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YIC Weekly Newsletter Dec 23 - 29 / 15 - 21 Tevet

DAY	DATE	SHACHRIS	MINCHA
Sunday	Dec 23	8:30 AM	4:00 PM Mincha / Ma'ariv
Monday	Dec 24	7:00 AM	7:30 PM
Tuesday	Dec 25	No Services	7:30 PM
Wednesday	Dec 26	No Services	7:30 PM
Thursday	Dec 27	7:00 AM	7:30 PM
Friday	Dec 28	No Services	4:00 PM
Saturday	Dec 29	Parshat Shemot Rabbi's Class at 9:00 AM Services at 9:30 AM followed by Kiddish and then Mincha	Shabbat Starts: 3:59 PM Shabbat Ends: 5:09 PM Ma'ariv at 5:35 PM

Kiddish Sat Dec 22: Today's Kiddish was sponsored by the shul.

Liquor Donations: a) A bottle was donated by Pesach Bosis in honour of the Yahrzeit of his father Chaim Z"L last Tuesday; b) Another bottle was donated by Dave and Thelma Smith in honour of the Yahrzeit of Dave's brother Sam, today Shabbat Dec 22.

Rabbi Banon's Class: The Rabbi's class this week will take place on Thursday Dec 27, at 7:45 PM after Ma'ariv services.

Birthdays: Sunday Dec 23rd is Yisroel Rudy's 20th birthday in Israel! Yisroel is the grandson of VP Fred and Lilian Rudy. **MAZAL TOV** and ad 120!

Welcome Back: To Hazzan Yossi after a 1-week break down South, where the sunshine was far better than whatever "shine" we have here.

Yashir Koach: Welcome also to Adrian and Natalie Bercovici on a wonderful Shabbat visit to our shul, and a big **YASHIR KOACH** to them as they and their Generations Foundation have been all over Global TV this past week. On Sunday they will be featured once again on Global, this time on the program Focus with Jamie Orchard; Sunday at 7:00 AM, again at 11:30 AM and later on at midnight. Again, **YASHER KOACH** to the Bercovicis for all that they do, including feeding over 8,000 schoolchildren breakfast every day through their Generations Foundation. And it was very nice seeing them at shul this Shabbat!

Yashir Koach: To VPs Fred Rudy and Dave Green, who between them, designed, ordered and installed the beautiful plaques on our stained glass windows, and appropriately ready as the Rabbi said, for this week's Torah portion "Vayechi" which deals with Jacob blessing his sons, assigning to each his role as a tribe. Great work - guys!!!

Condolences: To Max Stoller and his family on the passing of his brother in Israel. Max left for Israel for the funeral and shiva, and we will know more upon his return. Unfortunately this is the third time in the past month or so that Max and his family have suffered losses in their immediate families, and we wish.....

"The Family Know no Further Sorrows"

Refuah Shelma: To Everyone suffering from illnesses or sickness of one form or another we wish everyone a **REFUAH SHLEMA**, and a speedy recovery.

IMAGES and VIDEOS

An extraordinary set of photos shared by friends of friends; some of these have made the rounds, but most were startlingly new. The time span is, if garbled, purely amazing. Thanks to Kohen Gadol Ralph Levine for forwarding this to me.

<http://www.douglascountygensoc.org/photos004.html>

SON OF HAMAS - WATCH THIS!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NX-atfFWeq8>

Like a phoenix-- how I rose from the ashes

https://www.jpost.com/Israel-News/Netanyahu-pays-respects-to-Rona-Ramon-A-giant-of-the-spirit-574765?utm_source=newsletter&utm_campaign=19-2-2018&utm_content=netanyahu-pays-respects-to-rona-ramon-a-giant-of-the-spirit-574765

Tortured by the Palestinian Authority for Preventing Terror Attacks

<https://israelunwired.com/tortured-by-the-palestinian-authority-for-preventing-terror-attacks/>

