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Special Notice



Dear Congregants,

All congregants and guests will be required to wear masks in all areas of the shul, regardless of vaccination status.

All masks should be properly worn by assuring that your nose and mouth are covered during services.

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President's Message

Wishing everyone a happy Chanukah.

Congratulations to Fay Lonstein on the birth of a granddaughter to Jeffrey and Rose.

We wish Jeffrey and Rose much success on the upcoming opening of their Brazilian restaurant in Northeast Philadelphia.

We are glad that Carol Aronoff is now home and recovering.

We wish Aaron Sacharov a speedy recovery. It was good to see him back in shul after being absent for a few weeks.

Except during Kiddush, the Board is requiring everyone to wear a mask.

We have started to have some kiddushes, when there is a sponsor. If you would like to sponsor a kiddush, please let the Rebbetzin know so you can reserve a date.



Charles Miller
 President



VIEW FROM THE BIMAH

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When I lived in New York, I would take part in the Mitzvah campaigns, traveling to Manhattan from Brooklyn to meet Jews and offer them to perform Mitzvot. Many meaningful conversations took place over the years as my colleague and I would visit to the NYU Medical Center and the street corners at Times Square.

One year, on Chanukah, we packed the car Menorah kits and crossed the Brooklyn Bridge, ready to flood the streets with holiday excitement. The evening went by very smoothly I felt good about myself having distributed the kits to so many men, women, and children. But then, as I approached an elderly gentleman, his body language was communicating some hostility. “Would you like to have a Chanukah Menorah?” I asked. “Absolutely not” was the man’s angry response. A little frazzled, I collected myself and asked the man if he would be kind enough to tell me why. He said; “last year, you boys gave me a Menorah, I brought it home, lit it, and cried all night. I am not going through this again.”

The simple act of lighting the Chanukah candles has the power of reaching the deepest part of the soul. And although having a spiritual experience can be powerful in itself, in reality, this awakening should serve as a catalyst for further growth. Ultimately, the message of the Chanukah lights is that we, ourselves, become the Chanukah light.

When we bring goodness, positivity and inspiration to those around us, we, like the Menorah, become a shining light to those who need it. As the Menorah has the power to brighten the darkest places, we draw strength and courage to tackle even the most daunting tasks with alacrity and vigor, because we know that when we walk with G-d, miracles happen.

Wishing you
and yours a
most joyous
Chanukah!



Rabbi Y. Goldenberg

Young Israel Renovation Update



Proposed seating diagram

Young Israel of Lawrenceville has been excitedly making plans for an indoor renovation of our Shul. A beautiful brochure has been sent out – if you have not yet received one, please call the Shul and we will mail one to you. Thanks to all those who have participated so far with small and large donations, we are well underway for a successful campaign, and have reached close to 50% of our fundraising goal. We've also secured a reputable architect and an experienced and recommended builder to begin the work, please G-d, in November. Thanks to the generosity of so many friends and community members we have reached this far, but more

funds are needed. Please be in touch with any of the YI board members or myself if you would like to participate in this great project that will benefit the future of our community for many years to come. Thank you!

Rabbi Y. Goldenberg

Services will be held at the Rabbi's home during renovations.

Young Israel—Community Bulletin Board

YIOL offers a range of programs and services which enables opportunities for exploring Judaism in a non-judgmental way. Whether it be a prayer service, Torah class, or social gathering that you're seeking, you will be enthusiastically welcomed and celebrated, So come for a visit...and stay a while.

Adult Education Program

Please join us for our classes. All classes are conducted in English and are held at the Synagogue.

- **Tuesday evening class** -- Rabbi Goldenberg will be announcing a new series for his Tuesday night class.
- **Women's class** — Rebbetzin Goldenberg teaches a women's class on alternate Mondays at 7:30.

There is no charge for participation. For further information, call the synagogue at (609) 883-8833 any day from Saturday at nightfall through Friday early afternoon. If there is no reply, leave a message on the answering machine

Tzedakah Fund



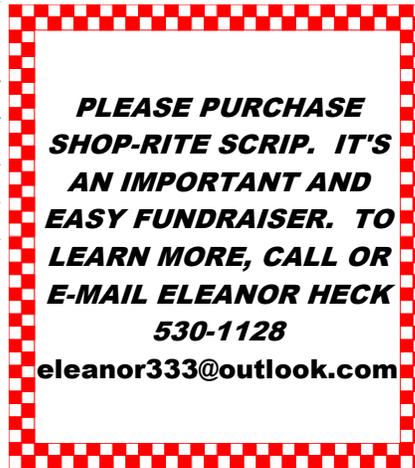
Our Shul has a Tzedakah fund to help those in special need of assistance. The fund is derived primarily from contributions collected from the "pushka" in Shul. If you know of such a person, please advise either Rabbi Goldenberg or Charles Miller.

