



# Congregation Zera Abraham

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Shabbos Parshas Miketz • Shabbos Chanukah • 28 Kislev • December 16

*This week's Kiddush is sponsored by Rabbi and Mrs. Avi and Sari Wilen*

*in honor of the birth of their granddaughter, Rochel Leah*

*\* Please remember to repeat Krias Shema after tzeis. \**

## Friday Night Minyan

This Week: Parshas Miketz, December 16<sup>th</sup>

Candlelighting: 4:19

Mincha: 4:24

Next Week: Parshas VaYigash, December 23<sup>rd</sup>

Candlelighting: 4:22

Mincha: 4:27

## Rosh Chodesh Teves

...will occur on Monday and Tuesday. A Gutten Chodesh!

## Likras Shabbos, Pirchei and Bnos

...there are none this week.

## Mazel Tov and Kiddush

Rabbi and Mrs. Avi Wilen and Rabbi and Mrs. Aharon Wilen invite the entire community to Kiddush after davening in the Shul, in honor of the birth of their daughter/granddaughter, Rochel Leah. Mazel Tov to the parents, grandparents and great-grandparents. May they have much yiddishe nachas.

## Mazel Tov and Kiddush

Rabbi and Mrs. Ahron Yisroel and Hadassah Wasserman invite the community to a kiddush in honor of their new granddaughter, this Shabbos, Shabbos Chanukah, to be held in Yeshiva after davening. Mazel Tov to parents, grandparents, and to the great-grandparents, HaRav Yitzchok Wasserman and Rebbetzin Reva Wasserman. May they have much yiddishe nachas!

## Boruch Dayan HaEmes – Moreinu HaGaon Rav Shteiman zatza”l

With broken hearts and a crying spirit, we mourn the passing of the leader of our generation, HaRav HaGoan Rabbeinu Aharon Leib Shteiman zatza”l. Hespeditim, delivered by the Rosh HaYeshiva HaRav Kagan, the Rov and others, will take place in the Shul on Wednesday evening, December 20, at 8:45 pm. Maariv at 8:30. May Hashem comfort all of Klal Yisroel among the mourners of Tzion and Yerushalaim.

## THIS TUESDAY NIGHT: Chanukah Mesiba/Joint Community Partners in Torah

Taking place of the night of Zos Chanukah, Tuesday night, December 19th, beginning with an exciting children’s fire and magic show at 5:45 and a guest speaker for the adults, followed by “decorate your own doughnut” for children and delicious refreshments at 6:30 and then music and dancing. Then starting at 7:15, there will be a special joint Partners in Torah learning session,

where both the Partners in Torah group which meets at the Shul, and the Partners in Torah group which meets at the Jewish Experience will all get together to learn and enjoy the tremendous ruach of Torah together! Followed by Maariv at 8:30.

## Menorah Lighting with our “Lichtige”

### Children

All children are invited to participate in the lighting of the Menorah in the Shul, each night of Chanukah between mincha and maariv, at

@ 4:45 p.m., accompanied by singing and nosh. If you would like to provide the nosh for an evening of Chanukah, please contact Rabbi Chaim Abrams at 303-667-9565.

## Motzoai Shabbos Melavas with a Shiur

The next Melave Malka for men with a shiur will take place Motzoai Shabbos, Parshas Vayigash, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, tentatively with a Shiur by Rabbi Avrohom Aver Jacobs, Rav Kehillas Bais Yisroel on the subject of Bris Milah, and for women, Motzoai Shabbos Parshas VaYechi, December 30<sup>th</sup>. Details will be forthcoming.

## Leil Shabbos Parsha Pilpul

The Leil Shabbos Parsha Pilpul will be held next week, Parshas VaYigash, and given by TBA. All men and bochorim are invited.

## Navi Shiur Resuming after Chanukah!

Series of Shiurim given on alternate Sunday evenings from 7:30 to 8:30 by R’ Yoil Unger. With the start of Sefer Yehoshua and now in Sefer Shoftim, through careful examination of the text, R’ Yoil expounds and explains the haftorah portions of the each sefer of Nach. This shiur is a remarkable opportunity for both men and women to obtain a keen and satisfying appreciation of the Nevi’im, and will allow the participants to experience the weekly haftoros



chanuka mesiba  
JOINT COMMUNITY  
Partners in Torah  
Tuesday Night, December 19th  
5:45 FIRE JUGGLER & MAGICIAN  
GUEST SPEAKER  
6:30 DONUT DECORATING &  
REFRESHMENTS  
MUSIC & DANCING  
7:15 PARTNERS IN TORAH  
8:30 MAARIV  
AT ZERA ABRAHAM  
1560 Winona Ct.

with a sense of reference and context. This is an interactive shiur, so be prepared to get involved! For questions and additional information please inquire with R' Yoil Unger. After Chanukah starting with Shiras Chanah.

