoffrey.pepper@hotmail.co.uk">geoffrey.pepper@hotmail.co.uk</a> (minimum donation £30)
<b>Ladies Guild Kiddushim</b> Contact Lisa Berg on 07760141162 or <a href="http://swhc.org.uk/ladies-guild/#kiddush">swhc.org.uk/ladies-guild/#kiddush</a>	<b>Newsletter Sponsorship</b> Contact the Shul Office £25 donation	<b>Tree of Life - Shul Hall</b> Mark your Simcha with a leaf on the tree for £110

**THE SHOP** *Kosher fresh, frozen, dry and baked goods available locally.*

**Open: Sunday** | 9:30am-11am **Thursday** | 10am-4:30pm **Friday** | 9am-11am  
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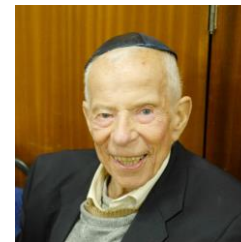
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*This week's newsletter is kindly  
sponsored posthumously by Otto  
Deutsch OBM to mark the 79<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary of Kristallnacht,  
Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> November*



*We are delighted to welcome all members  
and guests/visitors today. Everyone is  
invited to the Kiddush after the service  
which we hope you will enjoy.*

## SHABBAT VAYERA

### FRIDAY NIGHT

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat 4:10pm  
Shabbat commences  
and Candle lighting 4:07pm

### SHABBAT DAY

Shacharit 9:30am  
Children's Service 11:00am  
Kiddush & Mincha *follows the main  
service*

Shabbat ends 5:18pm  
Ma'ariv 5:45pm

## WEEKDAY SERVICE TIMES

### SUNDAY

Shacharit 8:30am  
Mincha 1:45pm  
Ma'ariv (*new time*) 8:45pm

### MONDAY - THURSDAY

Shacharit 8:00am  
Mincha 1:45pm  
Ma'ariv (*new time*) 8:45pm

### NEXT FRIDAY

Shacharit 8:00am  
Mincha *then* Kabbalat Shabbat 3:55pm  
Shabbat commences  
and Candle lighting 3:56pm

<b>Torah Reading</b>	<b>Rabbi Shlomo Fink</b>	Soncino page 86
<b>Haftorah Vayera</b>	<b>Anthony Larholt</b>	Soncino page 113
<b>Anim Zemirot</b>	<b>Saul Bebb</b>	Sacks Siddur page 458

*If you would like to repeat your Bar Mitzvah Haftorah, please contact the Gabbaim.*

## MAZEL TOV! *A hearty Mazel Tov from the SWHC Community!*

**Karen & Stephen Barnett** on the occasion of their Pearl (30<sup>th</sup>) Wedding Anniversary  
**Milly & Michael Nelkin** on the engagement of their daughter, **Sharon**, to **Ralph Last** of London

## BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY *Thoughts on the Parsha*

This week's Parasha focuses on the life of our patriarch Abraham, the first Jew. Every incident in his life is significant and contains valuable insights for us, his descendants. The Torah says that, "Abraham planted an *aishel* (tree) in Beer Sheva" (Genesis 21:33). What should we learn from this? The importance of National Tree Week? That Abraham was a tree-hugging Hippie? How can the environmentally friendly person apply this teaching?

It is known that Abraham was in the business of welcoming guests. He invited complete and total strangers to come into his tent, eat his food, drink his wine, and relax from their journey. Abraham was a real *mentsch*. It just so happened that he worked in the desert. Due to a tremendous lack of shade he planted a tree. What better way to welcome a sweaty wayfarer than with a well-shaded seat?

The Talmud lists two other opinions as to the nature of this *aishel*. According to one opinion it was not a shade tree, but rather an entire orchard of fruit trees. Once again Abraham's focus was on the guests. Wouldn't it be lovely after a long trek through the desert to run into a ripe piece of fruit? A third opinion maintains that Abraham built an entire five-star hotel complex, complete with a swanky lounge and full service restaurant. Yet again Abraham's objective was to provide fabulous service to the weary traveler.

