

Youth Happenings @ Congregation Etz Chaim

June 22, Parshat Beha'alotcha, 19 Sivan 5779



Beha'alotcha Times & Numbers

Candle Lighting- 8:13pm

Mincha- 7:00

Shacharit- 9:00 am

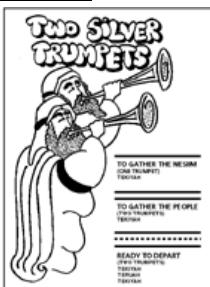
Teen Minyan- 9:45am

Tot Shabbat- 10:15

Junior Cong.- 10:15

Minchas- 8:15

Shabbos Ends- 9:22pm



NUMBER OF MITZVOT: 5

MITZVOT ASEH: 3

MITZVOT LO TASEH: 2

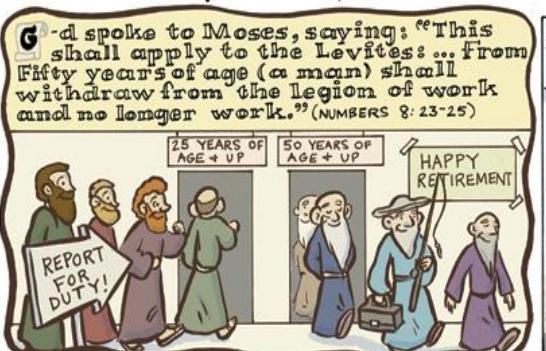
NUMBER OF PESUKIM: 136

NUMBER OF WORDS: 1840

NUMBER OF LETTERS: 7055

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE GRADUATING SENIORS! WE WISH YOU ALL THE BEST IN YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS! WE'RE GOING TO MISS YOU!

Of Biblical Proportions by Chari Pere



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WHERE'S THE BEEF?

Once again the *Eirev Rav* find something to complain about.. *Mann! Mann* in the morning, *mann* in the afternoon, *mann* at suppertime, on *Shabbat*, at weddings and Bar Mitzvahs... always *mann!* The *Eirev Rav* want a little variety like some good old fish and meat.

Of course, the *Bnei Yisroel*, who were perfectly satisfied till now, take their cue & do a little complaining of their own. They want a little variety like some cucumbers, watermelons, leeks, onions and garlic like they had back in *Mitzrayim* (Egypt).

Now you're probably saying.. hey, *mann* can taste like anything, so why not cucumbers, watermelon and the like? The rule is that *mann* won't take on the taste of anything harmful or hard to digest. These items are too difficult for pregnant and nursing mothers to digest. Except for the above mentioned items, the *Mann* tasted like anything you wanted it to. But this is just part of a bigger problem. The Jews are having a lot of problems adjusting to keeping the *Torah*. It seems like everything they do has conditions attached. Even eating *mann* takes getting up early in the morning, making a *bracha*, being careful not to take too much, taking a double portion for *Shabbat* and so on!

They seem to have selective memory about *Mitzrayim*. They remember the meat and vegetables available all the time in Egypt. Hello, *Bnei Yisroel!* You were slaves! Remember? That they forgot about.

ONE LAST TIME:
Teen Minyan will be a bit different this week. There **WILL** be a cholent kiddush as usual, BUT Rabbi Kapustin will be speaking to the teens. As he is also speaking in the main minyan, we will wait until after the main minyan is finished, and then Rabbi Kapustin will come upstairs and we will eat and learn together...one last time.

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that Judaism does not seek, and never has sought, converts? Sadly, throughout Jewish history our ancestors were faced with the choice of converting to another religion or death (most famously in Spain in 1492). This is not the Jewish way, however. In fact, the Talmud states, "The righteous of every nation has a share in the world to come." King Solomon also said the *Beit Hamikdash* was open to Jews as well as non-Jews.

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!

Four consecutive words there are
That have the same root, how bizarre?!
Look in the first 5 chapters of sefer Bamidbar,
If you go any further, then you've gone too far.

Last Week:

If Bob the Builder was a Jew it would be
best for him to steer clear of what city?
A- Jericho, where Jews are forbidden to
build

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

BASKETBALL-

Final week until late August.

FRIDAY- 4:30

AT THE YOUTH HOUSE!

GRADES 7 AND UP.

WEATHER PERMITTING.



GOODBYE TO THE KAPUSTINS!

The youth department wants to give a huge shout to the Kapustins for their 20 years of service to the shul- especially to the youth department. The reality is that without Rabbi Kapustin's support, we might not even have a weekly teen minyan. Mel has been one of the biggest supporters of our youth programming, be it arranging visits at Federation housing, filling in to lead groups, arranging sukkah hops and hamantaschen baking, or educating our teens. We've been incredibly lucky to have the two of you be so directly involved in youth programming. You'll be incredibly missed..and shoutout to Benzion for being gabbai of Teen Minyan.

MIDOT MATTER MOST...

**DISCUSERS GET FAR
BETTER RESULTS THAN
COMPLAINTERS.**

Altruism- Al·tru·ism

(ăl' trū'ăs̍m) 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.

ATTENTIONS TEENS: THIS SUMMER BECOME A MINYAN MINION!

**Join Etz Chaim at either Shacharit or
Mincha/Maariv and get these rewards:**

ATTEND 5 MINYANIM= \$10 AMAZON GIFT CARD!

**ATTEND 10 MINYANIM= LUNCH AND TOUR OF THE
GOOGLE NY HEADQUARTERS!**

ATTEND 18 MINYANIM= TICKETS TO A METS/YANKEES GAME!

-ATTEND 25 MINYANIM= APPLE EARPODS!

**-ATTEND 36 MINYANIM= TICKETS TO A JETS/GIANTS/
KNICKS/NETS GAME!**

**-ATTEND 50 MINYANIM= STEAK DINNER AND A
BROADWAY SHOW*! (W/YONI OR THE RABBI)**

*Not including Hamilton. One reward only past 18 minyanim, teen's choice.

Open for boys 13-18, girls 12-18. Must be at minyan within five minutes of scheduled start time.
See shul website or newsletter for minyan times. Sunday- Friday only. 6/18- 9/2/19.

