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We wait and work all year for summer in South Haven and it goes so quickly. The month of July has been busy at FHC and, even with all activities (tour groups, services, lox box, etc.), planning continues for the upcoming High Holidays and the Ben and Harriett Teitel Community Room, a project that will begin after Yom Kippur and will last most of the fall and winter. None of this would have been possible without the support of our loyal members and Tem Horwitz, Al Block, Rick Rothner, Jerome Morgan, Don and Carol Hodgeman (Chicago Community Trust), and Jerold Cook (of the Ben and Harriett Teitel Foundation). Last but not least, thanks go to our Board of Directors whose tireless work on these projects

makes it all happen!

We are also grateful to members of the greater South Haven Community for their help. Russ Puckett Electrical Services, for example, made a benevolent gesture at the onset of the project that will never be forgotten.

The annual election of our FHC board of directors will be in September. Please vote and make your voice heard.

Friday Night Services

A Friday Shabbat service was held on Aug. 1, led by Rabbi Ellen Weinberg Dreyfus. The Reform service, sermon and Oneg were well attended by congregants and visitors, including several who had never been in our Shul before. Rabbi Dreyfus had just returned from Israel, where she studied in Jerusalem. She offered wonderful insights into the status of the situation in Israel and our people. Please join us on Aug. 15 for the rabbi's second service this summer, at 8 pm. It will be followed by a kosher Oneg Shabbat. It will be a rich and fulfilling evening for all.

Saturday Morning Services

The Saturday Orthodox Shabbat minyan will continue through Labor Day weekend. Services are at 10 am and Kiddush at 12 noon. If you cannot make the service, please come for the Kiddush and wonderful camaraderie, herring and treats hosted by the Steinfelds.

High Holiday Services

The High Holiday Services, directed by Rabbi Allan Cohen according to Conservative traditions, are being planned now. Our goal is to have as many congregants as possible

participate. Please contact Anne Simon Moffat at beamausnow1@yahoo.com or at 269-637-6769, to arrange your involvement. The calendar for services is later in this Bulletin.

Labor Day Lox Box

Lox Box will be on Aug. 31 from 10 am until 12. Lox, bagels, cream cheese, onions, tomato, juice, cucumbers, homemade blueberry muffins and, perhaps, a surprise. Two person bag is \$18.00, four person is \$36.00. The servings are generous. Call 269-637-1603 and leave a message, or Barry at 616-820-5623. Leave your name, the size and number of bags, and whether you will pre pay or pay at the door. Only prepaid orders are guaranteed, since we often sell out!

Happenings

Aug. 24th is a busy day for the Shul. At 11.am there will be a dedication at the cemetery for Lavern Bell. At 3 pm the Chicago Jewish Historical Society will visit the Shul and take a guided bus tour around the area looking at the old resort sites. All are welcome to join in the festivities.

Reminder

The new website for FHC is www.firsthebrewcongregation.org. Our new e-mail address is firsthebrewcong@gmail.com. Check it out!

Best Wishes

Our thoughts and prayers go to the Hy Warshawsky family on the speedy recovery of Shelly. Her bravery during this illness is exemplary.

We also send get well wishes to our friends Tony and Pat Martorano. Pat has been ill and we pray for her speedy recovery.

Thank you

A thank you goes out to donors to the synagogue. Estelle Price made a donation as a well wish for Shelley Warshawsky. Steven Myers made a donation as a thank you for being able to daven the Saturday morning that he was visiting South Haven. Kornick and Berliner Monument made a donation for our help with the upcoming service for Lavern Bell.

A special thanks to our friends at Camp Agudah Midwest. They provided Kosher Shabbat meals to the Warshawsky family during Shelly's illness. This Mitzvah will never be forgotten.

All who have seen our beautiful reading garden, in the front of the Shul, are awestruck with its beauty. We have Karen Tolen, Shelly Sommerfeld, and Karen Riffer- Reinhardt to thank for their gardening skills, and dedication.

HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

(In the Conservative Tradition)

Lead by Rabbi Allan L. Cohen

Rosh Hashonah Eve, Wednesday, September 24th at 8:00 p.m.

Rosh Hashonah (Day 1), Thursday, September 25th at 10:00 a.m.

Rosh Hashonah (Day 2), Friday, September 26th at 10:00 a.m.

Yom Kipper Eve, Friday, October 3rd, Kol Nidrei at 8:00 p.m.

Yom Kipper, Saturday, October 4th at 10:00 a.m.

No tickets are needed but membership in the Shul is appreciated.

ATTENTION, THOSE WHO WALK TO FHC SERVICES FROM THE NORTH SIDE.

The City has announced that it will close the bridge, for major repairs, the day after Labor ay. Alternative arrangements for getting to the Shul, perhaps using a boat across the river, may be made : however, for now, nothing is certain

