Youth Happenings @ Congregation Etz Chaim

October 5, 2019, Parshat Vayelech 6 Tishrei 5780

Parshat Vayelech Times & Numbers:

Candle Lighting- 6:15pm
Mincha- 6:15
Shacharit- 9:00 am
Teen Minyan- 9:45
Tot Shabbat- 10:15
Junior Cong.- 10:15 upstairs
Mincha- 6:10 pm
Shabbos Ends- 7:22 pm

NUMBER OF *MITZVOT*: 2 -Some count the *mitzvah* of *T'shuva* (repentance) from this *Parsha.*
2 *MITZVOT ASEH* (POSITIVE COMMANDMENT)
0 *MITZVOT LO TAASEH*
NUMBER OF *PESUKIM*:30
NUMBER OF WORDS: 553
NUMBER OF LETTERS: 2123

With only 30 pesukim, Vayelech is the shortest parsh in the Torah. *The Shabbat between Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur is called שבת שובה- Shabbat Shuva (Lit. 'Shabbat of Return';) because the Haftora which is read on this Shabbat begins with the words שובה ישראל- Shuva Yisroel, (Repent O' Israel). Others call it Shabbat Teshuva (Repentance), as it falls in the Aseret Ymay Teshuva, (Ten Days of Repentance).*

YONI'S AFTER SCHOOL EDUCATION PROGRAM RETURNS MONDAY NIGHT, OCT. 7 AT 5:45:

THE BETA ISRAEL: WHO ARE THE ETHIOPIAN JEWS?

WELCOME TO ALL TEENS IN GRADES 8-12. DINNER WILL BE SERVED.

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Youth Director: Yoni Glatt

SUPER WRITING!

***Hashem* commands Moshe to call Yehoshua. Moshe comes up with an idea: "How about if Yehoshua becomes the new leader and I live as a mere student of his!" When Yehoshua comes into Moshe's tent, the cloud of glory descends between them. When the cloud lifts, Moshe knows that Yehoshua has received a message from *Hashem.* Moshe eagerly asks "So, what does *Hashem* have to say to you?" But Yehoshua replies, "It's a secret between *Hashem* and me."**

On this last day of Moshe's life *Hashem* dictates the entire *Torah* from beginning to end. Moshe's pen miraculously flows at great speed. This *Sefer Torah* is given to *Shevet* (Tribe) *Levi*. All future *Sifrei Torah* will be copied from this one. This irks the other tribes. The elders of each *Shevet* argue: "All Jews were given the *Torah* equally at *Har* Sinai. Why should Levi have the *Torah* in their court?"

For once, Moshe is happy to hear an argument coming from the *Bnei Yisrael.* This proves that all of *Bnei Yisrael* loves the *Torah.* Right away, Moshe whips out a feather and with G-d speed (literally), Moshe knocks out twelve more *Sifrei Torah* - one for each *Shevet*. The original *Sefer Torah* is put away in the *Aron* (Ark) with the *Luchot* (tablets).

MAKE YOUR OWN SUKKAH DECORATIONS AND HELP DECORATE THE SHUL SUKKAH WITH MORAH SHIRA STEIN!
SUN. OCT. 13 2:30-3:15PM

DID YOU KNOW...

THE SUKKAH HOP THIS YEAR WILL BE ON SHABBAT CHOL HAMOED, OCTOBER 19 AT 4:00PM- STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS.

YIDDLE RIDDLE ??????

Yoni is away so it's just for fun this week!

On one historic Yom Kippur, the entire Jewish people ate and drank and were praised for it by Hashem; when did this occur?

Last Week:

