

Young Israel of the Main Line Weekly Update

Aish Philadelphia Annual Community Gala

Aish Philadelphia is holding its annual Community Gala on Tuesday, May 23rd at 6:00 PM at the Natural History Museum. Honorees this year include our own members, **Janis and Richie Fine**. The guest speaker will be Rabbi Lawrence Keleman speaking on Good to Great: Why Some People Make the Leap...and Others Don't.

Stern Hebrew High School Annual Gala Reception

Stern Hebrew High School is honoring Rabbi Simkovich with the Educator's Award on June 4 at their sixth annual gala reception at the National Constitution Center.

Mazel Tov to...

...Rabbi and Orit Seif on the birth of twin boys. The Shalom Zachor will be this Friday night at 33 Union Ave. starting at 9:30 p.m.
...Moshe and Elana Buchbinder on the bris of Yechezkiel Eliyahu.
...Gary and Andrea Diamond on being picked as honorees at the upcoming National Council of Young Israel Annual Dinner.

Condolences

We regret to inform you of the passing of **Mr. Marvin Peskin z"l**, father of Shelly Peskin. Shelly will return to Bala Cynwyd IY"H on Sunday afternoon for the remainder of Shiva. May the Peskin family be comforted among the Aveilei Tzion V'Yerushalayim.

Softball News

This Sunday, May 14, Four Corners vs. Beth Hillel at Belmont Field. See bulletin board for directions and to sign up for fan club emails.

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Parshas Emor

פרשת אמור

Shabbos Davening Times

Candle lighting:	7:48 p.m.
Mincha - Friday:	7:00 p.m.
Sof Zman Krias Shema:	9:22 a.m.
Shacharis:	8:45 a.m.
Mincha- Shabbos followed by Shalosh Seudos:	7:35 p.m.
Maariv:	8:52 p.m.

Weekday Davening Times

Shacharis -Sunday:	8:00 a.m.
Shacharis- Mon and Thurs:	6:40 a.m.
Shacharis- Tues, Wed, Fri:	6:50 a.m.
Mincha /Maariv- Sun-Fri:	7:55 p.m.

Guest Lecturer- Rabbi Moshe Zauderer

Rabbi Moshe Zauderer will be giving a lecture entitled "The Devil Made Me Do It?, Exploring genetic, mazal, and behavioral influences upon moral decision-making" at YIML on Shabbos, May 13, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. Mincha following at 7:35.

Chevra Mishnayos

The Chevra Mishnayos has started learning Seder Nezikin. Please sign up by putting your name on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board or speak to Moshe Eisenberg.

Shavuos All Night Learning

Stay tuned for YIML's Shavuos All-Night Learning schedule with exciting and thought provoking shiurim.

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Shiurim*



DAY	TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER	NOTES
Shabbos	8:15 a.m.	Parshas Hashavua	Dr. Daniel Eisenberg	Topic: Can the pregnant wife of a kohen go into a hospital?
Shabbos	45 minutes before Mincha	Gemara Sukka	Rabbi Steinberg	CANCELLED
Shabbos	Between Mincha & Maariv	Chabura Topic and speaker vary from week to week.	TBA	
Sunday Morning	After Davening	Sefer Hachinuch	Dov Gottlieb	
Mon., Wed.	After Maariv	Mishna Berura Hilchos Shabbos	Eli Back	
15 minutes before Shacharis on Sun.-Fri.		Shaarei Teshuva	Rabbi Steinberg	
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Women's Tehillim Group		At the Eisenberg home
Wednesday	8:30 p.m.	Practical Halacha Shiur for Women	Rabbi Steinberg	
Thursday night	10:15 p.m.	Nefesh Hachaim	Rav Sholom Kamenetsky	

*All shiurim are at YIML unless specified.

B'nos of Bala Cynwyd

Bnos of Bala Cynwyd will not meet this Shabbos.

Pirchei of Philadelphia

Pirchei of Philadelphia will meet this Shabbos at Lower Merion Synagogue from 4-5 p.m.

Mitzvah Vigilante

By Rabbi Mordecai Kamenetzky

The Torah tells us in this week's parsha, "u'shmartem es mitzvosai, v'aseesem osum -- watch the mitzvos and do them" (Vayikra 22:31). What does watch mitzvos mean? If one does a mitzvah he is surely doing more than watching them. Watching mitzvos seems quite passive. Observant Jew is a term used for those who actually perform the and adhere to the laws, and the curious word observant, perhaps, indeed comes from the Hebrew word u'shmartem. But doesn't Hashem want us to be more than just watchers. If He tells us to do mitzvos, then surely we watch them! Why the double, if not redundant, expression? This past Thursday evening I went to be Menachem Avel (in the vernacular pay a shiva call) a friend, Rabbi Zissel Zelman, who was sitting shiva for his father. He is a Chicago native whose father, Rabbi Zelman, grew up in Chicago way before Torah Judaism had flourished there. Reb Zissel related that as a young man, his father would pass the newsstand every Saturday night after shul to pick up a paper. As he did not carry money with him, he had made an arrangement with the vendors to return on Sunday morning to pay the vendor.

Rabbi Zelman was not interested in the sports pages nor was he interested in the headlines. In fact he was not interested in the paper altogether. Rabbi Zelman bought the paper for his mother. She also was not interested in the sports or the news. She was interested in the dead. Every Saturday night she would comb th paper looking for announcements of tombstone unveilings that were to take place on Sunday at the Jewish Cemeteries. An unveiling is a time when people are charitable, and the elderly Mrs. Zelman would go to the cemeteries and raise funds from the gathered for Yeshivos in Europe in Israel. She would eventually turn the coins into bills and send the money overseas. A plaque hangs today in the Slobodka Yeshiva in Israel commemorating her efforts.

Perhaps the Torah is telling us more than just doing mitzvos. It is telling us to watch for mitzvos. Be on guard. There are hundreds of opportunities to find mitzvos and to do them. But we must be observant and vigilant. There are hundreds of mitzvos that pass by our very eyes. Scores of "Good Morning"s.

Hundreds of packages we can help lift, as well as spirits. There are hundreds of hearts we can help heal as well as small acts of charity we can fulfill. Perhaps the Torah is telling us more than watch the mitzvos that come our way. Perhaps it may be telling us to be on the lookout for those that are out there waiting for us to observe them!

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