



# Young Israel Congregation Shmooze News

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**Parshat Nitzavim, September 28, 2019**

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**This week's Kiddush and Seudah Shlishis are sponsored by Aaron & Susan Weinberg commemorating the yahrzeit of Aaron's mother, Helen Weinberg, Yenta Bas Baruch Chaim z"l**



**ובחרת בחיים**

**“And you should choose life.” Devarim (30:19)**

A string of zeroes no matter how long is always worth zero unless a digit – even a digit as small as 1 is placed before it – this idea is not only true in the world of mathematics and finance, but in the spiritual world as well. A person can perform an infinite number of actions that all have zero spiritual value – but the moment you add a spiritual dimension to these actions you transform it into an act of holiness. For example, a person must eat in order to live – it's a basic human need. But with a bracha before and after you eat, and with a two-minute Torah thought, you have taken a mundane physical act and sanctified the whole two-hour meal. This is called choosing life. The Chofetz Chaim used to say that if a pharmacist has in mind that he is doing an act of kindness each time he gives out medication, then he is involving himself with mitzvos all day long. If an owner of a hotel has in mind, when he gives lodging and food, that he is helping another person, then all day long he is not only earning money, but he acquires a spiritual currency which is priceless. A person with just an attitudinal shift can be doing mitzvos 24/7. This is a world of tremendous spiritual opportunities free for the taking. Whatever mitzvos we can grab before Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur can be a great merit

## Shabbos

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| Candle Lighting         | 6:54PM |
| Mincha/Kabbalas Shabbos | 7:00PM |
| Talmud Shiur            | 8:15AM |
| Early Minyan            | 8:00AM |
| Shacharis               | 9:00AM |
| Shiur                   | 6:00PM |
| Mincha                  | 6:40PM |
| Havdalah                | 7:56PM |

## Weekday

### Daf Yomi

Wed-Fri after 7:00AM minyan

### Shacharis/Slichos

|         |               |
|---------|---------------|
| Sunday  | 7:00AM        |
| Wed-Fri | 6:30AM/7:40AM |

### Mincha

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| Wed   | 6:50PM |
| Thurs | 6:45PM |

**See Rosh Hashanah Schedule**

**Next Fri Candle Lighting 6:46PM**



**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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for ourselves and the entire Jewish people. Let us hope and pray that G-d takes into account all our efforts and grants us a new year of good health, nachas, bracha and the greatest blessing of all – the coming of Moshiach Tzidkenu, may he come speedily in our days.

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



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#### **Important: High Holidays Seat Assignment and Posting Information**

- All men & women seats are assigned by name and seat number.
  - Seat assignments will be posted at the sanctuary entrances on the main and balcony levels.
  - The seat assignment information will be posted in two forms:
    - a) Names shown directly on the seating chart configuration;
    - b) In a table by family name, in alphabetical order.
- Two copies of this information will be posted on each level.
- ***Please make sure to follow the seat numbering on the arm of each seat.***
  - We ask everyone's cooperation in respecting the seat assignments, and further respecting that each seat is assigned for the ***duration of the service***, regardless of when the individual enters the sanctuary.
  - Please note that permanent seat holders who will be with us have, of course, been assigned their seats. For those reserving seats, every effort has been made to accommodate seat reservation requests. We ask everyone's understanding and cooperation.

#### **Congregational Family and Shul News**

- With profound sadness, we announce the passing of Marilyn Sklar z"l (Miriam Esther bat Shmuel z"l) beloved mother of our esteemed member, Naomi Mayer.
- Mazal Tov to Robbye & Michael Henesch on the birth of a great granddaughter to their grandchildren in Yerushalayim Rivky & David Toledano.
- A warm welcome to our new members, Victoria Hanlon, Michelle & Asher Milstein, Rebecca & Zach Sohn, and Fay & Alexander Weinberg.

#### **Refuah Sheleimah**

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

#### **Sukkot Dinners**

Please join us for Sukkot dinners on  
**Sunday Oct. 13, Monday Oct. 14 and Friday Oct. 18 after davening.**

**Cost: \$75/member, \$85/nonmember, \$45/child**

**Please RSVP by Oct. 1, 2019 to the Shul's office (305) 866-0203, [yakira@yicbh.org](mailto:yakira@yicbh.org)**

**\*\*Space is limited\*\***

#### **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](mailto:yakira@yicbh.org)) if you would like to be part of our Sukkot Club.**

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#### Yahrzeits September 28 – October 4, 2019

- 28 ELUL Jerry Gontownik for his mother, Zissel Gontownik, on Shabbos, Sep. 28  
28 ELUL Julie Schorr for her father, Alexander Bohm, on Shabbos, Sep. 28  
28 ELUL Shelley Rindner for her father, Nachum Tzvi, on Shabbos, Sep. 28  
29 ELUL Joel Wiener for his father, Shraga Feivel Wiener, on Sunday, Sep. 29  
29 ELUL Paul Rosenberg for his mother, Gussie Rosenberg, on Sunday, Sep. 29  
1 TISHREI Steve Schwartz for his mother, Milly Schwartz, on Monday, Sep. 30  
4 TISHREI Iris Herssein for her father, Shmuel ben Yaakov, on Thursday, Oct. 3

Please report any errors or omissions to the Young Israel office or email [stevenbarryschwartz@gmail.com](mailto:stevenbarryschwartz@gmail.com)

- 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 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.**

#### 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)

**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](mailto:mhr36@aol.com), or to  
Yakira Navarro (305)866-0203, [yakira@yicbh.org](mailto:yakira@yicbh.org)**

#### **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!

Please submit all insertions for the Shmooze News to  
[yakira@yicbh.org](mailto:yakira@yicbh.org) by noon on Thursday

If you are interested in sponsoring Kiddush or Seudah Shlishis,  
please contact Yakira at (305) 866-0203 or Max Dekelbaum (240) 832-5054