



Young Israel Congregation Shmooze News

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Parshat Ha'azinu, October 12, 2019

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We have no sponsor for Kiddush this week.

If you want to sponsor this week's Kiddush, please call the office and we will announce it in next week's Shmooze News.

This week's early minyan kiddush is sponsored by Juliana & Eitan Goldman commemorating the anniversary of Eitan's Bar Mitzvah.



כי חלק ה' עמו.....

“For the portion of G-d is his people.” Devarim 32:9

Rav Chaim Volozhiner quotes a midrash that states, one of the attributes of G-d is that He is a “Sameach Bechelko” (He is happy with his lot). Asks Rav Chaim, how can this trait apply to G-d when He is master of the entire universe? He posed this question to his great mentor, the Vilna Gaon, who answered as follows: It means that G-d is satisfied with the Jewish people no matter what their spiritual status is. For the Almighty will never abandon us and will always rejoice with his chelek, (his portion), which is the Jewish people. Therefore, now that we have just gone through the holy and purifying day of Yom Kippur, we are sure that G-d must be especially happy with his children. May the nachas that G-d has

Shabbos

Candle Lighting	6:39PM
Mincha/Kabbalas Shabbos	6:45PM
Talmud Shiur	8:15AM
Early Minyan	8:00AM
Shacharis	9:00AM

No Shiur this Shabbos

Mincha	6:45PM
Havdalah	7:41PM

Weekday

Daf Yomi

Wed-Fri after 7:00AM minyan

Shacharis/

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

Please see Sukkos schedule

Mincha

Wed- Thurs	6:40PM
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Next Fri Candle Lighting 6:37PM



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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from us that we are his portion translate into myriad blessings for the Jewish people collectively and individually. May this be the year when all our troubles and misfortunes end and only simchas begin, as we prepare for the final redemption and the coming of Moshiach speedily in our days.

Wishing all of you an inspiring Shabbos and Chag Sameach!
Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

Q: Is there any problem using bamboo sechach mats for the roof of a Succah?

A: Most opinions permit it, however the threads that tie the bamboo rods together must be made from material which is for sechach. The acceptable mats are woven with unprocessed substances such as flax strands or reeds.

Q: Is it permissible to place the sechach on the frame of the Succah before its walls are erected?

A: No – the Succah walls must be up before the Sechach is placed on them. The reason being that sechach must be placed on the Succah for the sake of providing shade. If the walls are not up, there is no structure, and then the sechach does not create shade. Therefore, if sechach was placed on a frame before the walls were put up, you must remove the sechach and then put it back on, L'sheim tzeil (for the sake of shade).

Q: Is anyone halachically allowed to put up the sechach on the succah?

A: Any person, male or female, Jew or non-Jew, is allowed to put up the sechach as long as it is placed on the succah for the sake of shade.

Q: Is there any problem using a succah with a metal frame?

A: Yes! Although it is permissible to use a metal frame to support the walls of the succah, placing the sechach directly on the metal frame is a problem because any object that directly supports the sechach must also be made from materials that are Kosher for sechach. Since Kosher sechach cannot be made from metal, one should not place sechach directly on top of a metal frame succah. (However, if one did so, the succah is still Kosher.)

Q: If one has a metal frame succah, but you put wood strips over the metal frame and the sechach is placed on the wood, would that take care of the previously mentioned problem?

A: Some opinions permit using a metal frame succah if the sechach is no longer touching the metal. Other opinions do not allow this leniency since the sechach is being supported by the metal frame, and the wood is merely a barrier between the metal and the sechach. According to these opinions, the only way to use a metal frame succah is to use the wood strips in a way that they become the main support for the sechach. For example, by placing heavier wooden strips diagonally across the top of the frame and putting the sechach on top of the wooden strips, the wooden strips become the support for the sechach rather than the metal frame.

Q: If a storm is coming, is it permitted to nail or tie down the sechach to the walls or the frame of the succah?

