



# Young Israel Congregation Shmooze News

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**Parshas Miketz, December 28, 2019**

Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein – [rabbi@yicbh.org](mailto:rabbi@yicbh.org) President Menno Ratzker

**Kiddush this week is co-sponsored: by The Gontownik family, commemorating the 20<sup>th</sup> yearzeit of Jerry's father, Avraham Ben Reb Yosef Halevi z"l, and in celebration, over the last year, of the births of three grandchildren to Anne & Jerry, Avraham Meir, to Shira & Ari, Asher Leo to Jordana & Ranan, and Jack Sutton, to Bellene & Yoni; and by Marcia & Stanley Reiter in memory of Stanley's Mother and Brother, Gittel Bat Nathan z"l and Nathan Benjamin Ben Yitzach David z"l.**

**Early minyan kiddush is sponsored by Audrey & Moshe Rubner in memory of Audrey's father's yearzeit Pinchas Aryeh Ben Yaakov (Leslie Krakovits) z"l.**



**Shabbos Chanukah &  
Shabbos Rosh Chodesh**

**יען יוסף את פרעה לאמר בלעדי אלקים יענה את שלום פרעה**

**“Yosef answered Pharaoh saying it is beyond me; it is G-d who will respond to Pharaoh's welfare.” Bereishis 41:16**

The Torah is telling us that before Yosef answered Pharaoh's question about his dream, he asserted that he deserved no credit for giving an interpretation. “It is beyond me (said Yosef), it is G-d who will respond to Pharaoh's welfare”. The Midrash comments that he gave credit to the true master. It has always been the practice of righteous Jews not to attribute their accomplishments to themselves. This behavior is found in the miracle of Chanukah itself. The Chashmonaim are portrayed as mighty warriors who fearlessly fought the Syrian Greek armies and led the Jewish people to victory. They displayed great courage and heroism. Yet in the wording of the Al Hanisim prayer a different picture emerges. מסרת גבורים ביד חלשים. You G-d delivered the mighty into the hands of the weak.

## Shabbos

Candle Lighting	5:19PM
Mincha/Kabbalas Shabbos	5:25PM
Talmud Shiur	8:15AM
Early Minyan	8:00AM
Shacharis	9:00AM
Shiur	4:20PM
Mincha	5:05PM
Havdalah	6:23PM

## Weekday

### Daf Yomi

Sunday after 8:00AM minyan  
Mon-Fri after 7:00AM minyan

### Shacharis

Sunday	8:00AM
Mon-Fri	7:00AM/8:00AM

### Mincha

Sun-Thu	5:25PM
Next Fri Candle Lighting	5:24PM



**The weekly Shmooze News is dedicated by:**

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

**Penny Harris in memory of Arnold and Myrtle Mullens z"l and Stuart Harris z"l;**

**Aaron & Susan Weinberg in memory of Jack & Helen Weinberg z"l**

**and Morris & Nellie Fischer z"l.**

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The Chashmonaim openly admitted that they were weak people, Kohanim who weren't experienced in the ways of war. Their great heroics are downplayed by the phrase, you delivered the mighty into the hands of the weak. The righteous Chashmonaim honestly gave credit where it was due – to G-d. It was not their strength or mighty tactics that brought about victory, but it was the hand of G-d that orchestrated the miracle; they were merely the players chosen to bring about the salvation of the Jewish people. This idea is also mentioned in the words of Zechariah, the prophet in the Haftorah for Shabbos Chanukah: "Not through armies and not through might, but through my spirit, says G-d master of legions." (Sefer- Ateres Avraham)

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

**Your account statement has been sent. As you do your end-of-year tax planning, this is the perfect opportunity to clear your statement balance and make additional end-of-year donations. Your support is greatly appreciated.**

**This Year's Annual Young Israel Gala Dinner**  
*We are proud to announce that our Distinguished Honorees  
for this year's Annual Dinner will be:*  
**Howard Barbanel and Jonathan Gerzberg**  
**SAVE THE DATE-SUNDAY FEBRUARY 23, 2020**

**The 2020 Young Israel Membership Directory is now available!**  
**You can pick up a copy from the Young Israel office, or ask Steve Schwartz for one in shul.**

**Yahrzeit Plaques Available**

If you are interested in purchasing a permanent satin brass Yahrzeit Plaque for a dearly departed loved one on our beautiful automated Yahrzeit memorial displays in our main sanctuary, please contact David Herman or the Young Israel office. To order a plaque online, please use the website [www.yiplaques.com](http://www.yiplaques.com).

**If you have any comments, complaints or suggestions regarding our building  
please give them directly either to  
Menno Ratzker (201)906-4887, mhr36@aol.com, or to  
Yakira Navarro (305)866-0203, yakira@yicbh.org**



