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YIC Weekly Newsletter Feb 9 -15 / 14 - 20 Shevat

DAY	DATE	SCHACHRIS	MINCHA / MA'ARIV
SUNDAY	Feb 09	08:30 AM	4:55 PM
MONDAY	Feb 10	07:00 AM (Tu B'Shevat)	7:00 PM
TUESDAY	Feb 11	07:00 AM (Yahrzeit)	7:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	Feb 12	No Schachris	7:00 PM
THURSDAY	Feb 13	07:00 AM	7:00 PM
FRIDAY	Feb 14	No Schachris	5:05 PM Shabbat Starts: 5:01 PM
SATURDAY	Feb 15	Parshat: YITRO Rabbi's Class: 09:00 AM Schachris: 09:30 AM followed by Kiddish followed by MINCHA	Shabbat Ends: 6:06 PM Ma'ariv 6:30 PM

KIDDISH SAT FEB 08: This week's Kiddush was sponsored by the shul, with many delicious dishes coming from last week's spectacular Kiddush sponsored by Ida & Frank Cwilich.

LIQUOR DONATIONS: A bottle was donated by Jerry Segal in honour of the Yahrzeit of his beloved mother Esther z"l. Jerry, as Gabbai is always there for everyone's Yahrzeits and will require a Minyan so that he can say Kaddish and honour his late mother. Please make every effort to attend, as well as for Ma'ariv services the night before.

Rabbi's Class: The Rabbi's class will not take place this week,

WELCOME BACK & HAPPY BIRTHDAYS: Welcome back to VP David Green from a sunny mini vacation in Cuba. As well, we would like to wish Dave a **MAZAL TOV** and **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** on the occasion of his 61st birthday on Monday Feb 10th corresponding with Tu B'Shvat this year, the New Year of the Trees. Wishing you a day, month and year filled with health and happiness with Joanne and your loving family by your side. Ad 120.

CONDOLENCES: The Executive, Clergy and all members of the Young Israel of Chomedey are in mourning upon learning of the death of Billy Rubin Z"l, who passed away last Monday February 3rd.

Billy Rubin served our shul in in a myriad of positions chiefly under the Presidency of George Finkelstein and was a consistent supporter of George's policies and programs, serving as one of

his key personal advisers with whom George would share, consult, and seek advice on pretty well every issue involving our synagogue. And although Billy was an easy-going, fun loving all-around nice guy, he was no slouch and was quite capable to defend, and would strongly defend his point of view.

As chairman of the religious committee, George brought Billy on the committee, where he was an outstanding performer and contributor for many years, both before and after he was appointed as a Vice President. Billy introduced Rabbi Avram Banon to our synagogue and played a key role in the Rabbi being hired. He was chairman of the Simcha committee for a period of over 2 years, and worked with his committee arduously and tirelessly in organizing many beautiful and successful parties for special occasions such as Purim and Chanukah. During Frank Cwilich's term as President, amongst his many duties Billy was responsible for making sure all our talleisim were ready and pristine for the High Holidays; he was a solid leader by example of the values of a traditional Orthodox congregation. He got along well with all the clergy and always treated them with respect and dignity. He attended every Executive meeting and always greeted everyone warmly and sincerely in the shul. He also attended every simcha celebration with his adoring wife, Sandra, and every yahrzeit, again accompanied by his caring spouse. He was so proud of her and his entire family.

Under the leadership of both past presidents and close friends, Frank Cwilich and George Finkelstein, Billy played a key role as a member of the Executive and Board of Directors of our synagogue. He was an extremely friendly, mild-mannered and a well liked member, fully devoted to our shul. Billy contributed to our spilled oil crisis with a generous donation to help us cover the cost of the expensive clean-up that followed.

Regardless of differences of opinion and potential conflicts with others, Billy got along with everyone and never had a bad word about anyone. Billy's favourite lines always included "he's a nice guy/lady. I like him/her". In return, everybody liked Billy and were happy to see him, greet him, and kibbitz with him. On Shabbat and on holidays Billy stood out, always impeccably dressed with his trademark fedora, looking for all the world like a veteran diplomat.

Billy was a huge sports fan and unbelievable supporter and fan of the Montréal Canadiens, to the point where he and members of his family would watch the Montréal Canadiens games on TV wearing Canadiens jerseys. Even when the Canadians were not going to make the playoffs, Billy - half kibbitzing - would declare that the Canadians would still win the Stanley Cup in that year. Most people are not aware that in high school he was extremely popular, playing on the football team and, I believe being awarded titles such as "King of his high school prom".

Billy never complained about his growing health issues but was confident that he was in good hands with Hashem. Billy's love of family, yiddishkeit and the shul are all well-known. He and Sandra were soulmates for 49 years and long-time YIC members, attending every simcha. His early passing is a tremendous loss to not only his family and friends and everyone who knew him, but also to our synagogue. He was loved by many and will be dearly missed by wife Sandra, sons Sean and Michael and daughter-in-law Laure, and his grandsons Alexander, Avi and Aiden, as well as everyone in our shul who considered him a friend, and that means everyone. Billy, we will never forget you, and may the family know no further sorrows.

"May his soul be bound up in the bond of eternal life"

REFUAH SHLEMA: a) A **REFUAH SHLEMA** to Yakki Brown who still needs our prayers and blessings at this trying time. Anyone wishing to visit should check first with Marvin who is continually updated. b) And a **REFUAH SHELEMA** to all who are ill and are recovering from various illnesses including the winter blues.

***** Videos - Images - Trivia *****

A 44 Minute Nikki Haley interview that says it all - A MUST WATCH!!!!