Kiddushim

Our thanks to those who have sponsored kiddushim. For a full list of recent kiddush sponsors, please refer to Donations and Good Tidings. To celebrate your special occasion with a kiddush, please e-mail Dina Goldenberg:

dinagoldenberg@aol.com

When paying your dues, please send your Kiddush assessment (\$100) in a separate check, payable to the Sisterhood.



The Memorial Board

The Memorial Board in the Synagogue is a special way to honor, in perpetuity, the memory of departed loved ones. Plaques are \$250 each and may be ordered by contacting the Synagogue.



Yahrzeit Advisory

It is very important that our Shul provide a minyan to enable members and others to observe a Yahrzeit anniversary. Whenever you need to observe a Yahrzeit, please contact one of our gabbaim several days in advance so we can ensure a minyan will be available. Please contact Charles Miller (530-1846).

Visiting the Sick



It is a religious duty (a *mitzvah*) to visit someone who is ill. If you become aware of someone who is unwell or infirm, please advise Rabbi Goldenberg or Charles Miller immediately so that the person may be contacted and visited at an appropriate and convenient time

Donations and Good Tidings

“May G-d bless those who dedicate synagogues for prayer and those who enter them to pray, those who provide light for them, wine for Kiddush and Havdalah, bread for guests and charity to the poor and all who are involved faithfully in the needs of the community.”

(from the Yekum Purkan prayer said every Shabbot at the end of the Shacharis service).

DONATIONS

A listing of donations will appear in our next
newsletter...



The “No-Hassle Kiddush Initiative”

Dear Fellow Shul Goer,

I would like to present the community with an opportunity that could benefit its members: I’ll call it the “No-Hassle Kiddush Initiative”.

If you would like to sponsor a Kiddush but you can’t (or don’t want to!) deal with the headache of shopping, preparing, setting up, etc., no worries. I will do it for you. Yup, you read that correctly. I will prepare your entire Kiddush – all you need to do is show up! It’s that simple.

I will offer you choices of delicious homemade salads and baked goods, pretty platters, tasty deserts, and more. I will even include the paper goods J Below, you will find a list of options, as well as other information that you might need.

Note: this offer is my own personal initiative. It is in addition to, not in place of, what is currently being arranged by the YI sisterhood.

If you have any questions, you can contact me:

dinagoldenberg@aol.com

609-231-8609



OR.....

You can copy and paste this address to be connected to the spreadsheet where you can choose a date to sponsor a Kiddush.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/16_RvDiVNMRtuwsLrt89_G4VRjBZ02sKNX1M5_py8TWk/edit#gid=634347005



kiddush sponsors at Young Israel of Lawrenceville

Once you make your selection, please email dinagoldenberg@aol.com to make arrangements.

Date	Name	In honor of	Email
10/30/21			
11/6/21			
11/13/21	Miskin	Birthday of Carrie Miskin	
11/20/21	Sacharov	Yortzeit of Dorothy Fern	
11/27/21	Eleanor Heck	Yortzeit of William Heck	
12/4/21			
12/11/21			
12/18/21			
12/25/21	Ferstenberg	Wedding Anniversary	
1/1/22	Eleanor Heck	2022!!!	
1/8/22			
1/15/22			
1/22/22			
1/29/22			
2/5/22			
2/12/22			
2/19/22			
2/26/22			
3/5/22			
3/12/22			
3/19/22			
3/26/22			

From Dina's Kitchen

BASIC KIDDUSH - \$150

Salads (vegetable): Choice of 3

(Each additional salad \$7)

Eggplant – marinated

Eggplant – babaganoush

Taboule (quinoa)

Coleslaw

Potato

Carrot – cooked or grated

Tomato

Egg Salad

Olive dip

Chummus

Platters: Choice of 1

Fresh vegetable

Fresh fruit (seasonal)

Fish: Choice of 2

(Each additional \$10)

Gefilte fish with horseradish

Tuna (plain or scallion)

White fish salad (store bought)

Herring (store bought)

Nosh: One of each

(Each additional \$5)

Cookies – 2 types (rugelach, biscotti, chocolate chip, etc.)

