When a man marries a new wife, he shall not go out to the army, nor shall it obligate him for any matter. He shall be free from his home for one year, and he shall gladden his wife whom he has married. Devarim 24:5

Rashi explains to us that the verse means he shall gladden his wife, not he shall be glad with his wife. Rashi is teaching us a fundamental lesson in marriage -- that it is the man's obligation and responsibility to make his wife happy. In fact, the kesuba states that it is the man's obligation to satisfy all the emotional and physical needs of his wife. Obviously, the woman should reciprocate but it is not her halachic obligation to do so. (However, if she shows him this Shmooze News, as if to say, "see look at this, the Rabbi says you owe me", then you are defeating the whole message of this Dvar Torah). This may place a great burden upon the men folk -- but experience shows that if the man does his best to make his wife happy by treating her with dignity and respect, she will pay him back a hundredfold in doing everything to please him.
Since we are just weeks away from Rosh Hashanah, what greater merit could there be than to redouble our efforts in creating a home of shalom and simcha. The effect that it will have on the future of our children and grandchildren is incalculable, not to mention that we will be recipients of the greatest blessing of all. For our sages tell us that when there is shalom between husband and wife, the divine presence rests between them; not a bad blessing to have before the upcoming days of judgment. May all of us be blessed with only good health, nachas and a sweet New Year.

Wishing you an inspiring Shabbos!

Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

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**Upcoming classes**

The Young Israel Congregation presents:

**A Yomim Tovim Three Class Series for Young Adult Women 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm**

1. **Wednesday, 09/13** hosted by Iris Herrsein 1221 Biscaya Drive, Surfside
   "Rosh Hashana: Hit Refresh" presented by Rebbetzin Channy Citron, community-wide educator.

2. **Tuesday, 09/26** hosted by Yael Delgado 9065 Byron Avenue, Surfside
   "What can Amazon teach us about Yom Kippur?" presented by Rabbi Avi Bossewitch, Hebrew Academy (RASG) Dean of Academics and Innovation.

3. **Tuesday, 10/10** in the Young Israel Congregation Sukkah, 9580 Abbott Avenue, Surfside
   To be announced and open to women of all ages.

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**Community Notice**

Motion activated lights were installed in the pedestrian crosswalk at Collins Avenue and 99th Street. Use of this crosswalk should be avoided on Shabbos and Yom Tov as the lights are motion activated and are turned on as pedestrians cross Collins Avenue.

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**WE ARE LOOKING FOR SHABBOS KIDDUSH SPONSORS**

We encourage our members and friends to sponsor a Kiddush in commemoration of special family occasions (anniversaries, birthdays, yahrzeits, etc.) or just as a gesture of support to our shul. If you are interested a sponsoring a Kiddush, please contact Stuart Harris or the office. As always, we thank all for your support of this wonderful Young Israel tradition.
Congregational Family and Shul News

- Kiddush this week is sponsored by Stuart & Penny Harris in celebration of their 13th Wedding Anniversary.
- Mazal Tov to Marsha and Ira Sussman on becoming grandparents to a granddaughter, Devorah Ita-Eva Dorothy, born to their children Mollie and Yossi Davis. Mazal tov to the great-grandfather, Elias Sussman, and the great aunts and uncles, Debra and Joel Sussman and Perri and Akiba Stern.

Refuah Sheleimah

We wish refuah sheleimah to:
- Allen Packer, Alexander ben Esther Raizel.
- Rabbi Simeon Schreiber, Shimon ben Blima.

Youth Program

- As part of this Labor Day Weekend on Sunday night Sept 3rd at 9pm there will be a High School event with famous Israeli Jewish Singer Gad Elbaz at Ninja Lounge. Admission includes unlimited arcade & special kosher food. Cost is $25 before Sunday at 11am. Afterwards and at the door $30. RSVP by emailing RabbiFried@YICBH.org
- Any parents of youth who would like for their children to volunteer as part of our Rosh Hashanah program please speak to Rabbi Fried.
- Father & Child learning will take place upstairs during Seudah Shlishis with treats & prizes!
- Any teen that would like to get more involved with advocating for Israel by being a part of a weekly Israel Advocacy meeting 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.

VERY IMPORTANT – HIGH HOLIDAY SEATING

We urge you to reserve your High Holiday seating in our Sanctuary as soon as possible, as we are less than 3 weeks away from Rosh Hashanah. If you have already purchased permanent seats in our Sanctuary those seats are, course, automatically assigned to you. It is essential, however, that you inform the synagogue office as soon as possible whether you will be with us for the High Holidays, so that we can properly put together the overall seating plan. Please confirm your attendance with us no later than September 5 – otherwise, the seats will be made available for sale for the High Holidays.

Our office is currently extremely busy in view of our membership drive, the High Holidays and seating, Sukkot and booking our social hall. Consequently, if you contact our office by phone, text or e-mail and do not receive a reply within 24 hours, please promptly text or call 201-906-4887. We apologize for any inconvenience.
Support our Shul with AmazonSmile

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E-mail communication

When you e-mail the office please make sure your e-mail is to yakira@yicbh.org
NOT yicbh.org

The e-mail for Florence, our new receptionist/secretary, is florence@yicbh.org

ATTENTION ALL MEN!

Please do not walk behind the 2 ladies’ sections during services.
Please use side doors to enter and exit Sanctuary after 10:00 AM.
Thank you for your cooperation.

If you are interested in sponsoring Kiddush or Seuda Shlishis, please contact Stuart Harris or Yakira at (305) 866-0203.

Please submit all insertions for the Shmooze News to yakira@yicbh.org by noon on Thursday.