

NEWSLETTER DATE: 16 TEVET, 5770/JANUARY 2, 2010

DAVENING SHACHARIS MONDAY—FRIDAY 6:30 AM
 SHABBOS 8:50 AM SUNDAY 8:00 AM
 MINCHA /MAARIV SUNDAY - FRIDAY 4:10 PM

Shabbos News

Schedule of Services & Learning Opportunities this Shabbos

- 8:15 am** *From The Source* ~ A Men's Shabbos Class.
- 8:50 am** Shacharis
- 10:45 am** Rabbi Wyne's Drusha
- Mussaf** **Main Sanctuary**
- Mussaf* *Intro to Prayer*, taught by Rabbi Davidowitz in the Educational Sanctuary.
- 4:10 pm** Mincha followed by **Seuda Shlishit**

Sponsored by Simon S. & Mazal Abraham in memory of Yosi Dagoni father

Yehuda ben Shmuel^{ztl}.

Special thanks to Esther Dagoni for preparing Seuda Shlishit while Mazal is away.

Immediately after Seuda Shlishit, we daven **Maariv**, followed by **Havdala**.

KIDDUSH THIS WEEK IS CO-SPONSORED BY:

Artthur Uram

In memory of his mother Martha Uram's Yahrzeit

BIRTHDAY'S THIS WEEK:

Isaiah Huskey 1/1
Ilan Barshishat 1/2
Tommer Nagar 1/6
Alan Stock 1/7

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:

Judith & Efraim Berkovitz 1/5
Shula & Shalom Karp 1/7

YAHRZEIT THIS WEEK:

Mae Fine wife of Bill Fine Tevet 16
Martha Uram mother of Arthur Uram Tevet 20
Murray Dubowsky Father to Peter Dubowsky & 1st husband to Anna Paige Tevet 20

What's Happening

Women's Book Club

January 10, 2010.

For the first time ever, we will discuss our book selection with the author. Jeri Goldman has arranged a conference call with Dara Horn, author of "All Other Nights."

The meeting will be held at Jeri Goldman's home at 10:00am. Please read the book and attend this very exciting meeting.

Please be on time!! Dara Horn will be calling at 11:00am!!

Mazel Tov!!!!

To the Huskey family on the birth of their second son!!!

Shalom Zachar

for the Huskey will be at the Fromowitz's house this Friday 1912 Shifting winds.

THE BRIS

will be on Monday Jan. 4th 8:00am at the Huskey's home 9741 Fern Canyon Ave.

Dear Congregants & Fellow Daveners,

For the past seven years our good friends and current shul president, Simon S. & Mazal Abraham have generously provided us with Seuda Shlishis, the third meal each Shabbos. The time has come to 'pass torch' (and the honor) of hosting the shul's weekly Shabbos Seuda Shlishis. If you would like to sponsor and prepare Seuda Shlishis, please contact the shul Staff after Shabbos. Our most sincere appreciation goes to the Abrahams for their dedication and generosity. I have no doubt that others among us will soon embrace the mitzvah of Seuda Shlishis on behalf of all of us and our guests. Good Shabbos,

Rabbi Yitzchak Wyne

Have you become a CHAI SOCIETY MEMBER YET? Call the office and get INVOLVED!!

A fascinating man lived in the 13th century, who wrote the most famous Gematria (kabbalistic numerology) commentary on the Five Books of Moses. One of 10 children of a great sage named Rabbeinu Asher, Rabbi Yaakov excelled in many areas of scholarship. His commentary includes all of the Gematria codes mentioned above. One interesting example is the following:

In this week's portion, Jacob gives blessing to his children, who are to carry on the tradition as the nation of Israel with a covenant from the Almighty. They are one entity made up of 12 parts. Rabbi Yaakov finds an interesting reference to this in the blessings of Jacob:

Each blessing has the name of the tribe and the blessing. Each time a tribe is mentioned, if you take the **first** letter of the next word and its numerical value, and add all the "first letters" of the word after the name of the tribe, the sum total is 365, the days of the solar year.

If you do the same thing with the **last** letters of the word following the tribe's name and add them all up, the sum is 354, the days of the lunar year. Rabbi Yaakov then compares a passage from Jeremiah (31:34-35):

"So says God, Who gives sun for light during the day, the fixed laws of the moon and stars for light at night... If these laws depart from me, says God, then also the seed of Israel will stop being a nation before me for all time."

Each Hebrew month and year has its own parameters of what challenges we are facing, and how those challenges affect our overall growth. In order to tap into that power, we must be aware of the months and their power.

By: Rabbi Max Weinman

FREE Weekly Classes ~ Everyone is encouraged to attend!

Sunday

9:00 am Defining Humanity ~ The Life and Times of our Forefathers

7:00 pm Navi Shiur

Monday

7:00 pm Talmud class for men

Immediately following Maariv— Talmud 101 with Rabbi Kitainik

Tuesday

7:00 pm Rabbi Wyne's Laws of Shabbos

7:30 pm Rabbi Wyne's *Ethics of Our Fathers*

Wednesday

7:00 pm Community Bais Medrish (Men's class)

7:30 pm Community Bais Medrish (Women's class)

Thursday

12 Noon Weekly Parsha Class

Always with a little HUMOR

It's Sunday evening and Rabbi Levy is in deep conversation with his friend. "I must tell you something, Moshe," he says, "I made nine people very, very happy today." "A mitzvah, Rabbi, a true mitzvah," says Moshe, "but tell me how did you manage to achieve this?" "I performed four marriage ceremonies in my synagogue this afternoon," replies Rabbi Levy. Moshe is puzzled. "I can see how you made eight people happy, Rabbi, but what about the ninth?" "Do you really believe I did all this for free?" replies Rabbi Levy.

INSIGHTS

Invaluable Insights for Living from Rav Noach Weinberg^{ztl}

We use just a small fraction of our mental capacity.

Learn how to concentrate and avoid distractions. You'll achieve more goals!

COMING SOON!

ATTENTION PLEASE

In an ongoing effort to reduce Shul expenses, we have cut down the number of times of professional cleaning. They will only be here once a week on Thursday nights.

Therefore we are asking for your cooperation to **PLEASE HELP** keep the Shul as tidy as possible!!

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE

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