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the **Wolf, Wainstein, Grusd** and **Butbul families** in memory of the Yahrzeit of their beloved father, grandfather, great grandfather and great-great grandfather, **Lazar Woolf**, a true Mensch to all whom he came in contact with. His love was always his family and the Shul.

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Anne and **Len Jurkowski** to welcome **Sam** and **Debbie Moed** to San Diego to continue the celebration of **Zoe** and **Jon's** engagement. We are so thrilled to have **Zoe** and **Jon**, and **Zac** and **Mali** here for Shabbat.

Welcome!

Rabbi Yoel and **Mrs. Klahr** this Shabbos!

Rabbi Klahr will speak on Friday night, organize a youth activity on Saturday morning and will present the Contemporary Issues class 45 minutes before Mincha.

We invite you to join in any of the activities this Shabbos, and we hope that you will take this opportunity to meet the Rabbi and Rebbetzin.

MINYON SCHEDULE

4/21 Daf Yomi.....	6:00 p.m.
4/21 Candle Lighting.....	7:05 p.m.
4/21 Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat.....	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.....	9:30 a.m.
Daf Yomi.....	5:25 p.m.
Contemporary Issues.....	6:10 p.m.
Shabbat Mincha.....	6:55 p.m.
Shabbat ends.....	8:06 p.m.
4/28 Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat.....	6:45 p.m.
4/28 Candles by.....	7:10 p.m.

THIS COMING WEEK

Sunday Shacharit.....	8:30 a.m.
Mon., Wed. & Thu. Shacharit.....	6:30 a.m.
Tue. & Fri. Shacharit.....	6:45 a.m.
Sun. - Thu. Mincha/Ma'ariv.....	7:10 p.m.

CLASS SCHEDULE

Sunday	
Talmud in Depth.....	7:45 a.m.
Daf Yomi.....	7:40 p.m.
Monday - Thursday	
Talmud I.....	6:00 a.m.
Monday- Friday	
Talmud in Depth.....	7:30 a.m.
Monday	
Pirkei Avot.....	7:45 a.m.
Partners in Torah.....	8:00 p.m.
Daf Yomi.....	8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	
Women's/Mesillat Yesharim.....	11:00 a.m.
Daf Yomi.....	7:40 p.m.
Wednesday	
Women's/Pirkei Avot.....	11:00 a.m.
Prophets/Mishlei.....	7:45 p.m.
Daf Yomi.....	8:30 p.m.
Thursday	
Parsha.....	7:45 p.m.
Daf Yomi.....	8:30 p.m.

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In Memory of Linda Neiman

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This Week's Torah Reading

**The Torah Reading begins on page 404 in the Hirsch and page 588 in the Stone.
The Haftorah begins on page 872 in the Hirsch and page 1168 in the Stone.**

AT THE END of Parshas Tzav, Aharon and his sons were instructed to remain in the tent of meeting for seven days while Moshe performed the service of inauguration. For each of the seven days, Moshe constructed the Mishkan, made his offerings and then disassembled the Mishkan. At the end of those seven days Aharon and his sons were consecrated as Kohanim and from that moment on only Kohanim could serve in the Temple. This week's Parsha begins on the first day of Nisan, which is the eighth day from the beginning of that inauguration service. On this day the Mishkan was erected permanently and the Kohanim began their new role. The Torah describes the inauguration service the Kohanim performed. Moshe summoned the elders of the Jewish people to accompany Aharon and his sons, in order to reiterate to representatives of the Jewish nation that Aharon was explicitly commanded to do the service in the Mishkan. Aharon was commanded to take a young bull, which as our Sages explain, was meant to be symbolic of the fact that he had been forgiven for his role in the sin of the golden calf. The people, too, were commanded to bring an offering from cattle as an atonement for their involvement in the golden calf. Aharon, whose involvement was physical but not an involvement of intention, was commanded to bring a sin offering. However, the people who had sinned through their intentions, thoughts and hearts were commanded to bring an elevation offering. The specific offerings of Aharon and the people reflected the nature of their respective sins: Aharon's for deed and the people's for intent. At the conclusion of this service, Aharon raised his hands toward the people in the way Kohanim would always raise their hands, and offered a blessing to the nation of Israel.

