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Celebrating our 28th year

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DAVENING SCHEDULE**Friday**Candle Lighting: 4:29 pm
Mincha: 4:30 pm**Shabbos Day**Shacharis: 8:30 am
Mincha: 4:15 pm
Maariv: 5:45 pm
Shabbos is over after: 5:59 pm
Father/Son Learning: 7:30 pm**Sunday**Shacharis: 8:00 am
Mincha/Maariv: 4:30 pm**Monday-Friday**Shacharis: 6:30 am
Mincha/Maariv followed by
Bais Medrash: 4:30 pm**Chanukah begins this Wednesday night.****Menorah lighting in between****Mincha/Maariv Wednesday and Thursday night.****Next Shabbos — Miketz**Candle Lighting: 4:26 pm
Friday Mincha: 4:30 pm**This Shabbos**

- Bar Mitzvah of Avraham Bluestein. Kiddush sponsored by his parents, Chaim and Rivka Bluestein.
- Shalosh Seudos sponsored by Jerry and Eileen Rosenbaum in honor of Jerry's 70th birthday.
- 7:30-8:30 pm. Father/Son Learning.
- 8 pm. Saving and Investing talk with Jay Taffel. Nancy Taffel Annex.

Mazel Tov to

- Chaim and Rivka Bluestein on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Avraham. May they

be zocheh l'gadlo l'Torah l'chupah ul'maasim tovim.

- Jerry Rosenbaum in honor of his 70th birthday.

Saving and Investing

This motzei Shabbos, November 23, at 8 pm in the Nancy Taffel Annex, Jay Taffel will lead a discussion about the importance of saving and investing money when you are younger. (So IY"H you'll have something when you're older.)

We will talk about the power of compound interest, what exactly are stocks, ETFs and mutual funds, and the different types of investment and retirement accounts that are available.

If you know nothing about investing, then this discussion is for you. The talk is geared for post-seminary and post-yeshiva young adults, but all are welcome.

Father/Son Learning

Father/Son Learning has begun. Join us every Motzei Shabbos from 7:30 to 8:30 pm. It's a wonderful way to hold onto the Kedusha from Shabbos as you and your son(s) share this special time together. Pizza and refreshments will be available from 8 to 8:30, accompanied by stories of our holy Tzaddikim.

We meet upstairs, in the newly renovated Bais Midrash. We're also looking for sponsors for this year's learning cycle.

Chanukah Carnival

The Second Annual TY Chanukah Carnival is around the corner, and we're looking for a few good volunteers to make this an amazing event for the little kids in our kehilla. The carnival will be held on December 1 from 1 to 3 pm and we are recruiting for:

- 16-20 volunteers age 12+ to spend an hour (either 1-2 pm or 2-3 pm) running a carnival game and handing out raffle tickets to the lucky winners

- 1-2 hardy men for set-up and breakdown of carnival games. Set-up will be motzei Shabbos on November 30. Breakdown will happen at 3 pm on December 1

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Debbie or David Schwartz at debora_schwartz@usa.net or call 443-660-7030. If you would like to help sponsor the carnival, please contact Shelly Cohen, either at shelly.g.cohen@gmail.com or 443-676-9439.

Focus on Chesed

Rabbi Goldberger gives a shiur in the Sefer Ahavas Chesed by the Chofetz Chaim. The men's shiur is right after maariv on Sunday night (about 5:20 pm). The women's shiur is Monday nights from 8:15 to 9:05 pm.

If you ordered a book from Yisrael Bethea, please contact him. All books have arrived.

Baruch Dayan HaEmes

Congregation Tiferes Yisroel is saddened to learn of the passing of Shirley Schnidman, mother of our dear member, Judy Schnidman Katz.

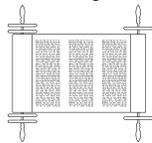
The funeral was held in Rochester, New York, on Thursday, November 21, and Judy is sitting shiva at her home, 6001 Stuart Avenue, from Motzei Shabbos, November 23, until Wednesday morning, November 27. For anyone from out of town who may wish to contact Judy, you can call her at 410-358-0440.

