

This week's issue of *The Park Page* is dedicated by

Myra & Jeff Grunfeld, thanking everyone for their thoughtfulness during Jeff's recent illness, and the prayers, care and concern that was greatly appreciated. The Gul, Ashkenazy, and Barth families commemorating the Yahrzeits of their grandfather Morris Glick - Yisrael Moshe ben Meir a"h (26 Tammuz), great-grandmother Fanny Siegel - Faiga bat Chayim Zalman (27 Tammuz), and great-grandmother Miriam Glick - Mirka Raizel bat Aryeh a"h (2 Av).



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Schedule of Services and Classes

Day	Service	Time	Sanhedrin
Friday, July 21 / 27 Tammuz	Shacharit	6:15 am	5
	Mincha / Maariv	7:00 pm	
	Candle-lighting, preferably by 7:20, but before	8:02 pm	
	Sanhedrin		6
Saturday, July 22 / 28 Tammuz	Shacharit	8:45 am	6
	Latest time for Shema	MA 8:46, GRA 9:22 am	
	Sermon: "Chazak and Hadran: An Ode to Talmud Torah"	10:30 am	
	Shiur: "The Nine Days"	7:10 pm	
	Mincha / Seuda Shelishit	7:50 pm	
Maariv / Shabbat ends		9:05 pm	
	Sanhedrin		7
Sunday, July 23 / 29 Tammuz	Shacharit	8:10 am	7
	Gemara Shiur – Masekhet Shevuot (48b)	8:50 am	
	Mincha / Maariv	8:00 pm	
Monday, July 24 / 1 Av – Rosh Chodesh	Sanhedrin		8
	Shacharit	6:05 am	
Mincha / Maariv		8:00 pm	
	Sanhedrin		9
Tuesday, July 25 / 2 Av	Shacharit	6:15 am	9
	Mincha / Maariv	8:00 pm	
	Sanhedrin		10
Wednesday, July 26 / 3 Av	Shacharit	6:15 am	10
	Mincha / Maariv	8:00 pm	
	Sanhedrin		11
Thursday, July 27 / 4 Av	Shacharit	6:10 am	11
	Mincha / Maariv	8:00 pm	
Friday, July 28 / 5 Av	Sanhedrin		12
	Shacharit	6:15 am	
	Mincha / Maariv	7:00 pm	
Candle-lighting, preferably by 7:20, but before	7:56 pm		

Drash v'DaSh: A Shabbat Message and Greeting "Sanctuary Cities"

Our parasha speaks of sanctuary cities, no - not those contemporary municipalities like New York City that reduce deportation fears from Executive Orders, but communities of antiquity that provided shelter and refuge following execution disorders. If a person accidentally (*be-shogeg*) killed another individual, the Torah dictates that the perpetrator run to one of six carefully delineated *Arei Miklat*, where he resides – ostensibly safe from any would-be avengers. However, the murderer (manslaughterer?) would not be eligible for parole after a fixed term – be it one month or ninety-nine years nor upon completion of however many hundreds or thousands of hours of community service. Rather, exodus from this exile depended on the death of the High Priest (*Kohen Gadol*).

There is some irony in the salvation of a slayer being associated with the descendants – both literal and figurative – of the premier peace-pursuing priest Aaron. Or maybe not. Consider that restorative and restitutional efforts were in order between the vandal and the victim's vigilante. The Rabbis explain that the High Priest bears some degree of responsibility, "as he should have begged for compassion." Some explain that had the Kohen Gadol prayed more or prayed harder, perhaps G-d would have prevented the accident from happening. Alternatively, that compassion was not compassion from the Creator, but compassion from the community, fostering an environment of mutual mercy and collective caring: with an premium placed the value of human life, there would be better preventive practices and less losses – of people and property. Maimonides adds in his *Moreh (Guide for the Perplexed)* that when a national tragedy occurs like the death of the High Priest, the populace is once again united. As the avenger will cast aside his grudge, the accidental killer can safely emerge, without feeling that his life is in jeopardy.