THE NEXT SECTION of the Parsha deals with the death of Nadav and Avihu, the sons of Aharon. During the great joy of the inauguration ceremony Aharon's two oldest sons, who wished to participate in the service, performed an unauthorized service and thereby lost their lives. There are many explanations as to what exactly was the sin of Nadav and Avihu. Among these explanations we find those Sages that say their sin was that they had offered an unauthorized fire in the Temple. Others explain they were drunk at the time of their offering, whereas another explanation offered is that they did not consult with anyone as to the propriety of what they were doing, not even each other. There are those commentaries that feel their sin lies in the fact that they refused to marry, for they felt no woman was worthy of their status.

PARSHA CONTINUES

IT IS NECESSARY to understand the great number of interpretations offered by our sages. If the Torah specifies the sin of Nadav and Avihu, why should our sages find it necessary to deduce from the verses themselves so many additional facets to their sin? Many Commentaries find difficulty with the verses themselves and are therefore compelled to offer another explanation for their deaths. Some are bothered by the severity of the punishment in relation to the act and therefore surmise that the Torah is telling us if it were just one thing, perhaps things would not have ended they way they did.

WHATEVER THEIR SIN was, it is necessary to understand Nadav and Avihu were people of extraordinary greatness and provided an atonement not only for Avihu were burned up, Moshe's reaction was the recognition that through Nadav and Avihu G-d was, in fact, honored. Aharon fell silent, but Moshe explained to him that the Kohanim had a responsibility to maintain the high standard of sanctity demanded of them by Hashem. To prevent the remaining Kohanim from becoming defiled by touching the dead bodies, Moshe called Mishael and Elzaphan, the sons of Aharon's uncle, Uziel, and told them to take the bodies of Nadav and Avihu out of the Holy of Holies and outside of the Tabernacle. Hashem then commands Aharon and his family not to mourn, informing them of the commandment that a Kohen is prohibited to do the service in the Temple after having drunk wine.

THE NEXT SECTION of the Parsha deals with the dispute that arose between Moshe and Aharon concerning the disposition of the day's offerings because Aharon was in the status of an 'Onen', one who is a mourner on the first day after one's close relative dies. Normally the Kohen Gadol is required to perform this temple service, even when he is an Onen, whereas other Kohanim are forbidden to do so. During the time of the Temple's inauguration, this was an exception to the rule and all Kohanim were required to continue their service. However, the extent of this dispensation was the point on which Moshe and Aharon disagreed. The point of the dispute hinged around the question of whether the Kohanim were permitted to eat all sacrificial meat on that day or only meat from certain sacrifices. It was through Moshe's anger at Aharon for deciding the question on his own, that he (Moshe), in fact, forgot the proper answer. It was Aharon who revealed the correct method of dealing with the question.

THE REST OF the Parsha deals with the laws of kashrus. Rav Hirsch explains that the connection between this Parsha and the previous section dealing with Nadav and Avihu was that in the past section we saw how even our greatest men could fall prey to mistaken sentiments that could lead them to grave sins. After that section the Torah spoke to the Kohanim and forbade them from indulging in beverages that could affect their clarity of judgement and the Torah required that sacred meat be eaten in sacred places. The implication of these commandments was that what a person eats has an effect on their spiritual and moral calling. Therefore, this chapter goes on to list the foods that are forbidden, not only to Kohanim, but to all Jews so they do not fall prey to these mistakes.

Volunteers Needed for Our Security

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Wishing you a meaningful
Passover filled with pearls of
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Gourmet food, musical entertainment,
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and First-Year Members

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6:30pm - 10:00pm
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