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We welcome the following new members who have joined our shul the past few months, and hope they will participate with us in all shul activities.

Charlotte & Aaron Farkas Sara & Dr. Michael Hecht
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LAST CHANCE

It's not too late to contact the office or yif.purim@gmail.com and offer to join the men and women of our Shalach Manot assembly line. Opportunities still available as Shleppers, Packers, Stuffers and Distributers. Still seeking Co-Adminstrator and Coordinator.

Anyone who wishes to speak at Shalosh Seudot please contact Arye Stein, 718-435-2145, or call the office.

MOVIE NIGHT

TONIGHT, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10 at 7:45

MAIN FEATURE:

"THE ZOOKEEPER'S WIFE" RATED PG-13

The New York Times said the film "was like "Schindler's List with pets,"

THE YIF EDUCATION PROGRAM—5778

The Shiurei HaShanah for 5778 are sponsored by
 Dr. Beverly Lipschitz
 In Memory of her Parents
 Sylvia Lipschitz a"h
 (Shulamis bat Harav Yehoshua Hessel)
 and
 Jack Lipschitz a"h
 (Yaakov Yitzchak ben Harav Meyer)
 And her brother
 Herbert A. Lipschitz a"h
 (Tzvi Aba ben Yaakov Yitzchak)

Great Controversies in Jewish History

Each week we will study a different event or issue that created a major division in the Jewish Nation.

The classes will meet at 10:00 AM in the Beth Hamedrash

Open to both men and women.

Monday, February 12, 2018
The Get of Cleves - How One Divorce Split Rabbinic Opinion

UPDATED WEBSITE

Please visit our newly designed website yiflatbush.org.

ALL OCCASION CARDS ARE AVAILABLE THRU YIF

For purchases or more information please contact: Sylvia Hoffman at 718-252-6270.

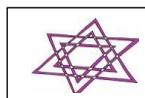
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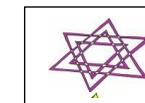
BULLETIN

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PARSHAT: MISHPATIM-SHKALIM
 HAFTORAH: BEN SHEVA SHANIM



**PARSHA MISHPATIM
 SHABBAT SHKALIM**



February 9-10, 2018

25 Shvat, 5778

EREV SHABBAT

Candle Lighting 5:06 PM
 Mincha 5:11 PM
 Shacharit SHABBAT 7:45 AM, 8:45 AM
 Latest Kriat Shema 9:33 AM
 Torah: Shmot 21:1 Artscroll Page 416
 Maftir: Shmot 30:11 Artscroll Page 484
 Haftorah: for Shkalim Artscroll Page 1213
 Afternoon
 Talmud Class 4:00 PM
 Mincha 5:00 PM
 Shalosh Seudot Speaker: Rabbi Akiva Adelman
 Maariv 6:08 PM
 Shabbat ends: 6:13 PM

WEEKDAY

Sunday 6:45 & 8:00 AM
 Monday 6:35 & 8:00 AM
 Tuesday 6:45 & 8:00 AM
 Wednesday 6:45 & 8:00 AM
 Thursday 6:30 & 8:00 AM (Rosh
 Friday 6:30 & 8:00 AM (Chodesh
 Candle Lighting next Friday 5:14 PM
 Mincha Next Friday 5:19 PM
 Mishnayot Class: 15 minutes before
 1st Minyan Monday - Friday
 Daf Yomi 7:20 am Sunday - Friday
 Daily Mincha this week: 5:15 PM
 Maariv following immediately

Join us prior to Shacharit at 8:35 AM in the Main Shul Shabbat morning for a short shiur on the Haftorah of the week

ONLY TWO WEEKS LEFT

Our Zayin Adar Seudah, paying tribute to the women and men of our Chevra Kadisha, will take place in our auditorium, Motzaei Shabbat, February 24th , at 8:15. Siyyum: dedicated by Michael Schreiber in memory of his mother, Chaya bas Tuvia Schreiber a"h.

Guest speaker: Rabbi Shea Horovitz

Sponsorship (includes one reservation)= \$50
Reservation per person= \$50 non-members \$36 shul members
 Please call office or email yiflatbush@gmail.com by Wednesday, Feb 21.

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Our Neshama is a Deposit

By Rabbi Yissocher Frand

This week's parsha contains the mitzvah of lending money to another Jew. A person may not charge interest. If someone takes a security deposit and the borrower needs it at night (e.g. – it is his bedclothes) then it must be returned each night, etc. A certain individual named, Reb Yosef Gelb, who lives in Lakewood, called me this week and told me the following idea he recently heard from Rav Matisyahu Solomon, the Mashgiach in Lakewood.

The Ketzos HaChoshen rules that if Reuven borrows money from Shimon and Shimon is holding a deposit (pikadon) that belongs to Reuven, if Reuven does not pay up the debt, Shimon can keep the deposit he is holding in lieu of payment of the debt. In other words, if Reuven borrowed \$500 from Shimon and Shimon happens to be a shomer [guardian] of Reuven's watch worth \$500, if Reuven does not repay the \$500, Shimon can keep the watch.