Alas, as we no longer have sanctuary cities nor a High Priest, we are on our own. The burden falls on *our* collective shoulders to pray for compassion, to preach compassion, to pursue compassion.

☆ Shabbat Shalom ☆

- **Daf Yomi** meets Sunday at 7:30 a.m., Monday through Friday at 5:30 a.m., and Shabbat at 8:00 a.m.
- The **Molad** of Chodesh Av is Sunday, July 23 at 10:00 p.m. + 14 Chalakim, Jerusalem standard time.
- Women needing a **Mikvah** appointment should call 718-343-5700.

Nach Yomi

Study for July 22-28, per Rabbi Jack Abramowitz's *Nach Yomi Companion*. For more information, visit www.ou.org/torah/nachyomi.

Job 23: Maybe Job Should Hire a Process Server

Job 24: Tread Water

Job 25: Moonshine

Job 26: Don't Leave Me Hanging

Job 27: An Innocent Man

Job 28: It's Not Sold in Any Store!

Job 29: Phoenix Rising

The Park Page Puzzle "Can You Spy the Priest-on-High?"

This week's Puzzle: Where in the Torah is the Kohen Gadol mentioned?

Solution to the previous week's Puzzle: The Pinchas of Parashat Pinchas (i.e. Pinchas ben Eleazar ben Aharon ha-Kohen) also appears in Parashot Vaera and Matot, as well as in the Biblical books Joshua, Judges, Psalms, Ezra, and Chronicles. (Note that there are two other Biblical personalities also named Pinchas, the son of Eli ha-Kohen in Samuel, and one of those who ascended from Babylon in the days of Ezra.)

Yasher koach to Susan Isler, Karen Klein, Howie Lerner, David Rouhani, and Nehama Teitelman for their solutions.



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Announcements

Yasher koach to Dovid Gottesman for his laining this Shabbat.

Kiddush is sponsored by Kathy Rickard commemorating the third anniversary of the passing of her father Edwin M. Rickard, Jr. The late Mr. Rickard served our city as a NYC Parks Department Supervisor and our country as a Naval Veteran of the Korean War.

Nichumei Avelim: Condolences to Susan and Bill Isler on the passing of his brother Arthur Isler a"h. The funeral and interment took place Friday in Israel. Bill is currently sitting shiva with his other brother in Fair Lawn, New Jersey, and beginning Sunday evening, he will join the family returning from Israel at 73-33 171 St. in Hillcrest (corrected address). Shiva ends for Bill early Wednesday morning, although he may remain at the Hillcrest address on Wednesday and Thursday with the family whose shiva continues an additional day. May the family be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem. To contribute toward a shiva meal, please see Karen or Jeff Klein.

This week **the Kids Kollel Kayitz** will meet Monday evening at 7:15 p.m. (followed by Mincha at 8:00 p.m.) and also join in Wednesday evening's Siyum celebrating their completion of Mishnayot Masekhet Rosh Hashana. There will be a special presentation to the participating children at the Siyum..

Thank you to Luna and Mark Frank of Cedarhurst for donating three "Mayim Acharonim" sets for Seuda Shelishit and other shul meals.

On Tisha B'Av afternoon, we will be showing videos from the Rabbi Leib Geliebter Memorial Foundation and the Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation. Admission is free, but donations to help support the cost of the presentations are welcome. We will also have available copies of Yeshiva University's "Torah To-Go" series on Tisha B'Av, of which YINHP is a proud sponsor.

The next **Simcha Kiddushes** will be Shabbat Nachamu - Parashat Vaetchanan, August 5, and Shabbat Nitzavim-Vayeilekh, September 16 (the last week before Rosh Hashana). Sponsorships are \$18 per Kiddush or \$200 annually. Please submit payments to the office and e-mail simcha details to office@yinhp.org.

