

This Coming Week in Jewish History

[15 Elul]

- ◆ The right to public worship is denied to the Jews of New York, 1685. (44 years - almost to the day - later, the foundation was laid for the first synagogue structure in New York (and all of North America).
- ◆ Yahrzeit of Rabbi Akiva Eiger, 1758.
- ◆ Russia decreed the draft of Jewish boys from the age of 12, 1827.

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- ◆ Nazi decree forbidding non-Jews to work for Jews, 1940.
- ◆ Illegal Jewish immigrants that were exiled to Mauritius by the British, were admitted into Eretz Yisrael, 1945.

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- ◆ No'ach released the dove.
- ◆ The 10 Meraglim died.
- ◆ 2000 Jews of Caesaria murdered by the local population at the instigation of the Romans, 66 C.E.

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- ◆ Shimon HaChashmonai was elected Kohen Gadol and governor of the Jews, 141 B.C.E., marking the end of the struggle for independence and the beginning of the Hasmonian dynasty (which lasted for 206 years).
- ◆ Ethiopian Jews' holiday marking the deaths of Avraham, Yitzchak, and Yaakov.
- ◆ Yahrzeit of R' Yehudah ben Bezalel Levai [or Loewe, Löwe], the Maharal of Prague, 1609.

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- ◆ Anti-Jewish riots in Stockholm, Sweden, 1852.
- ◆ Anti-Semitic speech by Charles Lindbergh on the radio, 1941, marked the introduction of anti-Semitism as a political tool in America.

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- ◆ Order by Charles VI to expel the Jews of France, 1394.
- ◆ Ghetto of Mir was liquidated, 1942.
- ◆ Yahrzeit of R' Yosef Shlomo Kahaneman the Ponevezher Rav, 1969.

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- ◆ Many London Jews killed in anti-Jewish riots in "honor" of the coronation of King Richard I, 1189. Among the dead was R. Jacob of Orlean, a Tosefist.
- ◆ First ghetto established in Poland, 1939.

Source: OU.org

Notice of Board of Directors Meeting

Please take notice that a special meeting of the Board of Directors of Congregation Shaaray Tefilah of North Miami Beach, Inc., will take place **iy"H on Monday night, September 7, at 8PM, in the Multi-Purpose Room.**
The agenda of this meeting is to discuss the proposed renovations to the yard in front of Gan Ariel.

Please be prompt, as the meeting will be brief.

Nisayon? Or B'racha? Thank You.

A nisayon or b'racha, sometimes it is hard to tell, But we must always believe it will all be well. Whatever Hashem sends us, it is for our good; Sometimes we don't recognize it like we should. Recently, I faced a difficult plight that compromised my sense of sight.

Having relocated recently here, We have made few friends and have no family here. The limits of my movements and the loss of my sight Made it difficult to do what I might.

Bikur Cholim was contacted to come to our aid, And they helped us in the manner that we bade. Helping us with meals for I cannot do the task, And they were happy to help us in the way we did ask.

The ladies, their husbands, and even sons, too, There are no right words to say, "thank you." For all that you did and your kindness, too, May Hashem bless you in all that you will do. Chassadim are precious and appreciated, too, And I hope that the many you did will come back to you. May Hashem grant you hatzlacha, gezunt, parnassa and nachat, too.

May these be the b'rachot enjoyed by each of you. Hashem in his kindness had each of you give Wonderful memories for me to relive. Of how I was challenged to accept my plight, And learned to see despite my sight. We wish you a year that is truly sweet And we wish you well until we meet.

Debbie Cash

Answer to this week's Torah Riddle: (Devarim 27:12-13). As who were to stand on Har Geztim and Har Eivol. The Shevatim who were to recite the b'rachos (those we want) were Yehuda, Shimon, Levi, Yissachar, Yosef and Binjamin. The six to recite the curses (no, thank you!) were Dan, Gad, Zevulun, Reuven, Naftali and Asher.



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Parshas Ki Savo
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 September 4-5, 2009
 15-16 Elul 5769

SHABBOS SCHEDULE

Friday Evening

Candle lighting 7:05 / 7:17 PM
 Mincha..... 7:00 PM

Shabbos Day

Sfard Minyan 8:15 AM
 TEFILAH SHIUR . 8:20 AM
 Main Minyan 9:00 AM
 Last Sh'ma 10:11 AM
 Children's Program (Gan Ariel) 10:00 AM
 DAF YOMI 5:35 PM
 RABBI KLEINMAN'S SHIUR 5:40 PM
 Mincha/Shalosh Se'udos 6:40 PM
 Sh'kia 7:36 PM
 Ma'ariv..... 8:16 PM
 Havdalah (not before) 8:26 PM

WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

Shacharis (Sun) 8:30 AM
 (Mon & Th) 7:00 AM
 (Tu, Wed & Fri).. 7:15 AM
 Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:20 PM
 NAVI (Women, Tues) 8:30 PM
 DAF YOMI..... 9:00 PM
 GEMARA (Thursday this week) 8:15 PM
 Late Ma'ariv..... 10:00 PM

Next Week: Nitzavim-Vayelech
 Eruv Hotline (after 4PM): 305-249-8939

Candle lighting 7:05 / 7:09 PM
 Mincha 7:00 PM

Welcome!

