



Young Israel Congregation Shmooze News

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Parshas Mishpatim, February 2, 2019

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in honor of his lovely wife Judy on a very special birthday this Shabbos.**

**Shabbos Mevarchim Chodesh Adar I
Rosh Chodesh will be Tuesday & Wednesday**

ואלה המשפטים אשר תשים לפניהם

**“And these are the social laws which you shall set before
them.” Sh'mos 21:1**

Rashi explains that the conjunction “*and* these are the social laws” combine this portion of the Torah with the preceding one, which contains the Ten Commandments given at Sinai. This is to indicate that all the laws that follow are of divine authorship just as are the Ten Commandments. The social laws of the Torah differ from the secular social laws in that the former cannot be changed or nullified. No matter how brilliant the Torah scholars may be, neither they nor the Sanhedrin (Supreme Court), or even the king of Israel, have the power to abrogate the Torah view on social issues.

Regardless of how times and social conditions may change, and regardless of what compelling arguments may be presented, Torah laws remain eternal. When new circumstances require application of Torah law, the latter must be fashioned within the guidelines of established Torah principles. There is no “amending the constitution,” neither by two-thirds vote nor even by unanimous vote. In our time, we have witnessed the hazards of a system of laws that is totally subject to human determination. Society’s view on abortion, euthanasia, and sexual morality has changed dramatically in just the last 30 years.

Shabbos

Candle Lighting	5:46PM
Mincha/Kabbalas Shabbos	5:50PM
Talmud Sotah	8:15AM
Early Minyan	8:00AM
Shacharis	9:00AM
Shiur	4:45PM
Mincha	5:30PM
Havdalah	6:49PM

Weekday

Talmud Shiur	6:15AM
Daf Yomi	
Sun-Fri after 7:00AM Minyan	
Shacharis	
Sunday	8:00AM
Mon-Fri	7:00/8:00AM
Mincha	
Sun-Thurs	5:55PM
Next Fri Candle Lighting 5:51PM	



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 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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That which once upon a time was seen as immoral, or akin to murder, is totally acceptable today. For the social conditions and attitudes radically change and alter the laws of morality. In Torah law, the concepts of life and death, what is moral and immoral, are immutable or unchangeable. Laws of divine origin do not change with time, place and circumstance. The Sefas Emes states that Moshe Rabbeinu was reluctant to explain the logical basis of social laws to the Jewish people, lest they assume that these are subject to logical manipulation. Although he did so at the command of G-d, we must remember that observance of these laws is ultimately not because we consider them logical but because they are the divine will.

Have an inspiring Shabbos!

Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

Our 2019 Annual Journal Dinner will be on **Sunday, March 3, 2019.**

Guests of Honor

Rabbi Moshe and Rena Gruenstein

Paying tribute to our past presidents:

Daniel Courtney, Max Dekelbaum, Jack Gluck,

Morris Kaplan, David Kwiat, Shelly Lisbon, Aaron Weinberg,

Invitations have been mailed – please respond to the call to support our shul.

This is our largest fundraiser of the year – please give generously!

Upcoming Scholar-in-Residence/Lectures

- **Tue, Feb 12 – Rabbi Yissocher Frand – 8PM**
- **Feb 22-23 – Second Scholar-in-Residence Shabbaton:** Rabbi Shai Finkelstein, Rav of Kehillat Nitzanim, Baka, Jerusalem. Formerly Rabbi of the Baron Hirsch Synagogue in Memphis, Tennessee.

THIS WEEK'S SEUDAH SHLISHIT

Rabbi Kalman Samuels, Founder of Shalva, an organization in Israel dedicated to help children with special needs, will speak during Seudah Shlishit.

HOLD THE DATE

**Tasting of Israeli Wines & Hors d' oeuvres March 19th at 7:30pm
to benefit the Kosher Food Bank of South Florida.**

Please see Shelley or Eddie Senker for more information.

