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YIC Weekly Newsletter Dec 20 - 26 / 5-11 Tevet

DAY	DATE	SCHACHRIS	MINCHA / MA'ARIV
SUNDAY	Dec 20	9:00 AM	No Services
MONDAY	Dec 21	7:00 AM	No Services
TUESDAY	Dec 22	No Services	No Services
WEDNESDAY	Dec 23	No Services	No Services
THURSDAY	Dec 24	7:00 AM	Ma'ariv 7:30 (Yahrzeit)
FRIDAY	Dec 25	No Services	4:00 PM Shabbat Starts: 3:58 PM
SATURDAY	Dec 26	Parshat: VAYIGASH Partial Services as indicated.	Shabbat Ends: 5:08 PM

*PLEASE NOTE: The Days are Now Getting Longer
(2 minutes at a time)*

Dear Members,

Shul services will be curtailed from Dec 27th until further notice. We will be open for services every Erev Shabbat and Shabbat only. Weekday services are cancelled for the time being. The shul office will also be closed from Dec 25th until Jan 11th. Both are as a result of both new Government Covid regulations just announced, as well as the fact that we are having serious problems in being able to get Minyans during the week.

All shul operations will continue as usual from the home of our office manager who can be reached, if necessary, at the shul office number.

Zoom Ma'ariv services will continue each evening at 7:30 PM; the Rabbi's Bible Class also continues as usual, as will all scheduled Zoom programs by the Shaar Shalom and Young Israel.

Issie

RABBI BANON'S BIBLE CLASS: Rabbi Banon's Bible class takes place this week on Thursday Dec 24th at 8:15 PM. All are invited to attend and participate.

WITH OUR OUT OF TOWN MEMBERS: As we all know, some of our long time members are now scattered and/or live out of town. And of course our newsletter and our website reaches many of them. This week, I heard from Carol and Wendy Lesser, and I'd like to share their short email with our members.....

Hello, my name is Carol Lesser and along with my sister Wendy, Happy Hanukkah to all. As we both now live in Bolton, Ontario, we all four of us, Myer Lesser, Ruth Lesser, Carol and Wendy Lesser lived for many years on Notre Dame Blvd across the street from the now Young Israel. Since the world stopped for us on March 14 when we lost our dear mother. So just watching everyone got me..... Happy Hanukkah to all. Carol

So Carol - to you and Wendy, may your mother's name Ruth, be for a Blessing, and may you both be Blessed with a year that - like the Hanukkah lights - will only shine light unto both of you. All the best!

BIRTHDAYS: a) **MAZAL TOV** and **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to Dr. Gerry Lipstein who celebrates his milestone 80th birthday on Friday Dec 25th. Wishing you many more happy and healthy ones with friends and family till 120 b) And a **MAZAL TOV** and **HAPPY YOM HOLEDET** on the 12th of Tevet, which this year is on Dec 27th to our own Rabbi Banon. Many more Happy and Healthy ones with your whole mishpocha ad 120.

YASHER KOACH: **YASHER KOACH** to Lillian and Fred Rudy on the production (over years) of such a beautiful family in Israel. His son, Dr. Mitchell is the guy on the right. But not only is he a successful M.D. He sings, dances and has starred in a number of holiday simcha videos, with his son. The rest of the clan??? Rudy kids, Rudy grandkids, and Rudy great grandkids that make Lillian and Fred so rightly proud. Now we know why this newsletter has so many Rudy birthdays, anniversaries, and the like. Again, **YASHER KOACH.**



REFUAH SHLEMA: a) A **REFUAH SHLEMA** to all who are ailing - anywhere and everywhere - here, in Eretz Hakodesh and around the globe.

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 Dec 21 - 27 / 6 - 12 Tevet

COMMON DATE	JEWISH DATE	MEMBER		DECEASED	RELATION
Dec 21	Tevet 6	Edith Gasoi	for	Tzvi Polsky z"l	father
Dec 21	Tevet 6	Lily Jakubovic	for	Moishe Miller z"l	father
Dec 21	Tevet 6	Helen Iscoe	for	Stella Zackon z"l	mother
Dec 22	Tevet 7	Anne Byer	for	Gershon Lancit z"l	father
Dec 22	Tevet 7	Helen Iscoe	for	Sarah Iscoe z"l	mother in law
Dec 22	Tevet 7	Suzanne Borer	for	Elizabeth Porgesz z"l	mother
Dec 22	Tevet 7	Hannah Medicoff	for	Paul Korne z"l	father
Dec 22	Tevet 7	Eleanor Wiseblatt	for	Cahie Rosenbloom z"l	mother
Dec 24	Tevet 9	David Smith	for	Moishe Smith z"l	father
Dec 25	Tevet 10	Lily Jakubovic	for	Leib Jakubovic z"l	husband
Dec 25	Tevet 10	Pesach Bosis	for	Chaim Bosis z"l	father
Dec 26	Tevet 11	Sheila Wolfe	for	Bella Blacker z"l	mother
Dec 26	Tevet 11	Bob Mardinger	for	Harry Mardinger z"l	father
Dec 26	Tevet 11	Helen Iscoe	for	Chana Zackon z"l	grand mother
Dec 27	Tevet 12	Lorne Gold	for	Anne Gold 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.