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- Sunday after 8:00AM minyan, Monday-Friday after 7:00AM minyan – Daf Yomi with Rabbi Aryeh Citron. They are studying the last Masechet in Shas – Masechet Niddah. Now is a great time to join the shiur.
- Mondays at 10:30AM – Ladies Tehillim Group in the Beis Midrash.
- Talmud Shiur Monday-Friday 6:25AM.
- Fathers and children Motzei Shabbos by Yossi Manne with pizza and prizes starting at 7:00PM.
- Mondays at 7:30PM – Class on Parsha of the week by Rabbi Yaacov Laredo, Director of the Miami Torah Center. **No class this week.**
- **Tuesday class will resume Jan 14 at 7:30PM** in the YI Beis Midrash – Rabbi Gruenstein continuing last year’s class on Navi, the book of Shmuel. For men and women.
- Sunday Dec 29 – 12PM to 2PM – Young Israel Chanukah party.
- Monday Dec 30 at 11:30AM – Sisterhood presents Rosh Chodesh Tevet. A dim sum cooking demonstration by Yael Aburos. No charge for YI members, \$10 for non-members.
- Tuesday Dec 31 at 7:00PM – For Young Professionals - “Meat” the Torah with food for thought. An evening of fascinating Torah topics in Jewish thought and philosophy followed by a great barbecue and a walk to the beach to see the fireworks. **Please RSVP to Jonathan Gerszberg.**
- Shabbos Jan 3-4, 2020 – Scholar in Residence Malcolm Hoenlein, Executive Vice Chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, the coordinating body on international and national concerns for 52 national Jewish organizations. **Please make your dinner reservations.**
- Every Wednesday, starting Jan 8 at 11:30AM – Lunch & Learn for men & women – Topic: parsha of the week by Rabbi Gruenstein.
- Motzei Shabbos Jan 11 at 8:30PM – New Member Melava Malka at the Young Israel Congregation for members who have joined our shul over the last three years. **Please RSVP to** [florence@yicbh.org](mailto:florence@yicbh.org) or [yakira@yicbh.org](mailto:yakira@yicbh.org) with your response.

### Congregational Family and Shul News

- Last week early minyan kiddush was sponsored by Judy & Fred Farbman.
- Mazal Tov on the engagement in Israel of Emma Harris, daughter of Jeffrey & Jodi Harris, to Daniel Lasko, son of David & Amy Lasko of Hollywood, Florida.
- A warm welcome to our new members Dr Jonathan Carp, Sheryl & Gerald Hartman, Reize & Howard Sipzner.

### Building Fund

- Our deep thanks and gratitude to the below for their additional generous contributions to our building fund:  
An anonymous donor for his donation of \$10,000  
and  
Dr Alan Packer for his donation of \$7,500.  
Yasher Koach!

### Refuah Sheleimah

- We wish refuah sheleimah to Allan Krieger, Shelly Lisbon and Allen Packer.

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#### Yahrzeits December 28 – January 3, 2019

30 KISLEV	Leon Weinschneider for his father, Sidney Weinschneider, on Shabbos, Dec. 28
1 TEVET	Aaron Eidelman for his father, Julius, on Sunday, Dec. 29
1 TEVET	Maxine Jacobson for her mother, Chaya Sarah Sadie Neamtan, on Sunday, Dec. 29
2 TEVET	Audrey Rubner for her father, Pinchas Aryeh ben Yaakov Krakovits, on Monday, Dec. 30
3 TEVET	Andrew Lowinger for his brother, on Tuesday, Dec. 31
4 TEVET	Lawrence Jaffe for his uncle, Samuel Graw, on Wednesday, Jan. 1
4 TEVET	Miriam Greenblatt for her mother, Poyla Bas Yosef Gunzenhauser, on Wednesday, Jan. 1
5 TEVET	Mark Soloway for his father, Lewis Soloway, on Thursday, Jan. 2
5 TEVET	Max Dekelbaum for his father-in-law, Jack Schneider, on Thursday, Jan. 2
5 TEVET	Miriam Kriger for her mother-in-law, Hannah Kriger, on Thursday, Jan. 2
5 TEVET	Talia Berner for her grandfather, Rodolfo Ellenbogen Ellenbogen, on Thursday, Jan. 2

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#### **Important Message from a Member:**

Unfortunately, my kidneys are failing and I need a live donor transplant as quickly as possible. Please share my story and help me find the kidney donor who will save my life. Please visit and direct any potential donors (must have A or O blood type) to my website <https://akidneyforallan.com>. Also, I ask that you follow and share my social media pages with your friends and ask them to share. Casting as wide a net as possible is essential to finding a donor. Your help and prayers are gratefully appreciated. I look forward to speaking under better circumstances.

With much gratitude, **Allan Krieger**

**Shabbat Dinner:** During the winter months, Shabbat Dinners are available for purchase at local area restaurants such as Kosh and Backyard BBQ, both on Harding Avenue.

Please contact the restaurants directly for reservations, cost and availability.

**Eruv Bal Harbour:** The Eruv in Bal Harbour includes the inner (western) walking path only. The pier at Haulover Cut is not included. We would like to emphasize that every Erev Shabbos, individuals should call the Eruv Hotline to make sure that the Eruv is operational prior to carrying on Shabbos. The number is 305-866-ERUV (3788). The Eruv message is recorded approximately two hours prior to Candle Lighting. Miami Beach Eruv web page: [www.miamibeacheruv.com](http://www.miamibeacheruv.com)

**Kiddush and Seudah Shlishis:** Every Shabbos, the Young Israel has a beautiful Kiddush after Mussaf, as well as a Seudah Shlishis between Mincha and Maariv. Please join us!

Please submit all insertions for the Shmooze News to  
[yakira@vicbh.org](mailto:yakira@vicbh.org) by noon on Thursday

If you are interested in sponsoring Kiddush or Seudah Shlishis,  
please contact Yakira at (305) 866-0203 or Max Dekelbaum (240) 832-5054