

HAVURAT YISRAEL WEEKLY NEWS

10 Iyar 5777

Shabbat Acharei-Kedoshim

May 5 — 6, 2017

Shabbat Shalom!

7:00 pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat

7:39 pm Candle Lighting

Omer: Tonight count 25

Torah reading p. 636 / Haftarah p.1173

8:45 am Mishnayot Shiur

9:00 am Shacharit

9:17 am Latest Shema

10:45 am Beginners Minyan with Rabbi Kraft

11:00 am Drasha — Rabbi Algaze

6:00 pm Gemara Shiur — Rabbi Algaze

6:45 pm Perek in the Patio — Rabbi Algaze

7:30 pm Mincha

8:36 pm Havdalah, Omer: tonight count 26

Kiddush is sponsored by Rita and Lou Gutnicki commemorating the Yahrzeit of her father Baruch Ben David Z"l

Seudah Shlisheet sponsorship available.

The Following Kiddush Dates are Already Booked!

- ☆ 5/14 Looking for sponsors !!!!
- ☆ 5/20 Louis & Rachel Ordentlich
- ☆ 5/27 Jerry & Jennifer Revich
- ☆ 6/3 Kleiman, Rose, Ross, Weisglass families
- ☆ 6/10 Carol & Danny Yaghoubian
- ☆ 6/17 Sarah & Ronny Aizenfrantz
- ☆ 6/24 Claudia & Mehran Arasheben

Reserve your Kiddush date soon!



Let's celebrate Lag B'omer at the HY Garden!

Sunday, May 14 at 1pm

Lag B'omer marks the Yahrzeit of one of our greatest scholars and author of the Zohar, the mystical Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai. We at Havurat will be hosting a special party on Sunday May 14 at 1 pm. We will have refreshments, drinks, BBQ and it will feature a special lecture by Rabbi Algaze on the extraordinary life and thought of Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai. Join us for a unique and inspiring event.

Reserve / Pay by Thu. May 11: members: \$18, non-members: \$22. After May 11: members \$20, non-members: \$25 Children under 12: \$10 **BYOB!**

Refuah Shlema Yoel Avraham ben Pesl (Rabbi Joel Hochman), Alte Ester Riva bat Devorah Shifra (Eileen Alter), Shraga Feivel HaLevi ben Martel (Marc Rose's father), Yosef ben Chava (Fred Isaac).

THE 36TH ANNIVERSARY JOURNAL DINNER

**June 21st at 6 pm
At Havurat Yisrael**

We are proud to announce the honorees for this year's Journal!

The 36th Anniversary is twice Hai—the initials of Havurat Yisrael.

CAROL AND DANIEL YAGHOUBIAN

RACHEL AND MEHRAN ARASHEBEN

RENEE FEIT HIRSCH AND DAVID HIRSCH

Place your Journal ads and let's start working together to make it a huge success!

LECHAIM CLUB—Anyone who raises or places ads totaling \$500 **by Friday May 19** will receive a special bottle of wine selected by our Rabbi.

DIAMOND CLUB: Raise \$1000 or more in Journal ads **by Friday May 19** and receive a gift at a special presentation at the dinner!

Yom Yerushalayim

Community-wide celebration of our eternal indivisible capital, on the 50th anniversary of the liberation and re-unification of Jerusalem **at Havurat Yisrael,**

Tuesday, May 23rd 7:30pm Refreshments, Israeli music

All are invited to this **FREE** celebration

SAVE THE DATE!!

HAVURAT YISRAEL SHIDUCH PROGRAM COMING !!

Havurat Yisrael and Rabbi Algaze are partnering with other groups in the city to enable singles to meet and find marriage partners. Please submit to the office the names of any singles who may be interested in this program and they will be contacted for special events and introductions.

New Hebrew Class Starting Sunday May 7 at 11am with Roni Mossiyov Cost: \$50 for 10 classes. To reserve, call the office.

