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YIC Weekly Newsletter Aug 16 - 22 / 26 Av - 2 Elul

DAY	DATE	SCHACHRIS	MINCHA / MA'ARIV
SUNDAY	Aug 16	9:00 AM	No Services
MONDAY	Aug 17	7:00 AM	No Services
TUESDAY	Aug 18	No Services	No Services
WEDNESDAY	Aug 19	No Services	No Services
THURSDAY	Aug 20	7:00 AM (Rosh Chodesh)	No Services
FRIDAY	Aug 21	7:00 AM (Rosh Chodesh)	7:00 PM Shabbat Starts: 7:32 PM
SATURDAY	Aug 22	Parshat: SHOFTIM Partial Services as indicated.	Shabbat Ends: 8:37 PM

CORONAVIRUS - COVID-19

Dear Members,

The countdown has started. We are 5 weeks away from the High Holidays, but the time is passing so fast - for me for sure - that it's like we'll wake up in a week or two, and it's Erev Rosh Hashana. The seats are in place, all according to the Gov't Health Regulations, the powers that be have been working hard to see that all seats have members' names on them, are easily identifiable, with all necessary prayer books in place. You'll come in with your Tallit, take your place, and be ready to daven. Of course not before you undergo a safety check by Elizabeth, our Shabbat Kiddish server, who is now our front line worker, and who has been doing it now for the past 5 weeks, and is doing a great job. Of course she knows everybody, so it makes it easier and very friendly.

Rabbi Stieffel as we know, under the Covid-19 circumstances will not be here, so the most important thing of course is we're happy to announce that Rabbi Banon and our Hazzan Sheni, Yossi Aberman will be sharing our High Holiday Services this year. It's a big job for both of them. This is the first time that Rabbi Banon will be taking the lead as Hazzan at our High Holiday Services since he joined us some 7-8 years ago, and the first time Yossi will be joining us as well during the holidays. We wish them both well and Hatzlacha Rabah in their endeavors.

Issie Baum

RABBI BANON'S BIBLE CLASS: Rabbi Banon's Bible Class is cancelled for this week.

RABBI HALPERIN'S BIBLE CLASS: As per the email sent last week, our next Zoom class with Rabbi Halperin will be held on Tuesday August 18th at 7:45 PM. It was decided and Rabbi Halperin agreed to cover High Holiday services, including what parts of the services may be skipped, without compromising the meaning and essence of the services. It's especially important and timely for those who will be davening at home. You should have a Machzor on hand to be able to follow and take notes. Should you not have one at home, Dave Apelbaum is willing to provide you one from Shul, to be returned after Yom Kippur. Time is of the essence, so please don't delay and advise Dave immediately so he can deliver them to you before next Tuesday's class. Dave can be reached at 450-688-5308. Looking forward to seeing everyone again virtually for this important class.

YASHIR KOACHS: As previously noted, we have waived membership and seat sales for this year due to Covid-19 and its aftermath. Nevertheless, we are receiving donations on an ongoing basis. This week we give a big **YASHER KOACH** to members Rosalie Simon-Schwartzman, Larry Shadowitz and Linda Schwartz who made generous donations to the shul. Very much appreciated! May Hashem grant them good health, long life and may we be honored by their presence in our shul for a long long time.

ANNIVERSARIES: a) **HAPPY 49th ANNIVERSARY** to Past-President and Minyannaire Extraordinaire Frank Cwilich and his lovely bride Ida, who celebrate their special day today, Shabbat, August 15th. Wishing you both many more years of health and happiness together with your friends and family by your side. **MAZAL TOV!** b) **HAPPY 48th ANNIVERSARY** to Dave and Marlene Blobstein who celebrate their big day on Thursday Aug 20, and we wish them lots of good health, happiness with family and friends.

IN MEMORIAM: Last week our beloved Past-Vice President Billy Rubin z'l would have celebrated his 73rd birthday on Shabbat, August 8. Billy z'l was a tireless volunteer for the shul, in charge of the Simcha Committee where he put together some of our most memorable and wonderful parties. He was always ready to help out in any way possible, offering his wisdom and knowledge on many different topics, especially when he served as Vice-President under George Finkelstein. Billy z'l with his beshert Sandra and family attended High Holiday services and all simchas. He also loved to attend shul every Shabbat, impeccably dressed with that fancy fedora of his, indicating his complete respect for the Holiness of Shabbat. He was a quiet, humble man who always had a good word to say about everybody. A monument was unveiled in loving tribute to Billy z'l last Sunday Aug 9th. On a personal level, I must add that when I became President and the new executive started functioning, and while he still attended shul regularly on Shabbat, I don't think he missed a Shabbat, coming up on the stage after services to wish me, and others a Shabbat Shalom, and in a whisper tell me, Issie - you guys are doing a great job. That meant a lot to me as a new President, and I will forever remember him for that. Billy will be lovingly remembered and never forgotten by all who knew him.

