



YOUNG ISRAEL of STATEN ISLAND

פרשת משפטים
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February 21, 2025 / 23 Shevat
 Rav Yaakov Marcus, Rabbi Emeritus
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CONDOLENCES

★ Manette Gampel on the loss of her husband, Dr. Ezra Gampel. Shiva will be observed through Monday morning at 791 Golf Drive in North Woodmere.

MAZAL TOV

- ★ **Rivka & Nissy Eber** on the birth of a son. Join us for the Sholom Zachor at the Eber home at 953 Westwood Ave, left side door.
- ★ **Elkie & Paul Trenk** on the birth of a great granddaughter, born in Israel to Shavy & Yosef Weiss, children of Leah Malka & Simcha Weichbrod.
- ★ **Sonia Emmer** on the engagement of her granddaughter Meira, daughter of Robin & Israel Eckman, to Eli Marchant of Ramat Beit Shemesh.
- ★ **Leah & Ari Cohen, Henry Cohen** and Marcia & Arnold Feldman on the Sheva Brachot of their children Aliza & Aaron Cohen.
- ★ **Rena & Yossi Landes** on the Sheva Brachot of their children Dahlia & Jordan Landes.
- ★ **Phyllis & Mel Zachter** on the Sheva Brachot of their grandchildren Shira & Dovi Ruzohorsky.

To have a notice listed in the weekly announcements, please notify the office before NOON Thursday at office@yisi.org or 718-494-6700, Ext. 0 with the wording and spelling of names that you want placed in the announcements. Should you choose not to notify the office directly, please note that correct spelling of names cannot be guaranteed. **Resident Members only.**

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 Building use Uri Gertelman 718-666-8386
 Catering/Space Rental Bookings@yisi.org

We would like to thank the following for their Charity Fund Contribution:

- ★ Aaron Sued would like to thank the Staten Island community for their heartfelt support upon the passing of his sister, Helen Grazi a"h. A very special thanks to Rabbi Lehrfield for his kindness and guidance during this time.
- ★ Chaya & Rafi Dersovitz for the yahrzeit of his mother, Sara Freidel bat Moshe a"h, on 27 Shevat.
- ★ Isabell & Leslie Sternberg for the yahrzeit of her mother, Mina bas Pinchas a"h, on 27 Shevat.
- ★ Daryl & Paul Lebowitz for the yahrzeit of his father Malcolm Lebowitz, Elimelech ben Yerucham Fishel Nisim, on 29 Shevat. May his neshama have an aliya.

Shul Announcements

WELCOME RJJ BOYS ANNUAL SHABBATON!

FOLLOW OUR SHUL ON WHATSAPP! Join us at:
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/KLaU8dEeB14GWcz403Hqbb>.

THE RABBI'S SHABBOS MORNING SHIUR is sponsored by:

- Miriam & Billy Schreiber for the yahrzeit of Billy's beloved mother, Nechama bas Avraham.

DAILY LEARNING AT YISI: A meaningful way to start your day!
Sun – Fri: Daf Yomi

- Rabbi Rosenberg: Mon - Fri after 6:30 AM Shachris
- Rabbi Perlstein: Mon & Thu at 6:25 AM; Tue, Wed, Fri at 6:30 AM; Sun at 8:30 AM
- Rabbi Winzelberg: Sun at 7:45 AM
- Mon – Thu: YISI / Kollel Ba'al HaBatim Zichron Avraham Dov**
- 9:00 AM: Gemara Shiur with Rabbi Lehrfield in the MPR
- 9:50 AM: Rabbi Gary Kopstick on Parshas HaShavua. Via Zoom or phone: 520-453-7185.
- 10:30 AM: Rabbi Goldberger on Tanach in the MPR or via phone: 605-313-5890, code: 399719.
- 11:35 AM: Rabbi Goldstein on Gemara Beitza in the MPR or via phone: 425-436-6399, code 489260.

A Day of Learning at the YISI Kollel Ba'al HaBatim may be sponsored in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a joyous occasion, for \$135. Please see Gil Cohen or the office for a request form.

