



Kiddush this Shabbos is sponsored by Rabbi and Mrs. Admon on the birth of Tamar Batya and by Dr. and Mrs. Mendel Kupfer in memory of Chaim Menachem Mendel and Yehudis Kupfer and their parents, Yisroel Meir & Rivka and Alexander & Rochel Elka, and their children, Hersh Leib, Fraida, Shmuel Elya, and Velvel, and on the third yartzeit of Binyamin ben Yisroel HaLevi.

#### Farewell and Acknowledgment

As our dear member, Mrs. Laya Back moves to Lakewood this week, the Rabbi, Officers, and members of the Young Israel wish to acknowledge the immeasurable service of the Back family to the Young Israel in its present, as well as previous, locations. The commitment demonstrated by Sam Back, z"l, and yblch"t Laya from the Shul's very inception, continues in the shiurim that Eli Back delivers regularly. We wish Laya tremendous bracha and nachas in her new community. You will be greatly missed!

#### YIML Picnic

The YIML picnic will be on Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at General Wynne Park. \$18 adult, \$10 for child, \$60 family maximum. RSVPs would be appreciated. Speak with Stan Sved to RSVP. Bring your sports equipment with you!

#### Mazel Tov to...

...**Simcha and Avigayil Pechter** on Yossi's upsherin this past Sunday.  
...**Rabbi and Mrs. Lichtenstein and Family** on the engagement of Yehudis Lichtenstein to Barzilai Goldfarb.  
...**Rabbi Judah and Shayna Goldberg and Family** on being honored at the Stern Hebrew High School Dinner this Sunday.

#### Chevra Mishnayos

Chevra Mishnayos has begun learning Seder Nezikin. Please sign up by putting your name on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Please speak with Moshe Eisenberg for details. The siyum is tentatively planned for Shavuos.

#### YIML Members to be Honored at Local Dinners

Congratulations to...

...**Kurt and Melissa Stein** who will be honored at the Aish HaTorah Annual Gala at the Academy of Natural Sciences on May 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

#### YIML/Aish Softball Team-Four Corners

After beating Beth Hillel West last week, Four Corners moves on to play Temple Shalom at General Wayne Park at 10 a.m. this Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.

# Don't Forget to Count Omer!

*Young Israel of the Main Line*

## *Weekly Update*

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**Parshios Behar-Bechukosai**

**פרשיות בהר-בחוקותי**

### Shabbos Davening Times

<b>Candle lighting:</b>	<b>7:47 p.m.</b>
<b>Mincha - Friday:</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Shacharis:</b>	<b>8:45 a.m.</b>
<b>Sof Zman Krias Shema:</b>	<b>9:23 a.m.</b>
<b>Mincha for Shabbos followed by Shalosh Seudos:</b>	<b>7:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Maariv:</b>	<b>8:51 p.m.</b>

### Weekday Davening Times

<b>Shacharis- Sunday:</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Shacharis- Mon, Thurs:</b>	<b>6:40 a.m.</b>
<b>Shacharis- Tues, Wed:</b>	<b>6:50 a.m.</b>
<b>Shacharis- Friday (Rosh Chodesh Sivan):</b>	<b>6:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Mincha/Maariv (Sun-Thurs):</b>	<b>7:55 p.m.</b>

### Next Shabbos Davening Times

<b>Candle lighting:</b>	<b>7:53 p.m.</b>
<b>Mincha - Friday:</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>

### Scholar-in-Residence

YIML is proud to present Rabbi Jonathan Rosenblum who will be our scholar-in-residence **next Shabbos**, Parshas Bamidbar (May 19<sup>th</sup>). Sponsorships are available for \$250 and \$500. The shul will be hosting a luncheon with Rabbi Rosenblum. Space is limited. Please contact Janet Eisenberg to reserve your seat, \$18 adult and \$10 child (ages 2-18). See flyers for lecture topics.

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All submissions, suggestions, sponsorships, and advertisements should be directed to Moshe Eisenberg, creator of this Weekly Update.



