



פרשיות אחרי מות-קדושים  
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April 24, 2026 / 7 Iyar  
 Rav Yaakov Marcus ז"ל, Rabbi Emeritus  
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**MAZAL TOV**

- ★ **Rabbi Yaakov & Leah Lehrfield** on the Bar Mitzvah last Shabbos of their grandson Eliyahu, son of Tova & Gabriel Berman.
- ★ **Karen & Mark Raden** on the birth and bris of a grandson, Ezri Alexander, born to their children Eliana & Paul Grad in Israel.
- ★ **Miriam & Howard Moses** on the birth of their first great grandson, born to Shoshana & Andrew Korman, children of Tova & Natan Jeselsohn.
- ★ **Malki & Jay Gelbein** on the engagement of their granddaughter Sori, daughter of Yehudit & Avi Gelbein, to Yehudah Grossman.

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**We would like to thank the following for their Simcha Contribution:**

- ★ Mazal tov to Chazan Nissim Saal on becoming the Chief Chazan of The Great Synagogue in Yerushalayim. Thank you for always being available to our Shul when called upon.

**We would like to thank the following for their Charity Fund Contribution:**

- ★ Marlene & Irwin Bash for the yahrzeit of his father, Shlomo Yehuda ben Yisrael Hillel, on 6 Iyar.
- ★ Janet & Roy Schmukler for the 100<sup>th</sup> yahrzeit of Roy's grandfather, EliMelech ben Tzvi HaLevi Schmukler a"h, on 7 Iyar.
- ★ Miriam Zachter and children Alan, Abraham and Michelle for the first yahrzeit of her husband and their father, Yisrael Yitzchak ben Eliezer a"h, on 9 Iyar. May his neshama have an aliya.
- ★ Albie & Sheila Zachter and Mel & Phyllis Zachter for the first yahrzeit of our dear brother. Sid Zachter was always kind and respectful to all. May his dear wife Miriam and children Alan & Ros, Abraham, and Michelle & Golan continue in his wonderful footsteps by their acts of chesed. May his memory be for a blessing.
- ★ Marty & Arlene Friedman on the 6<sup>th</sup> yahrzeit of Marty's mother, Ettel Baila bas Shlomo Elimelech a"h, on 11 Iyar.
- ★ Fern & Yudy Weiss for the yahrzeit of Fern's father, Moshe ben Shraga Feivel, on 13 Iyar.

**Shul Announcements**

**FOLLOW OUR SHUL ON WHATSAPP!** Join us at:  
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/KLaU8dEeB14GWcz403Hqbb>.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who came out to pack boots and thank you to all who donated. With your help, we are sending more than 500 pairs of boots to the Chayalim defending Eretz Yisrael. Thank you to Rabbi Mendy Katzman, Jeff Mosczyk and Shea Weiss for their hard work on this event!

**THE RABBI'S SHABBOS MORNING SHIUR** is sponsored by:

- Malki & Jay Gelbein in honor of the engagement of their granddaughter Sori Gelbein to Yehudah Grossman.
- Sara & Phil Altmark in observance of the yahrzeit of Phil's grandfather, Avraham Yitzchok Ben Elchanan, on 4 Iyar.
- Shirley & Shelly Schwartz for the yahrzeit of her mother, Leah bat Shimon Zvi HaCohen.

**THE RABBI'S SHABBOS AFTERNOON SHIUR** is sponsored by:

- Janet & Roy Schmukler for the 100<sup>th</sup> yahrzeit of Roy's grandfather, EliMelech ben Tzvi HaLevi Schmukler a"h, on 7 Iyar.
- In memory of Walter Mandelbaum, Yaakov ben Avraham.

**EISHES CHAYIL KIDDUSH:** Join us **Shabbos, May 9**, for a Member Kiddush honoring the wonderful moms in our lives! With a sponsorship of \$72 you can have a name listed on a scroll of honor. \$18 for each additional name. Please email [office@yisi.org](mailto:office@yisi.org) with your listings.

**JOIN YISI IN THE ISRAEL DAY ON FIFTH PARADE!** Celebrate the spirit, innovation, and pride of Israel with us on Sunday, May 31. Don't miss this incredible opportunity to march together in one of the most vibrant and meaningful community events of the year—we look forward to celebrating with you! Sign up by May 13 by clicking [here](#).

**YISI PESACH APPEAL:** We hope you will join in supporting this year's appeal, focused on replacing our aging air conditioning system and strengthening our security measures, ensuring the comfort and safety of our membership. Thank you to all who have already responded.

