



# Young Israel Congregation Shmooze News

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**Parshas Shemini, Shabbos Parah, March 30, 2019**

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**Kiddush this week is sponsored by Alice & Leonard Lekht**

**in honor of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.**

**Happy Anniversary and mazal tov!**



## **Shabbos Mevarchim Chodesh Nissan**

**Rosh Chodesh is Next Shabbos**

וכל כלי חרש אשר יפול מהם אל תוכו כל אשר בתוכו יטמא ואתו תשברו

**“All earthen vessels into which something contaminated falls, all that is within it shall be unclean, and it must be destroyed.” Vayikra (11:33)**

The Halacha is that vessels made of wood and metal can become unclean if some contaminated item touches them externally, but an earthen vessel is considered unclean only if the contaminated item is inside the vessel but not by external contact. The Kotzker Rebbe explained this philosophically as follows: only something of value can become contaminated. Since wood and metal have an intrinsic value, any contact with tumah (impurity) can contaminate them. However, earthenware has no intrinsic value, its value is solely the fact that it can be a receptacle to hold something from within. Therefore, the state of contamination can only come from within the vessel which is its point of

### Shabbos

Candle Lighting	7:18PM
Mincha/Kabbalas Shabbos	7:00PM
Talmud Sotah	8:15AM
Early Minyan	8:00AM
Shacharis	9:00AM
Shiur	6:15PM
Mincha	7:05PM
Havdalah	8:21PM

### Weekday

Talmud Shiur	6:30AM
Daf Yomi	
Mon-Fri after 7:00AM Minyan	

### Shacharis

Sunday	8:00AM
Mon-Fri	7:00/8:00AM

### Mincha

Sun-Thurs	7:25PM
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**Next Fri Candle Lighting 7:21PM**



The weekly Shmooze News is dedicated by:

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

Penny Harris in memory of 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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value. This law contains within it a moral lesson as well. G-d created man from the dust of the earth and as with any earthen item, man's worth is within himself and not his externals. The common expression of how much is he worth is antithetical to the Torah's viewpoint of what the true value of a person is. Our society unfortunately values more what a person has than what he is. A person's true worth is dependent on his character traits and on what he achieves spiritually in life rather than on his external acquisitions, be it fame or fortune. When the external acquisitions are used for the right purposes to enhance the values that we have developed internally, if it's used to further the Torah's definition of moral decency and integrity, to enhance true Jewish ideals, then you have the best of both worlds. Then the inside and the outside of a person are truly holy and worthy of G-d's manifold blessings.

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

### Maos Chitim

Our Maos Chitim appeal is currently under way. There are approximately twenty families that we are trying to assist for Pesach. We would like to allocate between two and three thousand dollars per family so that they may have an enjoyable and zissen Pesach. Thank you in advance for your generosity and participation in this great Mitzvah.

Remember, "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." (Winston Churchill). Please make checks payable to Young Israel of Bal Harbour and write in the memo Tzedakah fund.

Wishing all of you a Chag Sameach and Zissen Pesach  
Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

### Sale of Chametz

Rabbi Gruenstein will be available for selling your Chametz starting Thursday, April 4, 2019 until Erev Pesach Sun-Fri after Shachris and before Mincha.

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#### Classes and Upcoming Events

- Mondays at 10:30AM – Ladies Tehillim Group in the Beis Midrash.
- Daf Yomi with Rabbi Aryeh Citron Sunday-Friday after Shacharis.
- Talmud Class by Rabbi Gruenstein, Monday-Friday 6:30AM
- Tuesdays 2:00PM-3:00PM – Weekly Character Development Workshop given by Rabbi Berel Simpser – for women only.
- Thursday, April 11 – YIBH Wellness Series “Movement & Meaning.” Teen girls: 6:30PM-7:45PM / Adult women: 8:00PM.

#### Congregational Family and Shul News

- Kiddush this week is sponsored by Alice & Leonard Lekht in honor of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Happy Anniversary and mazal tov!
- A warm welcome to our new members Nechama & Shlomo Pessar and Elizabeth & Barry Mayer.

#### Refuah Sheleimah

- We wish refuah sheleimah to Allen Packer, Minnie Schraga, and Miriam Weinschneider.

#### Youth Program

- Father & Child learning will take place upstairs during Seudah Shlishit.
- We are launching a new program connecting Youth to spend time with Seniors in our community and learn from them. Any Youth as well as Seniors interested in signing up or for more information, please email [RabbiFried@YICBH.org](mailto:RabbiFried@YICBH.org). All others are encouraged to submit/recommend names via email as well.
- High School teens are invited to Learning and Frozen Yogurt every Wednesday night. Please check for weekly timing and location details.
- 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, please speak to Rabbi Fried.

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**Yahrzeits March 30 - April 5, 2019**

24 ADAR II	Rachel Neuman for her husband, Cyrus A. Neuman, on Sunday, Mar. 31
25 ADAR II	Heshie Greenblatt for his father, Yekusiel Zev Greenblatt, on Monday, Apr. 1
25 ADAR II	Marjorie Blenden for her mother, Beatrice Diener, on Monday, Apr. 1
26 ADAR II	Samuel Newborn for his mother, Joyce Newborn, on Tuesday, Apr. 2
26 ADAR II	Victor Pinter for his mother, Sally Pinter, on Tuesday, Apr. 2
27 ADAR II	Andrew Lowinger for his father, Meir Moshe ben Benzion Halevi, on Wednesday, Apr. 3
27 ADAR II	George White for his father, Jerry White, on Wednesday, Apr. 3
27 ADAR II	Rena Gruenstein for her mother, Baila, on Wednesday, Apr. 3
27 ADAR II	Etella Marcovici for her father, Eliyahu Arie Lebovits, on Wednesday, Apr. 3

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**Yahrzeit Plaques Now Available**

If you are interested in purchasing a permanent satin brass Yahrzeit Plaque for a dearly departed loved one on the newly installed automated Yahrzeit memorial displays in our main sanctuary, space is limited, so please fill out the form recently emailed as well as mailed to you and return to our office. If you have any questions, please speak to David Herman. To order a plaque online, please use the website [www.yiplaques.com](http://www.yiplaques.com).

A new state scholarship to help families give their children the best education is on its way. The Florida Legislature is considering a new Family Empowerment Scholarship to award at least 15,000 new scholarships next year. The number of scholarships, income eligibility and how scholarships are funded is under negotiations by Senate and House leadership. **Sign the petition** to thank our elected officials and urge them to adopt a broad and fair program to help the most students possible. We hope to have **at least 1000 signatures** when we meet with them in Tallahassee next week. Sign at <https://teachcoalition.org/fl/scholarship-petition/>.

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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