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SHMOOZE NEWS

Parshas Acharei Mos-Kedoshim, April 28, 2018

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השכן אתם בתוך טמאתם

“(I am G-d) who rests among them even amidst their impurity.” Vayikra 16:16

No one has the right to say, “I am too far gone to live a Torah life style. I cannot change, and I have done too many sins to be able to repent.” For that is simply not true. No matter how far a person may have strayed, regardless of how much a person may have sinned, G-d never rejects anyone. Rav Nachman of Breslov wrote about the intensity of depression he once experienced and said that at times he felt that he was in the very depths of hell, so crushed that he believed no greater pain could exist. His only comfort was in the verse in Psalms (139:8), “If I rise to the heavens, you are there, and if I am in the depths of hell, you are there too.” Since there is no place devoid of G-d, one is never alone. Dr. Abraham Twerski had patients with alcohol and drug addictions who wished to be diagnosed as having severe mental illness or brain damage,

Shabbos

Candle Lighting	7:32PM
Mincha/Kabbalas Shabbos	7:00PM
Daf Yomi	8:00AM
Talmud Sotah	8:15AM
Early Minyan	8:00AM
Shacharis	9:00AM
Shiur	6:30PM
Mincha	7:20PM
Havdalah	8:35PM

Weekday

Shacharis

Sunday	8:00AM
Mon – Fri	7:00AM/8:00AM

Mincha

Sun - Thurs	7:40PM
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Jack and Susan Gluck in memory of Milton & Edith Gluck z"l and Nicholas Brecher z"l;

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because that would absolve them of the responsibility of recovery. It is not uncommon for people to consider themselves hopeless in order to avoid the responsibilities that success might bring. There is a bizarre type of comfort in feeling hopeless; this way one does not have to do anything. To people who say, "I am tamei (unclean) and beyond redemption," G-d says, "I am with you even then." Rav Levi Yitzchok of Berdichev said, "You can be for G-d, and you can be against G-d. You just can't be without G-d." In light of the verse cited, we can understand what the Berdicheve Rebbi is saying, because even if man abandons G-d, G-d never abandons man. Since G-d is always with us, let us take advantage of this special relationship.

(Sefer- Living Each Week Rabbi Abraham Twerski M.D.)

Wishing you an inspiring Shabbos!

Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

Lag Ba'Omer is Wednesday night and Thursday this week!

The Refuah Fund, established about a year ago to provide meals for families that are experiencing an illness or sitting shiva, needs a desperate replenishment of funds.

Please donate directly to the Young Israel indicating on your check, or alternative payment, that it is specifically for the Refuah Fund. We take this opportunity to thank Susan Gluck and Susan Packer for establishing and continuing this very important mitzvah.

Yahrzeit Plaques Now Available

If you are interested in purchasing a permanent satin brass Yahrzeit Plaque for a dearly departed loved one on the newly installed automated Yahrzeit memorial displays in our main sanctuary, space is limited, so please fill out the form recently emailed as well as mailed to you and return to our office. If you have any questions, please speak to David Herman. To order a plaque online, please use the website www.yiplaques.com



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Classes and Upcoming Events

- Father & child learning will take place upstairs during Seudah Shlishit.
- Mondays at 10:30AM – Ladies Tehillim Group in the Beis Midrash.

Congregational Family and Shul News

- Kiddush this Shabbos is sponsored by Belinda & Larry Zaret in honor of their daughter Levanna's Bat Mitzvah. Mazal tov to the whole Zaret family!
- Seuda Shlishit this Shabbos is sponsored by Cathy & Jeff Weiss commemorating the yahrzeit of Jeff's father, Morton Weiss.
- Early Minyan Kiddush this Shabbos is sponsored by Miriam & Sheldon Lisbon in honor of the engagement of their granddaughter Dena Schreiber to Shmuel Katz. Mazal Tov to Miriam & Shelly, to parents Julie & Chezkel Schreiber of Silver Spring, Maryland and Rabbi & Mrs. Dovid Katz of Baltimore. Mazal Tov to all Dena's siblings and to her uncle and aunt, Dennis and Rachel Lisbon.
- Mazal Tov to Stanley & Ellen Wasserman on the birth of their great grandson, Aryeh Zalman. Mazal Tov to the grandparents Mark & Anne Wasserman and to the parents Bailey & Andrew Stein.

Building Fund

Please pay your Building Fund pledge as soon as possible. We would like to pay off our Building Fund loan obligation to the bank to avoid paying continued loan interest.

Refuah Sheleimah

We wish refuah sheleimah to: Yakira Navarro, Shlomo Mayer, Allen Packer, Rabbi Simeon Schreiber, Minnie Schraga.

Youth Program

- Any High School Teens that are interested in signing up for an exciting Shabbaton (May 27th-29th) in Orlando please speak to Rabbi Fried for more details.
- On June 13th, there will be a special Middle School trip for all 6th, 7th and 8th graders to Busch Gardens in Tampa. To reserve your spot please email RabbiFried@Yicbh.org
- Father and Child learning will continue this week during a special Shalosh Seudos upstairs. There will be learning, ice cream, and prizes!!!
- High School teens are invited to Learning and Frozen Yogurt every Wednesday night. Please contact Rabbi Fried for timing and location details.
- Any teen that would like to get more involved with advocating for Israel by being a part of a weekly Israel Advocacy meeting on Mondays or attend via Skype please email RabbiFried@YICBH.org

PLANNING A SIMCHA?

In order to avoid any conflicts, please book the social hall well in advance of your simcha.

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Yahrzeits April 28 – May 04, 2018

13 IYAR	Rachel Neuman for her sister, Eva Feldman, on Shabbos, Apr. 28
14 IYAR	Helen Ratzker for her father, Albert Moses, on Sunday, Apr. 29
14 IYAR	Edward Senker for his father, Jerome Senker, on Sunday, Apr. 29
17 IYAR	Anne Kirschner for her father, Avigdor, on Wednesday, May 2
17 IYAR	Shoshana Halpern for her mother, Lea Jakubovic, on Wednesday, May 2
17 IYAR	Jeff Weiss for his father, Morton Weiss, on Wednesday, May 2
18 IYAR	Judy Tuchman for her father, Benjamin Gruss, on Thursday, May 3
18 IYAR	Stephen Eskin for his father, Herbert Eskin, on Thursday, May 3
19 IYAR	Greta Hirmes for her father, William H. Cohen, on Friday, May 4

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The e-mail for Florence, our receptionist/secretary, is florence@yicbh.org

Community notice

Motion activated lights were installed in the pedestrian crosswalk at Collins Avenue and 99th Street. Use of this crosswalk should be avoided on Shabbos and Yom Tov as the lights are motion activated and are turned on as pedestrians cross Collins Avenue.

ATTENTION ALL MEN!

Please do not walk behind the 2 ladies' sections during services.
Please use side doors to enter and exit Sanctuary after 10:00 AM.
Thank you for your cooperation.

If you are interested in sponsoring Kiddush or Seudah Shlishis,
please contact Stuart Harris or Yakira at (305) 866-0203.

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