”והשיב לב אבות על בנים ולב בנים על אבותם”

<b>SHABBOS LUACH</b>	
Eruv is up on both sides	
<b>Friday, April 24</b>	
Candle Lighting	6:35 / 7:27 PM
Mincha	6:10 / 7:40 PM
<b>Shabbos, April 25</b>	
Shacharis	7 (M), 8 (MPR), 9 (M), 9:30 Sfarad (F)
Rabbi's Parsha Shiur	8:25 AM
Z'man Krias Shema	9:29 AM
Women's Learning Group: Orchos Tzadikim (Main Shul – Women's Section)	4:00 PM
Daf Yomi	6:30 PM
Mishna Yomis	7:15 PM
Mincha	3:00 & 7:25 PM
Rabbi Lehrfield will speak on the topic: <i>The Custom of Mourning During Sefirat HaOmer</i>	Between Mincha & Maariv
Shabbos Ends	8:31 PM

<b>WEEKDAY LUACH</b>	
Earliest T&T	5:07 AM
Early Mincha	Sun-Thu 1:45 PM
Mincha / Maariv	Sun-Thu 7:45 PM
Late Maariv	Sun-Thu 9:00 PM
Halacha of the Week	<p>For 33 days during the sefira period, it is customary not to get married, get haircuts, or shave. This is to commemorate the period during which the students of Rabbi Akiva died. It is also customary to minimize joyous activities, including dancing, playing musical instruments or listening to music. However it is permissible to recite the bracha of shehechyanu during sefira. It is also permitted to get engaged and hold an engagement party during sefira. There are different customs regarding how to count the 33 days. The most common customs are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• From the first day of sefira until the morning of Lag B'Omer for Ashkenazim and until the morning of the 34<sup>th</sup> day of the Omer for Sefardim.</li> <li>• From the first day of Rosh Chodesh Iyar until the three days before Shavuot (Shloshes Yemei Hagbala), with the exception of Lag B'Omer.</li> <li>• From the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of Iyar until erev Shavuot, with the exception of Lag B'Omer.</li> </ul> <p>The minhag of the Arizal, which is also followed by some, is not to shave or get a haircut throughout the entire sefira period, including Lag B'Omer, until erev Shavuot.</p>
Sunday - Thursday	Oraysa Amud V'Chazara Program with Rabbi Yosef Goldstein – 7:30 PM in the Beis Medrash
Monday – Thursday	Rabbi Lehrfield Gemara Shiur 9:00 AM in MPR or via Zoom: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5608515236">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5608515236</a> Meeting ID: 560 851 5236 / Passcode: 12345
Wednesday	Rabbi Lehrfield: Semichas Chaver Program 9:00 PM in Beis Medrash. Chazara (review class) with Rabbi Katzman Mondays at 9:15 PM.
Wednesday	Rabbi Weiss – Tefilla 8:30 PM & Parsha 9:00 PM Via Phone: 425-436-6327, Code: 435236#

**DAILY LEARNING AT YISI:** A meaningful way to start your day!

**Sun – Fri: Daf Yomi**

- Rabbi Rosenberg: Mon - Fri after 6:30 AM Shachris
- Rabbi Perlstein: Mon & Thu at 6:25 AM; Tue, Wed, Fri at 6:30 AM, Sun at 8:30 AM
- Rabbi Winzelberg: Sun at 7:45 AM

**Mon – Thu: YISI/Kollel Ba'al HaBatim Zichron Avraham Dov**

- 9:00 AM: Gemara Shiur with Rabbi Lehrfield in the MPR
- 10:00 AM: Rabbi Gary Kopstick on Parshas HaShavua. In the MPR or via phone: 520-453-7185.
- 10:30 AM: Rabbi Goldberger on Tanach in the MPR or via phone: 605-313-5890, code: 399719.
- 11:35 AM: Rabbi Goldstein on Gemara Beitza in the MPR or via phone: 425-436-6399, code 489260.



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## YISI Little League

A new season of Little League has begun, and it's off to a great start! Games continue this Sunday.

## YISI Day Camp

**Registration** is in full swing for summer 2026 at Camp Gan YISI. Please visit <https://www.yisi.org/youth/day-camp/>.

Gan YISI is **hiring staff for the summer!** Interviews will be held Sun, April 26 so apply now at: <https://forms.gle/rGa9BxjtSRjBLTwg7> or email [Daycamp@yisi.org](mailto:Daycamp@yisi.org) to apply.

## Youth Announcements

**SHABBOS GROUPS:** 9:30 AM (early drop-off 9 AM) every Shabbos morning. Afternoon groups 3:00 - 4:30 PM.

**JR. CONGREGATION** with Rabbi Ben Schofield: Shabbos morning at 9:30 AM in the Social Hall.

**TEEN MINYAN:** Shabbos morning at 9:30 AM in the Beis Medrash. Parents are encouraged to send their kids to the teen minyan.

