



Young Israel Congregation Shmooze News

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Parshas Terumah, February 29, 2020

Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein – rabbi@yicbh.org President Menno Ratzker

Kiddush this week is sponsored by Susan & Aaron Weinberg in honor of the birthdays of their children, Elissa and Joshua.

Early minyan kiddush this week is co-sponsored by Aryeh & Channy Citron, thanking the Young Israel and all the friends who assisted him during the time of his recent surgery; by Nicole & Marc Gleitman commemorating the yahrzeit of Marc's father, Arnold Gleitman z"l (Aron ben Avrom Moshe z"l); and by Janet & Sholom Spitz, commemorating the yahrzeit of Sholom's Mother, Shirley Spitz Stein z"l (Bat Sheva Bas Yakov z"l), and of Sholom's Father, Harry Spitz z"l (R' Naftali Tzvi Hertz Ben R' Yehoshua z"l).

ועשית שלחן עצי שטים

**And you shall make a table of acacia (Shittim) wood.
Shmos 25:23**

The table, as well as the ark and the altar, was made of acacia wood. This was undoubtedly an extremely fine wood, fitting for such a high purpose as forming the holy furnishings of the Mishkan. Rabbeinu Bachya finds an additional homiletic significance to the use of this wood, which, in Hebrew, is called Shittim. This forms an acronym for the words Shalom, Tovah, Yeshuah, and Mechilah, which mean peace, goodness, salvation, and forgiveness. In other words, all the gifts the Jewish people enjoyed, which these four blessings encompass, came to them through the conduit of the holy furnishings and vessels of the Mishkan and the Beis Hamikdash. But what about our own times, when we no longer have these furnishings and vessels? How can we continue to receive these gifts? Rabbeinu Bachya answers this question by citing a famous passage from the Talmud (Chagiga 27a), "Now that the Beis Hamikdash is no longer standing, a person receives atonement through his own table." Which "table" atones for us and brings us blessings now that we don't have the Beis Hamikdash? Our dining room table! If we feed the poor, welcome the travelers, and host guests at our table, then the dining

Shabbos

Candle Lighting	6:03PM
Mincha/Kabbalas	6:10PM
Shabbos	
Early Minyan	8:00AM
Shacharis	9:00AM
Shiur	5:05PM
Mincha	5:50PM
Havdalah	7:07PM

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 6:10PM

Next Fri Candle Lighting 6:07PM



The weekly Shmooze News is dedicated by:

Jack & Susan Gluck in memory of Milton & Edith Gluck z"l ;

Nicholas & Margaret Brecher z"l;

Penny Harris in memory of Arnold & 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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room table or the kitchen table, for that matter, becomes our own personal altar of atonement. Rabbeinu Bachya concludes on this awesome note, “There is a custom among pious people in France to construct their coffins from wood taken from their dining room tables.” Think of the imagery. The people who have known the deceased, who have sat at his dining room table, came to his funeral, and see him being buried in a coffin that looks exactly like his dining room table! The message is clear, says Rabbeinu Bachya. A person takes nothing along with him to the world of truth except for the Torah he learned, the Mitzvos he performed, the charity he gave, and the goodness that he shared with other people around his dining room table. (*Sefer-Rabbi Frand on the Parsha*)

Wishing all of you an inspiring Shabbos!

Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

ANNUAL DINNER 2020: This year’s annual dinner was the most successful ever. We thank everyone who participated. We are especially thankful to our Office Manager, Yakira Navarro, and Florence Malgouyard for outstanding jobs in every aspect of this dinner, while simultaneously managing the day to day activities. Thanks once again to Mali Schwartz for her active participation helping to coordinate the schedules and creating & editing the videos.

Purim 2020:

Mishloach Manot: Please place your order of Mishloach Manot as soon as you can. Let us know if you are going to be in town and if you would like to donate your basket to the food bank. If you need help placing the order, please contact the Shul’s office and we will place it for you.

DEADLINE EXTENDED TO MARCH 4, 2020. 12:00PM

Purim Seudah Reservations: Young Israel invites you to a Roaring 20s grand Purim Seudah on Tuesday, March 10 at 5:00PM. \$60 for members, \$70 for nonmembers, & \$36 for children.

Please RSVP to Yakira@yicbh.org (305)866-0203

Packing Mishloach Manot: Sunday, March 8: 1:00PM-4:00PM

Purim Night /Pick up Baskets: Maariv 7:45PM followed by Megillah reading at the Shul. You will be able to pick up your basket after Megillah reading with a sign out process (third year trying this is a charm).

Mishloach Manot Delivery: Please let us know if you can volunteer delivering the Mishloach Manot on Purim day.

Please email the Shul’s office if you would like to donate your basket to the FOOD BANK, those baskets will be delivered by teen volunteers on Tuesday, March 10. Please reach out.

Purim Seudah: If you would like to help decorate the room for the seudah on Tuesday, March 10-please reach out.

