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The Shul in deep appreciation for all the incredible behind the scenes help and support that **Maxine and Anthony Sclar** have given the shul over the past 19 years and to wish them, and **Devra**, well in their exciting move to Phoenix! We will miss you tons!

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In honor of

the **Adat Yeshurun** community over the past 19 years. This place has, does, and will always hold a special place with us. A special thank you goes to the **Rabbi** and **Shoshie** (both amazing), **Annette** (incredible beyond belief) and **Milton** (superb). If it's too cold in SD come and join us In Phoenix as we begin our new adventure. SHALOM! **Maxine, Anthony** and **Devra Sclar**

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Brian Datnow with my sincere thanks to my **wife, family, friends**, the **Rabbi** and **congregation** for their support and good wishes during my recovery.

We wish our visitors a warm La Jolla welcome. Please introduce yourself to the Rabbi and the President so that we can meet and greet you.

MINYON SCHEDULE

6/15 Daf Yomi.....6:00 p.m.
6/15 Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:45 p.m.
6/15 Candles by.....7:10 p.m.
Hashkama Minyon.....7:50 a.m.
Talmud in Depth.....8:00 a.m.
Shabbat Morning.....9:00 a.m.
Shema-Latest Time.....9:15 a.m.
Daf Yomi.....6:00 p.m.
Chanan Fruchter Guest speaker.....6:45 p.m.
Shabbat Mincha.....7:30 p.m.
Shabbat ends.....8:41 p.m.

THIS COMING WEEK

Sunday Shacharit.....8:30 a.m.
Sunday - Thursday Mincha/Ma'ariv.....7:45 p.m.
Mon. & Thu. Shacharit.....6:30 a.m.
Tue., Wed. & Fri. Shacharit.....6:45 a.m.

CLASS SCHEDULE

Sunday
Talmud in Depth.....7:45 a.m.
Daf Yomi.....7:00 p.m.
Monday - Thursday
Talmud I.....6:00 a.m.
Monday - Friday
Talmud in Depth.....7:30 a.m.
Monday
Daf Yomi.....7:00 p.m.
Pirkei Avot.....8:15 p.m.
Tuesday
Women's/Mesillat Yesharim.....11:00 a.m.
Daf Yomi.....7:00 p.m.
Wednesday
Women's/Pirkei Avot.....11:00 a.m.
Daf Yomi.....7:00 p.m.
Prophets/Mishlei.....8:15 p.m.
Thursday
Daf Yomi.....7:00 p.m.
Parsha.....8:15 p.m.

**WE THANK OUR SECURITY
VOLUNTEERS**

Friday Evening	
6:45 p.m.	Harvey Neiman
7:15 p.m.	Anthony Bortz
Shabbat Morning	
9:00 a.m.	Marty Stauber
9:30 a.m.	Kevin Swartzberg
10:00 a.m.	Joe Resnikoff
10:30 a.m.	Jim Esserman
11:00 a.m.	Marc Gipsman

In Memory of Linda Neiman

**THE CONGREGATION ADAT YESHURUN
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Todd Salovey, President

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This Week's Torah Reading

The Torah Reading begins on page 573 in the Hirsch and page 820 in the Stone.
The Haftorah begins on page 895 in the Hirsch and page 1186 in the Stone.

THISWEEK'S PARSHA begins with the account of the rebellion of Korach and his followers against Moshe and Aharon. Many of our commentaries suggest this rebellion did not occur after the incident of the spies but rather, earlier (immediately after the incident of the golden calf). After that incident, Hashem took away the first born's ability to serve in the temple, giving it to the tribe of Levi. According to the Ibn Ezra, the first born were disappointed and suspicious as there appeared to be a touch of nepotism, in as much as it was Aharon's family who received the highest positions. It was for this reason Korach and his followers offered incense, as a sign to show their real interest in serving in the temple. Although it was this motivation that initially caused the rebellion, it soon became a personal vendetta which turned very ugly.