## Shiurim\*



DAY	TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER	NOTES
Shabbos	8:15 a.m.	Parsha Etymology Based on the teachings of Rav Shamshon Raphael Hirsch zt"l	Rabbi Steinberg	
Shabbos	45 minutes before Mincha	<u>ALTERNATING BETWEEN</u> Minchas Chinuch Chabura  ----and----	Rabbi Steinberg	<u>Topic: Mitzvah 28: The Issur of Bowling: A Contrast between our Parsha and the Aseres HaDibros</u>
		The Chabura	Rotating	<u>UPCOMING</u>
Shabbos	Between Mincha and Maariv	Medical Halacha Shiur	Dr. Daniel Eisenberg	<u>Topic: Is Anesthesia permitted for bris?</u>
Sunday Morning	After Davening	Sefer Hachinuch	Moshe Buchbinder	
Mon., Wed.	Before Mincha	Mishna Berura	Eli Back	
15 minutes before Shacharis on Sun.-Fri.		Chovos Halevovos	Rabbi Steinberg	
Monday	9:15 a.m.	Women's Tehillim Group		173 Edgehill Rd.
Tuesday	9:00 p.m.	Advanced Gemora Kesuvas Shiur First Perek	Rabbi Steinberg	<u>CANCELLED</u> until after Shavuot
Wednesday	8:15 p.m.	Sefer Shmuel Bais	Rabbi Steinberg	<u>CANCELLED</u> until next season. Stay tuned for details
Thursday night	10:15 p.m.	Nefesh Hachaim	Rav Sholom Kamenetsky	

\*All shiurim are at YIML unless specified.

### B'nos of Bala Cynwyd

B'nos of Bala Cynwyd will meet this Shabbos at Lower Merion Synagogue from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the upstairs classrooms.

### Pirchei of Philadelphia

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

## From Gory to Glory

By Rabbi Berel Wein

This week's concluding parsha of the book of Vayikra contains a doleful prophecy – the tochacha – of troubles and exile that would befall the Jewish people in its future. It is not only the depressing content of the tochacha but also its gory detail that has always troubled me. And, I also questioned why the Torah should include a tochacha of this nature at all in its writings. After all, warning people about what will happen to them centuries later down the road of history rarely affects their current behavior. People do all sorts of things when they are younger that they know will be injurious to their health and even eventually shorten their lifespan. And yet, they persist for the moment in doing what seems enjoyable and pleasant to them, no matter what the later consequences will be. A fair assessment of Jewish history will indicate that the threat of the tochacha did not prevent the destruction of the First and Second Temples and of Jewish sovereignty in the Land of Israel. It is therefore almost reasonable to state that the tochacha is not so much a warning to Israel as it is a sad prediction of events that will happen. But that still begs the question of why so much detail. A general statement of the ills of the destruction of national sovereignty and of forced exile from one's own homeland would apparently have sufficed as a prediction of future events.

The Talmud at the conclusion of mesechet Makot relates the story of Rabbi Akiva and his colleagues who viewed the ruins of the Second Temple. As they stood there and gazed in awe at the site of what once was the most beautiful structure in the world, a fox emerged from the ruins of where the Holy of Holies had stood. Rabbi Akiva's companions wept at the sight of desolation and despair that now unfolded before their eyes. Rabbi Akiva however laughed in delight. When asked by his incredulous colleagues as to why he was laughing, he answered: "There are two prophecies recorded regarding the future of the Jewish people. One predicted that a fox would emerge from the ruins of the Temple. The other prediction was that Jewish old men and women would sit in joy and contentment in the streets of Jerusalem and watch children at play. Only when the first prophecy about the fox emerged in reality and exact detail before my very eyes did I realize that the second prophecy would also come true in full detail and accuracy." The Torah told us in awful detail everything that the tochacha entailed. We are living witness to the chilling accuracy of every one of its words. There is no prose or hyperbole in the holy Torah. Every word is the truth. Therefore the Torah spent space and detail in describing the tochacha to us, so that we can rest assured that all of the blessings that also appear in this week's parsha will be fulfilled in every glorious detail. May we merit that speedily and in our days.

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