

YIB LEARNING COMMUNITY



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SPRING AND SUMMER

Pre-Purim and Pre-Pesach Seminars

These seminars are designed to look at the spiritual and *halachic* components of each of these holidays. Additional information will be available in the spring.

Shabbat HaGadol

Rabbi Gewirtz's *Drasha*

Date: April 4, 2009 Prior to *Musaf*

Kinot Tisha B'Av

We hope to be in *Yerushalayim* celebrating the ultimate *Geula*. If however, *mashiach* is somewhat delayed, Rabbi Gewirtz will introduce the *kinot* with a *shiur* devoted to the *halachic* and *philosophic* context of *taanit* and *aveilut*. He will elucidate the *kinot* liturgy throughout the morning. During *Tisha B'Av* afternoon, we offer inspirational films produced by the OU and the Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation.

YIB Women's Learning Community

We are pleased to present our innovative educational initiative, Young Israel Women's Learning Community. The purpose is to develop new ways for women to participate as both teachers and students in creating learning opportunities.

- Reading of *Megillot* and *diverei Torah: Kohellet, Shira haShirim* and *Ruth*, and *divrei Torah on Yamim Tovim*, presented by women members of the YIB community
- Women's Torah Study on *Simchat Torah*
- Monday evenings, Appreciating the History and Philosophy in the *Z'mirot* of *Shabbat*
- Thursday morning, Women's *Beit Midrash/Gemara Shiur*
- *Shabbat Mevorchim Shiur* presented by women

HAMAKOR

TORAH STUDIES AT YOUNG ISRAEL

“Week-At-A-Glance”

♦New Class

SUNDAY-THURSDAY

Mishna Brura

Between Mincha & Maariv
Rabbi Dr. Gershon C. Gewirtz

SUNDAY

Halachot of Tefillin

Following second *minyan*
Rabbi Dr. Gershon C. Gewirtz

♦ *Gemara for Beginners*

Tractate Shabbat

8:45 - 9:45 am
Rabbi Zvi Solomon
Boston *Kollel*

♦ *Cheshbon HaNeFesh*

Men & Women welcome
8:00-9:00 pm
Rabbi Dov Beresh
Ganz

♦ **MONDAY**

Wisdom of Z'mirot for Shabbat

Appreciating the History and
Philosophy in the *Z'mirot* of
Shabbat

for women only
8:30 - 9:30 pm
Rabbi Dr. Gershon C. Gewirtz

TUESDAY

Advanced Talmud :

Masechet Shabbat

8:30 – 9:30 pm
Rabbi Zalman Leff
Boston *Kollel*

♦ *The Mystery of Tefilla*

8:30 - 9:30 pm
Rabbi Dr. Gershon C. Gewirtz

WEDNESDAY

Ibn Ezra al HaTorah

10:00 - 11:00 am
Dr. David Bachrach

Mishna Nezikin

11:00 - 11:30 am
Dr. David Bachrach

♦ *Advanced Talmud*

Masechet Bava Kama, Perek

Meruba
8:30 - 9:30 pm
Zev Wiener

THURSDAY

Women's Morning Beit

Midrash/ Gemara Shiur:

Tractate Berachot
9:30 - 11:30 am
Rabbi Dr. Gershon C. Gewirtz

Torah Conferencing Network

Rabbi Yissocher Frand
9:00 - 10:00 pm

SHABBAT

Hilchot Shabbat/Pesach

8:00 - 8:45 am
Rabbi Dr. Gershon C. Gewirtz

Women's Study Group

See *Shabbat* schedule

Torah Conferencing Network

Rabbi Yisroel Reisman
Motzai Shabbat: time changes
seasonally

MONTHLY

♦ *Friday night Tisch with the Rabbi*

All teens, grades 9-12, are invited
To the home of Rabbi & Mindy
Gewirtz for “Tisch with the Rabbi.”
Cholent and a discussion of
Contemporary issues will be featured.
The first “*Tisch*” will be Friday
Night, *Parshat Lech Lecha*, Nov. 8th,
at 7:30pm. All young men and
women, grades 9-12 are
encouraged to come.

Shabbat Mevorchim Shiur for

Women. Following the *Adom Olam*
the women of our community are
encouraged to attend a special
Shabbat Mevorchim Shiur in our
Multi-Purpose Room on the 2nd floor.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

♦New

Sunday

Halachot of Tefillin

Following second *minyan*. For boys (with their fathers), within 10 months of becoming *bar mitzvah*. A highlight is a trip to New York to see a complete “show and tell” of the materials from which, and the process by which *Tefillin* are made.