“May His Soul be Bound up in the Bond of Eternal Life.”

CONDOLENCES: The Young Israel of Chomedey sends its sincere condolences to long-time former and beloved member Gersh Madan who now resides in Toronto, and his family, on the passing of his older brother in Montreal, Michael Madan, who passed away with courage, on Monday, August 10, 2020, in his ninety-first year.

“May the Family Know no Further Sorrows”

REFUAH SHLEMA: a) A **REFUAH SHLEMA** to the Rabbi's little girl Masooda who had a temporary problem on Friday which necessitated her being taken to St. Justine's Hospital. B'H she is home and doing well, and that's all that matters. b) A **REFUAH SHLEMA** to all Klal Yisrael, and especially those now hard hit in Israel where the number of cases have climbed very drastically.

STAY SAFE STAY HEALTHY STAY HOME

*(But come to shul if you feel comfortable.
Just check-in with the Rabbi, Issie, or the Office.*

Yahrzeits for the week of Aug 17 - 23 / 27 Av - 3 Elul

COMMON DATE	JEWISH DATE	MEMBER		DECEASED	RELATION
Aug 17	Av 27	Anita Cohen	for	Hyman Isenberg z"l	father
Aug 19	Av 29	Sandra Greenberg	for	Efriam Kanner z"l	father
Aug 19	Av 29	Helen Iscoe	for	Itzchok Iscoe z"l	grand father
Aug 21	Elul 1	Arlene Sculnick	for	Stephen Nadigel z"l	brother
Aug 22	Elul 2	David Blobstein	for	Eugene Blobstein z"l	father

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 Yarzeit 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.

Shul happenings this week in a nutshell:

Sunday Aug 16th 9 AM

Shachris services in shul

Monday Aug 17th 7 AM

Shachris services in shul

Thursday (Rosh Chodesh Elul) Aug 20th 7 AM

Shachris services in shul

Friday (Rosh Chodesh Elul) Aug 21st 7 AM

Shachris services in shul

Sunday Aug 16th through Thursday Aug 20th

Zoom evening services at 7 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5131434099?pwd=bTI1d2dXNmVGKzdWU25IMkNrZnIRUT09>