YINHP Cards ("In Memoriam", "Mazel Tov", "Get Well", and "Thank You") are now available for purchase through Ellen Barth or David Mandel. The cost is \$18 each or \$72 for five (mix 'n match).

Food Certificates for Fairway, Shop Rite, and Stop & Shop; **Gift Cards** for Amazon and Home Depot; and **Chesed Dollars** for various Jewish businesses can be purchased from Art Feldman 516-227-0707, Paige Finkelstein 718-343-4821, Rena Gombo 718-343-3855, and Ilene Horowitz 718-470-9474.

For information about the **Clothing Gemach**, contact Mark Krieger at 917-703-4694, visit BeautifulMemoriesGemach.org, or check out and "like" the Beautiful Memory Gemach's Facebook page.

Office Hours this week are *Wednesday* and *Friday* 10:00 – 2:00.

Lift Project Gets New Life



We are pleased to announce that last week a contract was signed for a stair-lift, and this week measurements were taken. Architectural plans and permit applications are up next. The stair-lift will provide accessibility from the entrance lobby to both the upstairs sanctuary and downstairs social hall. This "Shabbos-Lift" model employs special technology to make it Shabbat-compliant, and is widely used in Jewish communities across the United States and Canada. While our initial deposit has been made, donations will be needed to see this project to completion. Please submit your generous contribution to Marc Horowitz (Project Chair), Rabbi Teitelman, Larry Barth or Art Feldman. Everyone's participation is appreciated.

NCSY Summer Kollel Features Jeremy Barth "Hailing from New Hyde Park, NY"

Chaburah Spotlight – Jeremy Barth

The last time Jeremy Barth was spotted on NCSY Kollel was when he was a camper, but after a five-year hiatus, he has made his return as a Madrich. Hailing from New Hyde Park, NY, Jeremy attended DRS, followed by two years in Yeshivat Shaalvim and a third in Yeshivas Mir, and he is now enrolled in Lander College for Men.

Jeremy has an all-star lineup of guys in his Chaburah, including Moshe Benhamu from Brooklyn (DRS), Yosef Bluth from Hewlett (Rambam), Dovi Herschberg from North Woodmere (MAY), Joe Roth from Brooklyn (MAY), Gavi Singer from Cedarhurst (MAY), and last but not least, Eli Wiseman from Woodmere (DRS).

The Chaburah has already begun to blend together into a tight knit group, despite the diversity of skills and personalities. Each of them have already begun displaying their own unique talents. Whether it's on the courts, in the Beis Medrash or on a tiyul, each one fills their role in order to piece together an amazing puzzle.

The greater depth of knowledge a person has of a certain topic, the more it allows him to connect to that thing. With this in mind, the Chaburah is delving deep into the topic of tefillah this summer. The Chaburah is moving through the different sections of davening each day and is gaining an understanding of tefillah through the gemara, rishonim, and achronim, while finishing off the Chaburah everyday with some machshava on tefillah. Tefillah is one of the building blocks that the world stands on and plays a very important role in creating a relationship with ה', which we are constantly yearning to improve.

Jeremy is looking forward to the continued fun and growth of the Chaburah this summer by building on what has already been an amazing few weeks.

Even the pets come to hear Jeremy's Chaburot on Tefillah

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cordially invites you to a

Siyum and Seudat Mitzva Dinner

celebrating the completion of

Tractate Beitza by our Evening Minyan

Tractate Shevuot by our Sunday-Morning Shivr

Tractate Bava Batra by our Daf Yomi

Mishnayot Rosh Hashana by our Kids Kollel Kayitz

Wednesday, July 26 – 3 Av at 6:30 p.m.

(Mincha to follow at 8:00 p.m.)

RSVP by Sunday to Rabbi Teitelman at 518-222-3875

Suggested donation is \$20 per adult,

\$10 per child (5-17), or \$60 per immediate family