Rabbi Heshy Kleinman, author of *Praying with Fire*, who is launching our "Tefilah Initiative" this Shabbos Details inside!

Mazal Tov!

to Mr. & Mrs. Pesach Goodman, on the marriage of their daughter, Bina, to Eli Kaufman; to Mr. & Mrs. Michael Shuman, on the Bas Mitzvah of their daughter, Jessica, and to grandparents Dr. & Mrs. Joseph Shuman; and to Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Tokayer on the Bas Mitzvah of their daughter, Kelly May.

Ki Savo: Too Much

"Because you did not serve Hashem your G-d with happiness while you still had all that is good" Devarim 28:47

The final days in the life of Moshe were rapidly approaching. All the people gathered to hear his last words of advice and reproof. Moshe chose to sting the people with the venomous words of rebuke contained in this week's Parasha in order to arouse them to adhere to the Torah faithfully throughout the generations after his passing. In graphically frightening terms Moshe predicted that the people would stray from the path of Torah observance and Hashem would strike them with a series of brutal punishments at the hands of natural and human enemies. Drought, famine, pillaging marauders and murderers would punish the people for their unfaithfulness. Surprisingly -- Moshe Rabbeinu adds that these curses would serve as a reminder to the people and to their offspring that they had not served Hashem "in happiness." The focus changed from a lack of commitment to the mitzvot to a horrible punishment for doing the mitzvot without enthusiasm or happiness. What is the message Moshe Rabbeinu wanted to convey?

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Torah Riddle: Who are we? I have 12 (יש לי י"ב) — those we want. A strange fish, please (דג זר נא) — no, thank you!

— Answer inside —

GABBAI'S CORNER:

IF YOU ASK FOR A "KAIL MALAI" TO BE SAID AT MINCHA, YOUR ACCOUNT WILL BE CHARGED A MINIMUM OF \$18.

ANY PLEDGE OF A "MATANA" OR THE LIKE FOR A MI SHEH-BEYRACH WILL BE BILLED AT A MINIMUM OF \$18.

A special Shalosh Se'Udos this week is sponsored by Pesach and Barbara Goodman, in celebration of Bina and Eli Kaufman's Sheva Brachos. All women are invited for the meal — and to hear Rabbi Heshy Kleinman

NCSY News

NCSY Friday Oneg will take place this Friday Night at Gan Ariel at 9:45PM. Home-baked goodies will be served.

Bnai Akiva News

Bnei Akiva activities will begin this Shabbat!!

Our first Shabbat Afternoon Snif will take place at 6:30 p.m. at the Young Israel. For youths grades 4 and up, including high-schoolers and madrichim.

Adults and High School-age youths:

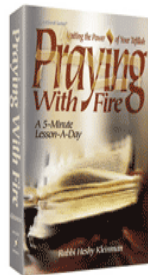
Don't forget to join us for a Welcome Barbeque, and to kick off the new Bnei Akiva year.

Sunday, Sept. 6 — 5PM
EDIT and HENRY KLEINER
17100 NE 11TH Court

Benji Dennis and Leora Kleiner, Roshei Snif
Meita and Emuna - Shlichot
Bnei Akiva NMB

Tefilah Initiative Kickoff

Improve the Power of Your Tefilah in Just
5 Minutes a Day, Learn the 89 Days of
"Praying With Fire"



Rabbi Heshy Kleinman,
Author of *Praying with Fire*, will be
speaking this Shabbos:

1- Friday night, after Kabbolas Shabbos

(Mincha is at 7:00 p.m.);

2- Shabbos afternoon 5:40 p.m.

(on "Igniting Your Power of Prayer for the Yamim No'ra-im"); and

3- Shabbos at Shalosh Se'Udos (approx. 7:00 p.m.).

Our thanks to Pesach and Barbara Goodman for sponsoring the Tefilah Initiative in memory of Pesach's father, הרב נתן בן ר' ישראל פייטאל ז"ל, along with all of the other sponsors who made this Shabbos possible.

To join the Tefilah Initiative, "Praying with Fire," by Rabbi Heshy Kleinman, will be available for sale/pickup at the Shul, at a discount price of only \$18, on Sunday, September 6, from 9:30am-11:00am — and from 7:00pm until Mincha. Or contact Elliot Joseph at 305-655-1171 for alternative pick up times.

Special thanks to
Pauline Wise for fixing
the Parochas on our
Aron Kodesh!