If you are interested in volunteering for any of the above or if you have questions, please text or call Bianca Senker 305 790-7067

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- Sunday after 8:00AM minyan, Monday-Friday after 7:00AM minyan – Daf Yomi with Rabbi Aryeh Citron. Now is a great time to join the shiur.
- Talmud Shiur Monday-Friday 6:25AM by Rabbi Gruenstein.
- Fathers and children Motzei Shabbos by Yossi Manne with pizza and prizes starting at 7:30PM.
- Mondays at 10:30AM – Ladies Tehillim Group in the Beis Midrash.
- Every Monday at 11:30AM – Lunch & Learn for men & Women – Topic: Fascinating insights into the Parsha by Rabbi Gruenstein.
- Tuesday class at 7:30PM in the YI Beis Midrash – Rabbi Gruenstein is continuing last year's class on Navi, the book of Shmuel. For men and women.
- Every Monday – Taekwondo classes for boys. Special YI member rate: \$90 per month, per child, for 4 classes: Monday from 5:30 to 6:30 for the 6-9 years old - Monday from 6:30 to 7:30 for the 10-13 years old.
- Starting Feb 11 - Free Hebrew Class - Every Tuesday and Thursday at 6pm for 1.5 hours. To register, please contact Jonathan Gerszberg at YIBHYJPEvents@gmail.com.
- Wednesday March 4 at 8:00PM – For Young Professionals - “Meat” the Torah with food for thought. An evening of fascinating Torah topics in Jewish thought and philosophy by Rabbi Gruenstein, followed by a great barbecue. Please RSVP to Jonathan Gerszberg, weyfarer2@aol.com
- March 27 at 8:15PM - Carlebach & Comedy Friday night. Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat Services open to all, followed by a dinner – Featuring special guest comedienne Talia Reese. Early bird registration by March 25: \$40 – Last minute registration from March 26: \$50 – Family maximum: \$110. For more info and to register, please visit: www.tinyurl.com/sbbymen.

Congregational Family and Shul News

- This week's Seuda Shlishis is co-sponsored by Susan & Jack Gluck commemorating the Yahrzeit of Jack's mother, Edith Gluck z"l, Chanah Bas Yitzchok Isaac, z"l; and by Golda & Martin Jacobs commemorating the yahrzeit of Martin's father, Yonah Ben Moshe HaKohen z"l, (Ernest Jacobs).

Refuah Sheleimah

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



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Yahrzeits February 29 – March 6, 2020

4 ADAR	Jack Gluck for his mother, Edith Gluck, on Shabbos, Feb. 29
4 ADAR	Iris Herssein for her sister, Segal Orit bat Shmuel Alhassid, on Shabbos, Feb. 29
4 ADAR	Saul Spitz for his mother, Shirley Spitz, on Shabbos, Feb. 29
5 ADAR	Susan Diamond for her father, Jerome Schottenstein, on Sunday, Mar. 1
6 ADAR	Rena Gruenstein for her father, Chaim Yoel, on Monday, Mar. 2
6 ADAR	Ricardo Berner for his grandmother, Feigue bat Zeev (Wolf), on Monday, Mar. 2
7 ADAR	Robert Frankel for his father, Mordechai Frankel, on Tuesday, Mar. 3
9 ADAR	Marc Gleitman for his father, Aharon ben Avraham Moshe, on Thursday, Mar. 5
9 ADAR	Sidney Gordon for his son, Matthew Gordon, on Thursday, Mar. 5
9 ADAR	Heshie Greenblatt for his brother, Bernie Greenblatt, on Thursday, Mar. 5
9 ADAR	Michael Levine for his mother, Ruth Levine, on Thursday, Mar. 5
9 ADAR	Sura Fried for her father, Meir Moskowitz, on Thursday, Mar. 5
10 ADAR	Rochelle Senker for her mother, Miriam Barouh, on Friday, Mar. 6
10 ADAR	Freda Greenbaum for her father, Max Faiwlowicz, on Friday, Mar. 6
10 ADAR	Leon Brum for his father, Philip Brum, on Friday, Mar. 6
10 ADAR	Martin Jacobs for his father, Yona Jacobs, on Friday, Mar. 6

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Dear Congregants and Community Members:

One of the most vital functions of a member of a community within our democracy is to exercise the right to vote in local and national elections. In local elections, voter turnout is less than twenty percent of the population of a particular area, so in smaller towns, literally every vote matter. As our community grows it is helpful to have elected officials who represent us and our needs.

To make sure you are registered: <https://registration.elections.myflorida.com/en/CheckVoterStatus>

To register to vote: <https://registertovoteflorida.gov/home>

To vote by mail: <https://miamidade.electionsfl.org/vrservices/mbrs>

Shabbat Dinner: During the winter months, Shabbat Dinners are available for purchase at local area restaurants such as Kosh and Backyard BBQ on Harding Avenue and King David Cuisine on Collins 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

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@yicbh.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