



## Congregation Bnai Yeshurun Weekly Shabbat Announcements

December 23-30, 2022

כ"ט כסלו - ו' טבת תשפ"ג

**Shabbat Miketz  
Shabbat Chanukah &  
Rosh Chodesh**

שבת מקץ  
שבת חנוכה וראש חודש

### 2 Outstanding Shiurim Planned for Upcoming Legal Holidays

Add to your list of unintended legislative consequences the wonderful opportunity for our *kehilla* to, once again, attend two very special *shiurim* on the upcoming legal holidays. Bnai Yeshurun's Beis Medrash Program has arranged for Rabbi Daniel Stein to visit us on December 25<sup>th</sup> and for Rabbi Shay Schachter to join us on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

*Kiruv at All Costs?* is the challenging subject of Rabbi Stein's *shiur* this coming Sunday morning, which is *Rosh Chodesh* and Chanukah, making it both a legal and halachic holiday. Rav Stein will speak in our Beis Medrash beginning about 9:00 am, at the conclusion of the 8:00 am minyan. On the following Sunday, at 8:45 am in our Social Hall, Rabbi Schachter will discuss *Faces of Antisemitism and Our Complicated Relationship with Hashem*.

Rabbi Daniel Stein is a Rosh Yeshiva and Director of the Norman and Johanne Sternthal 4th Year Halakhah Lemaaseh Program at the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary of Yeshiva University where he holds the Perez and

Frieda Friedberg Chair in Talmud. He is also the Rav of the Ridniker Shteibel, Cong Ahavath Chesed, on the West Side of Manhattan, and was the founding Rav of Kehillas Beis Sholom in Clifton, NJ. In addition, Rabbi Stein is an expert in the laws of *eruvim* and has been consulted regarding the creation, extension, and maintenance of numerous *eruvim* in the United States and



*Rabbi Daniel Stein (l.) and Rabbi Shay Schachter to deliver CBY Legal Holiday Shiurim*

Australia. Rabbi Shay Schachter currently serves as Rabbi and Rosh Beit Midrash at the Young

Israel of Woodmere, overseeing its extensive adult educational programs. He is the Rabbi and spiritual leader of Yachad, the Orthodox Union's international program for individuals with disabilities. Since the summer of 2017 he has served as the Rabbi of Camp Simcha, Chai Lifeline's camp for children battling cancer and chronic illnesses. Rabbi Schachter formerly served as the Assistant Rabbi at Congregation Kneseth Israel, the "White Shul" in Far Rockaway, from 2012 – 2015. Rav Shay received his rabbinic ordination from RIETS after studying with his father, Rabbi Hershel Schachter, for nine years. He also received an additional Rabbinic ordination from his teacher and mentor, Rabbi Asher Weiss of Jerusalem. Rav Shay holds an MA in Jewish Education and Administration from the Azrieli Graduate School of Yeshiva University.

Sponsors are solicited for these outstanding events. Please contact the shul office for further details. *See flyer on page 4 for more details.*