The Refuah Fund provides meals for families that are experiencing an illness or sitting Shiva.

Please donate directly to the Young Israel indicating on your check, or alternative payment, that it is specifically for the Refuah Fund. Special thanks to Susan Gluck and Susan Packer for establishing and continuing this very important mitzvah. Thanks to everyone who already contributed to the Refuah fund!

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Classes and Upcoming Events

- Saturday night 7:15PM – Father & Child program.
- Mondays at 10:30AM – Ladies Tehillim Group in the Beis Midrash.
- Daf Yomi with Rabbi Aryeh Citron Sunday-Friday after Shacharis.
- Talmud Class by Rabbi Gruenstein, Monday-Friday 6:30AM
- Mondays 8:00PM-8:45PM – Community Learning Program with Yeshiva Toras Chaim, Toras Emes and Bais Midrash Zichron Ezra, at Young Israel. **No program this week.**
- Tuesdays 2:00PM-3:00PM – Weekly Character Development Workshop given by Rabbi Berel Simpser – for women only.
- Monday February 4, 1:00PM-6:00PM – Annual boutique – Sisterhood of YIBH.
- Tuesday February 5, 8:00PM – National Council of Young Israel Youth Forum “Rocking the cradle...our youth in the current environment.”
- Thursday February 7, 10:00AM-6:00PM – Sisterhood exclusive Trunk Show at Oceana, Bal Harbour 10203 Collins Avenue (private room).
- Monday February 11, 11:30AM – Rosh Chodesh Lunch 'n Learn for women featuring popular lecturer Mrs. Tobi Ash.

Congregational Family and Shul News

- This week's kiddush is unsponsored.
- This week's early minyan kiddush is sponsored by Fred Farbman in honor of his lovely wife Judy on a very special birthday this Shabbos.
- A warm welcome to our new members Adrienne & Michael Wolfe and Edith & Steven Greenberg.
- With profound sadness, we announce the passing of Roslyn "Bunny" Sand, z"l beloved mother of our esteemed member Tammy Friedman, and mother in law of Ambassador David Friedman.

Refuah Sheleimah

We wish refuah sheleimah to: Shelly Lisbon, Allen Packer, Minnie Schraga.

Youth Program

- 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

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Yahrzeits February 2 – February 8, 2019

1 ADAR I Marc Lewison for his father, Baruch Lewison, on Wednesday, Feb. 6
1 ADAR I Judy Tuchman for her mother, Esther Gruss, on Wednesday, Feb. 6

Please report any errors or omissions to the Young Israel office or email stevenbarryschwartz@gmail.com

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.

IF YOU ARE PLANNING A SIMCHA...

Please note that all members or non-members planning to use our social hall for a private lunch on Shabbat or Yom Tov at the Young Israel will be able to have their private affair ONLY after our Congregants have finished their regular Shabbat or Yom Tov Kiddush in the FULL Social Hall.

Reservations for a Simcha, by members or non-members, will be on a first come basis and the date will be finalized once the deposit is provided. We appreciate everyone's cooperation.

**WIZO Florida CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF WIZO FLORIDA
GALA DINNER - Wednesday, February 6 – The Diplomat Beach Resort
Tickets: Ads+ Packages: WWW.WIZOOFLO.ORG/GALA**

Teach Florida's campaign for more security funding for Jewish day schools is underway. Rep. Randy Fine's bill HB 2105 aims to increase last year's record \$145 per student allocation. Our children are our most important assets and protecting them is our number one priority. To become an advocate for this bill email teachcoalition@teachflorida.org.

The Holocaust Documentation & Education Center, Inc. presents

THE KURT WALDHEIM AFFAIR:

**The Postwar World's Most Sensational Nazi Scandal featuring Eli Rosenbaum & Neal Sher.
Sunday, February 17, 2019 - 1:30PM-4:PM - 303 N. Federal Highway, Dania Beach, FL 33004**

RSVP required to education@hdec.org or (954) 929-5690 X304

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

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