עברית

LOOKING FOR A SPONSOR OF A Yahrzeit Memorial Board

As we were informed, the old memorial plaques were vandalized while in storage and all the names are gone. This is a sad story but we hope it will be replaced by someone who will have in his or her heart to help us rebuild this important part of our synagogue. A memorial plaque is the place where we can memorialize our dear ones and the light will be lit on the day of their yahrzeit. We are looking at very modern and advanced computerized - controlled systems that will turn on the lights on the designated anniversary date, thus never missing a date.



| SUNDAY May 7 / 11 Iyar | MONDAY May 8 / 12 Iyar | TUESDAY May 9 / 13 Iyar | WEDNESDAY May 10 / 14 Iyar | THURSDAY May 11 / 15 Iyar | FRIDAY May 12 / 16 Iyar |
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| 7:30 am Amud Yomi 8:00 am Shacharit 9:00 am Breakfast sponsored by Daniel Cohen 9:30 am Torah Class in Spanish -Rabbi Algaze 11:00 am Rabbi Kraft's class Omer: tonight count 27 | 6:20 am Amud Yomi 6:50 am Shacharit 2:00 pm Mincha 8:00 pm Rabbi Algaze's Shiur at the Ordentlich home Omer: tonight count 28 | 6:20 am Amud Yomi 6:50 am Shacharit 2:00 pm Mincha Omer: tonight count 29 | 6:20 am Amud Yomi 6:50 am Shacharit 2:00 pm Mincha 8:00 pm Rabbi Algaze's Parasha Class Omer: tonight count 30 | 6:20 am Amud Yomi 6:50 am Shacharit 2:00 pm Mincha Omer: tonight count 31 | 6:20 am Amud Yomi 6:50 am Shacharit 7:00 pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat, Maariv 7:46 pm Candle Lighting Omer: tonight count 32 |

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LOVE AND HATRED

By Rabbi David Algaze

"Love your neighbor as you (love) yourself" (Vayikra 19:18)

This most famous of all Biblical quotations is perhaps the best known and least practiced suggestion in all of world literature. The apparently simple recommendation is actually very hard to reach. It is for this reason that Hillel, when quoting this verse does not use the language of the Bible but rather the rather strange formulation in the negative, "Don't do unto others what is hateful to you." It is easier to understand what we need to avoid than what we must do. Moving away from negative feelings, setting aside rancor and hatred are more practicable than to actually experience love for others as we love ourselves.

Why hatred and why do we feel anger and resentment against others? The Rabbis say that the Second Temple was destroyed, not because people sinned or because they abandoned the Torah commandments, but rather because they had gratuitous hatred (sin'at hinam) towards each other. (Yoma 9b). The Talmud Yerushalmi (Yoma 1:1) adds that the people "engaged in Torah learning and possessed every good trait but...they felt hatred towards one another."

Rav Henoch Leibowitz, ztz'l, asks a profound question, "How is it possible that such people, giants in Torah learning and possessed of such noble character traits and avoiding any sin could have fallen prey to this insidious hatred and especially when they were by nature generous people? Rav Leibowitz analyzes this strange phenomenon in great depth.

The first issue that requires an explanation is that there are circumstances when hating people is appropriate. That is when the people are committing grievous sins or hurting society. In such cases, one is allowed to feel hatred towards such people and may even be obligatory to have such negative feelings. (Pesachim 113b) We who live in a society where hatred has produced tragic results may feel great resistance to this concept, but we must understand the Talmudic concept of hatred as similar to repudiation and avoidance rather than the idea of aggression that usually accompanies our idea of hatred.

Then, Rav Leibowitz, introduces another difficulty in that there are other Talmudic sources that actually encourage us to suppress our feelings of hatred. The Torah itself asks us "Do not feel hatred for your brother in your heart." (Vayikra 19:18) The Talmud (Baba Metzia 32b) says that the need to suppress hatred surpasses another mitzvah in the Torah, avoiding animal suffering. How can we reconcile these two ideas, the obligation to hate and the need to cancel one's hatred? The Tosafot explains that when one hates another person, the hatred increases when the other begins to hate back. Now the hatred that started as a result of one person's actions, now becomes simple hatred because the other person hates us. While it may be appropriate to feel hatred towards the person committing a serious crime, one should hate the person because he is evil and not because he hates us.

Rav Leibowitz concludes that this fine distinction enables us to see why great people may fall prey to gratuitous hatred. The inability to separate the correct feelings in a measured way from the simple experience of personal grievance and offense that makes us jump at other people is the source of much hatred today. Hate the act, not the man. In normal interpersonal relationships, this must be the dictum.