<https://israelunwired.com/the-nikki-haley-interview-that-says-it-all/>

WATCH: Portuguese Woman Returns to Israel After Discovering Family Hid Jewish Roots for 500 Years!

https://unitedwithisrael.org/watch-how-the-land-of-israel-helped-a-portuguese-woman-discover-her-jewish-roots/?utm_source=ActiveCampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_content=24-Hour+Terror+Wave+Hits+Jerusalem%3B+Israelis+Grow+Biblical+Era+Dates%3B+Muslim+Nations+Warm+Up+to+Israel%3B++Anti-Semitism+Sends+Jews+to+Judea%2C+Samaria&utm_campaign=24-Hour+Terror+Wave+Hits+Jerusalem%3B+Israelis+Grow+Biblical+Era+Dates%3B+Muslim+Nations+Warm+Up+to+Israel%3B++Anti-Semitism+Sends+Jews+to+Judea%2C+Samaria

NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER: Please take note that next week's newsletter will most likely be posted on Friday Feb 14th at around noon, instead of on Sat night Feb 15th, due to logistical problems.

Yahrzeits for the week of Feb 10 - 16 / 15 -21 Shevat

COMMON DATE	JEWISH DATE	MEMBER		DECEASED	RELATION
Feb 10	Shvat 15	Hyman Black	for	Jack Black z"l	father
Feb 10	Shvat 15	Nathan Black	for	Jack Black z"l	father
Feb 10	Shvat 15	Ruth Lesser	for	Sarah Goodkin z"l	mother
Feb 11	Shvat 16	Jerry Segal	for	Esther Segal z"l	mother
Feb 11	Shvat 16	Lewis Blau	for	Itzik Blau z"l	father
Feb 12	Shvat 17	Sandy Dworkin	for	Ben Loshinsky z"l	father
Feb 12	Shvat 17	Ann Applebaum	for	Mary Kwiatt z"l	mother
Feb 13	Shvat 18	Carl Narvey	for	Elka Narvey z"l	mother
Feb 13	Shvat 18	Reesa Midlash	for	Bertha Sculnick z"l	mother
Feb 14	Shvat 19	Susan Erdelyi	for	Harry Mendelson z"l	father
Feb 15	Shvat 20	Frank Bass	for	Bertha Bass z"l	mother
Feb 15	Shvat 20	Jeffrey Rappoport	for	Sheila Rappoport z"l	mother
Feb 15	Shvat 20	Hyman Sternfeld	for	Mollie Sternfeld z"l	aunt
Feb 16	Shvat 21	Beatrice Duchoeny	for	Yetty Chorán z"l	sister
Feb 16	Shvat 21	Leah Lefcovitch	for	David Levy z"l	father
Feb 16	Shvat 21	Sydney Medicoff	for	Edith Medicoff 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

YITRO

Exodus 18:1–20:23



Moses' father-in-law, Jethro, hears of the great miracles which G-d performed for the people of Israel, and comes from Midian to the Israelite camp, bringing with him Moses' wife and two sons. Jethro advises Moses to appoint a hierarchy of magistrates and judges to assist him in the task of governing and administering justice to the people.

The children of Israel camp opposite Mount Sinai, where they are told that G-d has chosen them to be His "kingdom of priests" and "holy nation." The people respond by proclaiming, "All that G-d has spoken, we shall do."

On the sixth day of the third month (Sivan), seven weeks after the Exodus, the entire nation of Israel assembles at the foot of Mount Sinai for the Giving of the Torah. G-d descends on the mountain amidst thunder, lightning, billows of smoke and the blast of the shofar, and summons Moses to ascend.

G-d proclaims the Ten Commandments, commanding the people of Israel to believe in G-d, not to worship idols or take G-d's name in vain, to keep the Shabbat, honor their parents, not to murder, not to commit adultery, not to steal, and not to bear false witness or covet another's property. The people cry out to Moses that the revelation is too intense for them to bear, begging him to receive the Torah from G-d and convey it to them.



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SANCTUARY DEDICATION SPECIAL DONORS

The Sculnick Families and Mrs Bertha Covens: The Ark, The Tablet of the Ten Commandments & Curtains.
Manes Lieber: The Mechitz - the entire full length partition
David Schacter: The Bimah complete with supporting platform
Simon Maislin: Main Lecterns on the Ark Podium
Moe Hart: Three main Sanctuary Entrance Doors
Isaac Matarasso: The Eternal Light - Nair Tamid
Oscar Steiner: Various Building Supplies & wall finishing of the lower halls
YIC Men's Club: Torah Holders
George Abramovitz: Wall Paneling, Finishing, Book Cases in the Lobby
Ben Roisman: Ark Curtains
Peter Cohen: Building Supplies
Korman Brothers, Families & Meir Eichler: Two YIC Lamp Insignias
Herman Silver: Sanctuary Mezuzah and one complete Bench of Pews
Bernard Schwartz: Fifty Sabbath Siddurim and Chumashim
Issie Fishman: Torah Breastplate

STAINED GLASS SANCTUARY WINDOWS:

Maurice J.Boxer / Jack Caron / H.Cohen / Peter Cohen / Conrad Cape / Gerald Erbstein / Lawrence Firestone / Morton Kader / Israel Kaufman / Korman Brothers / Arnold Kostiner / Abe Levine / Morton Rappaport / Bernard Schwartz / Mrs. Norman Shulman / Abe Slavat / Norman Tock / Sol Weber / Ronald Wexelman / Alec Witt / Mrs.Saul A. Wolofsky

TORAH COVERS

George Abramovitz / Joe Maisel / Harvey Cooperman / Nick Mandel / YIC Gevurah Club / B'nai Brith Chomedey Lodge / Joe Berger / Cantor Berkovitz' Guests

(YashIr Koach to Fred Rudy for providing us all with these memorable historical moments, which some of us may still remember!)