



Young Israel Congregation Shmooze News

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Parshas Miketz, December 19, 2020

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**SHABBAT SHALOM!
PLEASE STAY SAFE AND TAKE CARE OF YOURSELVES.**



ייען את פרעה לאמר בלעדי אלוקים יענה את שלום פרעה

“Yosef Answered Pharaoh saying, it is beyond me; it is G-d who will respond to Pharaoh’s welfare.” Bereishis 41:16

The Torah is telling us that before Yosef answered Pharaoh’s question about his dream, he asserted that he deserved no credit for giving an interpretation. “It is beyond me (said Yosef), it is G-d who will respond to Pharaoh’s welfare.” The Midrash comments that he gave credit to the true master. It has always been the practice of righteous Jews not to attribute their accomplishments to themselves. This behavior is found in the miracle of Chanukah itself. The Chashmonaim are portrayed as mighty warriors who fearlessly fought the Syrian Greek armies and led the Jewish people to victory. They displayed great courage and heroism. Yet in the wording of the Al Hanisim prayer, a different picture emerges. חלשים ביד גבורים מסר “You, G-d,

Shabbos

Candle Lighting	5:15PM
Mincha	5:20PM
Early Minyan	8:00AM
Shacharis	9:00AM
Mincha	5:15PM
Havdalah	6:19PM

Those davening at home during the week, can connect by zoom with the davening in shul.

Weekday

Shacharis

Sunday 8:00AM

Mon-Fri 7:30AM

Mincha

Sun - Thu 5:25PM

in The Young Israel.

Next Fri candle lighting 5:19 PM



The weekly Shmooze News is dedicated by:

Jack & Susan Gluck in memory of Milton & Edith Gluck z”l ;

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delivered the mighty into the hands of the weak.” Chashmonaim openly admitted that they were weak people, Kohanim who weren’t experienced in the ways of war. Their great heroics are downplayed by the phrase, “You delivered the mighty into the hands of the weak.” The righteous Chashmonaim honestly gave credit where it was due -- to G-d. It was not their strength or mighty tactics that brought about victory, but it was the hand of G-d that orchestrated the miracle; they were merely the players chosen to bring about the salvation of the Jewish people. This idea is also mentioned in the words of Zechariah, the prophet in the Haftorah for Shabbos Chanukah: “Not through armies and not through might, but through my spirit, says G-d master of legions.” This is not just a message for Chanukah, but it is a message for all year round. All of our successes in life be it monetary, social status, good health, marriage, children, it is all from G-d and just the way he gave it he can take it away. Therefore, one must always be so appreciative and humble for all the blessings of life.

Sefer- Ateres Avraham

Wishing all of you an inspiring Shabbos!
Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

Shabbat Reminders:

We are anticipating being close to our full reduced capacity this Shabbat.

It is critical that each and every one of us take an active role in being a responsible member of our extended YICBH family.

To be more specific that means:

- 1. If you do not feel well, even slightly, please stay home.**
- 2. Even if you are convinced your issue is from allergies or sinus congestion or anything else not COVID-19, please stay home.**
- 3. When in shul, be extra careful to maintain your distance and remain by your seat.**
 - In the Social Hall do not rearrange the seats or move them.**
 - In the Main Sanctuary make sure you have 3 empty horizontal seats and one empty row between you and someone else.**
- 4. Wear a mask that you are capable of keeping securely over your mouth and nose.**
- 5. If we do reach capacity, those who arrive particularly late to minyan may not have a seat available for them.**

Thank you for your understanding.

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Schedule

- Talmud Shiur: Mon-Fri 6:55 AM
- The Daf Yomi shiur is now being given live via Zoom. Use the same Zoom info as for the minyanim. 9:00 AM Sundays - 8:20 AM Monday to Friday.
- The following shiurim this week, via Zoom:
 - Monday, December 21 - 7:30PM
Shiur – Sefer Hachinuch. Exploring and delving into the Mitzvos of the Torah.
 - Wednesday, December 23 - 7:30PM
Shiur in Navi - Shmuel II – The life and times of King David
- Zoom: Meeting ID: 734 192 4764 - Password: 688252

Congregational Family and Shul News

- Mazal Tov to Rabbi Simon & Alice Truzman on the wedding of their grandson Gavriel Itamar Rosental to Yonnia Silverman.
- Mazal Tov to Mrs. Esther Diener on the engagement of her granddaughter Alison to Benjamin Gilinsky. Mazal Tov to the parents Michelle & Bob Diener and Raquel & Jayme Gilinsky.

Refuah Sheleimah

- We wish refuah sheleimah to Raoul Cappell, Ginette Dekelbaum, Allan Krieger, and Allen Packer.

VIRTUAL KIDDUSH:

PLEASE ENJOY YOUR SHABBOS KIDDUSH AND SEUDAH AT HOME WHILE SHARING THE COMMEMORATION OF A SPECIAL OCCASION

While we all await and anticipate the restart of our weekly kiddush, our Virtual Kiddush enables us to jointly commemorate, on a weekly basis, special occasions of our members (anniversaries, yahrzeits, birthdays, etc.). The cost is much less than a sponsored kiddush and also provides our shul with much needed funds to cover our ongoing operating costs. Please contact the office to sponsor a Virtual Kiddush. Your support is greatly appreciated.

STATEMENTS HAVE BEEN SENT – PLEASE RESPOND

As you do your end-of-year tax planning, this is the perfect opportunity to clear your statement balance and make additional end-of-year donations. Your near-term response will greatly benefit our shul's finances during these challenging pandemic times, and will be greatly appreciated.



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Yahrzeits December 19 – December 25, 2020

4 TEVET	Lawrence Jaffe for his uncle, Samuel Graw, on Shabbos, Dec. 19
4 TEVET	Miriam Greenblatt for her mother, Poyla Bas Yosef Gunzenhauser, on Shabbos, Dec. 19
5 TEVET	Mark Soloway for his father, Lewis Soloway, on Sunday, Dec. 20
5 TEVET	Max Dekelbaum for his father-in-law, Jack Schneider, on Sunday, Dec. 20
5 TEVET	Miriam Kriger for her mother-in-law, Hannah Kriger, on Sunday, Dec. 20
5 TEVET	Talia Berner for her grandfather, Rodolfo Ellenbogen Ellenbogen, on Sunday, Dec. 20
8 TEVET	Joyce Stern for her father, Irving Krause, on Wednesday, Dec. 23
9 TEVET	David Brecher for his father, Meyer ben Shimshon haKohen, on Thursday, Dec. 24
9 TEVET	Max Dekelbaum for his grandmother, Ethel Dudick, on Thursday, Dec. 24
9 TEVET	Stanley Wasserman for his father, Joseph Wasserman, on Thursday, Dec. 24
9 TEVET	Micah Goldstein for his father, David ben Moshe, on Thursday, Dec. 24
9 TEVET	Judy Herzka for her father, Mayer Yitzchak Isaac, on Thursday, Dec. 24
9 TEVET	Seryl Kushner for her father, Morris Stadtmauer, on Thursday, Dec. 24

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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 for everyone who already contributed to the Refuah fund!

Eruv Bal Harbour: While the Eruv in Surfside includes both walking paths, in Bal Harbour the Eruv only includes the inner (western) walking path. 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

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

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