



Young Israel Congregation Shmooze News

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Parshas Mishpatim, Shabbos Skekalim, February 13, 2021

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Edith Gluck, Chana Bas Yitzhak Isaac, z"l.**

Rosh Chodesh Adar Friday and Saturday

ואלה המשפטים אשר תשים לפניהם

“And these are the social laws which you shall set before them”

Rashi explains that the conjunction “*and* these are the social laws” combines this portion of the Torah with the preceding one, which contains the Ten Commandments given at Sinai. This is to indicate that all the laws that follow are of divine authorship, just as are the Ten Commandments. The social laws of the Torah differ from the secular social laws in that the former cannot be changed or nullified. No matter how brilliant the Torah scholars may be, neither they nor the Sanhedrin (Supreme Court), or even the king of Israel, have the power to abrogate the Torah view on social issues. Regardless of how times and social conditions may change, and regardless of what compelling arguments may be presented, Torah laws remain eternal. When new circumstances require application of Torah law, the latter must be fashioned within the guidelines of established Torah principles. There is no “amending the constitution,” neither by two-thirds vote nor even by unanimous vote. In our time, we have witnessed the hazards of a system of laws that is totally subject to human determination. Society’s views on abortion, euthanasia, and sexual morality have changed dramatically in just the last 30 years. That which, once upon a time, was seen as immoral or akin to murder is totally acceptable today, for the social conditions and attitudes radically change and alter the laws of morality. In Torah law, the concepts of life and death and what is moral or immoral are immutable or unchangeable. Laws of divine origin do not change with time, place, and circumstance. The Sefas Emes states that Moshe Rabbeinu was reluctant to explain the logical

Shabbos

Candle Lighting	5:53PM
Mincha	5:55PM
Early Minyan	8:00AM
Shacharis	9:00AM
Mincha	5:50PM
Havdalah	6:58PM

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

Weekday

Shacharis

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

Mincha

Sun - Thu	6:00PM
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in The Young Israel.

Next Fri candle lighting 5:59 PM



The weekly Shmooze News is dedicated by:

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

Nicholas & Margaret Brecher z"l;

Penny Harris in memory of Arnold & 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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basis of social laws to the Jewish people, lest they assume that these are subject to logical manipulation. Although he did so at the command of G-d, we must remember that observance of these laws is ultimately based not on whether we consider them logical but because they are the divine will.

Wishing all of you an inspiring Shabbos!

Rabbi Moshe Gruenstein

As Purim and Pesach soon approach, let us not forget those in our community who are in financial need. Unfortunately, due to this corona pandemic, the economic consequences have also affected families who, until now, never needed any financial assistance. Please send in your generous contributions made out to YIBH, and please mention in the memo – Tzedakah, and delineate if it is for Purim or Pesach, or both.

Thank you so much and may Hashem bless all of you with good health, nachas and simchas. Rabbi G.

SAVE THE DATE!

Our 2021 Annual Journal Dinner will take place “virtually” this year on Sunday, March 14, 2021.

We are extremely pleased and proud to announce that this year’s guests of honor are:

Tammy & Ambassador David Friedman

We will also pay tribute to our dear

Rabbi & Rebbetzin Moshe & Rena 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, 3 empty horizontal seats and one empty row must be 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.

VIRTUAL KIDDUSH:

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

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- Talmud Shiur: Mon-Fri 6:25 AM
- The Daf Yomi shiur is now being given live via Zoom. Please note the new Zoom info for the Daf Yomi: Meeting ID: 873 8224 2928 - Passcode: 613613
9:00 AM Sundays - 7:20 AM Monday to Friday.
- The following shiurim this week, via Zoom:
 - Monday, February 15 - 7:30PM
Shiur – Sefer Hachinuch. Exploring and delving into the Mitzvos of the Torah.
 - Wednesday, February 17 - 7:30PM
Shiur in Navi - Shmuel II – The life and times of King David
- Zoom: Meeting ID: 734 192 4764 - Passcode: 688252

Congregational Family and Shul News

- A warm welcome to our new members, Esther & Jacob Deutsch and BatSheva Haber.
- Mazal Tov to Breindy & Neal Pomper on the birth of a grandson to their children Yonina & Yitzi Pomper.

