“He perceived no iniquity in Jacob, and saw no perversity in Israel, Hashem his G-d is with him…” Bamidbar 23:21

There are many stories about the great Chassidic Rebbe Rav Levi Yitzchak of Berdichev who was known to always have something good to say about the Jewish people no matter how low their spiritual level may have been. In Europe it was customary for itinerant Rabbis to travel from village to village and deliver strong drashos admonishing their listeners for not being sufficiently observant in performance of mitzvos and the study of Torah. One time, the Berdicheva Rebbe attended such a sermon, and when it was over, he approached the Holy Ark, opened its doors and cried out, “Master of the universe! Do not believe what this dear man said about your children. For if the Jewish people are deficient in mitzvos, it’s because they are so oppressed. They are deprived of the means of earning a decent living and are subject to many anti-Semitic decrees and therefore

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have neither the time nor energy to devote themselves properly to Torah and mitzvos. Please, G-d, bring them Moshiach to redeem them and you will see how your children will run to study Torah and perform mitzvos.” Contemporaries of the Rebbe would often say that the above verse which says, “And sees no falsehood in Israel, his G-d is with him” applies to the Berdicheva Rebbe that because he doesn’t see the faults of the Jewish people and only accentuates the positive, that’s why his G-d is always with him in every endeavor he undertakes.

*Sefer: Twerski on Chumash*

**Wishing you an inspiring Shabbos!**

*Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein*

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### 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).

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### Halachos of the Three weeks

1. It is the custom not to shave or take haircuts.
2. One is not allowed to listen to music whether it is live or recorded.
3. One should not bring oneself a to requirement to say the brocha of shehecheyanu during the “three weeks” therefore one should not buy items which would require the recitation of this blessing. Items of expensive clothing which require alteration may be purchased since the brocha of Shehecheyanu is not recited until they are worn. However, they should not be worn for the first time during the “three weeks.”
4. Some halachic authorities allow the blessing of shehecheyanu to be recited on Shabbos during the “three weeks.”
5. It is permitted to buy new shirts, shoes, pants etc. up until the period of the “nine days” since the brocha of shehecheyanu is not recited on these items.
Congregational Family and Shul News

- Mazal tov to Rachel & David Herman on the bar mitzvah of their son Yosef Herman. Mazal Tov to the entire Herman family.
- With profound sadness, we announce the passing of Milton Castros z"l, father of our esteemed member Debra Hamburg.

Refuah Sheleimah

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

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!

AAA Scholarships extended their application deadline for tax credit scholarships to August 19. Step Up for Students is also still accepting applications. Scholarships are first-come, first-serve, so if you or someone you know qualifies for an income-based school scholarship, apply immediately. Special needs scholarships are also still available through the Gardiner program and in some cases students with anaphylaxis may be eligible.

For more information email teachflorida@teachcoalition.org.
**Yahrzeits July 20– July 26, 2019**

17 TAMUZ  Edward Senker for his mother, Helen Gans Senker, on Shabbos, July 20
19 TAMUZ  Howard Langer for his father, Elazer, on Monday, July 22
20 TAMUZ  Sandy Klein for his mother, Gittel Perl, on Tuesday, July 23
20 TAMUZ  Felix Glaubach for his father, Baruch Glaubach, on Tuesday, July 23
20 TAMUZ  Paula Hertzberg for her mother, Frances Hertzberg, on Tuesday, July 23
20 TAMUZ  Penny Harris for her mother, Myrtle Shuman Mullens, on Tuesday, July 23
21 TAMUZ  Lois Rosengarten for her son, Alan Bill Rosengarten, on Wednesday, July 24
22 TAMUZ  David & Roberta Geula for their daughter, Jessica Geula, on Thursday, July 25

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

**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)

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

**Kiddush and Seudah Shlishit**

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

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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