### MB Glassman Avos U'Banim Melava Malka Next Motzei Shabbos, December 23rd

Please note change of schedule: Melava Malka will take place, Motzei Shabbos, Parshas Vayigash, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, at The JE Center, 6:45 – 8:30. Please see flyer for more details.

### Any Question, on Any Subject!

You can watch halacha come to life from the source. Ask any question and at the Shul Shalosh Seudos watch how a psak is formed from the gemora to modern day shalios. Submit your questions to RabbiSteinberg@zeraabraham.com and come be part of the sugya as your question is answered and discussed by all.

### This Shabbos: Attention Women and Girls

The next Shabbos M'Vorchim Dvar Torah will take place, I"H, December 16, Shabbos Chanukah, Parshas Mekeitz, 2:45pm at the home of Mrs. Chana Rudnick, 1400 Utica Street. The Speaker will be Mrs. Aliza Bulow. Please join us.

### Tefillah Series at Merkaz

Come join R' Chaim Sher and discover the power we all have! Join us every other Tuesday evening, to explore the Brachos of Shmonah Esrei. This next shiurim will take place Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, and January 2<sup>nd</sup>, at Merkaz, from 8:15 – 9:00 pm. Shiurim are open to men and women.

### MB Glassman Youth Shalosh Seudos

The M.B. Glassman Youth Shalosh Seudos program begins this week. Much thanks is expressed to all those who volunteered last year to supervise and have made this program possible. Please bear in mind that each father who has a boy who stays for Shalosh Seudos is asked to take a turn supervising. Much thanks is expressed to the M.B. Glassman Foundation and its officers for the recent generous renewal of sponsorship of this wonderful program. This week R' Dovid Sauer will supervise.

### YTC Bookstore

The store is fully stocked with all your Chanukah needs. Please call 720-881-2740 for an appointment.

### Michtav M'Eliyahu Chabura

Now, **each Sunday before Mincha**, there is a chabura learning the Sefer Michtav M'Eliyahu by Harav Eliyahu Dessler zt"l. Each week a specific topic of the Sefer is learned b'Chavrusa for 25 minutes, and followed by a 5-minute summary by the Rov. For information and chavrusos, please speak to the Rosh Chabura, R' Yisroel Yanez at 720-275-1014. Join this excellent and powerful chabura, an opportunity to glean from the timeless and provoking words of Rav Dessler and attain real development and growth in avodas Hashem.

### Parsha Delight and ספר מטעמי זרע אברהם

See the question below on the Parsha. Offer an acceptable answer to the Rov at the kiddush and receive a chocolate! Each week the answers for the previous week's Parsha Delight question will be printed in the newsletter. At the end of the year we will publish a compilation of the questions and answers. This program is for ages 5-105. Sponsored by East Side Kosher Deli.

### Kashrus Alert

Bell Peppers (any color) from Israel available at King Soopers stores in Denver. Bell Peppers (any color) from Israel are available at King Soopers stores in Denver. They can NOT be used unless proper tithing (hafroschas Terumos uMa'asros) has been performed. Please check all vegetables from any store and check if they originate from Israel. Any fruits, vegetables or other food items from Israel can NOT be used unless proper tithing (hafroschas Terumos uMa'asros) has been performed. For instruction how to separate Terumos uMa'asros see: [http://www.crcweb.org/kosher\\_articles/Terumah\\_Maaser\\_Separation\\_\(Dec%202016\).pdf](http://www.crcweb.org/kosher_articles/Terumah_Maaser_Separation_(Dec%202016).pdf)

### Newsletter E-mail List and

### Contact Information

Please e-mail all contributions, mazel tovs, sponsorships, etc. to [zera.abraham@gmail.com](mailto:zera.abraham@gmail.com) no later than Wednesday evening. E-mail ensures that nothing will be left out or misspelled. All entries will run for one week unless otherwise specified. The Shul reserves the right to omit or amend any submissions. To be added to the e-mail distribution list, please send an e-mail requesting to be included.

The flyer features a central image of a green and pink flower. Text on the flyer includes: 'Continuing this Week: BI-WEEKLY SHIUR on Navi by R' Yoil Unger', 'Now with Sefer Shoftim, through careful examination of the text, R' Yoil expounds and explains the haftorah portions of the each sefer of Nach. This shiur is a remarkable opportunity for both men and women to obtain a keen and satisfying appreciation of the Nevi'im, and allows the participants to experience the weekly haftoros with a sense of reference and context. This is an interactive shiur, so be prepared to get involved!', 'Alternate Sunday Evenings from 7:30 to 8:30 pm. Followed by Maariv.', 'For Men and Women.', 'Now continuing with Haftoros From Sefer Shoftim', and 'For more information, please contact R' Unger or the Rov.'