Potato chips or Tortilla chips

Pretzels or other chips

Crackers – 2 types

Drinks: 2 seltzers and 1 juice (Soda upon request)

DELUXE KIDDUSH: \$225

Same as basic plus:

2 additional vegetable salads

Fish platter **OR** deli platter

Kugel – choice of potato, noodle or apple

Nuts or chocolate

Extras:

Cake for special occasion: \$50

*Price includes paper goods

*Liquor provided by Kiddush sponsor

List is flexible. If you would like specific or select items, that can be arranged.

One week advance notice for all orders!

Orders must be pre-paid.

NOTE: If you are expecting a larger than usual crowd, please indicate approximately how many additional



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AMAZON SMILE

Did you know that you can raise funds for Young Israel simply by shopping at Amazon?

It doesn't cost you anything extra! There's a one-time setup that needs to be done, and then just shop at smile.amazon.com (instead of www.amazon.com) like you normally would. All of your account settings will already be available.

To set this up for the first time, point your computer or mobile browser to smile.amazon.com. You will be asked to select a charity on the right side of the screen. Below the spotlight charities, there is an option to pick your own charitable organization. In the box, enter "Young Israel of Lawrenceville" and click "Search". The results will appear on the left, and you can select our Shul by clicking "Select" next to "Young Israel of Lawrenceville". Young Israel's unique charity link is: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-2115751>.

After that, just remember to shop at smile.amazon.com, and all eligible purchases will generate a donation to Young Israel.

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Daniel Zuckerman



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What Kaddish Can Teach Us

Kaddish, the mourner's prayer, is unlike most of our liturgy. Structured as a call and response, the prayer leader declares and the congregation replies. It is only said in the presence of a prayer quorum, because the community must stand with the mourner to comfort and to inspire. The mourner cries out and the congregation amplifies and affirms.

Kaddish is said by mourners three times a day and yet it contains no mention of death. Repeated again and again are the words, "life" and "peace." Mourners are drawn out of their grief and are gently directed to G-d's greatness and His justice. Instead of looking inward, the words point the mourner to the world beyond the personal tragedy.

Yitgadal ve'yitkadash shmei rabba — May His name be exalted. These opening words of the *Kaddish* re drawn from the prophet Ezekiel who witnessed the destruction of the First Temple. As we begin the prayer, we join our personal sorrow to the great catastrophe of the Jewish people.

Other elements of the *Kaddish* are found in the earliest sections of the Talmud. The congregation's response to the opening *Yitgadal* phrase is "Yihei shmei rabba mevorach," may Your great Name be blessed. We glorify the name of the Almighty and declare that we accept His judgment. According to an ancient Talmudic story about Rabbi Akiva, these words — said in faith — may redeem the dead from their sins.

Here Rabbi Akiva teaches us a radical concept, that children may redeem their parents. In most of our prayers, we call upon the merit of our Patriarchs and our Matriarchs to protect us from life's hardships. How often we call upon the G-d of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob to save us!

Yet the *Kaddish* upends this concept and frames it in reverse. When children recite the *Kaddish* in memory of their parents, it is *their* merit that redeems the parents. As children acknowledge G-d as Kind of the world, they affirm the values and the *mitzvot* they have received from their mothers and fathers.

*This is an excerpt from the Hebrew Free Burial Association's newsletter, Chesed,
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Bereavement Services

King Solomon said, "There is a time for all under the heavens — a time to love, a time to journey, a time to plant, a time to reap, a time to rejoice and a time to mourn."

In a most loving and caring way and with the greatest sensitivity, Rabbi Goldenberg will make it his business to offer all the comfort, guidance and bereavement support needed. In addition, he will be glad to offer his assistance in preparation, officiating at the funeral, making Shiva services, arranging for the kaddish to be recited, etc.

For assistance, or for more information, please call: (609) 882-4330.



THIS SPACE HAS TRADITIONALLY LAID OUT LIGHTING AND SERVICE TIMES FOR SHABBOS AND YOM TOV. HOWEVER, THANKS TO THE CHABAD OF LAWRENCEVILLE CALENDAR THAT THE RABBI MAILS OUT ANNUALLY AND TO THE RABBI'S WEEKLY E-TORAH E-MAIL, WE HAVE DECIDED THAT IT MAY NO LONGER BE NECESSARY TO INCLUDE THE

INFORMATION IN THE NEWSLETTER. PLEASE NOTIFY RABBI GOLDENBERG IF YOU WISH TO RECEIVE THE CALENDAR OR BE ADDED TO THE MAILING LIST TO RECEIVE THE E-TORAH PLEASE FEEL FREE TO NOTIFY ELEANOR, LYNDA, OR THE RABBI IF YOU WOULD PREFER THAT THE NEWSLETTER ALSO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION.



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