This past week we were honored to have Rabbi Chaim Tabasky and his wife Cynthia with us from Israel. Rabbi Tabasky is a master sofer, a wonderful teacher, a great talmid chacham, and an all around wonderful man. I want to thank Bummie and Sally Gelb for hosting the Tabaskys – they are old friends from the time they grew up together in Hartford. Rabbi Tabasky checked over 120 mezuzot over the 2 days he was here which is a huge job! I am so happy that our community was interested in having mezuzot checked. Rabbi Tabasky also gave a lecture at University of Hartford on Monday night which I attended. I found the class to be so different and so intriguing and so broad in its perspective on Torah and general knowledge. I was extremely impressed and would love to try to bring Rabbi Tabasky back as a Scholar in Residence next time he is in the USA.

I want to make special mention of some members of our shul and some staff and students from HHNE who did a tremendous mitzvah this week. I was confronted with a strange situation of a man who led an extremely sad life full of sickness, isolation, and failure in marriage and in jobs. He died alone with severe physical and mental illness. He basically had no money and no one to take care of his burial needs. They were planning on cremating him. He had a nephew who came forward to get the ball rolling and ensure a kosher Jewish burial in the best way he could but he needed lots of help. Weinstein Mortuary, who the nephew contacted, pulled some amazing strings to get the State to pay for most of the funeral costs and to get Federation to donate the burial plot. I was asked to perform the funeral and help with the arrangements. I thought it would just be me, the nephew, and Michael Weinstein at the burial. In the end, David Goldfarb, Steve Stein, Eric Wittenberg, Rabbi Sheinkopf, Rabbi Hillel Adler, six students from HHNE and a few distant cousins showed up. We had a minyan, kaddish was said, we were able to fill the grave from HHNE and a few distant cousins showed up. We had Rabbi Weinberg, Rabbi Sheinkopf, Rabbi Hillel Adler, six students al. In the end, David Goldfarb, Steve Stein, Eric Wittenberg, just be me, the nephew, and Michael Weinstein at the burial and help with the arrangements. I thought it would take place on Wednesday afternoon, February 6th at 4:00 PM at the YIWH.

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February 2nd, 2013  ש"ו 22 Shvat 5773

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The Shul

Mazel Tov to Daniella, Avi & Chaya Robinson on the birth of twins - a boy & a girl! Mazel Tov to proud grandparents Lenny & Miriam Halstuch of Oceanside, NY, and Morris & Debbie Robinson of Newton, MA, and the entire extended family!

The SHALOM ZACHOR will take place Friday night at their home 23 Mohegan Drive, beginning 8 PM

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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**
Nachi Loew:
In honor of the Blum, Braunshweiger, Leichtberg, Luger, Robinson, Sheinkopf, & Ulreich families for their hospitality for his Bar Mitzvah.

Edna & David Shamash:
Refuah Sh'llaima Jason Wolfe
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**RABBI WEINBERG'S MELACHIM CLASS**
Tuesday nights At 8:00 PM

**RABBI WEINBERG'S SUNDAY MORNING GEMARA SHIUR**
Gemara Shiur Sunday mornings after davening

**HAGH DOR LI DOR**
At Beth David at 7:00 PM
February 2nd * February 16th

**ON LINE AUCTION TO SUPPORT THE HEBREW ACADEMY’S 8TH ISRAEL TRIP.**
Dates: Wednesday, January 23rd thru Sunday, February 3rd.
Have fun bidding!
Get great deals! and do a mitzvah in the process.
Visit the auction site: HAGHauction.com

**YIWH MOVIE NIGHT**
Saturday night, February 16th
At 8:00 PM
“The Little Traitor”
The highly acclaimed coming-of-age story.
Set in 1947 British Occupied Palestine.
Appropriate for adults & teens

**PRE-PESACH WINE TASTING & SALE**
Wednesday, February 20th at 7:30 PM
At the home of Ann & Jeremy Pava
Wine Orders Must be received by:
Monday, March 4th
Wines will be available for pickup well before Passover (Date TBD)
Send all orders to: Lenny Margulis
lennymargulis@gmail.com or 860-231-0146
44 Huntington Drive
Checks made out to YIWH
Wines come from Skyview Wine & Spirits of Riverdale.

**YIWH GALA FUNDRAISING DINNER**
Sunday, March 3, 2013
Honoring
Rabbi Brahms and Elana Weinberg
For their Excellence in Leadership and
Gene and Fran Wittenberg
For their Excellence in Volunteerism

**BOOK CLUB**
We will be reading with
One Book One Jewish Hartford
Tuesday, February 26, 2013
7:30 pm
*The Things We Cherished* by Pam Jenoff

**PLAY IT AGAIN, SAM**
Join the YIWH for a night at the theater!
Saturday night, March 9th at Playhouse on Park
Private Wine & Cheese reception - 7:00 PM
Curtain - 8:00 PM
Adults: $27.00
Seniors (62+) $25.00
RSVP to events@youngisraelwh.org
Or call (860)263-7669

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Please be patient with us during the transition to our new website. Your suggestions and feedback are valued and encouraged at this time. Please send your thoughts to Elie Wolfe
secretary@youngisraelwh.org.
Special thanks to Elie Wolfe, Steven Bernstein, Stephen Mendelsohn, Shimmy Trencher, and Zev Davidovics for all their work.