## Community Happenings

**SI WOMEN'S LEARNING CIRCLE:** Megillat Rus - A meaningful study with timeless insights into chesed, commitment, and destiny. With Rabbi Lehrfield, Mondays at 10 AM in YISI Beit Medrash.

**Women's wellness event:** Breath and the Power of Presence - Wed, April 29 at 8:45 PM - 169 Fields Ave.

**BIKUR CHOLIM of Staten Island 3rd Annual Club 83 Campaign:** Uniting 1,000 people to give just \$83.33/month. These funds provide critical support including medical assistance, food programs, rent relief, hospital meals, and more. Step up and be part of a community ensuring no family is left behind: [bit.ly/BCofSIClub83](http://bit.ly/BCofSIClub83).

**HATZOLAH of Staten Island Annual Campaign is LIVE!** Don't miss our exciting raffle! Easy payments – spread over 12 months. We're here for you 24/7, 365 days a year – now we're asking you to be there for us. Take a chance. Save a life. Click here to donate & enter the raffle: <https://www.rayze.it/winbig>.

**JKHA/RKYHS 78th Annual Dinner:** Wed, May 6 at 6:00 PM at JKHA/RKYHS. Guests of Honor: Sandy & Avi Steiner, Educational Excellence Award: Rabbi Dovid Sukenik, Young Leadership Award: Haley & Max Vogel. Reservations/ads: [www.jkha.org/dinner](http://www.jkha.org/dinner). For more information, contact Aly Greenstein: 862-437-8001 or [agreenstein@jkha.org](mailto:agreenstein@jkha.org).

**AMIT NEWS:** Purchase Mazel Tov, get well, and condolence cards. Call or text Aviva Brum at 718-801-2405.

**CHAI DEFENSE:** Krav Maga based self-defense, situational awareness and de-escalation techniques taught by former IDF Special Forces veterans. Every Tues. & Thur. 7:30-8:30 PM at the Manor Rd JCC.

**DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE:** Call Dave Bodner at 718-761-0707.

**SHAATNEZ TESTING** in the Willowbrook area: Same day service available. Contact Rabbi Avraham Zachter @ 646-286-4658.

**BAR MITZVAH LESSONS:** Learn how to lain and daven. Call Rabbi Yaakov Gifter at 917-691-8477.

**Let Willowbrook Shoe Shine** take the edge off your Erev Shabbos! Call/text/WhatsApp: 917-691-8477.

## Tehillim Circle

If you have a name you want listed, contact Yehudis Loewenstein at 917-868-5417, or [yudisi@aol.com](mailto:yudisi@aol.com). Names given should only be people of our community or their relatives. Please continue to say Tehillim for those seeking refuah.

- Refael Moshe Ben Sara
- Reb Yosef ben Rebbetzin Tilla Roiza
- Reuven Zev ben Rivkah
- Mordechai Meir ben Fryda Mah-ree-am
- Yisroel Alter ben Chava Chana
- Boruch Tzvi ben Chana Gittel
- Menachem Mordechai ben Zeesel
- Raphael Pesachya Yaakov Halevi ben Aviva Sarah
- Yisroel Gedalia HaKohen ben Chana
- Nachum Moshe ben Hensha
- Leah bat Golda
- Sorah Shoshana bat Dreiza Leah
- Pessel bat Rochel
- Chaya Esther bat Rochel Leba
- Tehilla Basya bat Chaya Tova
- Shayna Golda bat Chaya Gitel
- Devorah Aliza bat Chana Liba
- Bracha Devorah bat Sarah Henna
- Bracha Rivka bat Miriam Leba
- Etel Feiga bas Henya Ruchel
- Esther bat Golda Perel

- Zeesel Perel bat Leah Gittel
- Breindel bat Chana Raizel
- Bracha Rivka Leah bat Dvora Shoshana Raizel
- Esther Simcha bat Tziporah Leiba

