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## *YIC Weekly Newsletter: Oct 22 - 28 / 2 - 8 Cheshvan*

**Sunday Oct 22:** Shachris: 8:30 AM      Mincha / Ma'ariv: 5:30 PM  
**Monday Oct 23:** Shachris: 7:00 AM      Mincha / Ma'ariv: 5:30 PM  
**Tuesday Oct 24:** No Shachris      Mincha / Ma'ariv: 5:30 PM  
**Wednesday Oct 25:** No Shachris      Mincha / Ma'ariv: 5:30 PM  
**Thursday Oct 26:** Shachris: 7:00 AM      / Ma'ariv: 5:30 PM  
**Friday Oct 27:** No Shachris      Mincha: 5:30 PM  
**Saturday Oct 28:** Shachris: 9:00 AM (Lech Lecha)      Mincha 5:30 PM  
    **Followed by Shalos Seudos and Ma'ariv. Shabbat ends at 6:33 PM**

**Kiddish Sat Oct 21:** Today's beautiful Kiddish was sponsored by the Duchoeny Family, in honour of the 5th Yahrzeit of Willy Duchoeny Z"l. Willy Duchoeny was a long-time member of the Young Israel of Chomedey, joining our shul in 1967 when he moved to Chomedey from Montreal. Willy, together with George Abramovitz Z"l and Lou Gontovnick used to prepare the Sunday morning breakfasts for a long time. He was also building chairmen for 10 years and helped with the bazaars. Because of his connections at A-1 Rent-a-Tool where he worked, Willy would also get the shul deals on equipment we needed. With his ever-loving wife Beatrice of some 50 years together, the Duchoenys had 3 children - Frank, Sam and Brahm, with 1 grandchild and two step-grandchildren. Beatrice, who still attends our shul regularly together with all 3 sons and sister-in-law Debby were in shul today to honour the memory of Willy, whom we all miss.

**Sh'ar Shalom:** This morning, we were also honoured to have the Sh'ar Shalom join us for Sabbath Services. A rare occasion, but only because their Ba'al Koreh Hillel Salzman's back was out of whack (Hope soon he gets it back), and couldn't come to shul. We wish Hillel a **REFUAH SHLEMA**. But hey guys, you don't have to wait for such an unfortunate occasion; you can join us once in a while as we celebrate Shabbat together as one community.

**Liquor Donations:** **a)** Bottles were donated to the Young Israel – SAQ division - by: a) Diane & Aubrey Bresinger to honour the Yahrzeit of their late son Lorne Z"l on Oct 12th; **b)** by Krysia and Moe Rosenstein in honour of the Yahrzeit of Krysia's father, the late Jacob Stopnicki Z"l on Oct 15th; **c)** by the Duchoeny family in honour of the 5th Yahrzeit of Willy Duchoeny Z"l; **d)** by Paul Kulik in honour of the Yahrzeit of his father Aleksander Z"l, and e) by Pesach Bosis in honour of his wife's birthday Oct 28 and their 52nd Anniversary Oct 23. (I have it on good authority that if Pesach would have forgotten these two dates, he would have been forced to donate a High Kiddish.) **YASHIR KOACH** to all our bottle donators.

**Rabbi's Class:** The Rabbi's class returns this week on Thursday at appx 7:30 PM

**Welcome:** We were treated today in shul by the appearance of a number of members who have been absent recently for a variety of reasons. No matter – was great to see you all; Lou Gontovnick, Danny Tansky, Nehemiah and Lucette Black, Natalie and Adrian Bercovici, the Duchoeny Family, and let's not forget Tobin, the Shainbach's future son-in-law who was the **CHOSEN BOCHER** this morning, as he was welcomed with an Aliya.

**Special Invitation:** Please scroll down to the end for a personal invitation from Rabbi Banon and Rebbetzin Rochel to a special Erev-Shabbos candle Lighting ceremony for his daughter Esther who turns 3 years old.

**Condolences:** Our sincere condolences from the Young Israel of Chomedey to the family of the late Aleksander Wolkowics Z"l, who passed away after a long illness on Saturday Oct 14. Alek Wolkowics was a Holocaust survivor who never forgot the horrific events of his youth in Poland, and after coming to Canada successfully built a new life for himself and his adored family in Chomedey. He was totally dedicated to his beloved "bashert" Ruth, with whom he shared a full and happy life for sixty-two years, and their four incredible and amazing children, Marsha, Joel, Jeffrey and Brian as well as to his cherished eighteen grandchildren, and his over thirty great-grandchildren. He was so very proud of each and every one of them and they gave him tremendous "naches" and joy. He insisted that each of his wonderful children would identify and be proud of their Jewish heritage and, in spite of the high costs of a quality Jewish education, he found a way to send each of them through the Talmud Torah system where they excelled and went on to very satisfying careers.

