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YINHP celebrating the 77<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Medinat Yisrael and in recognizing the sacrifice of those who died in its formation and defense, and in memory of the six million Jews who were murdered during the Holocaust

Rachel and Joseph Azizian, commemorating the Yahrzeits of his parents

Ziaolah Azizian – Aharon ben Sara a”h (17 Nissan) and Jamilah bat Sarver a”h (24 Nissan)

Karen and Jeffrey Klein, commemorating the Yahrzeit of his brother Ira Klein – Yitzhak Moshe ben Shlomo a”h (2 Iyyar)

Randy Malkin, commemorating the Yahrzeit of his grandmother Rae Malkin – Rachel bat Yaakov a”h (23 Nissan)

Linda and Dr. George Spivack, commemorating the Yahrzeit of his father Eugene Spivack – Yehuda ben Eliezer a”h (28 Nissan)

Chuck Waxman, commemorating the Yahrzeits of Debbie's grandmother Bertha Rosenblatt – Bina bat Mordechai Ber a”h (21 Nissan),

Chaverot Beitar Aliza Rappaport – Aliza Gita Adel bat Aharon ve-Malka a”h (17 Nissan) and Eileen Solomon – Ilana bat Avraham ve-Evelyn a”h (22 Nissan),

and Debbie's brother Larry Rosenblatt – Leibel ben Mordechai ve-Faiga Malka a”h (1 Iyyar)



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### Schedule of Services and Classes

|                                                             |                       |                  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| <b>Friday, April 25 / 27 Nissan – Erev Shabbat</b>          |                       | <b>Makkot 17</b> |
| Shacharit                                                   | 6:40 am               |                  |
| Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat, Maariv (count Omer 13)            | 7:00 pm               |                  |
| Candle-lighting, before                                     | 7:27 pm               |                  |
| <b>Saturday, April 26 / 28 Nissan – Shabbat Shemini</b>     |                       | <b>Makkot 18</b> |
| Shacharit                                                   | 8:45 am               |                  |
| Latest time for Shema                                       | MA 8:50 • GRA 9:26 am |                  |
| Drasha                                                      | 10:45 am              |                  |
| Gemara (Berakhot 58b) and Pirkei Avot (Ch. 1)               | 6:20 pm               |                  |
| Mincha, Seuda Shelishit                                     | 7:20 pm               |                  |
| Maariv / Shabbat ends (count Omer 14)                       | 8:32 pm               |                  |
| <b>Sunday, April 27 / 29 Nissan – Erev Rosh Chodesh</b>     |                       | <b>Makkot 19</b> |
| Shacharit                                                   | 8:10 am               |                  |
| Gemara Shiur (Gittin 58a) - Zoom 562011827                  | 9:15 am               |                  |
| Mincha                                                      | 7:30 pm               |                  |
| Yom Hashoah Program, Maariv (count Omer 15)                 | 7:45 pm               |                  |
| <b>Monday, April 28 / 30 Nissan – Rosh Chodesh</b>          |                       | <b>Makkot 20</b> |
| Shacharit                                                   | 6:30 am               |                  |
| Mincha, Maariv (count Omer 16)                              | 7:30 pm               |                  |
| <b>Tuesday, April 29 / 1 Iyyar – Rosh Chodesh</b>           |                       | <b>Makkot 21</b> |
| Shacharit                                                   | 6:30 am               |                  |
| Mincha, Maariv (count Omer 17)                              | 7:30 pm               |                  |
| <b>Wednesday, April 30 / 2 Iyyar – Yom Hazikaron (obs.)</b> |                       | <b>Makkot 22</b> |
| Shacharit                                                   | 6:40 am               |                  |
| Mincha, Maariv (count Omer 18)                              | 7:30 pm               |                  |
| <b>Thursday, May 1 / 3 Iyyar – Yom Haatzmaut (obs.)</b>     |                       | <b>Makkot 23</b> |
| Shacharit                                                   | 6:40 am               |                  |
| Mincha, Maariv (count Omer 19)                              | 7:30 pm               |                  |
| <b>Friday, May 2 / 4 Iyyar – Erev Shabbat</b>               |                       | <b>Makkot 24</b> |
| Shacharit                                                   | 6:40 am               |                  |
| Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat, Maariv (count Omer 20)            | 7:00 pm               |                  |
| Candle-lighting, before                                     | 7:34 pm               |                  |

### Parasha Page Numbers

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Parasha: Lev. 9:1 - 11:47   | Artscroll 588 • Soncino 443  |
| Haftara: II Sam. 6:1 – 7:17 | Artscroll 1168 • Soncino 454 |

- Pre-registration helps ensure a Minyan. To sign up, kindly contact Rabbi Teitelman by phone, text, or WhatsApp at 518-222-3875.
- The 6-month schedule for Nissan through Elul is available in shul, or online at <http://yinhp.org/docs/yinhp-schedule-5785-p2.pdf>
- The Molad for Chodesh Iyyar is Sunday at 8:30 p.m. + 2 Chalakim, Jerusalem Standard Time. The last time for Kiddush Levana during Iyyar is Monday, May 12 (Pesach Sheni) at 2:52 p.m. + 2 Chalakim JST.