May Judy and her entire family be comforted among all the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

This week's Lev Echad is in honor of:

The Taffels

The Weekly Parsha



The Wrong Kind of Joy

By Yehonasan Gefen
(from shortvort.com)

“And Yosef dreamt a dream, which he told to his brothers, and they hated him even more. And he said to them, ‘please hear the dream that I dreamt: Behold, we were binding sheaves in the middle of the field, when, behold, my sheaf arose and also stood; then behold, your sheaves gathered around and bowed down to my sheaf.’” The beginning of the Parsha relates the sequence of events that led to the sale of Yosef. The Torah tells us that the brothers hated Yosef because they saw that Yaakov loved him more than all of them. When Yosef related the contents of his first dream to his brothers, their hatred of him increased. The Torah states: “And they hated him more, because of his dreams and because of his words.” The commentaries ask that since the Torah already stated that they hated him because of his dreams, what does the clause, “because of his words,” refer to?

Rav Moshe Sternbuch shlita answers this by quoting the Meshech Chachma. The Meshech Chachma writes that three times in Yosef’s account of the dream, he says, “Behold!” He brings a Sifri that when the word “Behold” is used in the Torah, it is associated with joy. Yosef expressed joy at every stage of the dream, and because of this joy at the events of the dream, the brothers hated him even more. Thus, the clause, “because of his words” does not refer to the actual content of the dream, rather the way in which he told it over to them — with such joy. It still remains unclear why the brothers should hate him for being happy about having success — that would seem to be quite understandable. Rav Sternbuch explains that the brothers perceived that Yosef’s joy was not only because of his own success that was predicted in the dream, rather also the fact that they would not achieve the same success. It was this perceived attitude of joy at their expense that caused them to hate him even more. Rav Sternbuch continues to discuss the Torah approach to this form of joy — joy at the failings of one’s fellow. He writes, “It is a fundamental tenet that when HaKadosh Baruch Hu gives power, wealth, or honor to a person, he should thank HaShem, but if he is only happy because he got it and his fellow did not — this is a forbidden form of joy.”

Whether Yosef really felt this forbidden type of joy is unclear, however, the Netsiv writes that even Yaakov Avinu was susceptible to this challenge: In the episode at

the end of Parshas Toldos, Yaakov tricked his father into giving him the blessings. The Netsiv explains that this was a kind of “aveiro lishma” — a sin that was done purely for the right reasons, and thus was the correct way to act in these specific circumstances.

The Netsiv notes, however, that Yaakov was punished for the pain that his trickery caused Esav; when Esav heard that Yaakov had taken the blessings, he let out a tremendous cry of pain. Chazal say that measure for measure, Yaakov’s descendant, Mordechai, let out a similar kind of cry when Haman, Esav’s descendant, decreed the destruction of the Jewish people. The Netsiv notes that Yitzchak Avinu also endured great pain when he heard that he had been tricked — he trembled greatly when he realized what had happened. Why, then, was Yaakov not punished for the pain he caused Yitzchak, whilst he was punished for that which he inflicted on Esav?

