



# Young Israel Congregation

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## SHMOOZE NEWS

Parshas Vayigash, January 7, 2017

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### אני יוסף

### “I am Yosef.” Bereishis 45:3

The Chofetz Chaim notes how Yosef’s brothers could not figure out what the Egyptian viceroy wanted from them and why he acted so strangely, sometimes with undue harshness and other times benevolently. Nevertheless, once he said those words, אני יוסף, I am Yosef, everything became crystal clear. All the pieces of the “puzzle” suddenly fit perfectly and they had no more questions. So too, concludes the Chofetz Chaim, the Jewish people have endured so much personal and communal suffering in their two-thousand-year exile. Yet, when the great day will come with the coming of Moshiach, G-d will say “אני ה'”, “I am Hashem”, all the questions of history will be answered and mankind will acknowledge that everything was with an exact calculation administered by a just and loving G-d. May we all merit to see this day come to fruition, speedily in our time.

*Wishing all of you an inspiring Shabbos!*  
*Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein*

### Shabbos

Candle Lighting	5:27PM
Mincha/Kabbalas Shabbos	5:30PM
Daf Yomi	8:00AM
Talmud Sotah	8:15AM
<b>Hashkama</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>
Shacharis	9:00AM
Shiur	4:25PM
Mincha	5:15PM
Havdalah	6:18PM

**10<sup>th</sup> Teves starts 5:57,  
Mincha:5:25PM, Fast  
ends:6:23PM**

### Weekday

### Shacharis

Sun	8:00AM
Mon-Fri	7:00AM

### Mincha

Mon-Thu	5:35PM
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The weekly Shmooze News is dedicated by:

Jack and Susan Gluck in memory of Milton & Edith Gluck z”l and Nicholas Brecher z”l;

Stuart Harris in honor of Penny Harris; and

Aaron and Susan Weinberg in memory of Jack & Helen Weinberg z”l and

Morris & Nellie Fischer z”l.

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YOUNG ISRAEL ANNUAL DINNER

Honorees

*Batya & Meir Cosiol and Reuven & Iris Herssein*

The Dinner will take place in our beautiful social hall on Sunday, February 26, 2017. Please become a sponsor or benefactor and support our most important fund raising event of the year.

Upcoming Scholar-in-Residence Shabbatons

- **Rabbi Shmuel Goldin: January 20-21, 2017 – Friday Night Dinner.**  
Program and Friday night dinner reservation form has been mailed. Please make your reservations early.
- **Rabbi Yitzchak Shochet: February 17-18, 2017 – Friday Night Dinner**

Classes and Upcoming Events

- Ladies Tehillim Group - Mondays at 10:30AM in the Beis Midrash.
- Beis Midrash Night - Thursdays at 7:00PM.
- Father and Child - Motzei Shabbos at 7:00PM.
- This Shabbos, January 7, 2017, Farley Weiss, the President of the National Council of Young Israel, will be speaking at Seuda Shlishit.
- Monday, January 9, 2017 - Breakfast with Dr. Erica Brown from 8:45 - 10:30AM at our Young Israel. **This week there will be no lunch and learn at 11:30AM.**
- Wednesday, January 11, 2017 - The Soul Series: Rabbi Dovid Goldwasser at 8:00PM.  
Topic: How to Navigate our Life in an Upside-Down World.
- Wednesday, January 18, 2017 - The Soul Series: Rabbi Moshe Weinberger at 8:00PM.  
Topic: The Greatest Miracle in the World “The Jewish People.”
- Wednesday, January 25, 2017 - The Soul Series: Rabbi Yissocher Frand at 8:00PM.  
Topic: 2000 Years of Jewish History Encapsulated into Two Words...
- Wednesday, February 1, 2017 - Sisterhood event: Fashion & Beauty Day. Raffles, Gifts and Prizes.

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**Congregational Family and Shul News**

- Kiddush this Shabbos is sponsored by Elegant Kosher Catering (Yaakov Mizrachi)
- Last week's Hashkama minyan kiddush was co-sponsored by Saul Spitz in honor of Dovie Spitz's 40<sup>th</sup> birthday; and by Marvin & Audrey Robner, in memory of Audrey's father.
- This week's Hashkama minyan kiddush is sponsored by Fred & Judy Farbman in honor of all the people who support the Hashkama minyan. (You know who you are).
- Mazal tov to Edward & Phyllis Chernoff on the marriage of their grandson Yaakov Ze'ev to Yaffa Nulman. Mazel tov to parents Geoffrey & Sabrina Landau.
- Mazal tov to Hal & Anita Beretz on the engagement of their grandson Jeremy Forhman to Nicole Charlat. Mazal tov to uncle and aunt Alan & Debbie Kestenbaum.
- Mazal tov to Rabbi & Rena Gruenstein on the birth of a granddaughter, Eliana. Mazel tov to parents Gitty & Aryeh Mandel.
- We would like to welcome Drs. Felix & Miriam Glaubach as new members to our Young Israel Congregation.

**Building Fund**

- Our deep thanks and gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. George Karfunkel for their generous contribution of \$54,000 to our building fund. Yasher Koach.

**Youth Program - [rabbifried@yicbh.org](mailto:rabbifried@yicbh.org)**

- Father and Child learning this week on Motzei Shabbos starting at 7pm with Pizza and prizes!!!
- High School teens are invited to Learning and Frozen Yogurt every Wednesday night. Please contact Rabbi Fried for timing and location details.

The 2017 Membership Directory of our Young Israel is now available. You can pick one up from the Young Israel office, or you can call the office and request that we either mail you a hard copy or email you a pdf. Yasher koach to the sponsors of the Directory: Penny & Stuart Harris, Mali & Steve Schwartz and Susan & Aaron Weinberg. Special thanks and gratitude to Miriam Greenblatt, Penny Harris, Yakira Navarro and Steve Schwartz for the countless hours spent on this effort.

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