You ignore the rock who bore you and forget the G-d who delivered you” Devarim 32:18

The Dubna Maggid explains this verse in his inimitable style with a parable. A man owed money to many people and he asked his friend’s advice on how he could stop his creditors from bothering him. The friend responded, whenever a person comes to collect money from you, act like you are crazy and irrational and eventually they will stop pestering you. The idea worked like a charm and his creditors stopped harassing him. Now this man also owed money to the one who had given him this advice. One day this friend comes to collect his debt and as soon as he asks him for the money he starts acting insane. The friend sees this and responds angrily, “I gave you this advice to protect you from your creditors and now you are using it against me!” Says the
Dubna Maggid, this is what the verse means, G-d granted you a gift called “teshi”, the ability to forget; he did so in order that you should be able to function and distract your mind from your pain and troubles. But what did you do, you used that gift of forgetfulness to forget the G-d who delivered you. You made yourself oblivious to all the blessings and gifts that he has granted you and showed a lack of gratitude. As the Yom Tov of Succos approaches the ultimate Zman Simchateinu (time of joy) let us remember that one of the surest ways to live a life of simcha is to appreciate the myriad blessings G-d grants us each and every day.

Have an inspiring Shabbos and Chag Sameach!

Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

Sukkot 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@yicbh.org) or Shelly Lisbon (slisbon7346@aol.com) if you would like to be part of our Sukkot Club.

The talent of Stuart Harris z”l for continuously sustaining kiddush sponsorship on a weekly basis was truly amazing. Our wonderful kiddush tradition has allowed members and friends to get to know one another and socialize in a place of kedusha, holiness. We look forward to continuing this wonderful tradition, and we ask for your ongoing support. We are looking for sponsors for Shabbos Bereishis.

Please contact Yakira (yakira@yicbh.org) or Shelly Lisbon (slisbon7346@aol.com) if you would like to sponsor a kiddush.

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.
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.
- Father and Child during Seuda Shlishit upstairs.
- Community learning program with Yeshiva Toras Chaim, Toras Emes and Bais Midrash Zichron Ezra starting Monday October 8th till January 14, 8:00PM-8:45PM at Young Israel.

Congregational Family and Shul News
- Kiddush this Shabbos is unsponsored. If you are interested in sponsoring this Kiddush, please contact the Shul’s office and we will announce it in next week’s Shmooze News. Kiddush for last Shabbos was sponsored by Jonathan Gerzsberg.
- Kiddush on first day of Sukkot is sponsored by Steve and Mali Schwartz commemorating the 10th yahrzeit of Steve’s mother, Milly Schwartz z”l (1st day of Rosh Hashanah).
- Kiddush on second day of Sukkot is sponsored by Yoram & Yleana Izhak.

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: Shlomo Mayer, Allen Packer, Minnie Schraga, Shelly Lisbon.

Youth Program
- 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
- Father & Child learning will take place upstairs during Seuda Shlishit with treats & prizes!
- High School teens are invited to Learning and Frozen Yogurt every Wednesday night. Please contact Rabbi Fried for timing and location details.

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.

The Refuah committee would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Refuah fund!
Yahrzeits September 22 – September 28, 2018

- 15 TISHREI  Stuart Harris for his mother, Bess Harris, on Monday, Sep. 24
- 17 TISHREI  Max Dekelbaum for his grandmother, Ida Schoen, on Wednesday, Sep. 26
- 19 TISHREI  Ann Lebowitz for her father, Yaakov Shraga ben Yitzchak Meir Hakohen, on Friday, Sep. 28

Please report any errors or omissions to the Young Israel office or email stevenbarrystewart@gmail.com

IF YOU ARE PLANNING A SIMCHA....

Please note that all members or non-members, planning to use our social hall for a private lunch on Shabbat or Yom Tov at the Young Israel will be able to have their private affair ONLY after our Congregants have finished their regular Shabbat or Yom Tov Kiddush in the FULL Social Hall. Reservations for a Simcha, by members or non-members, will be on a first come basis and the date will be finalized once the deposit is provided. We appreciate everyone's cooperation.

The last two gubernatorial elections in Florida were decided by less than 1% of the vote. There is no reason to think this year will be any different. Register to vote by October 9 to make sure your voice for Jewish education is heard this November. Contact teachflorida@ou.org with questions.

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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 yibh.org

The e-mail for Florence, our receptionist секретарев, is florence@yicbh.org

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.

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

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