Alek attended services at the Young Israel of Chomedey regularly and would greet his many friends and admirers with quiet dignity and sincere pleasure at seeing them again. He respected our clergy enormously and looked eagerly forward to his awarded aliyahs even though in recent years it became painfully evident that he had great difficulty in walking up to the bimah. Still, he absolutely never complained, always happy to get to shul, join his always supportive and loving wife Ruth, in the congregational Kiddush afterwards and expressed his gratitude at being able to attend services once again. He constantly had the highest regard and respect for our shul and its congregants. Alek and Ruth were happy to attend every simcha celebration at shul. Those who knew him always respected him as he was a quiet, dignified man who can honestly be referred to as a real mensch. Every man dies; not every man really lives – Alek lived a full life. The funeral took place on Monday Oct 16. Contributions in his memory may be made to the Montreal Holocaust Museum, (514) 345-2605. May his memory be for a blessing for his family and friends and.....

*May the Almighty comfort the family amongst the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem*

**Condolences:** Our sincere condolences from the Young Israel of Chomedey to the family of **Matthew Hersh BEKER Z"l**, who passed away suddenly in Toronto on Monday, October 16, 2017, in his 51st year. Matthew was the beloved son of long-time Young Israel of Chomedey members Carol and Issie Beker. Matthew was a dear brother and brother-in-law of Jack (Donna) and Elliot (Elsa) Beker, and uncle of Amanda, Milka, Stephen and Jonah. Funeral services were held in Toronto on Friday, October 20, 2017 with Shiva taking place also in Toronto. According to the Toronto funeral home posting – not yet on Paperman's website - Shiva will also take place in Montreal at 440 Brahms in DDO, starting this Sunday through Wednesday. Visits from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Shiva will conclude Thursday morning, October 26th. Donations may be made to the Canadian Diabetes Association in Toronto.

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**Commemoration:** Leo Stiglitz commemorated the 1st year Yahrzeit of his beloved wife Maree z'l on the 27th of Tishrei (October 17). Maree is dearly missed by the entire family. (See also Mazal Tov's below).

**Birthdays – past and present:** a) **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to Dave Green's girlfriend Jo-Ann whose birthday falls on October 29. **MAZAL TOV** until 120!

**Mazal Tov:** a) **MAZAL TOV** to past President George Finkelstein and his lovely wife Rose

who celebrated their 42nd anniversary this past Thursday, on October 19. May George and Rose continue to celebrate many more wonderful anniversaries together in good health and shalom bayit with their children, grandchildren, family and friends.

**b)** And 24 years ago, on George and Rose's anniversary Oct 19th, as a wonderful and special gift from Hashem, Rose gave birth to their wonderful daughter Jasmine. Gorgeous Jasmine is an outstanding scholar studying neuroscience. May she live until 120 and may she continue to deliver much Nachas to her parents, family, friends, and the whole community, irrespective whether Jasmine selects a career as a researcher, Doctor, or both. **MAZAL TOV** Jasmine, George and Rose and the entire Finkelstein family and friends.

**c)** **MAZAL TOV** to Bernie Bloom who is a member of the Sha'ar Shalom. Bernie Bloom is also the father of Paul Bloom, a Yale psychologist who last week was the recipient of a \$1 million 2017 Klaus J. Jacobs Research Prize for his investigations into how children develop a sense of morality. The foundation cites Bloom's work — in collaboration with his Yale colleague Karen Wynn (who by the way is his wife) — on young babies' understanding of good and evil.

**d)** **MAZAL TOV** to Fred Rudy on his sister's 70th birthday in Toronto on Oct 28.

**e)** **MAZAL TOV** to Leo & Maree's z'l granddaughter Megan Higman who recently graduated McGill with a degree in Speech Therapy. Proud parents are Ron and Heather and brother Adam of DDO. And another **MAZAL TOV** to Leo & Maree's z'l granddaughter Erin in Toronto, who recently got engaged to Dr. Corey Brick. Proud parents are Steve & Roseanne and brother Seth. An August 2018 wedding is planned. May the Stiglitz family celebrate many more simchas in health and happiness – **AMEN!!!!**

**Refuah Shlema:** **a)** **REFUAH SHLEMA** to George Finkelstein's mother who is ill, we wish her a full recovery; **b)** **REFUAH SHLEMA** to Bernie Peroff who will not be in Shul for the next 10 days or so. He has a viral infection and breathing problems and will be taking antibiotics and other meds; **c)** **REFUAH SHLEMA** to Dave Green's daughter Jennifer, who underwent surgery on Wednesday. She is home recuperating and hopefully will be back on her feet soon. **d)** **A REFUAH SHLEMA** to Laryssa Grushka who is once again in the hospital, having an operation last week, and another one this past Friday I believe. **e)** And a continued **REFUAH SHLEMA** to all are ailing and/or recuperating from their ailments.