Refuah Sheleimah

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

SCHEDULE FOR PURIM

Fast of Esther – Thursday, Feb. 25th.

Fast begins – 5:35AM

Shacharis – 7:00AM and 8:00AM

Mincha – 6:00PM

Maariv – 6:40PM

Fast over – 6:55PM (But, unless absolutely necessary, we do not eat till after the reading of the Megillah).

Megillah reading - 7:00PM sharp.

Megillah will be read in main sanctuary, social hall, and upstairs in the succah. All readings at 7:00PM.

Purim Day – Friday, Feb. 26th.

Shacharis – 7:00AM - Main sanctuary – Megillah reading approx. 7:30AM

Shacharis – 8:30AM - Main sanctuary – Megillah reading approx. 9:00AM

Megillah reading upstairs in succah – 10:30AM

To comply with social distancing, we may need to move some congregants from one room to another.

For those who are too uncomfortable in coming to Shul (even in the succah) to hear Megillah reading, we have some righteous volunteers who are willing to come to your home and read the Megillah on your terrace or backyard if you so desire. If you are interested, please call the office (305.866.0203) or Rabbi Gruenstein (786.227.2495).

If you cannot come to Shul and you have a kosher Megillah at home, then you can follow on zoom and read it aloud word for word and fulfill the mitzvah of Krias Megillah.

Purim is one of our biggest fundraisers. Due to COVID, we will not have a Purim Seudah this year, but we are pleased to be able to have our annual Purim Mishloach Manos Drive, raising money for our Shul as well as donating money to families in need and food to the Kosher Food Bank in North Miami Beach. Members will receive a scroll and small token package by mail. If you just wish to receive a scroll, with no package, please check the box on the form or email Yakira. We hope you generously contribute as you have done in the past and wish you all a healthy and inspiring 2021!

If anyone interested in volunteering for individual, socially distanced, and safe Mishloach Manos tasks, please reach out and text message Bianca Senker at 305 790-7067

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Yahrzeits February 13 – February 19, 2021

- 1 ADAR Marc Lewison for his father, Baruch Lewison, on Shabbos, Feb. 13
- 1 ADAR Judy Tuchman for her mother, Esther Gruss, on Shabbos, Feb. 13
- 2 ADAR Judy Milstein for her daughter, Wendy Kirshenbaum, on Sunday, Feb. 14
- 2 ADAR Charles Kalchman for his father, Shlomo Chaim ben harav Yissochor Dov, on Sun., Feb. 14
- 3 ADAR Moshe Gruenstein for his mother, Sima bas Moshe Yosef, on Monday, Feb. 15
- 3 ADAR Baruch Halpern for his father, Meshulem Shraga ben Reb Yehuda Aryeh Leibish, on Monday, Feb. 15
- 4 ADAR Jack Gluck for his mother, Edith Gluck, on Tuesday, Feb. 16
- 4 ADAR Iris Herssein for her sister, Segal Orit bat Shmuel Alhassid, on Tuesday, Feb. 16
- 4 ADAR Saul Spitz for his mother, Shirley Spitz, on Tuesday, Feb. 16
- 5 ADAR Susan Diamond for her father, Jerome Schottenstein, on Wednesday, Feb. 17
- 6 ADAR Rena Gruenstein for her father, Chaim Yoel, on Thursday, Feb. 18
- 6 ADAR Ricardo Berner for his grandmother, Feigue bat Zeev (Wolf), on Thursday, Feb. 18
- 7 ADAR Robert Frankel for his father, Mordechai Frankel, on Friday, Feb. 19
- 7 ADAR Y.A. Korff for his mother, Chayah Korff, on Friday, Feb. 19
- 7 ADAR Lemor England for her sister, Tali Herzig, on Friday, Feb. 19

Please report any errors or omissions to Dr. Jared Plitt at jared@drplitt.com or to yakira@yicbh.org

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

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!

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