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# SHABBAT RUACH

DECEMBER 30-31, 2022

Parshat Vayigash

FRIDAY NIGHT TISCH

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**Shabbat Times** זמני שבת

Candle Lighting	4:12 pm	הדלקת נרות
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat – New Main	4:15 pm	מנחה וקבלת שבת
Sephardic Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat	4:15 pm	מנין עדות מזרח
<b>Carlebach Minyan- Old Main</b>	<b>4:15 pm</b>	מנין נגוני קרלבוך
Tzeit Maariv Minyan-BM	5:17 pm	מעריב בצאת
Teen Gemara Shiur w/Zev Halstuch – Beis Medrash	<b>7:30 pm</b>	שעור בגמרא
Latest Shema	9:36 am	סוף זמן ק"ש
Hashkama–New Main	7:00 am	השכמה
Sefard–Beis Medrash	8:30 am	נוסח ספרד
Sephardic Shacharit	8:45 am	מנין עדות מזרח
Ashkenaz–New Main	9:00 am	נוסח אשכנז
Teen Minyan-1/3 Social Hall	9:00 am	מנין נוער
Ashkenaz- Old Main	9:15 am	נוסח אשכנז
Jr. Congregation-SH Stage	9:15 am	מנין לכתות ה' ו'
Youth Groups Nursery-4 <sup>th</sup> grade at 9:15 am in the Youth Classrooms & Nursery Wing		
Mommy & Me - 2/3 Social Hall	10:00 am	אמא ואני
Daf Yomi following Hashkama minyan - 2/3 Social Hall		
Minchas Chinuch-Manny Adler after Nusach Sefard minyan	10:30 am	שעור מנחת חינוך
Mincha - New Main	12:45 pm	מנחה
Mincha - New Main	1:45 pm	מנחה
Sephardic Mincha	3:50 pm	מנין עדות מזרח
Mincha-New Main	4:10 pm	מנחה
<b>Rabbi Schrier's shiur "Give Me Mitzvos or Give Me Death! Is Chanukah or Purim the Greater Holiday?" in the New Main Shul following zman mincha.</b>		
Maariv & Shabbat Ends -NM	5:17 pm	מעריב
Manny Freed z"l Parent Child Learning – BM	6:15 pm	הורים וילדים
Next Shabbat: Candle lighting	4:17 pm	הדלקת נרות
Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat	4:20 pm	מנחה וקבלת שבת

**We recognize that at times it is challenging to find parking near shul. We ask everyone coming to CBY to be cognizant of where you are parking; obey all parking regulations and be courteous of the shul's neighbors and never block their driveways.**

**Additionally, please remember to wear reflective materials and walk on the correct side of the street when walking to and from shul when it is dark.**

Reminder: There are often times when additional men are needed to make a minyan in a local shiva house. If you are able to be part of a group of volunteers who may be called upon with short notice, please join the WhatsApp group at [HERE](#) or by scanning QR code at right. Thank you and tizku l'mitzvot!



**This week's bulletin is sponsored by the Weinberger Family, wishing a mazal tov to Netanel and his parents, Tamar & Dov Weinberger, on Netanel's bar mitzvah, and wishing much nachas to all.**

**Just Enough**  
**Message from Rabbi Weinberger**



When the brothers return from Mitzrayim and inform Yaakov that Yosef demanded to see Binyamin, Yaakov initially refuses. He claims that he already lost Yosef and Shimon and he's not ready to possibly lose Binyamin, as well. As time goes on and the famine gets worse, however, Yaakov is ultimately convinced by Yehudah to send Binyamin down. When he gives them instructions regarding their upcoming trip, he concludes with a bracha, "וואל שדי יתן לכם, רחמים לפני האיש ושלח את אחיכם אחר ואת בנימין ואני פאשר דחמים לפני שכלתי שכלתי". *May Hashem (Kel Shakai) have mercy on you when you go to that man (Yosef) so that he will send you back with Shimon and Binyamin; until then I will be considered to be bereaved of them.* Here, in expressing his great anguish, Yaakov refers to Hashem as "Kel Shakai". Why does he cry out to Hashem here specifically using this name?

It's interesting that the same name of Hashem is invoked at another critical moment of Yaakov's life. When Yitzchak finished giving him the brachos and is ready to send him off he tells Yaakov, "וואל שדי יברך אתך ויפרך וירבך והיית לקהל עמים". *And Hashem (Kel Shakai) should bless you, make you fruitful and great; and may you become a great nation.*

So, what is the meaning of "Kel Shakai" and why do Yitzchak and Yaakov refer to Hashem in this manner at these specific times?

I once heard a beautiful idea in the name of Dayan Chanoch Erentrau, zt"l, who served as the head of the London Beit Din for many years, and was recently niftar. He explained as follows. The Midrash says that the name "Kel Shakai" refers to "מי שאמר" - the One who said to the world "enough" (or stop). In other words, when the world was complete, Hashem told it to stop being created. Enough. On a deeper level though, one could suggest that during creation Hashem was placing His presence in this world to a certain extent. The Shechinah and the evidence for Hashem is in fact here in this world, for all of us to see, but it's not blatantly obvious, leaving room for those who want to ignore it. Had He kept filling the world with His presence then it would be clear to everyone that He was here. There would be no בחירה (free will) in the matter. Therefore, He said "די" - that I am evident enough. Just the right amount to allow for emunah, while still leaving the door open to those who wish to ignore Me. Basically, if Hashem's presence was any more or any less evident in our lives it would be problematic, one way or another.

