

Shul Services and Contacts

- ◆ **Kiddush and Seudah Shlishit** - To sponsor, go to www.yieip.org to reserve and pay for Kiddush. Please specify date and type of sponsorship; Kiddush is \$200 (regular) or \$250 (deluxe); Seuda Shlishit is \$54.
- ◆ **Shabbat Hospitality** - In advance: contact yieidchesed@gmail.com, by the previous Tuesday if possible. In shul see **Ilan Weinberger** at the end of davening.
- ◆ **Chesed** - Know someone in need? Contact yieipchesed@gmail.com, or (for urgent needs) directly contact **Joel Greenberg** at (786) 553-6219, **Ariela Greenberg** at (301) 518-5237, or as a backup **Sara Schneider** at (301) 325-3245.
- ◆ **Membership** - To join the shul or for member benefits information, contact **Joel Greenberg** at (786) 553-6219 or president@yieip.org.
- ◆ **Shiva** - For arrangements or furnishings, contact **Daniel Chefitz** at (301) 610-0844 or gabbai@yieip.org or **Adam August** at (202) 491-3725 or adamaugust@yahoo.com.
- ◆ **Tape Library** - Contact **Cliff Snapper** (301) 983-6897 or csnapper@usuhs.mil to borrow Jewish theme tapes from the shul.
- ◆ **Facility Rental** - For information or reservations, contact **Daniel Ely** at (301) 455-3993 or djely@verizon.net.
- ◆ **Rabbi Yosef Singer** - Contact at (240) 603-8622 or RavSinger@gmail.com.
- ◆ **President, Joel Greenberg** – (786) 553-6219 or president@yieip.org.
- ◆ **Gabbai, Daniel Chefitz** – (301) 610-0844 or gabbai@yieip.org.
- ◆ **Weekly Bulletin** - To submit announcements for the weekly bulletin, email **Robert Rubinoff** at yieip-announce@yahoogroups.com or call (301) 299-1504 by Wednesday evening.

Donation Opportunities

- ◆ **Sefarim** - Dedicate a chumash (\$60), siddur (\$40), or machzor (\$15). Contact **Beth Shapiro** at bethshap@gmail.com.
- ◆ **Eitz Chaim Dedications** - Inscribe a leaf for the YIEIP "Tree of Life" for any and all occasions. Contact **Mark Ferneau** at ferneau@yahoo.com. Levels include Copper (\$250), Silver (\$360), Gold (\$500), or foundation stones (contact Cliff Snapper csnapper@usuhs.mil).
- ◆ **Yartzeit Plaques** - Contact **Mark Ferneau** at ferneau@yahoo.com.
- ◆ **Kiddush/Seudah Shlishit** - Contact kiddush@yieip.org. Specify date & type of sponsorship; Kiddush is \$200; Seuda Shlishit is \$54.

Community Resources

- ◆ **Tomchei Shabbos**- Do you know individuals or families who can't afford to buy food for Shabbos? Yad Yehuda of Greater Washington will arrange local Shabbos food deliveries in a confidential manner. Contact **Rabbi Singer** if you know anyone who could benefit from this service. For more information on the Foundation and this project, or to donate, please visit www.yadyehuda.org.
- ◆ **YIP List** – To join the shul email list, contact **Mark Ferneau** ferneau@yahoo.com.
- ◆ **Potomac Jewish List** – To join a general Potomac Jewish Community email list, go to www.potomacjewish.com.



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Parshat Vayakhel/ויקהל פרשת

Shabbat Shekalim/שבת שקלים

Ex. 30:11-16/שמות ל:יא-טז

Haftorah: 2 Kings 12:1-17

מברכים החדש

Rosh Chodesh Adar 2 is next Thursday and Friday

Shabbat at a Glance

Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat	5:40 pm
Candle Lighting	5:43 pm
Shacharit	8:40 am
Z'man Kriat Shema	9:30 am
Rabbi Singer: Nefesh HaChaim Class.....	4:55 pm
Mincha.....	5:25 pm
Seudah Shlishit between Mincha/Maariv	
Maariv.....	6:42 pm
Shabbat Ends.....	6:52 pm
Father/Child Learning.....	7:45 pm

Davening Times During the Week

Shacharit:

Sunday – 8:00 am
Monday – 6:20 am
Tue. & Wed. – 6:30
Thu. & Fri. – 6:15 am

Mincha/Maariv:

Sunday – 5:45 pm
Friday – 5:50
Maariv
Mon-Thu. 8:45 pm
GWC Kollel Maariv:
Sunday - 9:15 pm

Candle Lighting Next Shabbat – 5:50 pm

Note: Please be careful to place this newsletter in a bag before disposal.

