



# Young Israel Congregation Shmooze News

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**Parshat Bereishit, October 26, 2019**

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**This week's kiddush is co-sponsored by Linda & Steve Storch in memory of Linda's father, Bernard Schwartz z"l; and by Nick Wigoda in honor of his daughter Shoshana Lilly's birthday.**



**Shabbos Mevorchim Chodesh Cheshvan  
Rosh Chodesh will be Tuesday and Wednesday**

ויאמר ה' "אלוקים אל הנחש כי עשית זאת ארור אתה מכל הבהמה

*"And G-d said to the serpent, because you have done this, cursed are you beyond all the animals." Bereshis 3:14*

The Zohar teaches us that the snake was the personification of the Yetzer Hora, (evil inclination). The question is why was the snake punished for enticing Chava to eat from the forbidden fruit? Isn't it the job of the Yetzer Hora to tempt people to sin? And question #2, what did G-d mean when he said "because you have done this?" The serpent didn't do anything, he merely spoke words, and speech, according to Jewish Law (Makkos 16A), is not considered to be an action. The answer, explains Rav Yosef Chaim Sonnenfeld z"l, is that yes, the Yetzer Hora – i.e. the snake's function – is indeed to tempt man to sin and thereby bring him

## Shabbos

Candle Lighting	6:26PM
Mincha/Kabbalas Shabbos	6:30PM
Talmud Shiur	8:15AM
Early Minyan	8:00AM
Shacharis	9:00AM
Shiur	5:20PM
Mincha	6:10PM
Havdalah	7:28PM

## Weekday

### Daf Yomi

Sunday after 8:00AM minyan  
Mon-Fri after 7:00AM minyan

### Shacharis

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

### Mincha

Sun-Thu	6:30PM
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**Next Fri Candle Lighting 6:21PM**



The weekly Shmooze News is dedicated by:

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

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and Morris & Nellie Fischer z"l.

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reward for resisting these temptations. However, the snake went beyond his mandate, for he actually pushed Chava into the tree to prove to her that it was harmless. This was an action, not just words. It was this over-stepping of the snake's bounds that angered G-d and earned him his curse. As we begin a new year and the proverbial snake of life tries to seduce us once again to transgress the will of G-d, may this year bring us the strength and inspiration to stand up to his devious plans and resist his temptations, thereby bringing us much blessing and success for the coming new year.

*(Sefer-Chochumas Chaim)*

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

**The Refuah Fund provides meals for families that are experiencing an illness or sitting Shiva. 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. Thanks to everyone who already contributed to the Refuah fund!**

### **Yahrzeit Plaques Available**

If you are interested in purchasing a permanent satin brass Yahrzeit Plaque for a dearly departed loved one on our beautiful automated Yahrzeit memorial displays in our main sanctuary, please contact David Herman or the Young Israel office. To order a plaque online, please use the website [www.yiplaques.com](http://www.yiplaques.com).

**If you have any comments, complaints or suggestions regarding our building please give them directly either to  
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- Mondays at 10:30AM – Ladies Tehillim Group in the Beis Midrash.
- Sunday after 8:00AM minyan, Monday-Friday after 7:00AM minyan – Daf Yomi with Rabbi Aryeh Citron. The Daf Yomi shiur just began studying the last Masechet in Shas - Masechet Niddah. Now is a great time to join the shiur.
- Talmud Shiur Monday-Friday 6:25AM.
- November 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00AM – Brunch and learn – Featuring Hagit Hoffman - Inspirational speaker, teacher, writer and certified therapist life coach. **Please save the date.**
- Monday, December 2, 2019 at 8:00PM – Violins of Hope – Strings of the Holocaust – Concert at The Shul of Bal Harbour. **Please purchase tickets by calling the office- Limited seating.**
- December 5, 10AM-6AM – Sisterhood annual holiday boutique – Featuring international and domestic vendors. **Please save the date.**
- Shabbos Dec 13-14, 2019 – Shabbaton for Young Professionals. **Please save the date.**
- Shabbos Jan 3-4, 2020 – Scholar in Residence. Guest speaker Malcolm Heinlein. **Please save the date.**

### Congregational Family and Shul News

- Shmini Atzeres early minyan kiddush was sponsored by Dr. Ron & Betty Deutsch, commemorating the 10<sup>th</sup> yahrtzeit of his mother, Esther bas Yirmiyahu z”l, and for thanks to the Young Israel of Bal Harbour for being available for out of towners daily, making them feel at home.
- This week’s early minyan kiddush is sponsored by Eli Dominitz in honor of his son’s Natan 9<sup>th</sup> Hebrew birthday, which is on Shabbat.
- This week’s seudah shlishis is sponsored by Ianna & Jacks Sterenfeld in memory of Ianna’s father, Dr. Jerome Raim, Shalom Abraham Ben Israel z”l.
- Mazel tov to Susan & Martin Packer on the birth of a great grandson, Yuhuda Simcha, born to Lauren & Yoel Schreier of Jerusalem, Israel.
- A warm welcome to our new member, Steve Eisenberg.

### Refuah Sheleimah

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

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#### Yahrzeits October 26 – November 1, 2019

- 27 TISHREI Keith Berman for his mother, Gittel, on Shabbos, Oct. 26  
27 TISHREI Naomi Mayer for her father, Emanuel Sklar, on Shabbos, Oct. 26  
27 TISHREI Rena Gruenstein for her brother, Rena's brother, on Shabbos, Oct. 26  
28 TISHREI Sherry Eidelman for her mother, Leah bat Yehuda, on Sunday, Oct. 27  
30 TISHREI Alex Lebowitz for his mother, Freida Lebowitz, on Tuesday, Oct. 29  
1 CHESHVAN Lawrence Sheftel for his father, Michel Shlomo Sheftel, on Wednesday, Oct. 30  
1 CHESHVAN Golda Jacobs for her father, Yaakov Katz, on Wednesday, Oct. 30  
1 CHESHVAN Ianna Sterenfeld for her father, Shalom Avraham Raim, on Wednesday, Oct. 30  
2 CHESHVAN Stephen Milstein for his grandfather, Adi Haas, on Thursday, Oct. 31  
2 CHESHVAN Yehuda Weinstock for his father, Mordechai ben Moshe, on Thursday, Oct. 31  
3 CHESHVAN Sarah Cook for her mother, Liebka Fayga bas Chanoch, on Friday, Nov. 1
- Please report any errors or omissions to the Young Israel office or email [stevenbarryschwartz@gmail.com](mailto:stevenbarryschwartz@gmail.com)

#### **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**

#### **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!

#### **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](http://www.miamibeacheruv.com)

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