This was what Yitzchak was referencing when he told Yaakov that you should be blessed by "Kel Shakai". That the brachos you receive should not be to the extent that you no longer feel Hashem in this world because you are blinded by your own material success. Let it be *enough*.

So too, when Yaakov fears another oncoming tragedy, he calls out to *Kel Shakai* for rachamim. Up until this point he had been able to see Hashem's hand in every aspect of his life despite the difficulties he faced. But now he feared that another major tzarah, losing Binyamin, would begin to shift things to the point of it becoming difficult to see the yad Hashem.

This is the idea of Kel Shakai, that in all areas of life- the blessed and the challenging- we ask Hashem to never treat us in too extreme of a fashion that would make it too difficult to recognize His presence. *מי שאמר לעולם די* - Hashem knows exactly how much is enough, and that's what we ask for.

**Special Events**

אירועים מיוחדים

- Bar mitzvah of Netanel Weinberger in the 9:00 am New Main minyan.

**Mazal Tov**

מזל טוב

- Miriam & Marc Aron** on the bar mitzvah of their grandson, Jakey Aron.
- Shaindee & David Dubin** on bar mitzvah of their grandson, Reuven, son of Sheryl & Josh.
- Deena & Saul Kaszovitz and Lois Blumenfeld & Norman Sohn** on the birth of a granddaughter and great-granddaughter, a daughter to Sara & Dani Resnick in Israel.
- Shevie & Gedalya Sinensky** on the bar mitzvah of their grandson, Ari Gottlieb, son of Zahava & Yoni Gottlieb.
- Tamar & Dov Weinberger and Mona & Itzy Weinberger** on the bar mitzvah of their son and grandson, Netanel.
- Myril & David Zomick and Rachelle & Mark Zomick** on the birth of a great-granddaughter and granddaughter, Eliana Leeba, to Shoshana & Kenny Rüb.
- R' Meier Brueckheimer** on the birth of a great-grandson, a son to Margalit & Matan Goldman.

**Condolences**

נחומים

- Hadley Bach** on the loss of his beloved wife, Shirley Bach a”h.
- Esther Berezin** on the loss of her beloved brother, Rabbi Reuven Gross a”h, of Chicago.
- Wechsler Family on the loss of Abraham (Abe) Wechsler a”h, past president of CBY.

**CBY Notes**

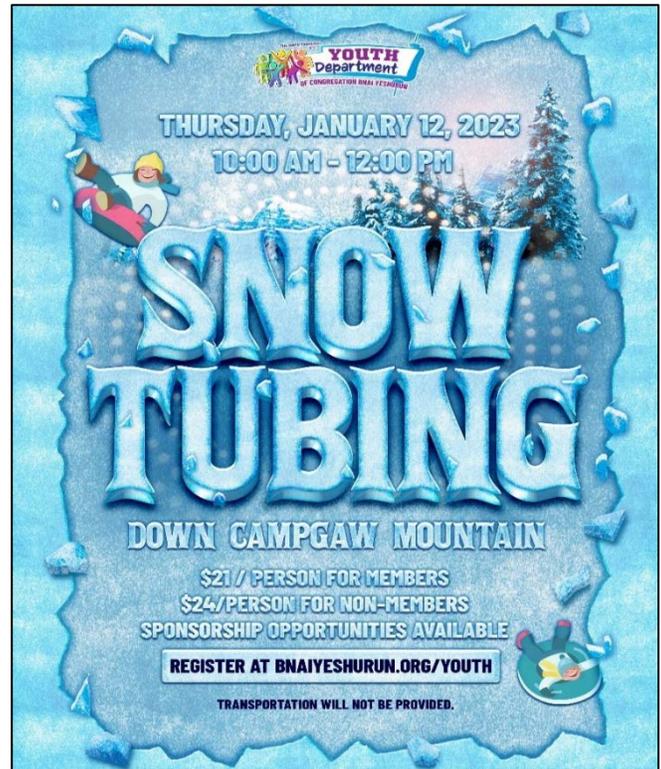
- CBY's Shabbat Ruach 5783** is next week! Join CBY for Shabbat with guest singing sensation Duvie Shapiro, accompanied by members of the Yedidim Choir. Beautiful davening throughout Shabbat, Friday night Tisch, Men's Club Kiddush, and a special family musical Havdalah leading into Manny Freed z”l Parent Child Learning. To sponsor visit [www.bnaiyeshurun.org/events](http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/events) or contact the shul.
- Sponsor the Men's Club Kiddush, next Shabbat December 31<sup>st</sup>.
- CBY students in Israel are invited to join Rabbi & Michal Zahtz on Motzei Shabbat Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> at Buchman's Pizza on Derech Chevron, in Yerushalayim. Let us know how to connect with your kids, fill out the online form: <https://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/children-learning-in-israel-2022-2023.html>.
- CBY snowbirds invited to join Rabbi Zahtz on January 11<sup>th</sup> for a Florida Lunch & Learn. Sign up at [www.bnaiyeshurun.org/events](http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/events).