A: It is permitted to tie down the sechach to the walls or the frame of the succah with any string or rope. Although we mentioned before that optimally the sechach has to be supported from materials that are Kosher for sechach, in this case the rope or string is not considered a support since under normal weather conditions the sechach will remain intact without being tied down. However, to nail the sechach down is not permitted because a succah is supposed to be a temporary dwelling. When the sechach is nailed down, the succah takes on the character of a diras keva, a permanent structure, in which case it is not valid. *Sefer: Halachic discussions*

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- Wednesday-Friday after 7:00AM minyan – Daf Yomi with Rabbi Aryeh Citron
- Talmud Shiur Wednesday-Friday 6:25AM.
- Monday, December 2, 2019 at 8:00PM – Violins of Hope – Strings of the Holocaust – Concert at The Shul of Bal Harbour. **Please purchase your tickets by calling the office - limited seating.**
- Shabbos Dec 13-14, 2019 – Shabbaton for Young Professionals. **Please save the date.**
- Shabbos Jan 3-4, 2020 – Scholar in Residence. Guest speaker Malcolm Hoenlein. **Please save the date.**

Congregational Family and Shul News

- Last week's early minyan kiddush was sponsored by grateful friends of the Tabacinic and Kopel families.
- This week's early minyan kiddush is sponsored by Juliana & Eitan Goldman commemorating the anniversary of Eitan's Bar Mitzvah.
- Mazel Tov to Penny Miller Harris who was recently inducted into the UK College of Arts & Sciences Hall of Fame as a Political Science Professor Emeritus.
- With profound sadness, we announce the passing of Marilyn Castros z"l (Basha bas Tzvi Hirsch z"l) beloved mother of our esteemed member, Debra Hamburg.
- A warm welcome to our new member, Howard Felson.

Refuah Sheleimah

- We wish refuah sheleimah to Allen Packer, Shelly Lisbon, Allan Krieger, Jeffrey Glick, Jonathan Gerszberg.

Sukkos Club

We are looking forward to sustaining our annual tradition of having kiddush in our shul Sukkah each day of the holiday. As in past years, we look forward to getting as many sponsor families as possible, at the modest amount of \$100 per family. Stuart Harris z"l worked very hard organizing this each year, and let us strive together to sustain this beautiful shul-wide tradition. Please contact Yakira (yakira@vicbh.org) if you would like to be part of our Sukkos Club.

Simchas Torah Auction

This year, part of our Simchas Torah auction will be held online, via our website. The auction started at 12 noon on October 10th and will close at 12 noon on October 20th. We encourage everyone to participate and help make this our most successful year ever. Please see email that was sent out on October 10th for detailed information.

A special yasher koach to Dr. Jared Plitt for his significant technical effort in putting together the auction page and the software that allows real-time auction monitoring.

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Yahrzeits October 12 – October 18, 2019

17 TISHREI Max Dekelbaum for his grandmother, Ida Schoen, on Wednesday, Oct. 16

19 TISHREI Ann Lebowitz for her father, Yaakov Shraga ben Yitzchak Meir Hakohen, on Friday, Oct. 18

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Important Message from a Member:

Dear Friends and Family:

I hope this note finds you well. Unfortunately, I am writing with the devastating news that my kidneys are failing and will require a live donor transplant as quickly as possible. I am now asking for your help: By sharing my story, you can help me find the kidney donor who will save my life.

Please visit and direct any potential donors (must have A or O blood type) to my website <https://akidneyforallan.com>. Also, I ask that you follow and share my social media pages with your friends and ask them to share. Casting as wide a net as possible is essential to finding a donor.

Your help and prayers are gratefully appreciated. I look forward to speaking under better circumstances. Wishing you a happy and a healthy New Year.

With much gratitude, **Allan Krieger**

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

Kiddush and Seudah Shlishis

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

**If you have any comments, complaints or suggestions regarding our building
please give them directly either to
Menno Ratzker (201)906-4887, mhr36@aol.com, or to
Yakira Navarro (305)866-0203, yakira@yicbh.org**

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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