**Quote of the Day Two Thousand Years ago:** Treat others as you would like to be treated.

**Quote of the Day Today:** Tweet others as you would like to be tweeted – just avoid TRUMP!

**A SIMCHAT TORAH CELEBRATION LIKE YOU'VE NEVER SEEN BEFORE – WOW!**

[https://unitedwithisrael.org/watch-incredible-celebration-at-flagship-jerusalem-yeshiva/?utm\\_source=MadMimi&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=Saudis+Join+Israel+Loving+Trump%27s+Anti-Iran+Strategy%3B+ISIS+Rockets+Explode+in+Israel%3B+You+Won%27t+Believe+this+Sukkah+on+Wheels%21&utm\\_campaign=20171015\\_m142094643\\_Saudis+Join+Israel+Loving+Trump%27s+Anti-Iran+Strategy%3B+ISIS+Rockets+Explode+in+Israel%3B+You+Won%27t+Believe+this+Sukkah+on+Wheels%21&utm\\_term=watch\\_btn\\_dark\\_png](https://unitedwithisrael.org/watch-incredible-celebration-at-flagship-jerusalem-yeshiva/?utm_source=MadMimi&utm_medium=email&utm_content=Saudis+Join+Israel+Loving+Trump%27s+Anti-Iran+Strategy%3B+ISIS+Rockets+Explode+in+Israel%3B+You+Won%27t+Believe+this+Sukkah+on+Wheels%21&utm_campaign=20171015_m142094643_Saudis+Join+Israel+Loving+Trump%27s+Anti-Iran+Strategy%3B+ISIS+Rockets+Explode+in+Israel%3B+You+Won%27t+Believe+this+Sukkah+on+Wheels%21&utm_term=watch_btn_dark_png)

**ARCHAEOLOGISTS DISCOVER A MAJOR PORTION of the WESTERN WALL – HAKOTEL**

## HA'MA'ARAVI

<https://israeluncovered.com/archaeologists-discover-lost-portions-of-western-wall-tunnels/?omhide=true>

## *Yahrzeits for the week of Oct 23 - 29 / 3 - 9 Cheshvan*

COMMON DATE	JEWISHMEMBER DATE	DECEASED	RELATION
Oct 23	Cheshvan 3	Michael Brandspiegel for	Henry Brandspiegel z"l father
Oct 25	Cheshvan 5	Judith Brandspiegel for	Sophie Winstan z"l mother
Oct 25	Cheshvan 5	David Sheffren for	Evelyn Engelberg z"l ister
Oct 25	Cheshvan 5	Phyllis Abramovitz for	Rifka Gross z"l mother
Oct 25	Cheshvan 5	Adele Ziss for	Rifka Gross z"l mother
Oct 26	Cheshvan 6	Robert Bergson for	Aby Bergson z"l father
Oct 27	Cheshvan 7	Frank Gontovnick for	Ben Zion z"l father
Oct 27	Cheshvan 7	Ruth Mardinger for	Fania Korn z"l mother
Oct 27	Cheshvan 7	Alex Wolkowicz for	Israel Wolkowicz z"l brother
Oct 28	Cheshvan 8	Robert Bergson for	Sydney Applebaum z"l father in law
Oct 28	Cheshvan 8	Bernie Peroff for	Uda Peroff z"l father
Oct 29	Cheshvan 9	Anita Cohen for	John J. Cohen z"l husband
Oct 29	Cheshvan 9	Bella Chorán for	Stanley Silverman z"l late husband

Any Young Israel member MISSING a Yahrzeit notice in the shul bulletin, please email the info directly to **therudys@videotron.ca** Please provide full name in English (and Hebrew if possible) and the date of the Yahrzeit as well as relationship to YIC member. As soon as info is received, it will be forwarded to the shul office, or you can also email or phone in the info direct to the office if you prefer.

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Rabbi Avram Banon's little girl Esther turns 3 years old. The Rabbi and Rebbetzin Rochel and the entire Banon Family are pleased to invite members of the Young Israel of Chomedey and Shaar Shalom to a Special Candle-Lighting Ceremony, where their daughter Esther will light Shabbas Candles for the very first time. This beautiful event will take place on Friday Nov 3rd, at 4:30 PM. The Program will begin at 4:45 PM sharp, followed by Candle Lighting before 5:21 PM. We will proceed with Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat services, after which we will all be treated to a buffet-dinner in the social hall. Let us all turn out to make this Shabbat evening a truly memorable event for Rabbi Banon and his family, and for our shuls. Please accept this as a personal invitation.