Unfortunately, once the cycle of anger and hatred starts, it acquires its own life and energy. In some cases, anger becomes a source of energy for some people and in extreme cases, such as sadism, even the source of pleasure. This is the psychological origin of gratuitous hatred (sin'at chinam), the hatred that becomes its own cause. We are allowed to feel discomfort and even anger at people when they do the wrong things or when they hurt us. But we must be

vigilant that in this natural and acceptable process we do not cross the line and begin hating the whole person and engaging in the gratuitous feeling of anger. To remove the feeling of hatred from our hearts is the beginning of the fulfillment of "loving your neighbor as yourself."

HELP SUPPORT THE SYNAGOGUE YOU LOVE, JOIN OUR SPECIAL JOURNAL CLUBS!

L'CHAIM CLUB

Members and friends of our congregation who contribute or raise \$500 or more in Journal ads will receive a special bottle of wine, presented at the dinner.

DIAMOND CLUB

Members and friends of our congregation who contribute or raise \$1000 or more in Journal ads will receive a gift at a special presentation at the dinner.

Applies to non-honorees. All ads must be submitted with full payment **by May 19**. Both Diamond and L'Chaim fund raisers will receive a special listing in our Journal book. Please note: as in previous years, if you receive a Journal ad from a HY member, the "Journal Credit" goes to the member from whom you solicited the ad.

We're looking for a few good men!

HY is not a spectator sport! We need more men to step up to the Amud and learn to lead the services. Please contact the Rabbi or Gabbaim.



NO CHEWING / BUBBLE GUM PLEASE!

The carpeting was recently cleaned and the only problem which could not be cleaned properly was chewing gum in the carpet, particularly in the kids room. Please plan other treats for the kids, but no gum or taffy in shul please!

KASHRUT ALERT! Please be advised that the Vaad Hara-bonim of Queens no longer certifies King David / Mikhana restaurants located at 101-10 Queens Blvd.

Fred Isaac (Yosef ben Chava), our past president, needs our prayers urgently. Please keep his name in your thoughts for Refuah Shlema.

Follow **Rabbi Algaze** on **J-APP** for the latest shiurim, divrei Torah, more. Available in the app stores.



**HOW LITERATE ARE YOU IN JEWISH LITERATURE?
COME TO PARTICIPATE IN A
A JOURNEY THROUGH OUR LITERARY HISTORY**

Special seminar at the Ordentlich home led by Rabbi Algaze

Mondays at 8 pm –resumes after Pesach

A journey through all the tractates of the Talmud with commentaries and insights from Rabbis from the Geonic Period to the present time. Become familiar with the rich literature of the Jewish people and enrich your knowledge and spirit! This is an opportunity that should not be missed.

Rabbi Algaze's
Insights into the Weekly Parasha
Wednesdays at 8 pm.

Join for an exploration of the Biblical text, explaining Hebrew words and insights from our sages.

Introduction to Jewish Thought

Rabbi Kraft

Sundays at 11 am

Toddler Time! (after Pesach)

Getting Ready for Shabbat with Frida

This Early Childhood Educational Program, run by a professional educator, offers great cooperative group play which develops



- ◇ Language skills (English, Hebrew Russian)
- ◇ Social skills
 - Listening skills with emphasis on following 1 -2-3 step directions
- ◇ Abstract thinking such as imagination development through classical music, activities, games, - Nursery rhymes flannel board stories etc.

The program will be held on Fridays @ 11 am.
Package: 5 sessions for \$115 p/family
\$25 at the door p/family

Bikur Cholim

- ☆ Fred Isaac has returned home.
- ☆ Stuart Greenberg has returned home.
- ☆ Rabbi Meir Havazelet, Atria Kew Gardens, 117-01 84th Ave., 929-354-1696

Please note: We are renewing the Refuah Shlema list. Please submit names of the critically ill or those undergoing dangerous medical procedures to the office for inclusion on the updated list.

THE BUILDING NEEDS SOME IMPORTANT ITEMS

—AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE AND HONOR

Although our building is almost complete, we are not fully equipped and some items are not in place. These are special opportunities available for sponsorship and they will make our stay more pleasant and easy if we obtain them before or soon after we move in. If you are interested in helping us with the following items, please contact the office or our Rabbi. Every item may be dedicated in memory or in honor of a loved one and will be recognized appropriately.

