Our Sages teach us that the rebellion of Korach against the authority of Moshe and Aharon was a thinly veiled attempt to earn honor and prestige. Korach felt slighted that he had been bypassed for a position of authority and leadership and tried to overthrow Moshe and Aharon. As we see, their attempt failed and cost Korach and hundreds of his followers their lives. The desire for honor can actually degenerate to the point that a person actually demands kavod! And when one demands honor, be it at home, in the shul, or community, that is the most compelling reason why he is unworthy of it. When a person demands to have an aliya for no other reason than "I just want one"; or when a person demands to be recognized and complimented; although people might agree to his request, in truth they will look at him like a fool, and in the end, he is only receiving fake honor because behind his back people are talking about how pompous and arrogant he is.
Kavod and respect has to be given not taken. It is instructive to note that in the entire war of words between Moshe and Korach about the position of Aharon as Kohen Gadol, Aharon did not utter one word in his own defense. It was Moshe and later G-d who defended Aharon's right to the position. In Mishlei it states כבוד לאיש שבת מריב [(20:3) [Staying away from quarrel is a man's honor]. The same applies to not allowing one's self to respond in anger to someone's insensitive remark. Such a display of self-control is truly deserving of honor.

Wishing you an inspiring Shabbos!

Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

Given that we are approaching the end of our shul fiscal year, we ask everyone to please review the statements that have been sent out recently, and to clear your accounts as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact the office at your earliest convenience. Your support is greatly appreciated.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR SHABBOS KIDDUSH SPONSORS

We are now in the “slower summer season” for getting Kiddush sponsors. We are therefore asking our members and friends to sponsor a Kiddush over the coming months in commemoration of special family occasions (anniversaries, birthdays, yahrzeits, etc.) or just as a gesture of support to our shul. As a special bonus, Kiddush sponsorship cost now is at “summer rates”, so that the basic Shabbos Kiddush is $700. Of course, more elaborate Kiddushim can still be sponsored. We thank all for your support of this wonderful Young Israel tradition that so greatly benefits us all by allowing us to socialize in our beautiful shul building – a place of Kedusha, holiness.

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 Congregational Family and Shul News

- Kiddush this week is being sponsored by Susan and Jack Gluck with gratitude to Hashem, in honor of the graduation of their grandchildren, from Junior High School, High School, and College. Mazal-Tov!
- Mazal Tov to Anita & Hal Beretz and Mazal Tov to Deborah & Alan Kestenbaum on the marriage of their granddaughter/niece Dyana Beretz to Haim Engelman.
- We wish Refuah Shleimah (speedy recovery) to Allen Packer, Alexander ben Esther Raizel.

 Youth Program - rabbifried@yicbh.org

- Father & Child learning will take place upstairs during Seudat Shlishit with treats & prizes! Father and Child will continue through the end of June. All parents are encouraged to prepare with their children a Dvar Torah they will give at Seudat Shlishit on June 24th - Parshas Korach.
- 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
- High School teens are invited to Learning and Frozen Yogurt every Wednesday night. Please contact Rabbi Fried for timing and location details.

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