

Times of Services

If you don't already do so, come to at least one Shacharit and one Minchah each week – you'll love it and you will be supporting our minyan

Friday- 11/13

- Candle Lighting 4:15pm
- Mincha/Maariv 4:15pm

Saturday- 11/14

- Shacharit 9:30am
- Mincha 4:00pm
- Havdallah not before 5:15pm

Sunday 11/15

- Shacharit 8:30am
- Mincha/Maariv 4:10pm (at Agudas!)

Weekdays M-TH

- Shacharit Tuesday and Wednesday: 6:30am
- Shacharit Monday, Thursday, & Friday: 6:45am
- Mincha/Maariv 4:10pm (at Agudas!)



Friday- 11/20

- Candle Lighting 4:09pm
- Mincha/Maariv 4:10pm

This month the joint Agudas – Young Israel Mincha/Maariv service will be held at Agudas

Hirshfield-Pick family scholarships available for Agudas member youth participating in the **2010 March of the Living**

Details at <http://www.motl.org/> and the Federation's Karen Trager (236-5611 trager@yachad.net) Also from program veterans **Tamar & Talya**. Request for scholarship by e-mail/post by **Nov 30th Att Etan**. **Applications due at the Federation Nov. 30th** Scholarship conditional on acceptance into the Federation program

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Upcoming Events

- **Sunday, Nov. 15th 11am, Rabbi AvRutick**  **Don't Miss**
Lecture brunch featuring **Rabbi Lookstein** co-sponsors Beth David, United & Young Israel WH
- **Saturday Nov. 21st special Kiddush for Eliana's Birthday** sponsored by the Wolpaws
- **Sunday Nov. 22nd 7:30pm at the Kaddens, new Living Room Limud series** examining what the Germans really knew... by **Rick S.**
- **Friday Dec 4th, monthly Friday dinner: Italian!**
- **Sat Dec 5th 7:30pm, Israel Sing Along**
- **Sunday Dec. 6th, 11am, Memoir Writing Workshop and Brunch** – by **Alexis M.**
- **Sunday Jan 3rd, 11am China experience** by **Talya**

Refua Shlema / Get Well Soon!

*Eva Pick, Fred, Regina Jacobs, Gladys Abel,
Regina Lubka*



Rabbi Weiss 's Classes

You don't want to miss these!

“Purely Parsha”

Saturday after Kiddush (about 12:30pm)

Learn about the ponderables hiding in the weekly Torah portion.

“Ein Yaakov”

Sunday during breakfast (about 9:45am)

Ghosts? Angels? Dream interpretation? Prophecy? Learn about the Aggadic literature of the Talmud.

“Totally Tefillah”

Wednesday 8pm rotating between homes -

Nov 4th Levine 15 Old Field Rd
Nov. 11th Markus 59 Hilldale
Nov. 18th Friedman 48 West Ridge

Novice and experienced daveners alike will grow in understanding of the Divine Connection.

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Rabbi's Column

This week's parsha, although called "Chayei Sarah – The Life of Sarah", begins with her death. The first verse offers us only an accounting of the years which she lived, a total of one hundred twenty seven. The verse ends with the statement, "(these) are the years of Sarah's life" upon which Rashi comments, "all of them were equally good."

One might wonder which years Rashi is referring to when he says they were all good. After all, she was taken by Pharaoh, taken by Avimelech, was childless for the first ninety years of her life, suffered because of Hagar and Yishmael, and in all seems to have had a challenging life. Of all people, one would not say of Sarah that all her years were "equally good". However, Rashi is alluding to a powerful lesson of proper perspective in life. Although one could say that Sarah led a difficult life, she understood that everything G-d does is for the best. Although at the moment we might not see it as such, and sometimes we might never experience G-d's plan in our lives, but still, in reality, every challenge is always for our benefit.

One who can live his life with this perspective, as Sarah did, can truly have said of him that every year was equally good. This is because every challenge and success, and every struggle and victory, was seen as part of G-d's plan, and therefore equally good. For ourselves, we can take the lesson that even in our most challenging times, one must look to see the good that can come from it. And even when no good can be seen, we must look forward with faith to the time we'll be able to understand in hindsight how all that G-d had sent our way was truly for the good.

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תודה רבה!

We had a wonderful shabbat dinner. Thank you to **Deena**, for the fish; **Bob** for the challa, **Harry** for the Jerusalem kugel, **Anat, Etan, & Rob** for the rest of the food. Also to **Ariella, Talia, Sima** and the **Rabbi** for their words of wisdom!

Mazal tov to **Bob & Burnette B** on their 61st anniversary Thank you to **Abby, Esia, Eli & Simon** for setting up the scrumptious kiddush.

We had a great "armchair safari" with **Lynn T.** The slides, stories and jewelry made for a fun (and educational) event. Thanks to **Mike** for the delicious brunch (and to all that help set-up and clean-up)

Mazal tov to **Eva P. on her birthday**, thank you (as usual) to **Abby, Esia, Eli (and Simon and Ben!)** for setting up the scrumptious birthday kiddush.

We **earned more than \$300!** and are currently earning about **\$6-8 each month!** from goodsearch.com keep on clicking and routing your Amazon, Expedia, Barnes&Noble etc on-line shopping through them! (just **start from our home page**) there is no cost to you and the shul makes a little money



WE WANT YOU

Be Alert

If you see cars or strangers loitering near the shul please inform the HHNE or Agudas office. If it is "after hours" please call the police Last one out please verify the doors are locked.

Be Active!

(Links on our web page)

* Support victims of terror

<http://boston-supports-israel.org/>

www.afmda.org/content/our%20work/mda%20in%20israel.aspx

* Support IDF troops

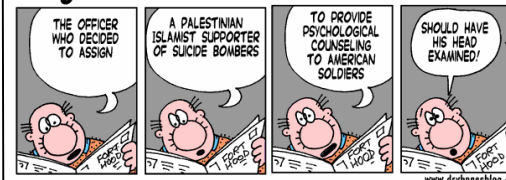
<http://www.libi-fund.org.il/Libi/eng/>



Smile of the Week



Dry Bones HEAD CHECK



Harry P.

Two bees met in a field. One said to the other, "How are things going?"

"Really bad," said the second bee. "The weather has been cold, wet and damp, and there aren't any flowers, so I can't make honey."

"No problem," said the first bee, "Just fly down five blocks and turn left. Keep going until you see all the cars. There's a Bar Mitzvah going on and there are all kinds of fresh flowers and fresh fruit."

"Thanks for the tip!" said the second bee, and flew away. A few hours later the two bees ran into each other again.

The first bee asked, "How'd it go?"

"Great!" said

the second bee. "It was everything you said it would be. There was plenty of fruit and, oh, such huge floral arrangements on every table! I made my quota easily."

"Uh, what's that thing on your head?" asked the first bee.

"That's my yarmulke," said the second bee. "I didn't want them to think I was a wasp."

Irene Masiello

Have some good jokes? email them to Renana at kaddenr@comcast.net

Lots of ways to help our shul...

- Be "warm and welcoming"!
- Come to services
- Read torah
- Buy Script
- Send in jokes!
- Shop through goodsearch.com
- Help with cooking or cleaning
- Sponsor all/part of the renovations of the new upstairs chapel \$50,000