



# Table Talk



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## Birthdays



- Charlotte Moore
- Abbie Kramrisch
- Gabrielle Lebovits
- Jaymes Magid
- Joshua Bor
- Ellie Hyman
- Olivia Cowan
- Olivia Johnson
- Talia Simpson
- Chloe Taylor
- Michaela Wyner
- Ben Addlestone
- Libby Fridhaim
- Georgia Levine
- Georgina Yaffe

## A Bite of Inspiration

### Parashat Vayakhel-Pekudei

*"Every man whose heart inspired him came and everyone whose spirit motivated him brought the portion of Hashem for the work of the Tent of Meeting."*

The Mishkan was an impressive structure, and when Moses called the people to come participate in its construction, he was taking a big chance. The people were not trained architects or builders. Most of these people did not know the difference between a hammer and a screwdriver. Somehow the people found it within their nature to do what they were called upon to do. They had the inspiration and initiative that it took to get the job done. More than skill, a person needs ambition.

The greatest key to success is not necessarily the training. It is the ambition and initiative to do something. If one looks at the great people in the world, if one looks at those who have made financial fortunes –

most, if not all such people achieved their greatness thanks to their tremendous drive and initiative. The people who have the guts and gumption to accomplish the lofty goals they set out for themselves are those who succeed. When Moshe asked for volunteers to build a Mishkan, people came forth willing to try and determined that they would succeed. Ambition. Initiative. Gall. These are the keys to success. Ironically when Moses hid his face at the Burning Bush he was rebuked. He was not acting properly at that moment. Had he not hid his face then, had he had a little more "chutzpah" and ambition at that moment, G-d would have revealed all the secrets of the world to Moshe a desire that Moshe later had, but was denied. Such is the beauty and power of initiative and ambition.

### After Dinner Quotes

Keep away from those who try to belittle your ambitions. Small people always do that, but the really great make you believe that you too can become great.

I do not fear failure. I only fear the "slowing up" of the engine inside of me which is pounding, saying, "Keep going, someone must be on top, why not you?"



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## Side Dish

### French

The French Department have been contacted by an 11-18 year old Jewish School in Paris with a view to an exchange of letters or e-mails between their French and our English Language students. Some Yavneh Boys and Girls have already sent their first letters, describing

their families and hobbies. Some have already received replies. The pupils here write in French and receive replies in English. We hope that these friendships by correspondence will lead to visits to each other's homes and will of course improve our pupils language skills and their understanding of life in France.

## Celebrating Success



Well done to Joshua Hayes and Chantelle Isaacs for their Semi Final places in the Manchester Badminton Championships.

### Key Stage 3 Swim Gala

Well done to Years 8 & 9 who won their relay races.