Then the Ketzos HaChoshen does something that he does not do anywhere else in the entire sefer: the Ketzos quotes a Zohar. The Zohar says that even though legally the lender may keep the deposit, morally someone should not do this. Rav Matisyahu Solomon says that his Mashgiach – Rav Eliyahu Lopian, zt"l – asks: What is the meaning of such a statement? If the halacha states that the lender is entitled to keep the deposit, why does the Zohar say that he should not avail himself of this permission?

Rav Lopian explained: The Almighty gave each and every one of us a deposit – our soul (neshama). "My L-rd, the soul that You gave me is pure, You created it, You formed it..." The Ribono shel Olam tells us to watch our neshama and then at the end of our lives to return it to Him. Every single night, when we go to sleep, the Ribono shel Olam takes back that neshama. Hopefully, every single morning He returns it to us and we say "I gratefully thank You O living and eternal King, for You have returned my soul within me with compassion – abundant is Your faithfulness!"

We all owe the Ribono shel Olam big time. We have big debts that we owe Him. We do not always behave properly. Nevertheless, He keeps extending our credit. G-d could tell us "Listen here. You owe me a lot. I have this 'deposit' of yours. I could keep it in lieu of you paying your debt to Me." However, the Ribono shel Olam does not do that. This is the interpretation of the Zohar. The Zohar says that even though we are halachically permitted to keep the deposit, but just think – if someone will insist on his rights in this situation, the Almighty, as it were, could stand on His rights and one fine morning He could say, "You know what? I am sick and tired of you not paying up. I am going to keep your neshama that I have on deposit!"

The way we treat others is the way the Ribono shel Olam will treat us. This is why the Zohar says that despite the fact that you have the right to keep your neighbor's pikadon if he owes you and is negligent in his payment, do not do it! This will be a merit, a segula, that the Almighty should treat you in the same generous fashion.

BITS of INFO

Synopsis of Current Events Gleaned From Various News Sources
Submitted and Edited by Sherine Levine

Y The National Museum of American Jewish History in Philadelphia received a \$1 million donation from the family of shoe designer, Stuart Weitzman. The museum's First Families gallery which explores the lives of early Jewish settlers in colonial America will be named in honor of the Weitzman family. The family was drawn to the gallery through the company's connection with Spain where their factories have operated for decades, and Stuart Weitzman developed a special kinship to the stories of Sephardic Jews. Weitzman said: "American Jewish history should be a source of pride for all American Jews, many of whom don't know these stories. Learning this history can inspire a greater appreciation for the diversity of the American experience, and have a meaningful impact on reducing prejudice and anti-Semitism." [JTA]

Y Israel's diamond exchange in Ramat Gan plans to turn to digital currencies to inject new life into a marketplace long ruled by cash and backroom handshakes. But it must first persuade traditionally conservative players that the technology can work, One of the world's largest diamond centers, the exchange hopes its virtual currency will make trading more efficient. At the high-security four-tower complex, \$23 billion changed hands between local and foreign traders in 2017. In the area known as the diamond district, visitors are fingerprinted before they can enter the buildings. Should a diamond go missing, the entire complex locks down. [VosIzNeias]

Y A rabbi, a priest, an imam, and a Buddhist monk get into a Toyota truck. Instead of the opening line to a bad joke, that's actually the start of a heartwarming commercial that aired during the Super Bowl last Sunday night. The ad, titled "One Team" features a rabbi rushing out of shul and into his Toyota pickup truck to get to a local football game. On his way, he stops to pick up a priest who rushed out of church in the middle of a service, then an imam and the monk. The four are clearly friends and they jokingly tease each other on their way to the game. When the rabbi, wearing a kippah in the team's colors, and the others in the group excitedly take their seats, they are scolded by two nuns for being late. The ad, created by Saatchi & Saatchi, proclaims "We're all one team," as the four religious leaders cheer on the local football players. [JTA]

Y In the ongoing 2018 Winter Olympics in South Korea, Alexei Bychenko will represent Israel in the men's figure skating competition. He is the first Israeli skater to medal at the European Championships where he won the silver medal in 2016. He formerly represented his native Ukraine. He trains in Hackensack, New Jersey with his coach Galit Chait Moracci. [Wikipedia]

RECIPE

Flounder has a mild flavor but you can spice it up using various herbs and spices. Remember to send your favorite recipes to leahlieb@aol.com.

[Sautéed Flounder with Orange Butter](#)
(Publix Aprons/Publix.com)

Total time: 20 minutes

Serves 4

Ingredients:

2 tbsp unsalted butter, divided
1 tbsp seafood seasoning (Old Bay seasoning is a good option)
1 ½ lbs flounder fillets
Juice of ½ orange (about ¼ cup)
1 tbsp fresh basil, chopped

Preheat large sautee pan on medium; place 1 tablespoon butter in pan. Season fish and add half to pan. Cook for 2-3 minutes on each side or until opaque and separates easily. Remove fish from pan; cover to keep warm. Repeat with remaining filets.

Add remaining 1 tablespoon butter, juice from orange, and basil to pan; cook and stir until melted and hot. Serve sauce over fish.