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| 1. Bookcases for the Library | 5. Memorial tablets |
| 2. Shelves for siddurim and chumashim for the sanctuary (Women's side and Men's side) | 6. Tree of Life (Etz Chaim) |
| 3. Racks for tallitot | 7. Ner Tamid for the Sanctuary |
| 4. Computer calendar for announcements | 8. Books for the Library (Hebrew and English) |

THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY—DO NOT MISS IT

"They shall make a sanctuary that I may dwell among them." (Shemot 25:8) At this time and in this place we have the special privilege to participate in the building of our "small sanctuary" (miqdash me'at)—the new building of Havurat Yisrael.

Some have opened their hearts already with great generosity to enable us to reach this day and we thank them. Many have wanted to memorialize special people in their lives with a dedication that will last long in our new building. **Below is a list of items and areas that are still open for dedication**, some as low as \$3,000 and higher so that everyone can be a part of the building of the new Havurat. Please note that although the main building is near completion, there are still many things that are needed, such as appliances for the kitchen, furniture for the classrooms and synagogue, ner tamid, bookcases and so on. Please peruse through this list and select something we still need and do not have. The names of all contributors will be inscribed in the walls of the synagogue so that those names that you wish to memorialize will always be there with us. The Rabbis tell us, "When a mitzvah comes your way, do not let it pass by." Don't say the building is done and they don't need my help. We do. The time is now.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

(donors of \$50,000 or more)

David & Debbie Sosnowik
Louis & Rachel Ordentlich
Rafael Katz
Marc & Karen Rose
Mark & Gail Silverman
Edward Finfer
Jane Stiefel
Stu & Judy Rosen
Fanny Seinuk
Daniel and Carol Yaghoubian

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(donors of \$20,000 or more)

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Gary & Yael Emmanuel
Michael Blau

SUPPLIES COMMITTEE

(donors of \$5,000 or more)

Jay Waitzman
Eileen Alter

Dedication Opportunities

Wall of Honor will be designed for the main lobby listing all gifts

Main Components

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| Center for Jewish Life Name Dedication | 1,000,000 |
| The Sanctuary | Dedicated by Stuart & Judy Rosen |
| Social Hall | 150,000 |
| Library | 100,000 |
| Beit Midrash | 150,000 |

The Center for Jewish Life Building

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| Main Entrance Lobby | 100,000 |
| Main Mezuzah | 36,000 |
| Shoah Memorial | 50,000 |
| Tree of Life | 50,000 |
| Administrative Office | 50,000 |
| Rabbi's Study | 50,000 |
| Outdoor Garden/ Sukkah area | Dedicated by Marc & Karen Rose |
| Inner Mezuzot (each) | 3,000 |
| (1) mezuzah | Dedicated by Naomi Rodriguez |
| (2) mezuzah | Dedicated by Michael and Alice James |
| (3) mezuzah | 3,000 |
| Kitchen | 50,000 |

Beit Midrash

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| Bet Hamidrash | Aron Kodesh | Dedicated by Michael Blau |
| Ner Tamid | | Dedicated anonymously |
| Learning Tables--each | | 5,000 |
| Bookshelves--each | | 18,000 |
| Bookshelves (2) | | Dedicated by Rafi Katz |
| Shulchan (Bet Midrash) | | 26,000 |
| Computer Center (Bar Ilan Installed) | | 18,000 |

The Sanctuary

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| Aron Kodesh | Dedicated by the Sosnowik family |
| Bimah | Dedicated by Rachel & Louis Ordentlich |
| Women's Section | 100,000 |
| Ner Tamid | 50,000 |
| Ner Tamid Bet Midrash | Dedicated |
| Mechitza | 75,000 |
| Torah Reading Table | Dedicated by Fanny Seinuk |
| Parochet | 50,000 |
| Memorial Plaque (2) | each 36,000 |
| Rabbi's Chair | Reserved |
| Netilat Yadaim | Dedicated by Rachelle & David Alkalay |
| Skylight | 36,000 |
| Speaker's Podium | Dedicated by Steve Golub & Shoshi Bacon |
| Main Chandelier | 25,000 |
| Pillars (3) | each 18,000 |
| Window 1 | Dedicated by Helen Kober |
| Window 2 | Dedicated by Feit family |
| Window 3 | Dedicated by Anne Biener |
| Window 4,5,6 | \$10,000 ea. |
| Sconces (6 available) | 5,000 |
| (1) dedicated by Rachel and Eliahu Krikheli | |
| Sconces 2-6 | \$5,000 ea. |

Children's area 100,000