Announcements and Community Events

- ◆ **Seudah Shlishit** this week is sponsored for the yahrtzeit of **Joseph Ely (Yosef Leib ben Yaakov Chanan) z"l**, by his children **David, Daniel, Tobie**, and **Menachem**.
- ◆ Sun. Mar 3, 7:30 pm, at YIEIP, Jewish Women in the Arts and Movement presents "Painting, Purim, and Pinot". RSVP at www.yieip.org/jwam to pay by credit card, or bring a check or cash.
- ◆ Fri./Sat. Mar 29/30, YIEIP will have a shabbaton with **Dr. Mordechai Kedar** on the theme of "Israel, The United States and The Arab World". This will include a dinner Friday night (RSVP required); details at www.yieip.org/keदारshabbaton. Please contact **Daniel Ely** at djely@verizon.net to help with organization or to host guests; contact **Cliff Snapper** at clifford.snapper@usuhs.edu to sponsor.
- ◆ Tue. Mar 5, 8:00 pm, at the YGW Boys' Campus, Part 2 of a series on adolescent education: "What do we study in Yeshiva? • Why so much Gemara? • Why is it so difficult?" For info or to RSVP contact **Rabbi Amram Hes** at ahes@yeshiva.edu or (301) 649-7077x1528.
- ◆ Sun. Mar 10, 9:30 am-1:30 pm, at YI Shomrai Emunah, the Greater Washington Community Kollel will have a program on "Generation to Generation: Kavod and Caring; Rasing and Respecting", featuring Rabbi Shmuel Silber and Mrs. Shifra Rabenstein and a collection of well-known speakers from our community. For details or to register, go to www.gwckollel.org/Generations.
- ◆ Thu. Apr 4, at B'nai Israel Congregation Aish HaTorah will have a gala honoring **Rabbi Yakov and Lori Palatnik**. For details or to RSVP, go to gala.aishdc.org.

Shul and Community Torah Classes

- ◆ **Rabbi Yosef Singer**
 - Gemorah - after Shacharit Sun morning (*Men*)
 - Women's Mesilas Yesharim Shiur - Shabbat, 1 3/4 hours before mincha (will resume in late spring/early summer)
 - Nefesh Hachaim - Shabbat, 30 minutes before Mincha
- ◆ **Greater Washington Community Kollel**
 - Bet Medrash Program with **Rabbi Menachem Winter**, Rosh Kollel, and the Kollel Rebbeim: various simultaneous classes --Sun 8:15-9:15 pm (*Men*)
 - Father/Child learning – Sat. 7:45 pm.
- ◆ **Other Weekly Classes**
 - **Rebbetzin Sara Bluming** – Weekly Roundtable, Tue. 10:00 am and Wed. 1:00 pm at Chabad (*Women*)

Youth Programming

Youth Programming is available weekly for the full Shabbat morning davening starting at 8:45 am. Parents are reminded to pick up their children promptly when davening ends. If you have any question about the youth groups, please contact **Aviva Rosen** at rosenaviva@gmail.com or the youth coordinators **Shlomit Bernstein** and **Tali Chefitz** at coordinatorsyi@gmail.com.

- ◆ **Tot Shabbat (ages 2-5)**: downstairs classroom (8:45-11:30 am)
- ◆ **Youth Shabbat (kids 6-11)**: games, prayers, and Torah in the social hall (8:45-11:15 am)

- ◆ **Baby Shabbat (to age 2)**: upstairs classroom open during services for parents and their babies

Upcoming Yartzeits

- ◆ 26 Adar I – Helen Davidovics (mother of Saul Elbaum)
- ◆ 26 Adar I – Ely, Joseph L. (father of Daniel, David, and Menachem Ely and Tobie Beckerman)
- ◆ 29 Adar I – Albert Dalva (father of Rachele Ferneau)
- ◆ 3 Adar II – Max Weitzner (father of Allen Weitzner)
- ◆ 6 Adar II – Bernard Yelowitz (father of Susan Kaminow)
- ◆ 7 Adar II – Sadie Bakst (grandmother of Cliff Snapper)
- ◆ 7 Adar II – Valerie Schor (aunt of Jordan Frankl)
- ◆ 10 Adar II – Benjamin Miller (father of Linda Garzon and Tammy Berman)

To add a name to this list, contact **Robert Rubinoff** at rubinoff@cs.cmu.edu or (301) 299-1504

D'var Torah – In Brief

Overview of Parshat Vayakhel

Moshe Rabbeinu exhorts Bnei Yisrael to keep Shabbat, and requests donations for the materials for the construction of the Mishkan (tent of meeting). He collects gold, silver, precious stones, animal skins and yarn, as well as incense and olive oil for the menorah and for anointing. The princes of each of the twelve tribes bring the precious stones for the kohen gadol's breastplate and ephod. Hashem appoints Betzalel and Oholiav as the master craftsmen for the building of the Mishkan and its vessels. Bnei Yisrael contribute so much that Moshe begins to refuse donations. Special curtains with two different covers were designed to serve as the material for the Mishkan's roof and door. Gold-covered boards set in silver bases were connected, forming the walls of the Mishkan. Betzalel made the aron hakodesh (holy ark), which contained the Tablets, from wood covered with gold inside and out. On the ark's cover were two small figures facing each other, with wings arching over the ark. The menorah candelabra and the shulchan, the table with the show-breads, were also made of gold. Two altars were made: A small incense altar made of wood overlaid with gold, and a larger altar for the purpose of sacrifices made of wood covered with copper.

Haftorah: 2 Kings 12:1-17

Jealousy, lust and pride: According to our Sages, all of our mistakes and sins can be categorized under these three headings.

This week we read Parshat Shekalim, the first of four special readings leading up to Pesach. These readings represent the spiritual cleansing that must take place in the heart of every Jew to become worthy of the exodus from Egypt. We must rid ourselves of jealousy, lust and pride before we can become worthy of the title "Am Kodosh" G-d's holy nation.

The parsha of shekalim contains the formulation for the correction of jealousy. The jealousy of Joseph's brothers led them to sell him for twenty silver pieces. The correction for this sin is contained in the designation of the half shekel given to the Temple.

Unlike the other donations to the Temple, regarding the half shekel the Torah commands us that "the rich man may not give more, nor the poor man less." Thus the total equality of every Jew is ensured and the possibility of jealousy is erased).

(Ohr Somayach; Torah Weekly)