**Beis Medrash Committee**

- Manny Freed z”l Parent Child Learning takes place on Motzei Shabbat at 6:15 pm. Join for amazing Torah learning, awesome prizes, pizza & snacks! Middle school girls learning with Leora Moskowitz and middle school boys weekly Chaburah in the Old Main Shul. **Thank you to this week's sponsor, Devorah & Danny Farkas, in celebration of Eli's birthday.** To sponsor visit [www.bnaiyeshurun.org/pcl](http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/pcl).
- Mishna Yomit is learning Masechet Shabbat.
- Join us for the next Legal Holiday Shiurim with Rabbi Daniel Stein on Sunday, December. 25<sup>th</sup> and Rabbi Shay Schachter on Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**David Frohlich z”l Youth Department**

- January 1<sup>st</sup> DFYD invites senior citizens to learn new tricks on your cell phone, taught by our teens! Register in advance with questions at [www.bnaiyeshurun.org/youth](http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/youth).
- Join DFYD for Snow Tubing on January 12<sup>th</sup>. Sign up at [www.bnaiyeshurun.org/youth](http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/youth). See flyer for more details.



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<b>APRIL</b> 1, 2023 Gala Kiddush Luncheon	<b>APRIL</b> 29, 2023 IDF Kiddush	<b>MAY</b> 13, 2023 Men's Club Kiddush	<b>JUNE</b> 10, 2023 Men's Club Graduation Kiddush	<b>JULY</b> 8, 2023 Men's Club Ice Cream Kiddush
				<b>AUGUST</b> 12, 2023 Men's Club Kiddush

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**Weekly Davening Schedule**