**BUY SCRIP**
Every dollar you spend using this program is the same dollar you would have normally spent, AND a portion of it is donated to YIWH?
The purchases by only 21 families have raised $1,917.00 for the YIWH.
This program is too important to YIWH to be ignored.
For assistance in setting up your family's account please call: Harriet Rosenblit 860-236-4421, or Shayne Kesler 860-231-7519
The first section of Parashat Yitro describes the arrival of Moshe’s father-in-law after whom the parasha is named, Yitro. The Torah tells that "on the next day," Yitro observes Moshe spending the entire day adjudicating the court cases brought before him by the people. Yitro recommends that Moshe establish a judicial network so that he need not personally preside over every case, and Moshe accepts and implements his father-in-law's advice (18:13-26).

According to Rashi (18:13), this section appears out of chronological sequence. Whereas it appears to have taken place before Matan Torah, in truth it occurred much later. Specifically, Rashi claims, these court cases take place on the day following Yom Kippur, after Moshe had made his final descent from Mount Sinai informing the nation that God had forgiven the sin of the golden calf.

Why on specifically this day are there so many monetary disputes that required Moshe's arbitration? Why only now must Moshe sit "from morning to evening" resolving Benei Yisrael's conflicts?

Rav Yehonatan Eibshitz (in his "Nefesh Yehonatan") suggests that the construction of the mishkan, the orders for which are given that day, necessitate the resolution of all conflicts among the people. As Rashi explains in his opening comments to Parashat Vayakhel, on the day following Yom Kippur Moshe assembles the nation and issues God's instructions concerning the building of the mishkan. Reb Yehonatan explains that the mishkan could not tolerate disunity and strife. Before Benei Yisrael could begin work on the mishkan, the vehicle through which the Shekhina resides among the nation, they must resolve all disputes and settle all arguments. Moshe was therefore called upon to serve as arbiter to bring about peaceful resolutions to all conflicts.

In contemporary Jewish life, religious institutions such as synagogues and schools often become the source of controversy and contention. The ever present claim of sacred motivation when dealing with religious institutions gives rise to bitter disputes and "justified" hostility. This comment by Reb Yehonatan Eibshitz teaches us that precisely the opposite should occur. In order for a religious institution to successfully fill its role in Jewish life, it must be characterized by a sense of harmony and goodwill among all those involved. A sanctuary cannot be built amidst discord and friction; the Shekhina will reside only in a building constructed with genuine love and mutual respect among its builders.

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**NCYI Update**

Over the last few months we have seen a significant change in the leadership of the National Council of Young Israel. We have seen a new spirit of inclusion, communication, and desire to truly help shul branches. All of this good feeling was confirmed this past week when they had a delegates vote. Both Les Loew and I participated in the call. For the first time we were notified of the meeting, able to vote by phone, and asked to vote about the core issues that have bothered us for some time. The vote was almost unanimously passed to change the NCYI constitution to allow branches to resign from NCYI without fear of repercussions. This is a great accomplishment. The members of the "coalition" who had been petitioning to get this done were not only included on the call but were given special recognition and allowed to speak as part of the meeting.

We congratulate Rabbi Bini Maryles and the other leaders of the NCYI for their support and vision.

Stay tuned for future NCYI updates.

Sincerely, Judith Hessing

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**~Business Card Directory~**

With 4 weeks left until the YIWH Gala Dinner, we need your help more than ever! We are happy to report that the business cards are starting to come in, and we have begun designing the directory. This is an opportunity for everyone to assist in raising the necessary funds needed to maintain our growing and bustling synagogue. The programming, events, & the building that we all enjoy and utilize can not survive without all of our support. If every family solicits & brings in 3 business cards, our shul will raise approximately $24,000. Remember, for every 5 business cards a family gets, they will get 1 free dinner ticket! Please refer to the website below to note the businesses you have, or will, contact. There are also numerous businesses listed who have not been solicited, and have given to Jewish organizations in the past. If you have any questions, or need more forms, contact Shayne Kesler.

[www.youngisraelwh.org/bizcards](http://www.youngisraelwh.org/bizcards)

Thank you, Dinner Committee
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- **Sof Zman Kriot Sha Me**
- **Shabbat Morning Youth Groups**
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- **Challah rolls for Seudah Shlishit**
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