THE RAMBAN, HOWEVER, has a very different view. He places this incident in its proper chronological order, after the incident of the spies. He describes it as a reaction to the death of the meraglim (the spies). At that moment there was a great disillusionment and discontent among the Jewish people. Korach and his followers capitalized on this discontentment, staging a rebellion which had been long brewing. However, there was no one specific issue unifying all the rebels, as each had his own agenda. Korach was upset about being passed over for leadership. Dasan and Aviram were upset about the Exodus from Egypt, which they perceived as a plot to have the Israelites die in the desert. The first born were complaining about their loss of ability to perform the service. All of these malcontents joined together to form a howling chorus of dissatisfaction, bitterness, and hatred which was brought to a boil by the death of the spies.

THE QUESTION NEEDS to be asked regarding the severity of Korach's, and his followers, punishment. Our sages explain Korach's rebellion was not against the physical authority of Moshe and Aharon, but rather a questioning of the entire structure of Judaism, the Torah. By taunting Moshe and questioning his right and ability to choose particular members of certain tribes to be princes and leaders, Korach was questioning Moshe's entire authority to dictate the Torah. He was openly questioning the origin of Moshe's teachings. It was for this reason Moshe Rabbeinu needed to deal harshly and cruelly in putting down the rebellion with very strong words and why Hashem needed to severely punish the instigators. In order to establish firmly, once and for all, the authority of Moshe and the divinity of the Torah.

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FOLLOWING THE DEATH of Korach and his supporters, we find that a plague infected the Jewish people. The Torah relates that Aharon ran at the outbreak of the plague and offered incense to atone for the sin of the people. Rashi explains that once the people saw the 250 followers of Korach die through the incense, they made the erroneous assumption that the incense was evil and contained the poison that killed. Therefore, Hashem said to Aharon that he should use the incense as a means of atonement so the people would recognize that it is only sin that brings death, not incense.

THE TORAH GOES on to describe the incident of the blossoming of Aharon's staff, which served as added proof that Hashem had chosen him as Kohen. The Torah continues with a warning to the Jewish people regarding the holiness of the sanctuary, when and how they can approach it, and who is allowed in to minister. Once the incident of Korach and his followers was over, there was a necessity to firmly reestablish the system of authority, and the status of the officials in the temple and of the people. The Torah begins by reiterating the duties of the priests and the Levites, as well as their obligations and rights. The Torah also reiterates the mitzvah of the sanctity and the redemption of the first born. This was in order that the first born be clear about their status. To understand that the first born were not rejected by G-d, but due to extenuating circumstances they were replaced by the Levites. Their sanctity, however, continues and separates them until they are subsequently redeemed.

A Special Thank You to Our Graduating Shabbos Youth Leaders!

Shoshie and the Adat Yeshurun families would like to thank the **Shabbos Youth Group Leaders; Elie Aron, Tani Capland, Chloe Dahan, Tali Eichner, Uriel Green, Nethaniel Levi, Sam Rappoport, Raphi Shpitalnik, Rachel and Shayna Sragovicz, and Harrison Wechsler** for their hard work and dedication to the responsibilities they took on this past year, with a special thank you to **Uriel Green and Shayna Sragovicz** who graduated high school this year and for their years of dedication to our youth programs.

OFFICE DESK NEEDED FOR OUR NEW ASSISTANT RABBI!

Please won't you help us? We need an office desk for Rabbi Reich. If you would like to donate a new, or gently used desk please will you contact the shul office at (858) 535-1196? Thank you for your help!

Nazel Tov

to
Sony and Karen Ben-Moshe on the birth of their son
and to
the aunts, uncles and cousins, **Eli and Michal Ben-Moshe, Hal and Guily Hanono and Abraham and Lauren Hanono**
to
Stanley and Mal Smiedt on the birth of their grandson, a son born to **Evan and Meredith Smiedt**

June 16, 2018

Rabbi Chanan Fruchter



Learning

Presents

Rabbi Fruchter will present,
"Anti-Semitism: Its Root Cause!"
at 6:45 p.m. Shabbos, June 16th



Rabbi Fruchter will also speak at
Shalosh Seudos

Rabbi Chanan Fruchter is the Rosh Yeshiva of Ohr Moshe, the only Yeshiva high school for special-ed American olim in Israel. He was born in New York and made Aliyah with his family when he was nine years old. Having gone through the Israeli school system, he has first-hand experience of the hardships facing Anglo immigrants. Rabbi Fruchter spent 5 years in Johannesburg, South Africa as a high school rebbe prior to his returning to Israel and starting Ohr Moshe. He holds a BA in special education and an MA in educational management.

Reservations Not Required.

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