	Sun. Dec. 25	Mon. Dec. 26	Tues. Dec. 27	Wed. Dec. 28	Thu. Dec. 29	Fri. Dec. 30
	א' טבת ז' חנוכה ראש חודש	ב' טבת ח' חנוכה <b>Legal Holiday</b>	ג' טבת	ד' טבת	ה' טבת	ו' טבת
דף היומי	גדרים ס"א	גדרים ס"ב	גדרים ס"ג	גדרים ס"ד	גדרים ס"ה	גדרים ס"ו
Shacharit ( <b>Sephardic</b> )	6:40 am	6:40 am	6:40 am	6:40 am	6:40 am	6:40 am
Shacharit- <i>Old Main</i>						
Shacharit- <i>New Main</i>			6:15 am	6:15 am	<b>6:09 am</b>	<b>6:15 am</b>
Shacharit- <i>Beis Medrash</i> ^	<b>6:15 am</b>	<b>6:15 am</b>	6:30 am	6:30 am	6:20 am	6:30 am
Shacharit- <i>New Main</i>	<b>6:50 am</b>	<b>6:50 am</b>	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am
Shacharit- <i>Beis Medrash</i> ^ <i>Deliberately Paced Minyan</i>		<b>7:30 am</b>	7:15 am	7:15 am	7:15 am	7:15 am
Shacharit- <i>Old Main</i>	<b>7:15 am</b>	<b>7:15 am</b>	7:30 am	7:30 am	7:20 am	7:30 am
Shacharit- <i>New Main</i>	8:00 am	8:00 am	8:00 am	8:00 am	8:00 am	8:00 am
Shacharit- <b>Old Main</b>	8:50 am	8:50 am				
Shacharit- <b>New Main</b>	9:15 am	9:15 am	8:50 am	8:50 am	8:50 am	8:50 am
Mincha only – <i>Beis Medrash</i> ^	12:45 pm	12:45 & 1:45 pm	12:45 & 1:45 pm	12:45 & 1:45 pm	12:45 & 1:45 pm	1:45 pm
Mincha only – <i>Old Main</i>	1:45 pm					
Zman Mincha- <i>New Main</i> #	4:25 pm	4:25 pm	4:25 pm	4:25 pm	4:25 pm	
Maariv only- <i>Beis Medrash</i> ^	6:00 pm	6:00 pm	6:00 pm	6:00 pm	6:00 pm	
Maariv only – <i>Old Main</i>	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	
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Maariv only – <i>Beis Medrash</i> ^	10:01 pm	10:01 pm	10:01 pm	10:01 pm	10:01 pm	
Maariv only – <i>Beis Medrash</i> ^	11:00 pm	11:00 pm	11:00 pm	11:00 pm	11:00 pm	

שחרית

מנחה/מערב

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**Legal Holiday Shiurim**



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"Kiruv at All Costs?"

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Light breakfast will be served

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WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES DECEMBER 25-30, 2022		
Sunday at 7:00 am, M-F at 5:30 am	Daf Yomi with rotating magidei shiur	Beis Medrash and live weekdays at: <a href="http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/internet-minyan.html">www.bnaiyeshurun.org/internet-minyan.html</a> Recordings available at link for 1-week post-shiur
Sunday–Thursday at 8:15 pm	Mishna B'rurah Chavurah with Ari Wartelsky	Beis Medrash and at: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/611771378">https://zoom.us/j/611771378</a> Password: cby
Sunday 9:30-10:00 am	Gemara shiur w/ R' Frank Breslau & Dr. Joseph Bench	<a href="https://zoom.us/j/98188165600">https://zoom.us/j/98188165600</a> Passcode cby
Monday – Friday at 6:20 am	Yitzchak Yaakov Kollel Boker with Rabbi Zvi Sobolofsky	1/3 Social Hall and at: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9658958942">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9658958942</a>
Monday 9:15 pm	Gemara B'Yyun Masechet Gittin with Rabbi Elliot Schrier	Back of the Beis Medrash
Tuesday at 8:15 pm <b>on hiatus</b>	Practical Principles of Yoreh Deah with Rabbi Ari Zahtz	
Tuesday at 8:30 pm <b>on hiatus</b>	Parsha shiur with Rav Meir Goldwicht	
Wednesday at 1:30 pm	Senior Lunch & Learn with <b>Rabbi Elliot Schrier</b>	1/3 Social Hall and at <a href="https://yeshiva-university.zoom.us/j/93287566078">https://yeshiva-university.zoom.us/j/93287566078</a> Password: YSH
Wednesday at 7:45 pm	Mesilat Yesharim with Rabbi Elliot Schrier	Old Main Shul
Wednesday at 8:15 pm	Halacha Shiur with Rabbi Zvi Sobolofsky	Old Main Shul and on Zoom at: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9658958942">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9658958942</a>
Wednesday at 8:15 pm	Chassidus with Rabbi Yehoshua Szafranski	Back of the Beis Medrash
Thursday at 9:15-9:45 am <b>on hiatus</b>	Women's shiur on Melachim Aleph with Rabbi Ari Zahtz	
Thursday at 8:15 pm	Parsha Methodology with Rabbi Yosef Weinberger	Back of the Beis Medrash
Thursday at 9:35 pm <b>on hiatus</b>	Parsha & Halacha with Rabbi Michael Taubes	
Friday at 8:30 am	Minchas Chinuch with Eli Weber	<a href="https://zoom.us/j/156897284">https://zoom.us/j/156897284</a> Password: cby
	Shiurim from Rabbi Elliot Schrier	<a href="#">Sign up Here</a> or use the QR code 
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## **CBY President Presents Optimistic Outlook at Semi-Annual Membership Meeting**