Shul happenings this week in a nutshell:

Sunday Dec 20th - 9:00 AM

Shachris services in shul and on Zoom

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Sunday Dec 20th - 7:30 PM

Ma'ariv services in shul and on Zoom (*Yahrzeit - link above*)

Monday Dec 21st - 7:00 AM

Shachris services in shul

Wednesday - Dec 23rd 7:30 PM

Ma'ariv services in shul (Yahrzeit)

Wednesday - Dec 23rd 7:45 PM

An Evening with Tommy Schnurmacher

Author of "Makeup Tips from Auschwitz" and "How Vanity Saved My Mother's Life"

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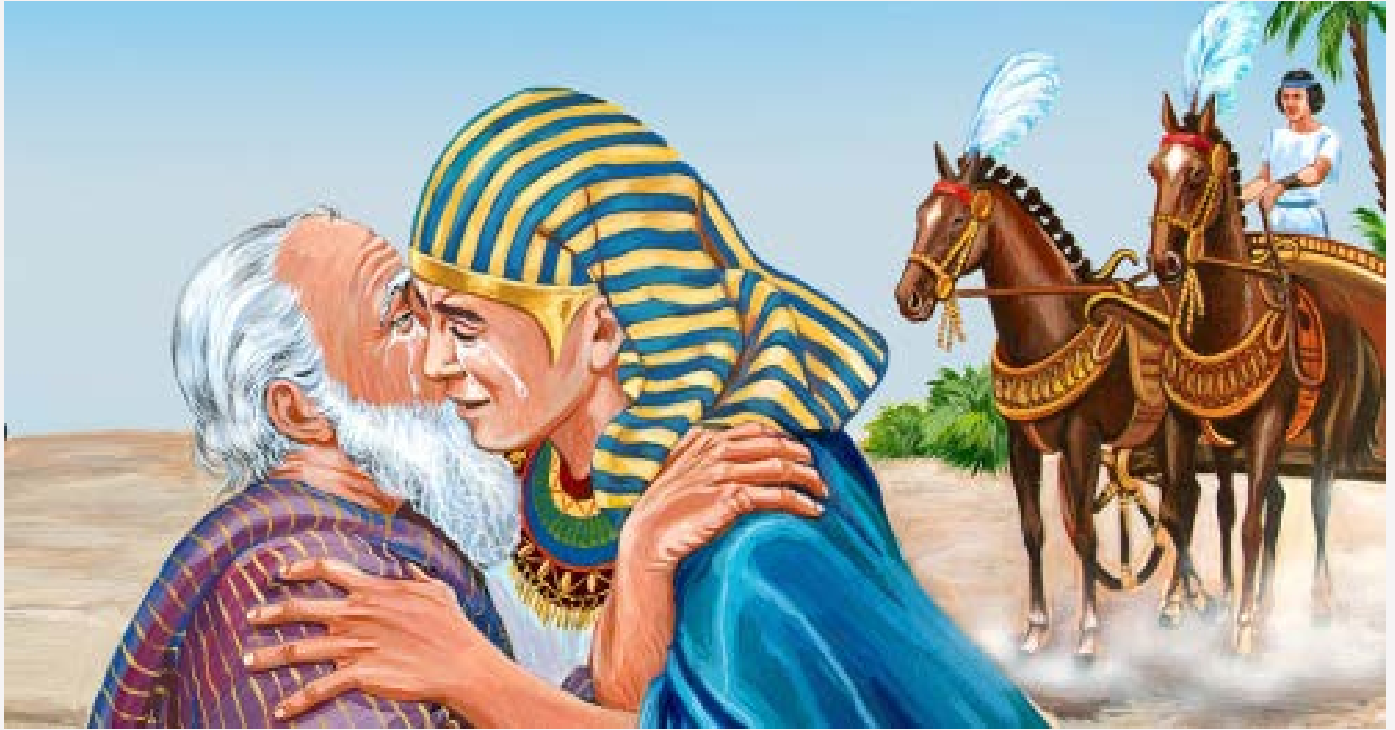
Erev Shabbat services in shul