This week, the Rabbi's
Wednesday-night
Gemara class will once
again take place on
THURSDAY night at
8:15PM,

We welcome the Tokayer family to our Shul
for Kelly May's Bas Mitzvah,

including Mrs. Judy Neufeld and Barry and Laura Tokayer from NMB; as well as family who have come in from out of town, including grandparents Harold and Malkah Tokayer from Miami Beach; the Blum family and Lovy family from West Hempstead, NY; the Flint family from Elizabeth, NJ; the Lovy family from Passaic, NJ; the Roth family from West Orange, NJ; and Ilana Neufeld from New York, NY

Amein!

One is not permitted to speak during Kaddish and one must be very, very careful not to speak during Kaddish or Kedusha.

Shulchan Aruch
w/Mishnah Berurah 56:1 MB1

One should carefully listen to the words of the Kaddish from the Chazzan in order to know to what one is answering; "Amein," "Amein Yehei Sh'mei Rabba," or "B'rich Hu."

Shulchan Aruch
w/Mishnah Berurah 56:1 MB1
Source: Daily Halacha, Cong. IKLF,
Spring Valley, NY

Our Sisterhood's
Rosh Hashanah Bake Sale
will take place iy"H on
Wednesday, Sept. 16.

If you are a gourmet baker or can help out in other ways, please call Cindy Itzkowitz or Esther Schwab.

Thank you for your support!

SEATS
for the Yomim No'ra-im
will iy"H go on sale

Sunday, Sept. 6
and Sunday, Sept. 13
9:30-11:00 am

Past financial obligations need to be resolved before you can purchase seats for the holidays.

Have News for the
Shmooze? Please send
before
Thursday @3PM to:
CongShaaray@gmail.com

Please Join Machsom L'fi NOW!

"When a Jew speaks Loshon Hora against his fellow Jew, and brings up complaints against him, he thereby brings about accusations in Heaven against the Jewish People and he empowers the Accuser to indict the Jewish People. The Accuser approaches the Heavenly tribunal to indict them on account of their sins, and demand justice. Hashem is compelled, as if were, to punish them. And who is the cause of all of this? The speaker of Loshon Hora on earth. Midah Kineged Midah ("measure for measure") is the rule of Heaven in all instances. When a person restrains himself from speaking disparagingly of his fellow, then in heaven the Accuser is unable to open his mouth to accuse."
Chofetz Chaim, Sefer Shmiras Haloshon (Sha'ar Zechira 2)

This past Tisha B'Av, Hagaon HaRav Aryeh Leib Shteinman shlita suggested a strategy to succeed at Shmiras Haloshon, and acquire the wondrous Divine Protection that Hashem has promised us: the Morning Machsom L'fi. A program to start each day with a focus on Shmiras Haloshon from 9 -10am. Thousands of Jews have already undertaken to carefully watch every word spoken for this one hour each morning.

The Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation will send you a free package explaining the program. Simply email them at join@morningmachsomlfi.org.

Too Much (continued from page 1)

There was once a King who was unhappy. He asked his advisor: "How does one achieve satisfaction and happiness?" The wise man answered: "Although it is difficult to reach the goal of a happy state of mind, there is a way to achieve it --you must wear the shirt of a happy person." The King immediately began his search for a happy person so that he could wear his shirt. He tried on the shirts of business people, princes, celebrities and military heroes but to no avail. More depressed than when he left the palace, he headed homeward. On the way he met a farmer who was happily playing his flute. The vision he saw was one of a truly satisfied, happy individual. Excitedly the King approached the farmer and asked: "Are you happy?" Certainly," replied the peasant. The King then asked to wear his shirt. "What shirt?," asked the simple farmer, "I don't own any shirt!"

People are under the misconception that "things" bring happiness. They confuse pleasure and comfort with satisfaction. Hunger, a physical need, is satisfied by food. Happiness, a spiritual need, cannot be filled by material objects. In fact, Moshe Rabbeinu's message is that physical possessions not only fall short of bringing a person happiness -- they actually block one's pursuit of the goal. The true happiness of life is to serve Hashem wholeheartedly -- "va-abadtem et Hashem Elokekhem b'chol lebabkhem."

A Jew's challenge is to find happiness in the performance of the commandments of G-d as when one acquires a new "toy" of this world. One should feel true elation when putting on Tefillin or doing a chessed as when one makes a profitable business deal or moves in to a new home. Yet, more than one would like to admit -- the pursuit of material happiness inspires while the performance of mitzvot tires. Is it so important? Yes! Hashem warns: "The sufferings of the people will be brought upon them by their failure to serve Me with happiness."

May we all gain a true picture of the honor we have as the chosen people to serve our Creator through adherence to His Torah. When one feels that special feeling -- one can serve with true happiness and help bring the salvation speedily and in our days -- Amein.

Source: Rabbi Raymond Beyda and Project Genesis