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## A Message from the Board

Dear Members,

Like most of us on the West Side, the Shul's roof received extensive damage and needs to be replaced. B"H the insurance company has agreed to replace the Shul roof. However, according to code, the insulation on the shul roof can no longer be flat, but must have a slight slope to drain the water. The problem the Shul runs into is when you add pitch to the roof it leads to the rooftop A.C. units on the roof being too low and therefore the units must be lifted off the roof by a crane and the stands raised and the units repositioned back on the roof. B"EH the insurance company will pay for this to happen.

While we could just reinstall all the current units we have, 3 of the units are on their last legs. The one in the Ezras Noshim no longer produces heat, and two more units will not last much longer. It would be the most economical to replace 3 units while the insurance is paying for the cranes and save the future cost of having to hire a crane.

The cost of three new units is approximately \$25,000. Once we are doing new units, it would be fitting to finally put a proper unit into the Rov's office so that the Rov could have proper quiet and efficient heating and air-conditioning. It would also be beneficial to explore cooling in the kitchen during the summer months. It would be nice to only bake items in the ovens, not those trying to bake them.

The shul B"H, under the leadership of the Rov, has created many wonderful programs during the year which the Shul does not charge to attend. There is also the weekly Kiddush and winter Shalosh Seudos, which when not sponsored the costs add up very quickly.

The Shul has depleted most of its reserve funds and once we are engaging the membership in a capital campaign drive it would make sense to simultaneously raise fund for programming. The board has set the target amount at \$50,000.

Attached are pledge forms for members to fill out to pledge to help us raise our goal. The pledges can be spread out over time. We ask all to pledge what they can with the idea of paying them over the next two years. For example: If one were to pledge \$50 a month for two years, such a pledge would go greatly towards reaching our goal.

Please return your pledge for to any board member. We thank you in advance for your generosity in helping maintain the Shul, so that we can all reach our full potential together.

Sincerely,

**The Board of Zera Abraham**

### Pledge Form

#### Donor Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Billing address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

#### Pledge Information

I (we) pledge a total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be paid:  now  monthly  quarterly  yearly.

I (we) plan to make this contribution in the form of:  cash  check  credit card  automatic bank withdrawl.

Credit card number \_\_\_\_\_

Credit card expiration, code \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized signature \_\_\_\_\_

Signature(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: CZA, 1560 Winona Court, Denver, CO 80204

### Shabbos Davening and Learning

Likras Shabbos .....	Rabbi Berkowitz .....	next week
Candlelighting .....		4:18
Mincha/Kabalas Shabbos .....		4:23
Ateres .....	Seidenfeld home .....	4:20
<b>Parsha Pilpul .....</b>	<b>Rabbi Seligman at his home ....</b>	<b>8:00</b>
Mishna Berura .....	Rav Steinberg .....	8:00
Shacharis .....		8:30
Sof Zman Krias Shema .....		8:56, 9:32
Bnos .....		next week
Pirchei .....		next week
Sefer HaChinuch .....	R' Hillel Erlanger .....	1:50-2:10
Daf Yomi .....	R' Yoil Unger .....	2:10-3:10
Shiur- Maseches Pesachim .....	Rabbi Rosskamm .....	3:10-4:10
Shiur – Sugya Kiddush b'Makom Seuda	Rav Steinberg .....	3:10-4:10
Mincha .....		4:10
Maariv .....		5:27
Tefilla Shiur .....	Rabbi Hoffman .....	after maariv
Avos U'Bonim .....	at YTC .....	6:30-7:15

### Weekday Davening

Shacharis Sunday .....		6:30
..... Monday and Thursday .....		6:10
..... Tues. Wed. and Friday .....		6:20
Mincha .... Sunday-Thursday .....	<b>4:25</b> followed by shiur	
1 <sup>st</sup> Maariv Sunday-Thursday .....	after Mincha	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Maariv Sunday-Thursday .....		8:30

### Weekday Learning

Daf Yomi .....	R' Yoil Unger .....	M-F .....	5:20 am
.....	R' Yanez & R' Joseph .....	M-F .....	7:10 am
.....	R' Yoil Unger .....	Sun .....	7:20 am
Kinyan Masechta Kesubos .....	Rav Steinberg .	M-Th .....	7:30-8:30 pm
Kinyan Masechta Review .....	Rav Steinberg .	Sun .....	9:00 am
Chabura Michtav M'Eliyahu .	R' Y. Yanez .....	Sun .....	6:20 pm
Night Seder .....		Sun-Thurs .....	7:30 pm
Partners in Torah .....		Tues .....	7:30 pm