



# ISLAND SYNAGOGUE

Rabbi Jonathan Horowitz

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF THE WILLIE & CELIA TRUMP SYNAGOGUE

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## SHABBAT VAYERA

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November 2 – November 3, 2012

Friday Night Candle Lighting	6:19 PM
Mincha/Evening Services	6:19 PM
Shacharit/Morning Services	9:00 AM
Woman's Torah Study Group given	5:30 PM
Rabbi's Torah Class	5:35 PM
Mincha/ Afternoon Services	6:19 PM
Maariv / Havdala	7:22 PM

And G-d appeared to him in the plains of Mamre while he was sitting in the doorway of the tent in the heat of the day. (18:1)

Rashi explains that Mamre receives honorable mention in this parsha because Abraham consulted with him before circumcising himself. The question immediately arises: Why would Abraham, the supremely faithful servant of G-d, deem it necessary to consult with one of his followers before obeying God's commandment?

The Maharal explains that the thought of disobeying the commandment certainly never crossed Abraham's mind. He was concerned, however, that cynics and scoffers would accuse him of rashness and lack of forethought. Had Abraham but taken a moment to think it through or discuss it with more levelheaded people, they would say, he would never have done such a foolhardy thing. The act of circumcision, then, would have been a source of derision rather than sanctification of the Name of G-d.

To prevent this, Abraham made a public show of careful deliberation and consultation with others. Now, no one would be able to claim he had rushed headstrong into something he would later regret. Thus, his consultation with Mamre was not to allay any doubts he might have entertained, but to ensure that his actions bring only honor to the Name of G-d.

Similarly, the Maharal explains, we find that G-d caused the journey of Abraham and Isaac to the Akeidah to take three full days(22:4). Why so long? Once again, it was to counteract those who might claim that G-d's command had so completely disconcerted Abraham that he had consented to sacrifice his son while not in full control of his faculties. But a

### Weekly Services Schedule

#### Morning Services

Monday-Friday 7:00 AM

Sunday and Holidays 8:00 A.M.

#### Evening Services

Sunday–Thursday

Week of Nov 4 5:10 PM

Week Of Nov 11 5:10 PM

**Friday evening: Friday evening services for the duration of fall and winter will take place the same time as candle lighting.**

#### Shabbat

9:00 A.M.

Shabbat (Saturday) evening services will take place at the same time posted for Friday's evening's candle lighting.

three day journey would certainly have allowed him ample opportunity to regain his senses; nonetheless he did not turn back. Clearly then, his readiness to sacrifice his only son was a carefully considered act of supreme faith.

Shabbat Shalom

*Rabbi Jonathan Horowitz*

Kiddush

The Kiddush this week is a Synagogue sponsored Kiddush.

Everyone is Invited

Bloomington/ Synagogue Fundraiser

Save the dates November 7th- November 11. Take advantage and receive 20% off on all purchases (plus our synagogue will receive 10% of all that you buy during this period)

We will have in addition an exciting cocktail/ fashion show at Bloomington.

Details to follow

Contact Marilyn Cohen for more information (305)466-5524

“Top Drawer” Chanukah Sale

A “Must Attend” Event!

The Women’s Torah Study Group Invites you to support the Willie and Celia Trump Synagogue Bikur Cholim Society

Unique New Gifts

- Personal Accessories
- Decorative Home Accessories

Sunday November 18 10AM to 2:30 PM

At the Willie and Celia Trump Synagogue

Sponsored by: Marilyn Estreicher, Joanne Hamburger, Edith Hold, Esther Levy, Menucha Meinstein

Yahrtzeits

THE FOLLOWING YAHRTZEITS WILL BE OBSERVED IN THE COMING WEEK (November 4- November 10)

Leo Fiedler (Father of Trina London)

20 Cheshvan (Nov 5)

Albert (Father of Andrea Frohlich)

22 Cheshvan (November 7)

Herman Litsky (Father of Bob Litsky)

24 Cheshvan (November 9)

MANY THANKS

Many thanks to Dr Reuven Rosen for reading the Torah on Shabbat when the Rabbi was away in Israel. Many Thanks to Jose Tabacnic & Stanley Cohen for reading the Torah during the week (Monday & Thursday) of the Rabbi’s absence.



For Assistance from the Bikur Cholim Society Contact Menucha Meinstein (305) 788-6302 menucha@meinstein.net

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- James & Brenda Westbrook

If you wish to be included in this group, please contact Janice Horowitz 305 932 1388

Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting will take place Tuesday November 6,

7:30 PM

At the Synagogue

All members are invited