SHABBOS LUACH Mevorchim Adar

Eruv is up on both sides	
Friday, February 21	
Candle Lighting	5:20 PM
Mincha	5:30 PM
Shabbos, February 22	
Shacharis	7 (M), 8 (MPR), 9 (M), 9:30 Sfarid (F)
Rabbi's Parsha Shiur	8:25 AM
Z'man Krias Shema	9:25 AM
Women's Learning Group: Orchos Tzadikim (Main Shul – Women's Section)	3:00 PM
Daf Yomi	4:15 PM
Mishna Yomis	5:05 PM
Mincha	2:30 & 5:15 PM
Rabbi Katzman will be speaking on the topic: <i>Of Slaves, Ears, and Sinai: A Rashi</i>	Between Mincha & Maariv
Shabbos Ends	6:25 PM

WEEKDAY LUACH

Earliest T&T	5:48 AM
Early Mincha	Sun 1:45 PM; Mon-Thur 12:40 PM
Mincha / Maariv	Sun-Thur 5:35 PM
Late Maariv	Mon-Thur 9:00 PM
Halacha of the Week	QUESTION: Can one use a disposable plastic cup for netilas yadayim before eating bread? ANSWER: Shulchan Aruch writes that even an inexpensive cup such as one made from dried mud or hollowed out stone is acceptable for netilas yadayim, provided that it can hold a revi'is of water (approximately 3-4 ounces). It would seem that the same should apply to a disposable cup. Indeed, many poskim, including the Tzitz Eliezer and Rav Shmuel Vosner, write that a disposable plastic cup may be used, since there is no deficiency in the cup. The intent to throw it away at the end of the meal does not remove its current status as a cup. Rav Vosner cautions against using paper cups, since they deteriorate quickly. Rav Schachter shlita ruled that since even a disposable cup is often used multiple times in the course of a meal, it clearly qualifies as a keli. However, since some poskim question whether a disposable cup should be used, it is best to avoid using one if a permanent cup is available.
Motzei Shabbos	Father-Son Learning 7:30 PM in the First Shul
Monday - Thursday	Rabbi Lehrfield Gemara Shiur 9:00 AM in MPR or via Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5608515236 Meeting ID: 560 851 5236 / Passcode: 12345
Wednesday	Rabbi Weiss – Tefilla 8:30 PM & Parsha 9:00 PM Via Phone: 425-436-6327, Code: 435236#

ORAYSA AMUD V'CHAZARA PROGRAM: Learn one amud a day, with a review of the previous day's amud. Given Mon-Thur at 6:00 PM, and Sun at 9:45 AM. To join, contact Louis Emmer at 718- 938-5414 or louisemmer@gmail.com.

HOSTAGE TEHILLIM INITIATIVE: YISI is sponsoring the printing of Tehillim booklets, *L'Ily Nishmas Chaya Malka bas Menachem Tzvi*, Chaya Padawer. Please take one and "adopt" a hostage. To support this project, please see Rabbi Lehrfield or Zavel Pearlman, or send a check to the YISI Charity Fund with the memo "Hostages-Tehillim."

IF YOU ARE OBSERVING A YAHRZEIT and want it on record with the shul, please contact the office if you have not done so already.

YISI BOOK CLUB: Monday, March 10 at 7:15 PM in the MPR. We are reading "The Instrumentalist" by Harriet Constable. Copies are reserved for us at the Todt Hill Library under #2936. If you have any questions, please call Sarah Spiler at 646-321-3309.

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Youth Announcements

SHABBOS MORNING GROUPS: 9:30 AM – end of davening.
Weekly sign-up required for toddler groups.

SHABBOS AFTERNOON GROUPS: 2:30 - 4:00 PM.

JR. CONGREGATION with Rabbi Ben Schofield: Shabbos morning at 9:30 AM in the Gym.

TEEN MINYAN: Shabbos morning at 9:30 AM in the Beis Medrash. Parents are encouraged to send their kids to the teen minyan.

If you'd like to get involved or help sponsor our next event, please email youth@yisi.org.

Community Happenings

SHMIRAS HALASHON GOUP FOR WOMEN: Join us this Shabbos, Feb. 22 at the Emmer home, 176 Walcott Ave. Learn 2 halachos and ways to elevate your speech.

