



Young Israel Congregation Shmooze News

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Parshas Va'eira, January 25, 2020

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This week's kiddush is co-sponsored by Rina Kressel, her children and grandchildren, in honor of Henry Kressel's birthday; and by Bert Fried in honor of his dear wife, Sura. Early minyan kiddush is co-sponsored by Jana & Moshe Banin, in honor of Zachary Banin's one year Bar Mitzvah anniversary; by Shelli & Harvey Dachs, commemorating the yahrzeit of Harvey's father Harold Dachs, Tzvi ben Moshe z"l; and by Lemor & Murry England.

Shabbos Mevarchim Chodesh Shevat

Rosh Chodesh will be Monday.

הִירָא אֶת דְּבַר ה' " מַעֲבָדֵי פֶרְעָה הִנִּיס אֶת עַבְדָּיו וְאֶת מִקְנֵהוּ אֶל הַבָּתִּים
וְאֲשֶׁר לֹא שֵׁם לְבוֹ אֶל דְּבַר ה' " וַיַּעֲזֹב אֶת עַבְדָּיו וְאֶת מִקְנֵהוּ בַשָּׂדֶה

“Those among the servants of Pharaoh who feared the word of G-d hurried his servants and his livestock into houses.

And those who did not take the word of G-d to heart left his servants and livestock in the field.” Shmos 9:20-21

The Torah describes here two different types of people, those who feared the word of G-d, and those who did not take the word of G-d to heart. Since these two classes of people are total opposites of each other, the verse should have stated, “those who did not fear the word of G-d;” why does it say instead, “those who did not take the word of G-d to heart?” The great Rav Yosef Chaim Sonnenfeld explains that the Torah is teaching us a new definition of what it means to fear or not to fear G-d. You may have thought that a person who demonstrably commits sinful and sacrilegious acts is an individual who does not fear G-d. But the Torah is teaching us that the mere fact that someone does not take the word of G-d to heart is the problem. They don't necessarily do anything wrong – in fact, they do mitzvos, but they do them with apathy and indifference. It's lethargic and robotic Judaism. In other words, they are observant but not religious. They do mitzvos but it's devoid of passion and feeling. This type of observant Judaism is one of the many challenges facing Orthodox Judaism today. In

Shabbos

Candle Lighting	5:40PM
Mincha/Kabbalas	5:45PM
Shabbos	
Talmud Shiur	8:15AM
Early Minyan	8:00AM
Shacharis	9:00AM
Shiur	4:45PM
Mincha	5:30PM
Havdalah	6:44PM

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 5:45PM

Next Fri Candle Lighting 5:45PM



The weekly Shmooze News is dedicated by:

**Jack & Susan Gluck in memory of Milton & Edith Gluck z"l ; Nicholas Brecher z"l
and Margaret 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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order to transmit a Torah way of life to the next generation, it must be an Aish Hatorah, a Torah of fire and passion. So, on the one hand, we should pat ourselves on the back that at least we are doing the mitzvos, which is certainly a great merit, especially when, unfortunately, the majority of the Jews are not. But, on the other hand, we must try to infuse our observance with passion, love, and joy that we are privileged to be part of such a magnificent nation, a nation which is the chosen of G-d and by truly appreciating what we have and who we are, we will then have the enthusiasm and excitement to properly pass on this magnificent legacy to the next generation.

Sefer: Chochmas Chaim

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

PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS ASAP

**This year's annual Young Israel Gala Dinner will be on
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2020
At 6:00PM in your beautiful social hall.**

Our Honorees are:

**Howard Barbanel and
Jonathan Gerszberg**

**This is our major fundraiser of the year - Please respond
generously by becoming a sponsor or benefactor!**

Note: ad deadline is February 7, 2020

Friday night, February 14, we will have our second Shabbaton, featuring:

Rabbi Marvin Hier, Founder and CEO of the Wiesenthal Center.

Rabbi David Stav, Chairman of the Tzohar organization, will address us before Mussaf.