Saturday Dec 26th - 9:00 AM

Shabbat - Schachris services in shul

PARSHAT HASHAVUA - WEEKLY TORAH PORTION

Vayigash
Genesis 44:18-47:27

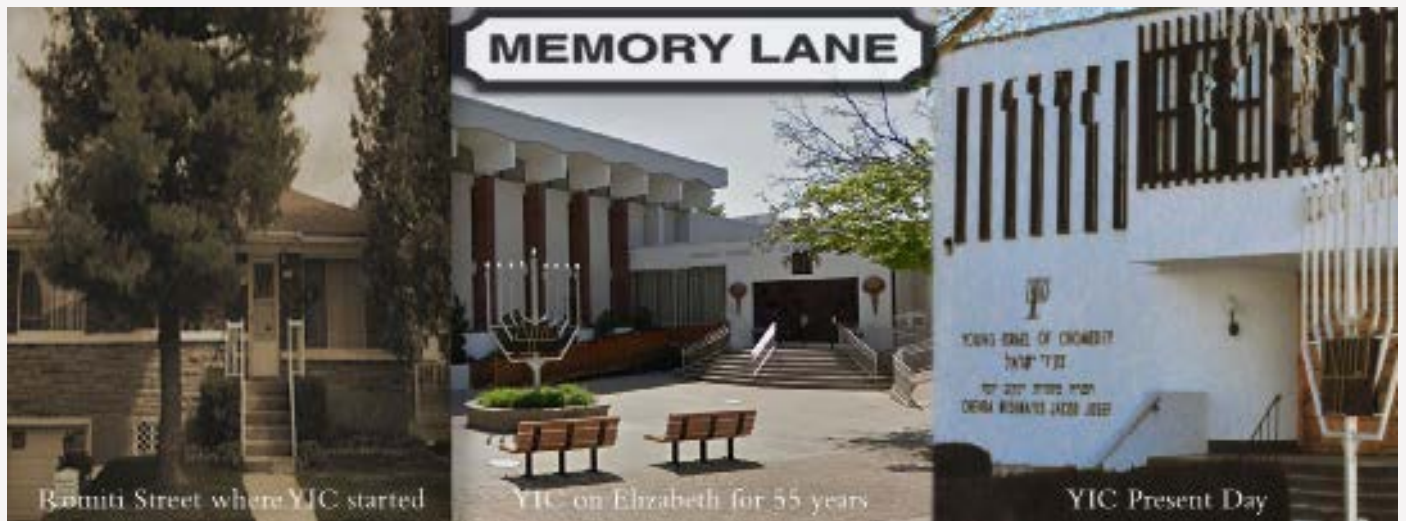


Judah approaches Joseph to plead for the release of Benjamin, offering himself as a slave to the Egyptian ruler in Benjamin's stead. Upon witnessing his brothers' loyalty to one another, Joseph reveals his identity to them. "I am Joseph," he declares. "Is my father still alive?"

The brothers are overcome by shame and remorse, but Joseph comforts them. "It was not you who sent me here," he says to them, "but G-d. It has all been ordained from Above to save us, and the entire region, from famine."

The brothers rush back to Canaan with the news. Jacob comes to Egypt with his sons and their families—seventy souls in all—and is reunited with his beloved son after 22 years. On his way to Egypt he receives the divine promise: "Fear not to go down to Egypt; for I will there make of you a great nation. I will go down with you into Egypt, and I will also surely bring you up again."

Joseph gathers the wealth of Egypt by selling food and seed during the famine. Pharaoh gives Jacob's family the fertile county of Goshen to settle, and the children of Israel prosper in their Egyptian exile.



**MEMORY LANE # 97 (EDITED)
FROM THE FIRST BULLETIN OF THE JEWISH CONGREGATION OF ST.MARTIN
AUGUST 1960 EDITION**

WITH THE RABBI

- On May 31st our Rabbi's message appeared in the week-end edition of the Montreal Star's column "Design for Living"
- Our Rabbi spoke at the Annual Dinner of the Yeshiva Merkaz Hatora on May 22nd held at the Young Israel of Montreal Synagogue.
- Our Rabbi was invited to deliver the sermon at the convention of the Association of Men's Clubs of Yeshiva University Synagogue Council, held at the Pioneer Country Club, Greenfield Park, N.Y. on June 9-12. He was presented with an illuminated scroll and given a Polaroid camera in appreciation for having served as an advisor to the Association.
- Our Rabbi will broadcast radio messages during the month of August on CJAD every Sunday at 8:45 A.M.
- The Rabbi's article "where are the existentialist Jews" appeared in a new literary magazine called the "Canadian Jewish Digest", of which he is an associate editor.