JOIN US FOR AN INSPIRING EVENING with Rabbi Dovid Leybel, renowned Haredi leader, educator and Founder of Achvas Torah. Hear about Rabbi Leybel's visionary approach to integrating Torah learning with modern challenges and his groundbreaking efforts in creating a framework for Haredi enlistment in the IDF with religious accommodations. Wine and sushi will be served. Monday, Feb. 24 at 7:30 PM at YISI. RSVP to Zalman Zimmerman at 646-206-1002 (text or WhatsApp please).

COJO GROCERY BOX DISTRIBUTION: Wednesday, February 26, 5:30 - 6:30 PM at Aur Torah Sephardic Minyan, 1180 Rockland Ave. (at Merrymount Ave). This is a drive thru event; first come, first served. Any questions please contact Iva Reuven, COJO, Food Pantry Director @ ivacojosi@gmail.com.

STATEN ISLAND COMMUNITY ERUV is excited to once again be offering **PURIM CARDS for sale**. These 5x7 cards are available for immediate purchase and will support an amazing community cause. 10 cards for \$36. Free delivery on Staten Island. Please call Elissa Brodsky 917-547-9873, Chana Reichman 718-404-6708 or Rachelit Reichman 718-673-7174.

AMIT NEWS: Support AMIT. Purchase PURIM CARDS \$3 each or \$2.50 for ten or more. Contact Aviva Brum.

CHAI DEFENSE: Krav Maga based self-defense, situational awareness and de-escalation techniques taught by former IDF Special Forces veterans. Every Tuesday and Thursday 7:30-8:30 at the JCC on Manor Road.

18 MINUTES - PEACEFUL WALK IN SOLIDARITY R4TL for the hostages. Every Sun, 9:30 - 10:30 AM at La Tourette Golf Course. Meet: Forest Hill Rd & Rockland Ave. To Join: <https://run4lives.org>.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE: Call Dave Bodner at 718-761-0707.

SHAATNEZ TESTING in the Willowbrook area: Same day service available. Contact Rabbi Avraham Zachter @ 646-286-4658.

BAR MITZVAH LESSONS: Learn how to lain and daven. Call Rabbi Yaakov Gifter at 917-691-8477.

Let Willowbrook Shoe Shine take the edge off your Erev Shabbos! Call/text/WhatsApp: 917-691-8477.

Punchlist Handyman Services: Reliable and skilled handyman for all your home repair and maintenance needs. Call/Text/Whatsapp 680-786-2433.

Tehillim Circle

List will be updated at the beginning of each month. If you have a name you want listed, contact Yehudis Loewenstein at 917-868-5417, or yudisl@aol.com. Names given should only be people of our community or their relatives. Please continue to say Tehillim for those seeking refuah.

- Sorah Shoshana bas Dreiza Leah
- Pessel bat Rochel
- Chaya Esther bas Rochel Leba
- Tehilla Basya bas Chaya Tova
- Simcha Yitzchok ben Mireleh Yudka
- Dov Berish ben Chaya
- Shayna Golda bat Chaya Gitel
- Devorah Aliza bat Chana Liba
- Bracha Devorah bat Sarah Henna
- Menachem Mordechai ben Zeesel
- Raphael Pesachya Yaakov Halevi ben Aviva Sarah
- Bracha Rivka bat Miriam Leba
- Etel Feiga bas Henya Ruchel

Community Gemachs

- ♦ **Chuppah Tefillah cards** – Please contact Rivka Gold 917-836-1408.
- ♦ **Simcha Gowns** – Contact Debbie Berkovits 718 494-1905.
- ♦ **Chair Gemach** – If you need to borrow chairs for company or a simcha, call Chana Reichman at 718 404-6708.
- ♦ **Be'er Miriam v'Rachel Centerpiece Gemach** – Rachelit 718 983-9664.
- ♦ **School Uniforms** - Rachelit 718 983-9664.
- ♦ **Bris Pillow & Outfit** - David at 347 661-4760 or Emunah at 718 813-1977.
- ♦ **Baby on the go Gemach** - Liluy Nishmat Rafi Toback - items available for loan for newborn needs and baby travel. Call Emunah Toback, 718 813-1977.
- ♦ **Mom to Mom** - Fresh, hot, kosher lunches for a week delivered to new moms on Staten Island, absolutely free. To order, call or text 347-254-8112.
- ♦ **Precharged phone battery chargers** (with AC connection to recharge). Comes with built-in connector for iPhone and USB. Leave a \$5 deposit check which will be returned. Text 917-710-5611 or 718-570-5920.
- ♦ **Mezuzot Inspections** - Have your Mezuzot picked up, inspected, repaired, replaced, and returned. No charge for transporting the Mezuzot! Contact Scott Diamond for info: 917-674-3317/slzdiamond@hotmail.com.

