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SHMOOZE NEWS

Parshas Behar-Bechukotai, May 12, 2018

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Shabbos Mevarchim Chodesh Sivan Rosh Chodesh will be Tuesday Yom Yerushalayim- Sunday

One of the most difficult requirements of the Jubilee Year (this takes place at the end of 7 cycles of Shmittah, in the 50th year) is the unconditional freeing of the Jewish slaves. This includes those who have not even worked the minimum period of six years, and those who chose to remain with their masters after the six year period and undergo the procedure of the ear being drilled with an anvil against the doorpost, as described in Parshas Mishpatim. The Sefer Hachinuch (Mitzvah 331) explains the freeing of the slaves during the Jubilee Year can be a very traumatic experience for the slaves' masters, who have become accustomed to the decades-long service of their slaves. This is why on Yom Kippur of the Jubilee Year we were commanded to blow the shofar throughout the land of Israel. The shofar sound would reverberate over the entire landscape of Eretz Yisroel so that people would realize that **everyone** had to free their slaves and it's not just you. For it is a great consolation to the individual to know that this is being done by all. As the sages tell us צער רבים נחמה "The suffering of many is a consolation." From the Sefer Hachinuch we glean an important lesson. Life is filled with trials and tribulations. For some it is health or financial issues, for others it is shalom bayis. Some deal with serious

Shabbos

Candle Lighting	7:39PM
Mincha/Kabbalas Shabbos	7:00PM
Daf Yomi	8:00AM
Talmud Sotah	8:15PM
Early Minyan	8:00AM
Shacharis	9:00AM
Shiur	6:35PM
Mincha	7:25PM
Havdalah	8:43PM

Weekday

Shacharis

Sunday	8:00AM
Mon – Fri	7:00AM/8:00AM

Mincha

Sun - Thurs	7:50PM
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Jack and Susan Gluck in memory of Milton & Edith Gluck z"l and Nicholas Brecher z"l;

Stuart Harris in honor of Penny Harris; and

Aaron and Susan Weinberg in memory of Jack & Helen Weinberg z"l and

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child rearing issues and others deal with infertility. At times this pain is greatly intensified because people mistakenly think they are the only ones with the problem and must suffer alone. If they would realize that there are many others with similar issues that would help decrease the pain and put their own suffering into perspective. The Sefer Hachinuch, which was written hundreds of years ago, is teaching us a lesson which modern psychology knows all too well, which is the great therapeutic and emotional value of support groups for life's challenging situations. It is an idea that our sages have known about centuries earlier and is an example of the Torah's eternal wisdom in helping a person cope with the vicissitudes of life, and inspiring us with the answers of how to live a happy and satisfying life.

Sefer Noam Avraham

Wishing you an inspiring Shabbos!

Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

STATEMENTS HAVE BEEN SENT OUT, and we ask each family that has an outstanding balance to clear your account as soon as possible. The end of our Shul's fiscal year is rapidly approaching, which also coincides with the summer months when we experience reduced income. We ask for everyone's support on this very important matter, and each and everyone's support is greatly appreciated.

The Refuah Fund, established about a year ago to provide meals for families that are experiencing an illness or sitting Shiva, needs a desperate replenishment of funds. 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.

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.



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Classes and Upcoming Events

- Father & child learning will take place upstairs during Seudah Shlishit.
- Mondays at 10:30AM – Ladies Tehillim Group in the Beis Midrash.
- Tackle **the Tuition Crisis**, May 15th at 8:30 PM at the home of Dani and Diana Sragowicz, 275 Bal Bay Drive, Bal Harbour FL 33154. Teach Florida's advocacy has resulted in more than \$20 million in state mandated funding to Jewish day schools this year alone. Join us to learn what you can do to help tackle to tuition crisis. RSVP to danielaqua@ou.org

Congregational Family and Shul News

- Kiddush this Shabbos is co-sponsored by Judy & Moish Tuchman and by Penny & Stuart Harris in honor of the opening of the Jerusalem Embassy on May 14th, 2018.

Sunday morning we will have lavish breakfast in honor of Yom Yerushalayim.

Building Fund

Please pay your Building Fund pledge as soon as possible. We would like to pay off our Building Fund loan obligation to the bank to avoid paying continued loan interest.

Refuah Sheleimah

We wish refuah sheleimah to: Yakira Navarro, Shlomo Mayer, Allen Packer, Rabbi Simeon Schreiber, Minnie Schraga.

Youth Program

- Any High School Teens that are interested in signing up for an exciting Shabbaton (May 27-29) in Orlando please speak to Rabbi Fried for more details.
- On June 13, there will be a special Middle School trip for all 6th, 7th and 8th graders to Busch Gardens in Tampa. To reserve your spot please email RabbiFried@Yicbh.org
- Father and Child learning will continue this week during a special Shalosh Seudos upstairs. There will be learning, ice cream, and prizes!!!
- High School teens are invited to Learning and Frozen Yogurt every Wednesday night. Please contact Rabbi Fried for 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 or attend via Skype, please email RabbiFried@YICBH.org

PLANNING A SIMCHA?

In order to avoid any conflicts, please book the social hall well in advance of your simcha.

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Yahrzeits May 12 – May 18, 2018

- 28 IYAR Esther Friedman for her father, Pinchos, on Sunday, May 13
28 IYAR Susan Packer for her mother, Mary Arnoff Kaye, on Sunday, May 13
29 IYAR Brent Levison for his mother, Chana Levison, on Monday, May 14
29 IYAR Susan Packer for her father, Norman Kaye, on Monday, May 14
29 IYAR Sam Eltes for his wife, Rivka bat Mordechai, on Monday, May 14
1 SIVAN Ricardo Berner for his father, Yehuda ben Avraham Tuvie, on Tuesday, May 15

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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.

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 Seudah Shlishis,
please contact Stuart Harris or Yakira at (305) 866-0203.

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