

# Youth Happenings @ Congregation Etz Chaim

**Jan. 7, 2017 Parsha Vayigash 9 Tevet 5777**



## Vayigash Times & Numbers

Candle Lighting- 4:27  
 Mincha- 4:30  
 Shacharit- 9:00 am  
 Teen Minyan- 9:45  
 Junior Cong.- 10:15  
 Tot Shabbat- 10:15  
 Mincha- 4:25 pm Shabbat Ends- 5:31



## **NO MITZVOT IN THIS PARSHA**

**NUMBER OF PESUKIM :106**

**NUMBER OF WORDS: 1480**

**NUMBER OF LETTERS: 5680**

ETZ CHAIM AND SUBURBAN TORAH YOUTH DEPARTMENTS

## **FAMILY ICE SKATING NIGHT**

**SAT. NIGHT FEBRUARY 4**

**7:45-9:00PM**



**\$10 PER SKATER (INCLUDES SKATES)**

**HOT CHOCOLATE AND COOKIES WILL BE SERVED**

**RICHARD CODEY ARENA 560 NORTHFIELD AVENUE  
WEST ORANGE, NJ 07052**

**MEAL FOR MEN!!!**  
**ALL MALES IN GRADES 8-12**  
**ARE INVITED TO THE**  
**YOUTH HOUSE NEXT**  
**SHABBAT, 1-14, FOR A**  
**SPECIAL MEAL WITH THE**  
**YONI GOLD EXPERIENCE.**  
**12:15PM**

Congregation Etz Chaim: [www.etzchaimnj.org](http://www.etzchaimnj.org)  
 Rabbi Sam Klibanoff  
 Rabbi Natan Kapustin, Assistant Rabbi  
 Presidents: Neil Kaplan & Allan Schall  
 Youth Director: Yoni Glatt

## **Preparing For The Future**

Yaakov is all gung-ho to see Yosef after so many years. But the land of Canaan is very holy. Yaakov feels the need to ask *Hashem*'s permission to leave it for Egypt. He is worried that his children will be assimilated. So he heads over to Be'er Sheva and offers *korbanot* (sacrifices) to *Hashem* on the *mizbayach* (altar) his father Yitzchok built. *Hashem* gives an "A-okay" to Yaakov's request. *Hashem* tells Yaakov not to be afraid to go down to Egypt. They will be divinely protected. *Hashem* also promises Yaakov that Egypt is just a temporary stop in the fulfillment of the promise made to him and his fathers, Avraham & Yitzchak. It is in Egypt that *He* will make them into a great nation.

So Yaakov, his 11 sons and their families pack up all their possessions & animals, and head out to Egypt. Sixty-Nine people in Yaakov's household start the trek. Levi's daughter Yocheved (Moshe's mother), is born along the way, making it an even 70 upon arrival. Yehuda goes ahead to make preparations. He builds homes and a *Yeshiva* in the far off land of Goshen. After all, this is where Bnai Yisrael will be spending the next 210 years.



## ***“Quote of the Week”***

***“Courage is for a moment. Regret lasts a lifetime.”***

**- Rav Yom Tov Glaser**

**CONGRATS TO MICHAEL ZUCKERMAN ON WINNING THE ETZ CHAIM YOUTH FANTASY FOOTBALL LEAGUE TWO YEARS IN A ROW!!! MICHAEL IS DONATING \$150 OF HIS Winnings TO IRIS TEEN TZEDAKAH FUND TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO JEWS IN NEED IN THE METROWEST AREA.**

## **DID YOU KNOW.....**

Did you know that the tradition to have a seudah mitzvah for a Bar-Mitzvah boy goes back thousands of years to the time of the Mishnah? However, for centuries in Jerusalem the real party was on a day called Yom Ha-Tefillin; the day a young man put on tefillin for the first time. This would actually happen months before the boys actual Bar-Mitzvah. Many Sefardi communities still observe this custom today.

## **YIDDLE RIDDLE** ??????

THE FIRST KID WHO TELLS YONI THE ANSWER GETS \$3 MM, THE SECOND GETS \$2, & THE THIRD GETS \$1- NO TELLING THE ANSWER!

## **WHAT COUNTRY CAN ALWAYS BE FOUND IN THE MIDDLE OF JERUSALEM?**

### Last Week:

The word Chanukah can be found  
In this Parsha so look around  
Sorry this isn't so easy,  
I hope the search doesn't make you queasy  
A-Bereishis 43:16

January 14th 8:00 pm to 9:30 pm

## **Community Wide Roller skating**

Florham Park  
Roller Skating Rink  
192 Ridgedale Ave.  
Florham Park, NJ 07932

3rd- 6th grade- \$18

**Pizza Dinner included**



RSVP to your local Youth Director

AABJD- David and Rachel: youth@aabjd.org  
Chabad of West Orange- Alte: alte@chabadwestorange.com  
Etz Chaim- Yoni: yoniglatt@gmail.com  
Mount Freedman Jewish Center- Lisa: lisatgutkin@gmail.com  
Ohr Torah- Rivky: youth@congregationohrtorah.org  
Suburban Torah- Hillel and Ofra: youth@suburban Torah.org

## **MIDOT MATTER MOST: A TRUE WINNER DOESN'T MAKE ONE WHO IS DEFEATED FEEL LIKE A LOSER**

Altruism- Al·tru·ism

(ăl trōō-ĭz'əm) n.

1. Unselfish concern for the welfare of others; selflessness.
2. Zoology- behavior by an animal that is not beneficial to or may be harmful to itself but that benefits others of its species.

## **BEGINNER'S TEILLAHL CLASS**

Our next installment will take place on January 14<sup>th</sup> 9:45am

Led by our very own **Rabbi David Bendory**, we now offer a beginner's learning prayer service open to men, women and teens. Rabbi Bendory will take you on a journey through our Siddur as you will learn the ins and outs of davening.

**JTEEN<sup>CMW</sup>  
PRESENTS**

# **SUPERHEROES & JUDAISM**

**YONI'S EXCITING NEW CLASS!  
FIRST SESSION- JANUARY 11TH  
-SUPERMAN & MOSES**

**IT'S DAVENIN' TIME!**

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