### Drash v'DaSh – A Shabbat Message and Greeting

#### “Some Key Concepts:

#### Key-tniyot, Key-noa, Key Food, Key-Challah”

By now, we are quite familiar with the diversity of customs pertaining to the preparation for and conduct during Pesach. Can one kasher microwave ovens and granite countertops? Should one prefer hand or machine Shemurah Matzah? Matzah balls – *de rigeur* or *assur*? Is quinoa *kitniyot*? Even something as simple as a can of Israeli sour pickles or bag of onion-garlic potato chips may feature a range of supervisions, some attesting to its kashrut for Pesach while others explicitly denying it. All of this reminds us of the divergence in normative Pesach practices, and this still within the Ashkenazic Orthodox community.

But there are also those regulations that apply specifically *after* Pesach. The most famous is no doubt the prohibition to eat or otherwise enjoy Chametz that was owned by a Jew over Pesach. This brings us to the “Who is a Jew” question as we try to discern the religion of owners from their last names, determine the Halakhic status of corporations, and assess minority Jewish interests in partnerships. The matter gets increasingly complicated as we trace the moving target of ownership from production, through the various points of distribution, and eventually stopping at the retail store.

One celebrated but curious custom of the “Schlissel Challah” is somehow “keying in” to the challah for the first Shabbat after Pesach. A popular version is to actually bake one's key *into* the challah. (But be careful: someone tried this while on vacation for Pesach, lost her key in the challah, and was locked out of her house upon her return home.) A risk-free alternative is to bake the challah itself in the shape of a key. Still another variation, cited by the “Book of our Heritage”, is to apply the sesame or poppy seed garnish to the top of the challah in the pattern of a key. Apparently, for those who do use an actual metal key, it sometimes becomes a family heirloom, with the key staying in the family – and probably being re-baked each year- for generation after generation.

Either way, the Schlissel Challah is widely regarded as a segulah – a sign for good things to come, either because it opens the doors to parnasah – sustenance, or that the hole of the key, like the eye of a needle, represents the small changes we can make in our observance in Shabbat that will invite additional blessing from G-d. A different interpretation ties it to the Omer: the key takes us from gate to gate as we ascend the forty-nine mystical steps. Alternatively, this key opens the door of the “Fear of Heaven” regarded as a guarded treasure (*Yirat Hashem Hi Otzaro*). For the bi-lingual, there is also *key mi-tziyon tetze Torah*.



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### Announcements

**Mazal tov** to Rita Lenefsky on the birth of great-granddaughter Gavriela Sara, and to the parents Adena and Avromie Dahan and grandparents Dena and Rabbi Irwin Lenefsky.

**Mazal tov** to Batya and Dr. Adam Moskowitz on the birth of grandson Binyamin Etai, and to the parents Racheli and Elie Schramm, and great-grandmother Liza Samson. The baby is named in part after great-grandfather Rabbi Benjamin Samson a"h, who, before his retirement and recent passing, was the longtime chaplain at Creedmoor and a regular at the YINHP Mincha Minyan.

**Condolences** to Rabbi Boruch and Mushkie Wolf and family on the passing of his maternal grandfather R' Shmuel Spalter. A tribute can be read at <https://anash.org/r-shmuel-spalter-93-ah>

**Gift Cards** for Shop Rite and Stop & Shop can be purchased from Ilene and Marc Horowitz 718-470-9474.

**YINHP Cards** ("In Memoriam", "Mazel Tov", "Get Well", and "Thank You") are available for purchase through David Mandel. The cost is \$18 each or \$72 for five (mix 'n match).

**Beautiful Memories Gemach** is open for shopping, Sunday thru Wednesday by appointment. Volunteers are needed, especially 9-10 a.m. on Sundays and 3-4 p.m. on Wednesdays. For more information, please contact Mark Krieger at 917-703-4694 or visit [www.BeautifulMemoriesGemach.org](http://www.BeautifulMemoriesGemach.org) or the BMG Facebook page.

Women requesting a **Mikvah appointment** should call 718-343-5700.



### YINHP Pesach Yizkor

Yizkor was recited on the last day of Pesach.

Please send your memorial contributions to the shul office or donate online at <https://tinyurl.com/donate2yinhp>

### Communal Yom Hashoah Program Sunday, April 27 at 7:30 p.m.

**Yom HaShoah**  
SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 7:30 PM  
29 NISSAN 5785

Guest Speaker: Allan Chernoff  
"The Lost Society of Polish Jewry"  
Author of *The Tailors of Tomaszow - A Memoir of Polish Jews*

Mincha at 7:30 PM, followed by Program  
Ma'ariv and Book Signing/Sale after program

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The next Simcha Kiddush will take place on Saturday, May 10 – Shabbat Parashat Acharei Mot - Kedoshim, celebrating May simchas and Mother's Day. Sponsorships are \$18 per Kiddush or \$200 annually and are payable by check or online at <https://tinyurl.com/yinhp-simcha-kiddush>. Please send simcha details to [office@yinhp.org](mailto:office@yinhp.org)