

Youth Happenings @ Congregation Etz Chaim

May 25, Parshat Behar, 20 Iyar 5779



Behar Times & Numbers

Candle Lighting- 7:57pm

Mincha- 7:00

Shacharit- 9:00 am

Teen Minyan- 9:45am

Tot Shabbat- 10:15

Junior Cong.- 10:15

Mincha- 7:50pm

Shabbos Ends- 9:06pm



NUMBER OF MITZVOT: 24

7 MITZVOT ASEH

17 MITZVOT LO TAASEH

NUMBER OF PESUKIM: 57

NUMBER OF WORDS: 737

NUMBER OF LETTERS: 2817

SAVE THE DATE

TUESDAY, JUNE 18- 7:00 PM

ETZ CHAIM YOUTH OUTING TO SEE

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

@ THE PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE.

ONLY \$30 PER SEAT.

TALK W/ YONI TO RESERVE TICKETS



Congregation Etz Chaim: www.etzchaimnj.org
 Rabbi Sam Klibanoff
 Rabbi Natan Kapustin, Assistant Rabbi
 Presidents: Jeff Susskind & Dr. Michael Rieber
 Youth Director: Yoni Glatt

Keep The Faith

You know about "Shabbat"; Well, *Shmita* is *Shabbat* for *Eretz Yisroel*. Every 7th year we're forbidden to work the earth in *Eretz Yisroel*. "*Shmita*" means to let go. When farmers "let go" of the land for the *Shmita* year they show trust that *Hashem* will take care of their livelihoods. It also reminds farmers that *Hashem*, not the land, feeds their families. On *Rosh Hashana* of the 7th year, the *Shmita* year begins. For an entire year, farmers do not plant, sow, plow or work the ground. The only work he can do is to water plants enough to keep them alive.

When the *Torah* gets tough, *Hashem*'s got a *Bracha* in mind... actually three. First, there is the abundance clause, The year before *Shmita* will be a real heaping harvest. Enough to last for two years plus, as a bonus, it'll even cover the eighth year!

Second, the appetite clause, All stomachs will practically shrink! *Hashem* promises that even if you only eat a little, you'll be satisfied. Great for dieters!

Third, the protective clause, If you keep *Shmita*, *Hashem* will control the borders, and enemies will stay away. On the other hand, the warning attached to it is, if you blow it, enemies will push *Klal Yisroel* into *Galut* (exile).

"Quote of the Week"

"I don't speak because I have the power to speak; I speak because I don't have the power to remain silent"

-Rav Avraham Yitzchak Cook

9TH ANNUAL SHAVUOS

YOUTH BBQ

@ The Youth House- Shavuot,
 Sunday, June 9, 1:00pm
 All ages
 welcome!!



MIDDLE RIDDLE

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

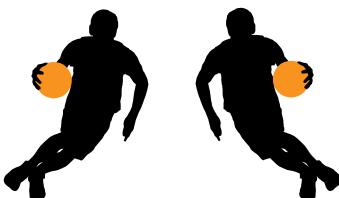
Find this number, it's not so distressing
Just take the days we count with a blessing
Then add the day Jews go to Meron
This is easy, you can do it on your own
(1 guess each!)

Last Week:

I am a house that no one lives in
I have a door but no windows
I can be thirty feet tall or four feet small
What am I? A- An Ark (Aron Kodesh)

YONI'S NEWEST AFTER SCHOOL CLASS: YUM: A HISTORY OF FOOD IN JUDAISM- TUESDAY 5/28- 6:00

FRIDAY AFTERNOON BASKETBALL IS BACK!
FRIDAYS- 4:30 AT THE YOUTH HOUSE!
GRADES 7 AND UP.
WEATHER PERMITTING.



MIDOT MATTER MOST...
CLOTHES DON'T MAKE THE MAN.
GOOD MIDOT DO.

Altruism- Al·tru·ism

(ăl trōō- īz̄əm) 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.

THE SHABBAT OF- JUNE 15

SPECIAL KIDS SERVICES WILL BE HELD UPSTAIRS IN CLASSROOM 2 AT 10:15 AM. Grades 2-6.



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