Attendees at last week's semi-annual general membership meeting, would find it difficult, if not impossible, to not feel gratitude and optimism for Bnai Yeshurun's status and future. Addressing a broad range of issues, CBY President Robbie Scharf's report to the membership depicted a flagship institution, in a strong financial position, with a growing membership, and continuing to improve virtually every aspect of its operations.

quickly newer members have sought to get involved in our shul, Scharf noted that our BNOT co-presidents, Sarah Guttmann and Rachel Schilowitz, both joined our shul fewer than two years ago!

Scharf briefly summarized some notable recent and near-term programming initiatives. The scope was impressive ranging from expansion of our Kollel Boker program and new *shuirim*, through exciting

including making *Aliyah*, relocating to Florida or the *Olam Ha'Emes*) has increased in each of the past three years. Our new members are very significantly younger than our average members, insuring a vibrant and exciting future for CBY.

As had been explained in messages to the membership prior to the meeting, attendees then voted on two issues. The first involved approval to utilize funds we received for an



While many institutions are still suffering the aftereffects of a global pandemic and an erratic and inflationary economy, Bnai Yeshurun's fiscal year financial plan is on track and may even exceed its financial goals for the current year. Our Yom Kippur Appeal set new records, both in terms of the number of donors and the total funds raised. Fortunately, we had recently restructured and refinanced our mortgages at favorable rates before the recent precipitous rise in mortgage interest rates. The shul's payroll and taxes, office expenses and even security costs are all running somewhat lower than expected, while income from dues is somewhat higher because of the influx of new members.

And that influx of new members, the lack of which concerned us for the last decade, is now really happening! About 50 new (mostly young) families have joined CBY in 2021 and 2022. When new members are asked why they have chosen our shul, the primary reason given is our outstanding rabbinical staff. And they are enthusiastic about our *kehillah*. As an example of how

social events, and even new digital media initiatives like CBY's Spotlight Series (Check it out!) and a new Shiva Minyan WhatsApp Group. In the course of his fact-filled report, Scharf took the opportunity to thank a few individuals for their recent efforts on behalf of the shul. These included Dr. Steven Becker and the previous administration, many of whose efforts were now coming to fruition; our entire office staff; Sharon and Eli Kolb, she for arranging High Holiday seating for nearly 1,700 *mispalilim*, and he for getting our adjacent property ready; Dovid Weinstein for managing the Yom Kippur Appeal; and Paul Rolnick for managing the shul's finances and help preparing the evening's presentation.

Following his overview report, Scharf thanked and introduced Yali Elkin who presented some key trends in our membership's demographics. Elkin noted that in 2019, older members (over 70 years of age) became the largest demographic (10 year) cohort. On the other hand, CBY's membership base has increased (new members minus those leaving for any reason

Employee Retention Tax Credit for some much-needed capital expenditures. (This was a government grant to assist organizations during the Covid pandemic. Since, when our fiscal year financial plan was being generated there was significant uncertainty as to whether we would receive any funds, they were not included in the plan.) Attendees overwhelmingly approved the proposal, and the funds will be used to replace damaged and deteriorating external doors, repair the external stucco façade of our building, and repair and refurbish various aspects of social hall.

The second proposal, also overwhelmingly approved, involved the formal merging of the adjacent property (663 W. Englewood) with our "official" shul site. The merging changes the "zoning" status of 663 and will better allow us to use the site in the future. When asked about longer-range plans for the site, Scharf responded that he expected to be able to share ideas and options with the membership as we enter the next planning cycle for the next fiscal year.

### **Lost & Found:**

- A women's navy-blue Canada Goose winter coat, size M or L, was taken from the CBY coatroom on the shabbat of December 10<sup>th</sup>. Left in its place was a black XL instead.
- A black "Marc New York" winter coat size M with fur on the hood, black fleece gloves, and a black winter hat in the pockets was mistakenly taken on Friday night, December 16 after davening. It has the name FISCHER written in white marker on the neck/collar tag.