The Rabbi's Charity Funds Recipients:

Here are the institutions that have benefited from our Rabbi's Charity Fund this year

Israel Children's Homes Immigrant Shelter // Lubavitcher Yeshiva in Montreal // Beth Jacob Schools in Montreal // Ezrath Achim for Passover Relief // Yeshivat Hadorom Educational Institute in Israel // Yechia Akza Yemen Charity // Kollel Rabbi Moses Shatzkes Institution in Israel // Ezras Torah Supporting Jewish Indigent Scholars world wide // Diskin Orphan Home in Israel which prepares orphans for trade and professions // Teffereth Jerusalem Educational Institution // Shaare Zedeck Hospital in Israel // Yeshiva Merkaz Hatorah in Montreal.

These charities are but a few from the very many requests received by our Rabbi. Each request is carefully reviewed by our Rabbi, and which are deemed the most worthy, are issued funds. Cases of local origin have been included in the fund's distribution. Complete confidence is observed, and only the Rabbi and President know of them.

One of the greatest blessings that humankind can give is charity. It is a method of showing appreciation to G-d for the good fortune, when we share what we have. The support of Torah educational institutions is also a method of preserving the ideals for which we live. Those of you who are willing to donate charity may send their contributions to the Synagogue at 1859 Romiti Street, the Rabbi at 1135 Miller Street, or our Parnass, Jerry Sculnick at 1335 Ridgewood Avenue.

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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Shaar Shalom is proud to announce our ZOOM Events Calendar for December 2020

Circle the dates on your calendar because you don't want to miss out.

Dec 2 - Matt Del Vecchio and Stefanie Cadou

A Montreal based husband and wife team,
specializing in assisting seniors in transition

Dec 8 - The Jews of Africa by Dr. Jack Hirschberg

The history of Jewish migration during the 4 great Diasporas

Dec 13 - Shaar Shalom & Young Israel of Chomedey ZOOM Chanukah Party

Dec 17 - An Evening of Music with Janie Respitz

Dec 23 - Tommy Schnurmacher

Author of "Makeup Tips from Auschwitz" and
"How Vanity Saved My Mother's Life"

Dec 30 - An evening with Dr. Joe Schwarcz PHD

Director, McGill Office for Science and Society

**Our Events all open at 7:45 PM for schmoozing
with an 8:00 PM program start.**

Zoom Invitation Links will follow during the week of the Events.

Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Celebrating over Sixty Years of Service to the Community

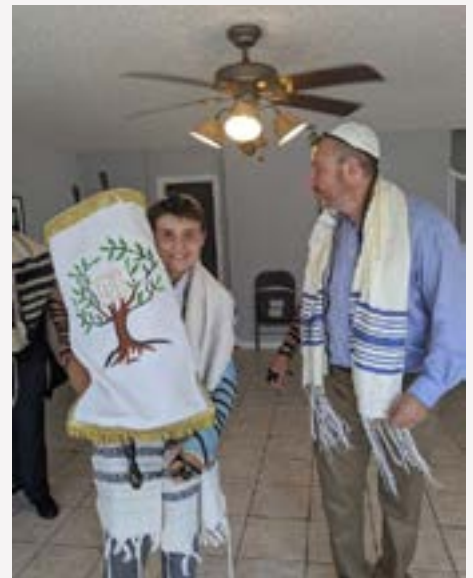
Many of you will recall that during the summer of 2019 - a pandemic lifetime ago - we donated a Sefer Torah that required some repairs, to a new Chabad Shul in Round Rock, Texas. We had enough Sifrei Torah, and they were of course willing to look after the repairs and transportation. They made a beautiful Torah Mantle with our name engraved on the back to honour our donation. The Rabbi sent us the picture below left. A beautiful Mitzvah we can all be proud of. This past Erev Shabbat I received the following email and pictures. Now we can even be more proud of our Mitzvah.

Hi Mr. Baum,

Thank you again for the donation of the Torah to our Shul. Since we have last emailed, we thank G-d have had the opportunity for big events. We had the first Bar Mitzvah ever held in Round Rock, and the family had their aliyas by the Torah.

We had Minyanim several times on regular Shabbosim and for Yom Tov. And today we just had our first baby naming Minyan in Round Rock, and the grandfather of the baby has his first aliyah since his Bar Mitzvah! Attached are photos of the events.

*Looking forward to sharing many more Simchas. Thank you again, and good Shabbos
Mussi Marasow - Chabad of Round Rock*



MAZAL TOV