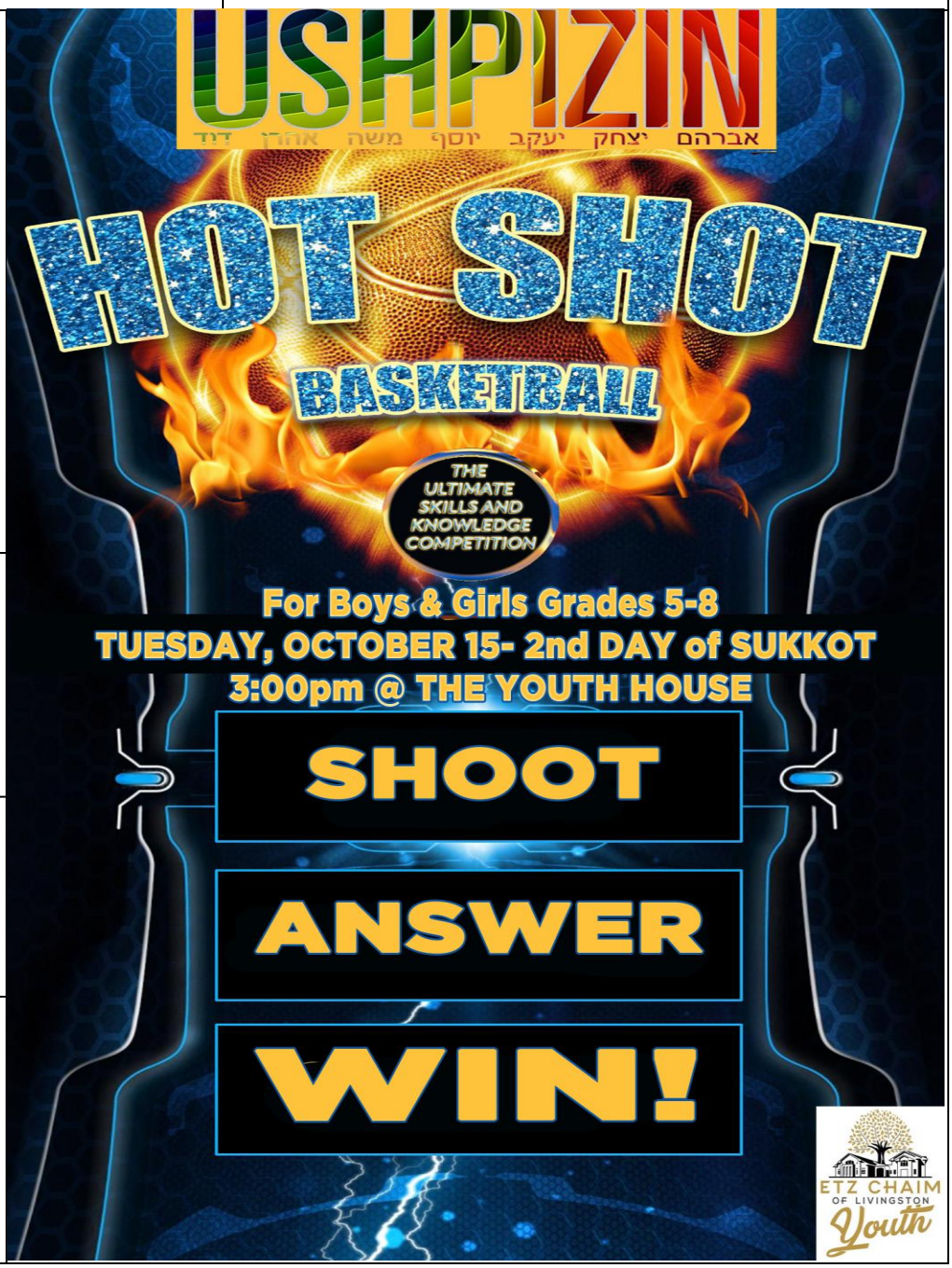
Some mighty Jews there have been
Who fought wars they did not win
In Tanach & Talmud name 3 that were slain
In battles that ended their military campaign
A- King Saul, Yonatan, Judah Maccabee, Bar-Kochba (to name a few)

Thursday, October 17 Chol Hamoed Etz Chaim Sukkah. All ages. Make your own pizza!

Followed by our SUKKOT RAFFLE!!!

BASKETBALL- ONLY A FEW WEEKS LEFT! FRIDAY 4::00 PM AT THE GLATTS BOYS IN GRADES 7 AND UP ARE WELCOME.

WEATHER PERMITTING.



ETZ CHAIM BUDDIEZ PROGRAM! COMING SOON!

MIDOT MATTER MOST:

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR. SWALLOW YOUR PRIDE, AND SAY I'M SORRY- YOU'LL FEEL BETTER ABOUT YOURSELF IF YOU DO.

Altruism- Al·tru·ism

(ăl' tro͞o-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.