If you have information on either of these coats, please contact [office@bnaiyeshurun.org](mailto:office@bnaiyeshurun.org) and we will connect you with the appropriate people.



**Parshat Miketz in “Hashtag” Form**

- **#PreviouslyInSeferBereishees**- Yosef successfully interpreted the dreams of the Sar HaMashkim and the Sar HaOfim: the former forgot to put in a good word for Yosef even after he was reinstated as an official in Pharaoh's palace. **#ForReal? #ComeOn! #YisroelBitachB^**
- **#BackToReality #Miketz:** Pharaoh **#HadADream** about seven emaciated cows who consumed seven strong cows, **#NileBBQ #Bro #DoYouEvenLift #Moo**. Pharaoh went back to sleep and then dreamed about some thin wheat eating some **#gezunta** wheat. **#BelieveItOrNot**, the next morning, none of his magicians could successfully interpret the dreams. All of a sudden, the Sar HaMashkim remembered the Jewish **#wizkid** from prison, and told Pharaoh about him- **#FINALLY #ItBeAboutTime**. Yosef was speedily released and brought before Pharaoh.
- Yosef interpreted the dreams, told Pharaoh that Mitzrayim was destined to have seven years of plenty followed by seven years of famine. Yosef then suggested, “why don’t you store up your food in advance?” Pharaoh liked this idea. **#ForTheWin #EntrepreneurshipAtItsFinest** Consequently, Pharaoh placed 30-year-old Yosef as the one in charge of the operation. **#Wowza** He was the second in command of the world’s largest superpower! Yosef married Osnat and had two kids: Menasheh and Efraim. **#MayYouBeLikeThem #YallBeBlessed**
- When the famine came, Egypt fared pretty well, but Yosef’s **#FamJamInCanaan** started getting nervous. Yaakov sent the oldest ten kids down to **#EgyptLand** in order to get food. When they arrived, Yosef accused them of being spies, and threw them in prison for three days **#WoeIsUs**. Yosef released all of them besides for Shimon and demanded that they bring back Binyamin, the youngest as well. Yaakov wasn’t happy about this and didn’t want to lose Rachel’s last son. Finally, after they nearly ran out of food, and Yehuda took personal responsibility for his brother Binyamin, Yaakov relented, and sent them back down to Mitzrayim with Binyamin, presents, and a tefillah. **#RoadTripRoadTrip #FamilyReunion**
- When Yosef saw them and found out that his father was still alive, he excused himself and went into his private room to cry. They then gathered, ate, and Yosef gave them each presents, Binyamin’s present was **#BetterThanTheRest #SiblingRivalryNoMore**. He then told them to leave, and snuck his special cup in Binyamin’s sack. When the royal police brought them back to the palace to face charges, Yosef told them all to go back to Canaan, but leave Binyamin behind as a slave, since he “stole” the cup. **#Ultimatum #ThisIsSoIntense #TBC #TuneInNextWeek #SameBatChannel**

**CBY YOUTH MIKETZ SEARCH!**

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Entrepreneurship	Binyamin	Siblings	Pharaoh
Menasheh	Hostage	Rivalry	Gezunta
Viceroy	Goblet	Famine	Efraim
Prison	Wheat	Dreams	Spies
Yosef	Nile	Cows	Osnat

**A Mini-Vort from the Szafranski Table to Yours!**



Why was Yosef punished for asking the Sar HaMashkim to help him out? Wasn't Yosef merely doing his hishtadlus? Rabbeinu Bechaya claims that Yosef wasn't punished for doing hishtadlus, rather, he was punished for thinking that there was only one way in which his redemption could occur. Yosef believed that HaShem could only save him through the help of the Sar HaMashkim and that no other plan could work.

Sometimes we think we know what is best for us and are convinced that certain things need to happen in a specific way. We learn from Yosef that we must always trust HaShem. We must realize that HaShem knows what is best for us, even when it seemingly doesn't go according to our plans.

- **Which hand is best to light the menorah with?** Neither it's best to light it with a candle.
- **What's the best thing to put into the sufganiyot?** Your teeth.
- **What's the difference between Chanukah and a dragon?** One lasts for eight nights, the other sometimes ate knights. .

