

# Young Israel of Chomedey Congregation Chevra Mishnayis

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*YIC Weekly Newsletter: Dec 17 - 23 / 29 Kislev - 5 Tevet*

**\*\*\*\*\* We are now on a Winter Prayer Schedule \*\*\*\*\***

<b>Sunday Dec 17:</b>	<b>Shachris - 8:30 AM</b>	<b>Mincha / Ma'ariv - 4:00 PM</b>
<b>Monday Dec 18:</b>	<b>Shachris - 7:00 AM</b>	<b>Ma'ariv - 7:30 PM</b>
<b>Tuesday Dec 19:</b>	<b>Shachris - 7:00 AM</b>	<b>Ma'ariv - 7:30 PM</b>
<b>Wednesday Dec 20:</b>	<b>Shachris - 7:00 AM</b>	<b>Ma'ariv - 7:30 PM</b>
<b>Thursday Dec 21:</b>	<b>Shachris - 7:00 AM</b>	<b>Ma'ariv - 7:30 PM</b>
<b>Friday Dec 22:</b>	No Schacris	<b>Mincha / Ma'ariv - 4:00 PM</b>
<b>Shabbat Dec 23:</b>	Parshat Vaigash <b>Schachris - 9:30 AM</b> <b>Shabbat ends - 5:05 PM</b>	Rabbi's Class at 9:00 AM <b>Followed by Kiddish &amp; Mincha</b> <b>Ma'ariv - 5:30 PM</b>

**NOTE:** Tomorrow on Sunday we have services at 4 PM, and it is always difficult to have a Minyan at that time. In addition, **Issie Baum has Yahrzeit** on Sunday; on Tuesday Paul Kulik has Yahrzeit; On Thursday **Yossi Aberman and George Finkelstein have Yahrzeit**, so again a Minyan is required on these respective evenings and mornings.

**TAKE NOTE:** Tuesday evening we have Ma'ariv services at 6:30 PM.

**NOTE:** Monday and Tuesday, in addition to Hanukkah is **Roch Chodesh Tevet**

**NOTE:** Rabbi David Banon, the Rabbi's father has asked to let our members know that they have a Mincha Minyan at the Centre Sepharade from Monday to Thursday at 1:30 PM. Indeed, without both shuls taking part, it is highly unlikely that there will be a Minyan. So those who have to say Kaddish - and others, please do your part and we can continue to have a daily Mincha Minyan at Centre Sepharade.

**Kiddish Sat Dec 16:** This week's kiddush was sponsored by the shul.

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**Liquor Donations: Rabbi Banon's Class:** The Rabbi's class this week will take place on Thursday Dec 21 at 7:45 PM, after Ma'ariv services.

**Minyans:** Many of our members have already left for the winter, many more will be leaving in the next 4-6 weeks for various lengths of stay down south. Now more than ever, we call on **ALL** our members, regulars or not to come to shul for Minyans. We pride ourselves on being a full-service shul, and providing for Minyans for those saying Kaddish on a regular place. Now is the time to step up and support your fellow shul members - and friends - when they need you most. **SUPPORT OUR SHUL AND COME TO OUR MINYANS!!!!**

**Welcome:** To Nehemiah Black's official family delegation from Cote. St. Luc, Toronto and New York for a baby naming ceremony tonight - we wish the entire Black Family a **MAZAL TOV** with many more simchas in good health.

**Mazal Tov: MAZAL TOV** to Doris & Danny Silverman who celebrate their 57th wedding anniversary on Sun. Dec. 17th. many more in good health.

**Joint YIC and SS Hanukkah Party: **WOW - What a party!!!****  
A great time was had by all and then some! 108 seats sold, with 2 invited guests! At 7:15 PM, **Rabbi David Banon** lit our Hanukkah candles, and gave a wonderful 5 minute Dvar Torah on Hanukkah and it's relevant meaning for today. **Helaine Feldhammer** of Shaar Shalom and **Issie Baum** each made a very short speech welcoming everyone. Issie introduced our Chomedey councillor, recently re-elected **Aglia Revelakis** who brought us the greetings of the City of Laval, and her best wishes for the Hanukkah Holiday emphasizing a number of times the relevance the Jewish community had and still has in Laval. **Sam Puterman** made the Motzi, and the dinner party was off to the races. And from what we were able to glean from those present, it was an absolute success, with nary a complaint from any of our guests. The **DJ - Lahit Barosh** was superb, and kept everyone glued to the dance floor - when they weren't eating and nashing on the delicious pastry table. Thanks to **Rita Scholl, Susan Erdelyi** and **Issie Baum** for donating some magnificent and original raffle prizes - each worth as much as \$300 plus; with Rita's and Susan's being original paintings, proving that they both are phenomenal artists, and Issie's being an original antique print over 173 years old. We also had over 15 door prizes, and a lot of guests went home very happy. A huge **YASHIR KOACH** to all those who made it possible: **Helaine Feldhammer** from the Shaar Shalom, co-chairman of the party committee; **Shirley and Marty Cohen**, and my lovely wife **Zila Baum**, who set all the tables on Friday in a marathon 4-5 hour session; **Susan Erdelyi** who did a superb job on the decorations; **Mindy** who helped in different capacities, including selling tickets on behalf of the Young Israel; **Helaine** who sold tickets on behalf of the Shaar Shalom and **Yaffa Puterman** who sold tickets to all the Israelis present; and to **Sam Rabinovitch** who helped in more ways than one despite his bum leg. Our mashgiach **Naphtali Shainbach** did a marvellous job of mashgiching, and last but not least - our 4 waitresses did a superb job in making sure our food was served on time and hot, and the Shaar Shalom caretaker René who helped where je was needed. And if I was asked to recap, well - **you missed a darn nice party.**

