Shabbos

Candle Lighting 5:21PM
Mincha/Kabbalas Shabbos 5:25PM
Shabbos 8:00PM
Daf Yomi 8:00AM
Early Minyan 8:00AM
Shacharis 9:00AM
Shiur 4:20PM
Mincha 5:05PM
Havdalah 6:25PM

Weekday

Shacharis Sunday 8:00AM
Mon-Fri 7:00AM
Mincha 8:00AM
Sun-Thurs 5:30PM

Our great patriarch Yaakov was blessed with twelve righteous children and yet Yaakov tells Yosef that in the future all Jewish people will bless their sons to be like his grandchildren Ephraim and Menashe. What was so special about them? The explanation given is that there was tremendous potential for this situation to mushroom into a major machlokes (argument). Ephraim is the youngest son yet he received the primary blessing. Menashe, his older brother, could have become jealous and resentful, yet there is absolutely no ill will and animosity between these two brothers. Therefore, we bless our children that they should live with their siblings in peace and harmony, just like Ephraim and Menashe, for there is no greater pain to a parent than to see his children not get along and there is no greater nachas for a parent then to see a warm and loving relationship among their children. May G-d bless us all to see only nachas and simchas from our children and grandchildren as they follow in the footsteps of Ephraim and Menashe.

Wishing you an inspiring Shabbos!
Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

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.
Lectures

- Wednesday January 3, 8:00PM we will be hosting a special guest speaker, the noted Rabbi Aaron Rakeffet-Rothkoff from Gruss Kollel in Jerusalem. His topic will be “World in Conflict: Liberalism versus Tradition on the Contemporary Israeli Scene.” Please join us for a most inspiring evening.
- Tuesday January 9, 2018, 8:00PM – Lecture by Michal Horowitz.
- Wednesday January 17, 2018, 8:00PM – Lecture by Rabbi Eli Mansour.
- Wednesday January 24, 2018, 8:00PM – Lecture by Rabbi Zechariya Walerstein.
- Monday February 19, 2018 8:00PM – Lecture by Dr. David Pelkowitz.

SAVE THE DATES

- January 12-13: Our first community-wide Shabbaton with dinner Friday night. Scholar-in-Residence Mr. Richard Joel, former President of Yeshiva University 2003-2017 and former President and International Director of the Hillel Foundation. Flier with program and dinner reservation information has been sent out. Please reserve early.
- February 2-3: Community-wide Shabbaton.

SPONSORS WELCOME FOR BOTH SHABBATONS.

The Refuah Fund of The Young Israel Congregation has been established and is in need of additional contributions. The purpose of the Refuah Fund is to assist members with meals during their stressful period of recovery. For more information please contact Susan Gluck or Susan Packer.

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:

HELEN AND MENNO RATZKER

and that our dinner chairman will be Meir Cosiol

SAVE THE DATE – SUNDAY FEBRUARY 18, 2018
Classes and Upcoming Events

- Father & Child learning on Motzei Shabbos starting at 7:00PM with pizza and special prizes.
- Mondays at 10:30AM – Ladies Tehillim Group in the Beis Midrash.
- Mondays at 11:30AM – Lunch & Learn by Rabbi Gruenstein.
- Mondays 8:00PM-9:00PM – Beis Midrash learning with Yeshivah Toras Chaim. 30 young Talmudic scholars will be available to learn with anyone in our community.
- Starting Wednesday December 20, 8:00-9:00PM, class with Rabbi Eli Reisel, every other Wednesday. Intellectual conversation on topics of the Talmud.
- Thursdays 10:00AM-12:00PM - Women class with Rebbetzin Baumann.

Congregational Family and Shul News

- Kiddush this Shabbos is sponsored by the Ashkenazi and Darmon family in honor of the marriage of Danit Ashkenazi to Jeremy Darmon.
- Early Minyan Kiddush is sponsored by Seymour Pinewski, Alan Hirmes, Shlomo Mayer, Jake Harman, Jerry Wolf, Willie Senders, Ilan Mosery, Mark Gleitman, Marty Kessler, Alex Lebowitz, Sammy Singer. In thanks to the Young Israel hospitality and in honor of Judy and Fred Farbman.
- Mazal Tov to Amy and Jack Benishai on the birth of their grandson, Asher Gideon Benishai. Mazel Tov to proud parents Amanda and Isaac Benishai and big sister, Gracie.
- Mazal Tov to Shelly & Miriam Lisbon for their granddaughter Dina Schreiber’s graduation from the university of Maryland School of Business.
- Mazal Tov to Susan & Martin Packer on the engagement of their granddaughter, Lauren, daughter of Yali & Paul Packer of Hewlett Bay Park, to Yoel Schrier son of Shopsie & Julie Schrier of Woodmere New York.
- Welcome to our new member family, Raoul & Shirley Cappell.

Refuah Sheleimah

We wish refuah sheleimah to: Allen Packer, Alexander ben Esther Raizel; Rabbi Simeon Schreiber, Shimon ben Blima; Minnie Schraga; Shlomo Mayer, Shlomo Yisroel ben Sarah.

Youth Program

- High School teens are invited to Learning and Frozen Yogurt every Wednesday night. Please check for weekly 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
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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.

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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.

Yahrzeits Dec. 30, 2017 – Jan 5, 2018
13 TEVET Yossi Zazon for his father, Moshe Glicksman, on Sunday, Dec. 31
14 TEVET Simon Truzman for his son, Joseph Yehudah Truzman, on Monday, Jan. 1
15 TEVET Miriam Lisbon for her father, Shlomo, on Tuesday, Jan. 2
15 TEVET Miriam Lisbon for her mother, Frieda, on Tuesday, Jan. 2
15 TEVET Pessia Frankel for her father, Moshe Alter, on Tuesday, Jan. 2
15 TEVET Max Dekelbaum for his grandfather-in-law, Meyer Schneider, on Tuesday, Jan. 2
18 TEVET Herman Berger for his father, Shlomo Berger, on Friday, Jan. 5

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