

# Youth Happenings @ Congregation Etz Chaim

**March 30, 2019, Parshat Shemini, 23 Adar II 5779**



## Shemini Times & Numbers

Candle Lighting- 7:00pm  
 Mincha- 7:00  
 Shacharit- 9:00 am  
 Teen Minyan- 9:45am  
 Tot Shabbat- 10:15  
 Junior Cong.- 10:15  
 Mincha- 6:55 pm  
 Shabbos Ends- 8:10pm



NUMBER OF *MITZVOT*: 17  
 6 *MITZVOT ASEH* (POSITIVE COMMANDMENT)  
 11 *MITZVOT LO TAASEH* (NEGATIVE COMMANDMENT – PROHIBITION)  
 NUMBER OF *PESUKIM*: 91  
 NUMBER OF WORDS: 1238  
 NUMBER OF LETTERS: 4670

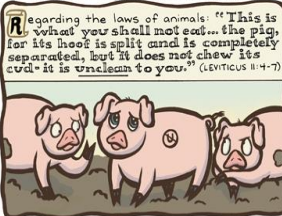
## THE KOSHER KINGDOM

*Hashem* commands the *Bnai Yisrael* to be a holy people. How? By eating only Kosher animals, birds and fish. *Hashem* shows Moshe every species that will EVER exist so that he may teach the *Bnai Yisrael* which are kosher and which are not. The *Torah* mentions the two tell-tale signs of a kosher animal: 1. Split hooves 2. It chews its cud.

Certain animals chew their food, swallow it and then return the food to the mouth again for a second chewing. A kosher animal **MUST HAVE BOTH** kosher signs - don't be fooled by some animals that have only **ONE** sign and not the other.

- A camel chews its cud but does not have fully split hooves.
- A Badger chews its cud but does not have split hooves.
- A Rabbit chews its cud but does not have split hooves.
- A pig has split hooves but does not chew its cud.
- *Hashem* knows ALL His creatures.

Of Biblical Proportions by Chari Pere



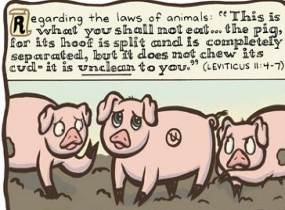
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Did you know that other than the ten animals listed in the *Torah* (*Devarim*, *Parshat Reeh* 14,5) as kosher, no other species has ever been found? The same is true of the 'one sign' kind. Only the 4 animals listed here, have only 1 of the 2 kosher signs.

**SPECIAL SHABBAT  
 LATE AFTERNOON  
 ONEG WITH  
 Dr. ERICA BROWN  
 FOR TEENS AND  
 COLLEGE STUDENTS:  
 "YOUR HARDEST  
 DECISION"  
 MARCH 30-  
 5:45PM AT THE SUKH**

Congregation  
 Rabbi Sam K...  
 Rabbi Natan...  
 Presidents: J...  
 Youth Direct...



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## "Quote of the Week"

"Man is wise only while in search of wisdom; when he imagines he has attained it, he is a fool."

-Rabbi Solomon ibn Gabirol

## DID YOU KNOW....

Did you know that Brigadier-General Avigdor Kahalani might be the greatest hero alive? Seriously. During the Yom Kippur War Syria outnumbered Israeli tanks in the Golan by more than 7 to 1! Israel had under 180 tanks, the Syrians had over 1200! There were many fierce battles and Israel was eventually down to only 12 tanks. Syria was incredibly close to taking over all of the Golan and then modern Israel. But finding incredible bravery and words of inspiration, General Kahalani inspired his remaining men to charge at Syrian tanks, wiping out 80 of them and repelling the Syrian army. He didn't only save the Golan, but maybe all of Israel. Take a moment and look up Avigdor Kahalani and all the full details of his story and the rest of this story. What an absolutely amazing Jew!

**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!

I only have one sign of being Kosher, but I'm not (technically) mentioned in this week's parsha. I might ask you WHAT am I, but I'll give you a hint and say WHY.

**Last Week:**

Jacob, Joshua, and Jonah all had these  
 Leading to great success, not always with ease  
 Other Jews had them, often before a war  
 But in the 2nd temple era they were no more  
 A- Prophecies

**THE SHABBAT OF MARCH 30  
 SPECIAL KIDS SERVICES WILL BE  
 HELD UPSTAIRS IN CLASSROOM 2 AT  
 10:15 AM. Grades 2-6.**



**YONI'S NEWEST AFTER SCHOOL CLASS:  
 WARRIOR WOMEN IN JEWISH HISTORY-  
 TUESDAY 4/09- 5:45**

**FRIDAY AFTERNOON BASKETBALL IS COMING BACK! FRIDAY, APRIL 5- 4:30 AT THE YOUTH HOUSE! GRADES 7 AND UP. WEATHER PERMITTING.**



**MIDOT MATTER MOST: IF THE WORLD IS BAD TO YOU, THAT IS NOT AN EXCUSE TO BE BAD TO THE WORLD.**

Altruism- Al-tru-ism

(אַלְטְרוּיִזְם) 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.

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**J-SERVE**

**JEWISH TEENS SERVING THE WORLD**

**community Mitzvah Day**

Join us for J-SERVE, an international day of Jewish Youth Service.

**Sunday, April 7  
 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

**Alex Aidekman Family Jewish Community Campus  
 901 Route 10, Whippany**

Appropriate for teens ages 12-18

Part of Federation's community Mitzvah Day. Choose from 12 meaningful service projects!

[www.jteengmw.org/j-serve](http://www.jteengmw.org/j-serve)

Contact Avi Remetz at aremetz@jfedgmw.org or (973) 929-2963 or Amy Gerson at agerson@bbyo.org or (908) 925-0310 with any questions or to get involved.

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