Yahrzeits for the week of Dec 24 - 30 / 16 - 22 Tevet

COMMON JEWISH	MEMBER	DECEASED	RELATION
DATE	DATE		
Dec 24	Tevet 16	Sandra Kozlick	for Edith Abramovitch z"l mother
Dec 24	Tevet 16	Ruth Lesser	for Benny Lesser z"l father in law
Dec 24	Tevet 16	Nancy Bresler	for Myer Cohen z"l father
Dec 24	Tevet 16	Frances White	for Norman Silverman z"l brother
Dec 25	Tevet 17	Sonia Budner	for Moishe Birencwaig z"l father
Dec 25	Tevet 17	Gina Fogel	for Moishe Birencwaig z"l father
Dec 26	Tevet 18	Yehuda Rappaport	for Sara Rappaport z"l mother
Dec 26	Tevet 18	Adrian Bercovici	for Tzपुरa Bercovici z"l mother
Dec 26	Tevet 18	Amy Simon	for Issie Simon z"l father
Dec 26	Tevet 18	Brenda Black	for Estelle Shefter z"l mother
Dec 27	Tevet 19	Bernie Borenstein	for Leo Borenstein z"l father
Dec 27	Tevet 19	Lewis Blau	for Moe Staviss z"l father in law
Dec 27	Tevet 19	Aisik Melnik	for Chaya Shimron z"l sister
Dec 27	Tevet 19	Miriam Levy	for Rochel Kaplansky z"l mother
Dec 28	Tevet 20	Paula Goldsman	for Louie Goldsman z"l husband
Dec 28	Tevet 20	Seyma Akerman	for Yosef Akerman z"l father in law
Dec 28	Tevet 20	Bella Chorán	for Sam Borts z"l brother
Dec 30	Tevet 22	David Smith	for Chaya Smith z"l mother

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. **Note:** In the event a female member does not want her maiden name included in the weekly bulletin Yahrzeit notices - for possible security reasons - please advise the office, and we will make the appropriate change.

PARSHAT HASHAVUA - WEEKLY TORAH PORTION
The Parshah in a Nutshell

SHEMOT

Exodus 1:1-6:1



The children of Israel multiply in Egypt. Threatened by their growing numbers, Pharaoh enslaves them and orders the Hebrew midwives, Shifrah and Puah, to kill all male babies at birth. When they do not comply, he commands his people to cast the Hebrew babies into the Nile.

A child is born to Yocheved, the daughter of Levi, and her husband, Amram, and placed in a basket on the river, while the baby's sister, Miriam, stands watch from afar. Pharaoh's daughter discovers the boy, raises him as her son, and names him Moses.

As a young man, Moses leaves the palace and discovers the hardship of his brethren. He sees an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, and kills the Egyptian. The next day he sees two Jews fighting; when he admonishes them, they reveal his deed of the previous day, and Moses is forced to flee to Midian. There he rescues Jethro's daughters, marries one of them (Tziporah), and becomes a shepherd of his father-in-law's flocks.

G-d appears to Moses in a burning bush at the foot of Mount Sinai, and instructs him to go to Pharaoh and demand: "Let My people go, so that they may serve Me." Moses' brother, Aaron, is appointed to serve as his spokesman. In Egypt, Moses and Aaron assemble the elders of Israel to tell them that the time of their redemption has come. The people believe; but Pharaoh refuses to let them go, and even intensifies the suffering of Israel.

Moses returns to G-d to protest: "Why have You done evil to this people?" G-d promises that the redemption is close at hand.



VP Fred Rudy has been doing a massive clean up of his garage while getting his house ready to sell (hopefully in the spring), and came across a very interesting box of Young Israel of Chomedey memorabilia dating back to pre-Romiti days. For the uninitiated, that is pre Elizabeth Blvd days - eons ago!

In preparation for the 40th and 50th anniversaries of the Young Israel at the time, Fred was the "historian" of our shul, and amassed a collection of "old stuff" about the **YIC**. Given that we are now in our third location, perhaps it is time to relive some of the memories, and Fred wants to share those memories through our newsletter. What a wonderful idea! Now that most of our members are getting older (an understatement), Fred believes that all of us would get a kick reading some of what went on when many of us were in our '30s and '40s. And your newsletter editor agrees!

One of the first things that caught Fred's keen eye and which probably few in our Shul are aware of, is the origin of the word "**YIC**." Here's the story of how this came about; Fred shortened it a bit.

FROM THE PURIM, MARCH 1977 NEWSLETTER:

As we celebrate our 18th "Chai" year, may our youth go forward in the spirit of "Chai" to bring honor and respect to themselves and our new community.

Young Israel of Chomedey has taken on a new dimension. Following the direction of "**ROSHEI TEIVOT**" the initial letters of the Young Israel of Chomedey, we, the Youth of our Shul have adopted **Y I C ... Yahadut, Involvement and Concern!**"

YAHADUT – religious commitment, following in the footsteps of our fathers.

INVOLVEMENT - we have a staff of a dozen teenagers who are actively leading groups on Shabbat, Sunday mornings, and evenings and are serving on the executive of NCSY. (Now lead by our own Rabbi Glen Black, Nechemieh's Son in Toronto)

CONCERN - Our youth are at least concerned for our people as they are for our Shul. During the holidays our Youth have celebrated with the Jewish Convalescent Hospital, JNF, and many local programs aimed at getting the community involved.

SIGNED BY MANES LEIBER, Youth Director **YIC**.

Note: Anyone with anecdotes, pictures, memories etc, are invited to submit them to the newsletter editor, and we will try to have a nostalgia page devoted to these items.