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## Congregation Bnai Yeshurun Community Announcements

December 23-30, 2022

Shabbat Miketz  
Shabbat Chanukah &  
Rosh Chodesh

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שבת מקץ  
שבת חנוכה וראש חודש

- Jewish Home Presents Monthly Support Group for Loved Ones of Those Living With Alzheimer's & Dementia The Jewish Home Family is offering members of the community with loved ones living with dementia a monthly support group at the Jewish Home at Rockleigh. Future meetings on January 10, February 7, March 14, April 18, May 23 & June 20. Contact Sunni Herman at [sherman@jewishhomefamily.org](mailto:sherman@jewishhomefamily.org).
- JEMA, the Jewish Educational Mentoring Alliance, is looking for tutoring volunteers, especially in the areas of reading & Judaic Studies. Tutoring is primarily done after school either in person or via Zoom. For information, contact Robyn Adams, JEMA liaison at [robyn.adams@yavnehacademy.org](mailto:robyn.adams@yavnehacademy.org) or 201-262-8494.
- The Beit Midrash of Teaneck, located at JCT/Heichal HaTorah, 70 Sterling Place, welcomes both men & women, to our weekly Tuesday shiurim on Parsha & Jewish History. This week's Parsha shiur (10:30-11:30 am) will be delivered by Rabbi Shalom Baum of Congregation Keter Torah. The Jewish History shiur (11:45-12:45) will feature **Dr. David Berger**, dean of Yeshiva University's Bernard Revel Graduate School of Jewish Studies, who will give a shiur entitled, "Corrupting the True Israel: Rabbinic Reflections on Early Christianity". All men who wish to participate in BMT's Monday & Wednesday programming may send an email to [BMTeaneck@gmail.com](mailto:BMTeaneck@gmail.com) for further information. R' Angel's Nach shiur - M/W @ 12:00 - is now open to women as well.
- Join us for TABC's Annual Dinner on Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> at Keter Torah, as we celebrate 40 years of Yeshiva education in Bergen County. We are proud to pay tribute to our honorees, Rachel & Azi Mandel; **Bonnie & George Silfen**; & **R' Ben Krinsky '05**.

Your contributions to the Bruce Ritholtz z"l Scholarship Fund will help ensure that all of the young men in our community, regardless of family finances, will have access to the TABC experience. RSVP or donate online at [www.tabc.org/dinner2023](http://www.tabc.org/dinner2023)

- The Yavneh Academy 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner will be held on Motzei Shabbat, January 7<sup>th</sup>. Guests of Honor are **Robbie and Adam Fried**; Faculty Award Recipient is Laya Levine. For information, please visit [www.yavnehdinner.com](http://www.yavnehdinner.com).
- The Friends of Sderot will be having a Benefit Concert Reception featuring Eitan Katz. It will take place on Monday January 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at Keter Torah. Please come support Eretz Yisrael and Torah in the heroic city of Sderot. For info contact Buzzy Green 201-675-4717 or [mbuzzygreen@gmail.com](mailto:mbuzzygreen@gmail.com).
- Areyvut invites high school freshman, sophomores and juniors to a new intergenerational program with senior citizens in CareOne at Teaneck. The goal is to really get to know the senior citizens while participants actively grow, reflect and learn new skills that they can use throughout their lives. For more information, please visit <https://bit.ly/3VeRGfk> or contact Daniel Rothner at [daniel@areyvut.org](mailto:daniel@areyvut.org) or 201-244-6702.
- The community is invited to a special event on Thursday, January 26, at Carnegie Hall in New York City. "We Are Here: Songs From The Holocaust" is a concert featuring songs written in the ghettos & concentration camps. This concert serves to honor the memory of those murdered during the Shoah & pay tribute to the artists who, in the worst of times, continued to create. The concert will feature Broadway stars, pop artists, renowned cantors, & NYC student choir. Proceeds will go to The Museum of Jewish Heritage. Contact Maddie Burton at [wearehereconcert@gmail.com](mailto:wearehereconcert@gmail.com).