Friday night dinner: \$80 members - \$90 non-members - \$25 children (under 12).

Please RSVP to the Shul's office (305) 866-0203

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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.
- Mondays at 10:30AM – Ladies Tehillim Group in the Beis Midrash.
- Every Monday at 11:30AM – Lunch & Learn for men & women – **No class this week.**
- Fathers and children Motzei Shabbos by Yossi Manne. **Due to winter break there will be no program this week.** We will resume after winter break at 7:30PM.
- Mondays at 7:30PM – Class on Parsha of the week by Rabbi Yaacov Laredo. **No class this week.**
- 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.
- Starting Monday, Jan 7 – 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.
- Monday, Jan 27 – 11:30AM - YI Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh Lunch and Learn – A Holistic approach to a good night's sleep with Dr Daniela Schraga. Sponsored by Roslyn Jaffe and Lillian Glick.
- Shabbos Jan 31 - 5:50PM - Friday night Carlebach services followed by a Shabbat dinner - \$36/person, maximum \$110 per family. **Please RSVP to <https://tinyurl.com/tv8fauj>**
- Friday, January 31 - 6PM – **Shabbat dinner singles 55+** - King David Restaurant - 10245 Collins Ave. Bal Harbour - RSVP: 561-674-6506 - Dinner \$95.00 all included (mention “single” when rsvp) – Space is limited.
- Wednesday Feb 5 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
- 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.
- Shabbos Feb 21- 6:00PM – Carlebach Friday night dinner - Meet hundreds of singles in their 20's and 30's - \$50 per person. Shabbat Chazanut with Chazzan Shimmy Miller along with Young Israel Beth-El Choir from Boro Park, Brooklyn, NY. Followed by davening for Shabbos morning. Chazzan and choir sponsored by Howard Barbanel in memory of his late parents Alice & Herbert Barbanel - **Please RSVP to <https://tinyurl.com/qru3kw4>**

Congregational Family and Shul News

- Seudah Shlishis this week is sponsored by Helen and Menno Ratzker commemorating the yahrzeit of Menno's mother, Paula Ratzker, Beila Bas Yisochoz z"l .
- Mazel Tov to Susan and Aaron Weinberg on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Saadya Price, son of Rena and Richard Price.
- With profound sadness, we announce the passing of Israel Sipzner z"l, father of our esteemed member Howard Sipzner.
- A warm welcome to our new members, Elisa & Chaim Wietschner.

Refuah Sheleimah

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



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Yahrzeits January 25 – January 31, 2020

28 TEVET	Harry Krakowsky for his father, Joe Krakowsky, on Shabbos, Jan. 25
28 TEVET	Deborah Newborn for her father, Samuel Feinberg, on Shabbos, Jan. 25
28 TEVET	Reine Fiss for her mother, Lucy Guerchon, on Shabbos, Jan. 25
29 TEVET	Myles Mittleman for his father, Yaakov Mittleman, on Sunday, Jan. 26
1 SH'VAT	Sandy Klein for his father, Bernard Klein, on Monday, Jan. 27
1 SH'VAT	Murray Laulicht for his grandfather, Jakob Grunfeld, on Monday, Jan. 27
4 SH'VAT	Mitchell Eichen for his mother, Razel bat Gershon, on Thursday, Jan. 30
4 SH'VAT	Sidney Gordon for his wife, Anita Gordon, on Thursday, Jan. 30
5 SH'VAT	Miriam Glaubach for her father, Max Herlinger, on Friday, Jan. 31
5 SH'VAT	Katerina Berkovitch for her mother, Klara Shvimer, on Friday, Jan. 31
5 SH'VAT	Lore & Suzy Steinmetz for their husband/father, Efry Steinmetz, on Friday, Jan. 31

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Surfside Voter Registration of Community Members

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 in particular, voter turnout is less than twenty percent of the population of a particular area, so in smaller towns, literally every vote matters. As our community grows it is helpful to have elected officials who represent us and recognize 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, 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

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