

# Magen David Sephardic Congregation

Beit Eliahu Synagogue

*The Sephardic Synagogue of the Nation's Capital*

August 23—August 30, 2019

22 Av—29 Av, 5779

## Parshat Hashavuah

### Eikev in a Nutshell Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25

In the Parshah of Eikev (“Because”), Moses continues his closing address to the children of Israel, promising them that if they will fulfill the commandments (mitzvot) of the Torah, they will prosper in the Land they are about to conquer and settle in keeping with G-d’s promise to their forefathers.

Moses also rebukes them for their failings in their first generation as a people, recalling their worship of the Golden Calf, the rebellion of Korach, the sin of the spies, their angering of G-d at Taveirah, Mas-sah and Kivrot Hataavah (“The Graves of Lust”). “You have been rebellious against G-d,” he says to them, “since the day I knew you.” But he also speaks of G-d’s forgiveness of their sins, and the Second Tablets which G-d inscribed and gave to them following their repentance.

Their forty years in the desert, says Moses to the people, during which G-d sustained them with daily manna from heaven, was to teach them “that man does not live on bread alone, but by the utterance of G-d’s mouth does man live.”

Moses describes the land they are about to enter as “flowing with milk and honey,” blessed with the “seven kinds” (wheat, barley, grapevines, figs, pomegranates, olive oil and dates), and as the place that is the focus of G-d’s providence of His world. He commands them to destroy the idols of the land’s former masters, and to beware lest they become haughty and begin to believe that “my power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.”

A key passage in our Parshah is the second chapter of the Shema, which repeats the fundamental mitzvot enumerated in the Shema’s first chapter, and describes the rewards of fulfilling G-d’s commandments and the adverse results (famine and exile) of their neglect. It is also the source of the precept of prayer, and includes a reference to the resurrection of the dead in the messianic age.

## Selihot

Selihot will begin on Monday, September 2nd. Because that is Labor Day Selihot will begin at 7am, followed by Shacharit at 8:00 am. The regular Selihot schedule is Monday-Friday, 6am, Sunday, 7am.

Please make it a priority to join us for the inspiring melodies and prayers of our Sephardic Selihot. The effort we expend in getting up earlier for these meaningful prayers is well worth it and you will feel amply rewarded.

The Shabbat Kiddush is sponsored by KBF.

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Parashat Ekev

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## Services

Friday, August 23, 2019

Shir Hashirim

6:15 pm

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat

6:30 pm

Candle Lighting

7:35 pm

Shabbat, August 24, 2019

Shacharit

8:30 am

Mincha

7:15 pm

Seudah Shelisheet

7:45 pm

Shabbat Ends/Havdalah

8:39 pm

Sunday, August 25, 2019

Shacharit

8:00 am

Weekday Services

Shacharit

6:50 am

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## Sisterhood

The Sisterhood Book Club is reading *The Girl From Berlin*, a novel by prize-winning author Ronald Balson. All Sisterhood members are invited to join us for a lively discussion. The Club will meet on Thursday, August 29. For details about time and place, please contact Jan Sedaka [jan.sedaka@verizon.net](mailto:jan.sedaka@verizon.net).

## Celebrations

Happy Birthday— 24-Morris Schreim, 25-Molly Silverberg, 26-Helen Orman, 28-Rachel Amsellem, 29-Linda Bregman

Happy Anniversary— 29-Rowena & Harry Abadi

## Grand Slam Sunday

Jewish Community Day at Nationals Park

Sunday, September 15, 2019

Washington Nationals vs Atlanta Braves

12:00 pre-game fun 1:35 pm first pitch

Join The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington, Magen David Sephardic Congregation Men's Club, and the Greater Washington Jewish community for the 5th Annual Grand Slam Sunday:

[shalomdc.org/gss2019mdscmensclub](http://shalomdc.org/gss2019mdscmensclub)

## Men's Club Fishing Trip

On Sunday, September 8, the Men's Club will go fishing. The plan is to meet for an early lunch at 11:00 am, then go out on the fishing boat. Pricing varies. Please contact Albert Moyal at [mdscmensclub@gmail.com](mailto:mdscmensclub@gmail.com) for more information or

## Volunteer

Would you like to participate (or volunteer) in any of the MDSC activities? We would love to have you on board! Contact the office for more information. 301-770-6818 or [office@magendavidsephardic.org](mailto:office@magendavidsephardic.org)

## Hashkavot-We Remember

The week of August 24-30— Chalom Amsellem, Mark Zuares, Abraham Jacovsky, Rafael Alfasi, Solomon Ereza, Elie Silvera, Syliva Jacovsky, Jeanette Goldstein

Within the Past Year; William P. Fhal, Charles Benson, Shmuel Benzacar, Andre Berman, Fred Lizmi, Moshe Koldaro, Liliane Danan Richardson, Gabrielle Suissa, Lisa Benhaim, Rosa Shoshana Bat Miriam, Odette Benjoar, Marcelle Sadoun

## High Holiday Seats

Rosh Hashana begins on September 29th. High Holiday seats are available for members and non-members. You can find forms in the lobby and on our website. Questions? Call the office at 301-770-6818

## On The Map; A Film Screening at Magen David

Tuesday, September 10, 2019, 7:00 pm

ON THE MAP tells the against-all-odds story of Maccabi Tel Aviv's 1977 European Championship, which took place at a time when the Middle East was still reeling from the 1973 Yom Kippur War, the 1972 Olympic massacre at Munich, and the 1976 hijacking of an Air France flight from Tel Aviv. Through the lens of sports, ON THE MAP presents a much broader story of how one team captured the heart of a nation amidst domestic turmoil and the global machinations of the Cold War.

The film recounts how an underdog Israeli basketball team prevailed over a series of European basketball powers, including CSKA Moscow (known in the West as "Red Army"), a team that repeatedly refused to compete against Israeli competitors. The film combines the pulse-pounding action of a high-stakes thriller with an incendiary political backdrop to deliver an experience that will mesmerize basketball fans and captures the spirit of a nation triumphant against all odds.

Advance tickets available on our website or contact the office:  
Member Price: \$5 per person (members must log into their account to receive the discounted rate)  
Non-Member Price: \$7 per person  
At the Door: \$10 per person

## Holy Chow Delivery to Rockville

Holy Chow Chinese restaurant is now delivering to our area. The delivery truck will be in our parking lot Thursday nights at 6:15 for you to pick up your order.

Please call in your order (301-649-5466) or order online ([www.holychow.me](http://www.holychow.me)) by 4:00 p.m. that afternoon. Payment due with order. Each order will be clearly marked with your name and phone number.

## In The Community

Donors Needed; Blood Drive—Sunday, August 25, 8am-1pm at Congregation Beth El in Bethesda. Contact Jonathan Simon at [jonathan727@gmail.com](mailto:jonathan727@gmail.com)