## Community Gemachs

- ◆ **Free Apartment available** for weekends or if someone has a simcha. Joseph Avenue. Text 347-488-1536 to reserve.
- ◆ **Precharged phone battery chargers** (with AC connection to recharge). Comes with built-in connector for iPhone and USB. Leave a \$5 deposit check which will be returned. Text 917-710-5611 or 718-570-5920.
- ◆ **Chuppah Tefillah cards** – Please contact Rivka Gold 917-836-1408.
- ◆ **Simcha Gowns** – Contact Aviva Brum 718-801-2405.
- ◆ **Chair Gemach** – If you need to borrow chairs for company or a simcha, call Chana Reichman at 718 404-6708.
- ◆ **Be'er Miriam v'Rachel Centerpiece Gmach** – Rachelit 718 983-9664 or 718-673-7174.
- ◆ **School Uniforms** - Rachelit 718 983-9664 or 718-673-7174.
- ◆ **Baby on the go Gemach** - Liluy Nishmat Rafi Toback - items available for loan for newborn needs and baby travel. Call Emunah Toback, 718 813 -1977.
- ◆ **Bris Pillow & Outfit** - David at 347 661-4760 or Emunah at 718 813-1977.
- ◆ **Mom to Mom** - Fresh, hot, kosher lunches for a week delivered to new moms on Staten Island, absolutely free. To order, call or text 347-254-8112.
- ◆ **Mezuzot Inspections** - Have your Mezuzot picked up, inspected, repaired, replaced, and returned. No charge for transporting the Mezuzot! Contact Scott Diamond for info: 917-674-3317/[slzdiamond@hotmail.com](mailto:slzdiamond@hotmail.com).

## Chesed Opportunities

- **Any member of the congregation in need of assistance** due to infirmity or age, please contact 718 494-4343. Help is a phone call away no matter how big or small the need is!
- **Bikur Cholim** is looking for: Volunteers to visit Jewish residents in Staten Island nursing homes. Call Brenda Kellerman at 718-761-6521. Volunteers to straighten out Bikur Cholim room at Staten Island University Hospital once a week. Contact Sheryl Jacobowitz at 917-445-8887.
- **Hebrew Free Burial Association** has a constant need for men, Bar Mitzvah age and up, to help in the performance of "Chesed Shel Emet" by serving as Levaya Minyan Volunteers at the Mt. Richmond Cemetery, 420 Clarke Ave. Contact Scott Diamond at (917) 674-3317 or [slzdiamond@hotmail.com](mailto:slzdiamond@hotmail.com).
- **Clothing Donation – BY APPOINTMENT ONLY – no drop-offs.** In good condition - nothing torn, soiled or outdated. Goes directly to people in our neighborhood. All sizes needed. Teachers, call if you have a student in need! If you need clothing, or to schedule a drop-off, call Rachelit at 718-983-9664 or 718-673-7174.
- **Beautiful ketubot available at no charge.** Medium and small sizes. Please contact Rachelit at 718-983-9664 or 718-673-7174.
- If you need help in **writing in Hebrew for a matzeva**, contact Rachelit at 718-983-9664 or 718-673-7174. No charge. Also available for writing in Hebrew for a simcha.
- **The Willowbrook Pantry** is open by appointment only. Call Beverly Israel at 646- 530-1495. Cleaning items & toiletries can be dropped off at 511 Buchanan Ave. anytime.
- **Israel Connect:** In Israel, English proficiency is the biggest barrier to university entry for underprivileged students. Using Zoom, you can tutor a student in Israel from the comfort of your home. The interaction is simple and enjoyable, and makes all the difference for the student. Click on the video [here](#) to see more or email [israelconnectscheduling@gmail.com](mailto:israelconnectscheduling@gmail.com).

## Job Opportunities

- JCC of SI is hiring a **Director of Cultural Arts:** Develop arts and education programs for various age groups from teens to older adults; collaborate with Israeli emissaries and partners; programs should reflect Jewish values, and include lectures, concerts, films, trips, workshops, and holiday celebrations. Bachelor's degree required, advanced degree or in arts administration, cultural programming, or related field preferred. Knowledge of Jewish history, culture and Israel required. Flexible schedule, some evenings and weekends. Please send resume to Randie Vitucci at: [rvitucci@SIJCC.COM](mailto:rvitucci@SIJCC.COM).
- The JCC of SI is hiring a full time **Russian speaking Case Assistant for older adults:** Provide case assistance, benefits/entitlements, initial intakes, for English and Russian-speaking adults ages 60+; enter case notes into data system; programmatic support; responsible for all Holocaust related assistance; assist with evening and/or weekend meal and special events as needed; Russian speaking required. Please contact Michele Weinstein at 718-517-7449 or send resume to: [mweinstein@SIJCC.COM](mailto:mweinstein@SIJCC.COM).

**We want to share in your Smachot!** Please notify the shul office of major life events such as births, bar mitzvahs and weddings so that we can wish you a Mazal Tov in our weekly announcements. (**Resident Members only;** non-Resident members can donate to the Simcha Fund). Donations to the **Simcha Fund and Charity Fund of \$54** or more will be acknowledged in the corresponding section of announcements. You may **sponsor a shiur** in honor of or in memory of a loved one with a donation of **\$100** or more. **TO HAVE A NOTICE LISTED IN THE WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS, PLEASE NOTIFY THE OFFICE BY NOON THURSDAY at [office@yisi.org](mailto:office@yisi.org) or 718-494-6700 ext. 0.**

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