**Young Israel Hanukkah Party:** And now it's time for the The Annual Young Israel Hanukkah Party which takes place on the last night of Hanukkah, Tuesday, Dec 19, for Young Israel and Shaar Shalom members and their families, children and grandchildren, all subsidized by our shul. **Ma'ariv services will take place at 6:30 PM (instead of 7:30)** after which the party will start at 6:45 PM with candle lighting, followed by a festive Hannukah self-serve sumptuous buffet, with music and toys for the kids. For more details see the attached special flyer, attached to this email and not on our website. Come on Tuesday and make this Hanukkah party a success as well!

**Regards:** Once again, our good friend and member Gersh Madan in Toronto, sends his best regards to all members of the YIC, and wishes everyone a **HAPPY HANUKKAH!** Message transferred by Dave Apelbaum.

**Board Meeting:** A Board Meeting was held Dec 11, and the most salient items discussed and passed were the following, to be either implemented by the Executive Committee, and/or brought back to the next Board meeting with possible solutions: **a)** Yiskor Board and TV screen to be updated ASAP; **b)** Options to be found for the Stained Glass Windows and the possible replacement benches in our sanctuary to cost no more than \$50K but in any event to be presented to the board before any action is taken; **c)** Installation of a security intercom between the kitchen door and our office upstairs; **d)** To investigate numerous options available relating to the disposition of the CM building; **e)** The Board has agreed to establish a charity fund of \$10K to help any member in time of need - more details to be worked out by the Exec with the Rabbi's input, and will be presented at the next Board meeting; **d)** The existing YIC Constitution was discussed and all agreed on the necessity of updating it as soon as possible; **e)** The Board unanimously postponed next April 2018 elections to take place in April 2019, given that the current Exec came into office mid August 2017; **e)** The state of our office, and responsibilities of our office manager, as well as our Auditor were discussed; **f)** the YIC financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2016 were presented indicating a deficit of \$116K given that the year covers both Elizabeth Blvd and present premises, including all expenses incurred in our move. This should be considerably reduced by next year, but in any event, a budget will be presented in the next little while to indicate our estimated deficit for the current year ending in June 2018; **g)** the Board unanimously passed a resolution eliminating the \$500 double plot surcharge for a couple; this will not be retroactive, but anyone who has paid this fee will receive a full tax receipt in the event not already received. **h)** The next Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for March/April 2018, with a General Assembly shortly after that.

**Refuah Shlema:** **a)** A continued **REFUAH SHLEMA** to George Finkelstein who is recovering from the removal of a cancerous lesion from his cheek last week; **b)** A **REFUAH SHLEMA** to Beryl Grabina who is suffering from a painful herniated disc, and we wish her a speedy recovery; **f)** And a **REFUAH SHLEMA** to all are ailing and/or recuperating from their ailments.

## *Yahrzeits for the week of Dec 18 - 24 / 30 Kislev - 6 Tevet*

COMMON DATE	JEWISH DATE	MEMBER	DECEASED	RELATION
Dec 18	Kislev 30	Norman Lecker	for Irvin Federgreen z"l	father in law
Dec 19	Tevet 1	Paul Kulik	for Sarolta Kulik z"l	mother
Dec 20	Tevet 2	David Slavat	for Sonia Slavat z"l	mother
Dec 22	Tevet 4	Anita Cohen	for Zelig Cohen z"l	father in law
Dec 22	Tevet 4	Zvi Shapiro	for Sara Shapiro z"l	mother
Dec 24	Tevet 6	Edith Gasoi	for Tzvi z"l	father
Dec 24	Tevet 6	Lily Jakubovic	for Moishe Miller z"l	father
Dec 24	Tevet 6	Helen Iscoe	for Stella Zackon z"l	mother

Any Young Israel member **MISSING** a Yahrzeit notice in the shul bulletin, please email the info directly [to therudys@videotron.ca](mailto: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.