Chessed Opportunities

- **Any member of the congregation in need of assistance** due to infirmity or age, please contact 718 494-4343. Help is a phone call away no matter how big or small the need is!
- **Bikur Cholim** is looking for: Volunteers to visit Jewish residents in Staten Island nursing homes. Call Brenda Kellerman at 718-761-6521. Volunteers to straighten out Bikur Cholim room at Staten Island University Hospital once a week. Contact Sheryl Jacobowitz at 917-445-8887.
- **Chevre Kadisha of Staten Island** is looking for additional individuals, both men and women, who can assist on a regular basis. If you are available or would like additional information, contact Larry Cohen at 718-612-3474.
- **Hebrew Free Burial Association** has a constant need for men, Bar Mitzvah age and up, to help in the performance of "Chesed Shel Emet" by serving as Levaya Minyan Volunteers at the Mt. Richmond Cemetery, 420 Clarke Ave. Contact Scott Diamond at (917) 674-3317 or slzdiamond@hotmail.com.
- **Clothing Donation – BY APPOINTMENT ONLY – no drop-offs.** In good condition - nothing torn, soiled or outdated. Goes directly to people in our neighborhood. All sizes needed. Teachers, call if you have a student in need! If you need clothing, or to schedule a drop-off, call Rachelit at 718-983-9664.
- **Beautiful ketubot available at no charge.** Medium and small sizes. Please contact Rachelit at 718-983-9664.
- If you need help in **writing in Hebrew for a matzeva**, contact Rachelit at 718-983-9664. No charge. Also available for writing in Hebrew for a simcha.
- **The Willowbrook Pantry** is open by appointment only. Call Beverly Israel at 646- 530-1495 or Noga Kugel at 347-776-2977. Cleaning items & toiletries can be dropped off at 511 Buchanan Ave. or 154 Oakville St. anytime.
- **Israel Connect:** In Israel, English proficiency is the biggest barrier to university entry for underprivileged students. Using Zoom, you can tutor a student in Israel from the comfort of your home. The interaction is simple and enjoyable, and makes all the difference for the student. Click on the video [here](#) to see more or email israelconnectscheduling@gmail.com.

Job Opportunities

- JEC Boys Middle School & High School is seeking General Studies Teachers for the upcoming school year for Math, English, History, and Science. Please send resumes to: aneuman@thejec.org.
- JEC Boys Middle School in Elizabeth, NJ is seeking a full time General Studies Academic Support Teacher for the upcoming school year. Experience in education/special education required. Qualified candidates please send resume to bpomper@thejec.org and/or msingfer@thejec.org.
- The Jewish Foundation School is looking for a Kindergarten teacher for General Studies and a Middle school Morah for small group work. Please send resumes to office@jfsi.org.

Real Estate Listings

If you would like to list an apartment for rent or a house for sale on the YISI website, please call 718-494-6700 or email office@yisi.org. If you know of anyone looking to move into our community, please point them to our listings at <https://www.yisi.org/community/real-estate/>.

We want to share in your Smachot! Please notify the shul office of major life events such as births, bar mitzvahs and weddings so that we can wish you a Mazal Tov in our weekly announcements (**Resident Members only**; non-Resident members can make a donation to the Simcha Fund). Donations to the **Simcha Fund and Charity Fund of \$54** or more will be acknowledged in the corresponding section of announcements. You may **sponsor a shiur** in honor of or in memory of a loved one with a donation of **\$100** or more. **To have a notice listed in the weekly announcements, please notify the office BY NOON THURSDAY at office@yisi.org or 718-494-6700 ext. 0.**