Instructor: Rabbi Dr. Gershon C. Gewirtz

Time: following second morning *minyan*

First class: November 9, 2008

♦*Gemara for Beginners*

Tractate Shabbat

This *shiur* is intended for people with little or no background in *Talmud* study.

Instructor: *Rabbi* Zvi Solomon, Boston *Kollel*

Time: 8:45 ~ 9:45 am

Text: *Tractate Shabbat*

♦*Cheshbon Ha-Nefesh*

Men and Women Welcome

This 18th century text offers unanticipated insights into the human personality and offers guidance to improve one's character.

Instructor: *Rabbi* Dov Berish Ganz.

Sunday evenings, 8:00-9:00 pm

Young Israel of Brookline *Beit Midrash*

Texts are available for purchase. Contact Jonathan Cohen at jbcbruins@juno.com

Monday

◆ **Appreciating the History and Philosophy in the *Z'mirot* of *Shabbat* – for Women**

The sounds of *Z'mirot* are heard at *Shabbat* tables around the world. Explore their sophistication and experience their messages.

Time: 8:30- 9:30 pm

First Class: Monday, October 27, 2008

Tuesday

Ibn Ezra

The study of *halachic* selections of the *Chumash* with a focus on the approach of the *Ibn Ezra al HaTorah*.

Instructor: Dr. David Bachrach

Time: 10:00 ~ 11:00 am

Text: *Chumash* with *Ibn Ezra*

First Class: October 29, 2009

Mishna Nezikin

Instructor: Dr. David Bachrach

Time: 11:00 ~ 11:30 am

First Class: October 29, 2008

Advanced Talmud: Masechet Shabbat: Perek HaOreg

An in-depth analysis of a variety of *sugyot*.

Instructor: Rabbi Zalman Leff, *Rosh Kollel*

Time: 8:30- 9:30 pm

First Class: November 4, 2008, Young Israel *Beit Midrash*

◆ **The Mystery of *Tefilla***

Instructor: Rabbi Dr. Gershon c. Gewirtz

Time: 8:30 – 9:30 pm

For both those new to the *siddur* as those *davening* for decades.

Explore the structure of the *tefilla* and the challenge and message of select *tefillot*.

First Class: October 28, 2008

Wednesday

♦*Talmud:*

Instructor: Zev Wiener

Bava Kama, Perek Meruba

Instructor: Zev Wiener

Time: 8:30-9:30 pm

First Class: October 29, 2008 - Young Israel *Beit Midrash*

For the week of October 29th, class will begin at 7:00 pm

All future classes will begin at 8:30 pm

Thursday

Women's Morning *Beit Midrash/Gemara Shiur* *Talmud, Berachot*

Instructor: Rabbi Dr. Gershon C. Gewirtz

Time: 9:30 ~ 11:30 am

Text: *Talmud Bavli, Tractate Berachot*

First Class: October 30, 2008 - Young Israel *Beit Midrash*

Torah Conferencing Network (TCN)

Young Israel of Brookline is please to sponsor the Torah Conferencing Network (TCN) offering weekly access to America's top Torah scholars and teachers. The lectures/ *shiurim* are broadcast live via satellite, bringing a diverse cadre of renowned Rabbanim, Roshei Yeshiva and educators, from America to Israel, to our community. The regular weekly series includes the weekly *Parsha, Navi, Halacha*, and *hashkafa* intended to interest men and women from the entire orthodox community.

Instructor: Rabbi Yissocher Frand

Time: 9:00 - 10:00 pm

First Session: In session, new students welcome

Shabbat Learning

Hilchot Shabbat/Pesach

Explore the questions relating to *Tefillah, Melacha* and other aspects of *Shabbat* observance. After *Chanukah*, the focus changes to *Hilchot Pesach*. Utilizing *Mishna B'rura* as the springboard for discussion, attention will be given to contemporary communal issues as well as personal questions.

Instructor: Rabbi Dr. Gerhon C. Gewirtz

Time: 8:00 ~ 8:45 am

Text: *Mishna B'rura* - available at Young Israel

Women's Study Group

A careful study of the *Nevi'im* using several published commentaries.

Instructor: Group participants

Time: Please check weekly *Shabbat* announcements

Torah Conferencing Network (TCN)

Instructor: Rabbi Yisroel Reisman

Time: *Motzai Shabbat* - time changes seasonally

First Session: October 25, 2008

Men and women are welcome

Monthly

◆ Friday Night “Tisch” with the Rabbi

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◆ Shabbat Mevorchim Shiur for Women

November - May

Following *Adom Olam*, the women of our community are encouraged to attend a special *Shabbat Mevorchim Shiur* in the Multi-Purpose Room on the 2nd floor. Speakers will be announced in advance of each month's *shiur*.