Meeting ID: 513 143 4099

Password: 6812571

Tuesday Aug 18th at 7:45 PM

Rabbi Halperin's's Zoom Bible Class – All are invited to participate

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Thursday Aug 20th

Rabbi Banon's Bible Class will not take place this evening

Friday Aug 21st 7 PM

Erev Shabbat services in shul

Saturday Aug 22nd 9 AM

Shabbat services in shul

PARSHAT HASHAVUA - WEEKLY TORAH PORTION

SHOFTIM

Deuteronomy 16:18-21:9



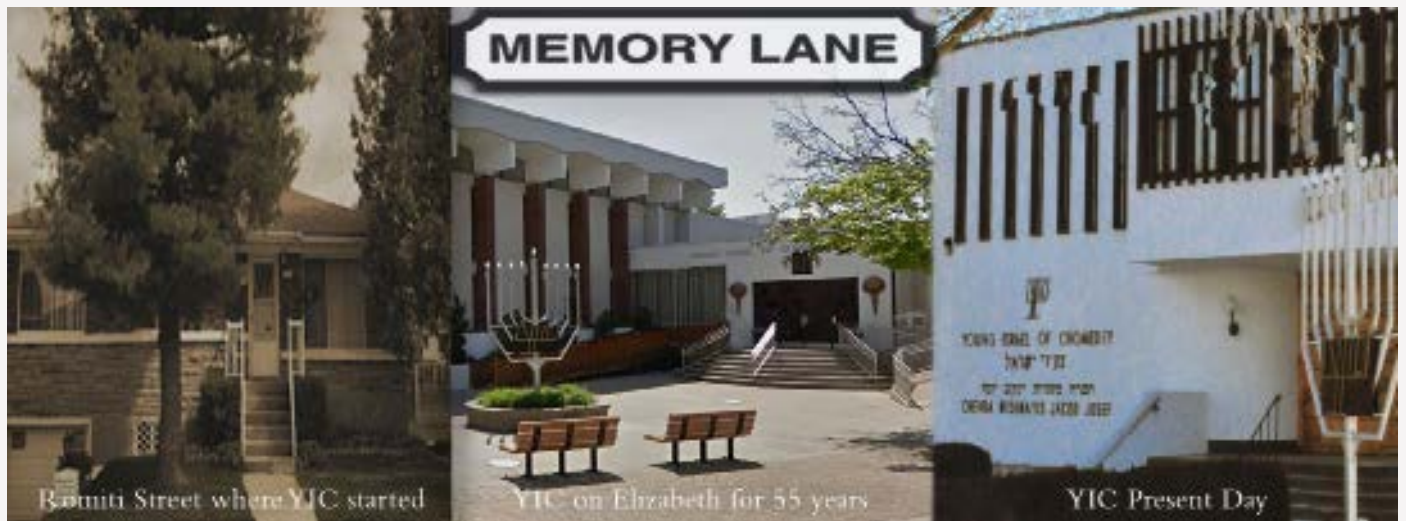
“For man is a tree of the field”

Moses instructs the people of Israel to appoint judges and law enforcement officers in every city. “Justice, justice shall you pursue,” he commands them, and you must administer it without corruption or favoritism. Crimes must be meticulously investigated and evidence thoroughly examined—a minimum of two credible witnesses is required for conviction and punishment.

In every generation, says Moses, there will be those entrusted with the task of interpreting and applying the laws of the Torah. “According to the law that they will teach you, and the judgment they will instruct you, you shall do; you shall not turn away from the thing that they say to you, to the right nor to the left.”

Shoftim also includes the prohibitions against idolatry and sorcery; laws governing the appointment and behavior of a king; and guidelines for the creation of “cities of refuge” for the inadvertent murderer. Also set forth are many of the rules of war: the exemption from battle for one who has just built a home, planted a vineyard, married, or is “afraid and soft-hearted”; the requirement to offer terms of peace before attacking a city; and the prohibition against wanton destruction of something of value, exemplified by the law that forbids to cut down a fruit tree when laying siege (in this context the Torah makes the famous statement, “For man is a tree of the field”).

The Parshah concludes with the law of the eglah arufah—the special procedure to be followed when a person is killed by an unknown murderer and his body is found in a field—which underscores the responsibility of the community and its leaders not only for what they do, but also for what they might have prevented from being done.



**MEMORY LANE # 79 (EDITED)
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MAZAL TOV TO:

Rebbetzin Bella and Rabbi Berzon on the birth of a Grandson
 Sephie & Jerry Segal on the birth of a Grandson
 Sandy & Larry Shadowitz on the birth of a Granddaughter
 Esther Meissner on the birth of a Grandson
 Miriam & Moishe Levy on the birth of a Son
 Oscar & Mildred Handelman on the birth of a Grandson
 Bluma & Lenny Malinoff on the birth of a Granddaughter
 Myrna & Seymour Forman on the birth of a Grandson
 Donna & Gabriel Schwimmer on the Bar Mitzvah of their Son Joey
 Rita & Alex Korman on the engagement of their son Barry to Lisa Haupt
 Annie & Bernie Borenstein on the engagement of their son Steven to Shragit Glzman
 Harriet & Sam Silversmith on the birth of 2 Granddaughters
 Sarah Indig on the birth of a Great Granddaughter
 Rebbetzin Bella and Rabbi Berzon on the Bar Mitzvah of their Grandson
 Rabbetzin Syma and Rabbi Solomon on the Bar Mitzvah of their Grandson
 Marilyn & Perry Silverman on the engagement of their Daughter Lisa to Lorne Levett
 Sharon & Jerry Baranoff on the engagement of their Daughter Ilana to Steven Kaufman
 Faigie & Nat Ladenheim on the birth of a Grandson
 Sally & Aaron Blajwajs on the birth of a Granddaughter
 Shirley & Walter Roll on the birth of a Granddaughter
 Ellen & Abe Lencov on the birth of a Granddaughter
 Lola Levett on the birth of a Granddaughter
 Frima & Michael Rosen on the birth of a Granddaughter
 Andre & Sylvia Frankiel on the birth of a Grandson

We regret any errors or omissions

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

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