The lesson contained here is timeless. Abraham represents the embodiment of kindness. He did not merely give his guests the minimal requirements for survival – tepid water, stale bread, and a pinch of salt – rather he gave them fabulous food and displayed tremendous hospitality. Each us has inherited Abraham's attribute of kindness, hence we have the capacity to give of ourselves in the same manner as Abraham. We can assist and help others not only with their vital necessities but rather we can go above and beyond the call of duty and help others in a truly limitless fashion.

Shabbat Shalom!  
*Rabbi Binyamin Bar*

## ~|~~~~|~~~~|~ WESTCLIFF ERUV ~|~~~~|~~~~|~

There is a process going through planning to have an Eruv in the Westcliff/Southend area. If you wish to make a comment about the Eruv you can email Southend Council at [council@southend.gov.uk](mailto:council@southend.gov.uk) with the reference number: **Ref: 17/01263/FUL** quoting "Westcliff Eruv". It is important for Southend Council to gauge the views of the local Jewish population. *Please write in support using your own language and refer to suggested bullet points from Kevin Leigh's recent email for ideas.*

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**This Shabbat | Rabbi Akiva Osher Padwa.** We welcome back Rabbi Padwa, Director of Certification of the Kashrut Division of the London Beth Din, who will address us this Shabbat.

**Tuesday 7th November, 7:30pm for 8pm | Men's Learning Circle** with Rabbi Aryeh Sufrin MBE at the home of Guy Bebb, **Women's Learning Circle** with Mrs Devorah Sufrin at the home of Sarah Miller. Please see flyer for more information.

**Shabbat 11th November | AJEX Shabbat** We remember those who gave their lives in the World Wars and all subsequent Wars in defence of the UK & Israel. Everyone is encouraged to come and support AJEX. The Kiddush will be sponsored by AJEX.



**Sunday 12th November | Mayor's Annual Civic Cenotaph Service & Parade.** Assemble at Prittlewell Square at 10:15am. Immediately after the Civic Service, AJEX will proceed to Stock Road Cemetery for the Service of Remembrance at our Jewish War Memorial.

**Wednesday 15th November, 7:30pm | Film Club presents 'Norman'** at the Jewish Community Centre, Cobham Road. Call Marilyn 01702 476349 or Rochelle 01702 436991 for tickets

**Sunday 19th November, 2:30pm | AJEX Annual National Parade and Reunion Rally Service** at Whitehall Cenotaph conducted by the Chief Rabbi, Ephraim Mirvis. Fall-In at Horse Guards Parade Ground, London 1:45pm. Transport to Whitehall is available, call Derek Silverstone on 01702 616153, limited spaces.

**Sunday 19th November 7:30pm | Balfour Declaration 100 Year Celebration** An evening of Wine, Whisky and Canapés with music from Lilac in the Shul Hall. £15 per person payable to the Shul Office.

**Sunday 3rd December, 7pm | Southend & District AID Society presents an Antiques Evening** featuring Trevor Cornforth of Chalkwell Auctions and Howard Linden of Linden & Co at the Day Centre, Cobham Road, Westcliff. You are invited to bring along an item of interest (one per household) ceramics, silverware, collectables. Light refreshments (Not under SWHC Kashrut Supervision). Donation £8 per person. Please contact Rochelle O'Brart 01702 719297 or Geoff Cohen 01702 339601.

**Sunday 10th December 12 for 12:30pm SHARP | Lunch with Chief Rabbi Ephraim Mirvis.** SWHC and The Office of the Chief Rabbi cordially invite you to a Grand Celebration Luncheon, marking our 111th Anniversary, with guest speaker Chief Rabbi Ephraim Mirvis. £25 per person. RSVP Shul Office, 01702 344900 / [shuloffice@swhc.org.uk](mailto:shuloffice@swhc.org.uk)

## Public Menorah Lighting | Cliffs Pavilion 12<sup>th</sup> – 19th December

*There will be a daily lighting, to which everyone is encouraged to attend with free doughnuts for all. After the lighting on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>, everyone is invited back to a reception at SWHC.*

Tuesday	12th Dec	7:30pm	Saturday	16th Dec	6:15pm
Wednesday	13th Dec	7:30pm	Sunday	17th Dec	7:30pm
Thursday	14th Dec	7:30pm	Monday	18th Dec	7:30pm
Friday	15th Dec	3:15pm	Tuesday ( <b>Gala Night</b> )	19th Dec	7:30pm