He answers that Yaakov had absolutely no pleasure at the pain that he caused Yitzchak in deceiving him, therefore he was not punished for the pain that Yitzchak experienced. However, he felt some measure of happiness at Esav’s distress. Accordingly, he was punished for that element of joy he felt at Esav’s loss. Thus, we see, according to the Netsiv, that even Yaakov Avinu, on some slight level, was subject to the feeling of joy at success at the expense of someone else. Rav Sternbuch’s lesson; that joy at someone else’s expense lies at the very centre of the Torah attitude to interpersonal relationships. It is well-known that the most fundamental Mitzvo in this realm is that of “Love your neighbor like yourself.” One of the most basic aspects of this Mitzvo is that one should develop a desire for his fellow man to succeed just as much as he wants that for himself. It seems that an attitude of joy at one’s fellow’s failures represents the antithesis of the essence of the Mitzvo. Indeed, the Rambam seems to express this point in his discussion of this Mitzvo: He ends by saying that a person who feels joy at the failure or degradation of his fellow has no place in the World to Come. It seems that the secular attitude and the Torah outlook clash greatly in this area. In the secular world, there is a strong emphasis on competition, and the idea of “each man for himself.” Sports, in particular ingrain a desire to “beat” the other person. It is very common for sports fans to be as happy at the defeat of their rival as they are joyous at their own victory. Moreover, in many areas of life, there is a great stress on succeeding, and this often involves overcoming or defeating others. The Torah outlook also emphasizes succeeding in life, but the Torah’s definition of success does not include “defeating” other people. In fact, a large aspect of a Torah Jew’s success is his

ability to work as a unit with his fellow Jews. This is based on a recognition that all Jews are part of one spiritual entity, and therefore the success of one part of that entity means success for all the other parts as well. This concept is applied to Jewish law. For example, on joyous occasions, the prayer of Tachanun is omitted. This is not limited to one’s own happy occasions, rather if there is a single person in the Minyan who is celebrating a happy event, then the whole Minyan is exempt from Tachanun — this is because his joy is shared by everyone else present. This is even the case when the other members of the Minyan do not know the person! This teaches us how we should view such events.

We learn from the explanations of the Meshech Chachma and Rav Sternbuch that having joy because of the downfall of one’s fellow, is something worthy of disdain. May we all merit to avoid this attitude, and fulfill the Mitzvo to love our neighbor to the fullest extent.

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Goldman Vort

Mazel tov to Yaakov and Batsheva Goldman on the engagement of their daughter, Tali, to Zev Goldberg, of Potomac, MD, son of Gary Goldberg and Beth Kalmenson. There will be a vort to celebrate the engagement Sunday, November 24, from 7 to 9:30 pm at the Etz Chaim Center, 3702 Fords Lane. Please feel free to stop in after the Ner Yisroel banquet. May they be zoche to build a bayis ne’eman b’Yisrael!

Coming Up

- **December 1:** Chanukah carnival.
- **December 7:** Camp Shabbos.
- **December 21:** Camp Shabbos.

Taharas Hamishpacha Classes with the Rebbetzin

Join Rebbetzin Bracha Goldberger for a taharas hamishpacha review with focus on building and enjoying strong loving everlasting Jewish marriages.

Classes are given on Sunday evenings from 8 to 9:30. Part 1 — Building Strong Marriages, November 24. Part 2 — Halachos of Taharas Hamishpacha, December 8 and 22, and January 5.

There is no fee for shul members.

Call Rivka Bluestein at 410-585-0314 or email bluestein1@juno.com to register.

focus on Chesed

What Can Tiferes Yisroel Members Do?

Organize groups to visit elderly and homebound people in our community

Organize making homegrown fruits and vegetables available to our shul community from the many people in our shul who have gardens in their yards

Organize a tape, book and toy exchange

Take a Shalom Bayis class (because chesed begins at home). Classes are for women and are Sundays from 8 to 9:30 pm

Learn with the rest of the kehilla from the book "Ahavas Chesed" ("Love of Kindness"), by the Chofetz Chaim ZTZ"l. The men's shiur is right after maariv on Sunday nights (about 5:20 pm). The women's shiur is Monday nights from 8:15 to 9:05 pm

Keep a journal and each day write an entry of one chesed you did on that day

What else can we do? Contact the Rabbi with suggestions.

Community

- **November 22-23:** Jewish Encounters in the Hellenistic Era. Friday Night Oneg, "The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Hasmoneans" by Dr. Lawrence H. Schiffman, 7:45 pm in the G. Leonard Rubin Beis Midrash, Shomrei. Shabbos afternoon, "The Translation of the Torah into Greek — Good for the Jews or Bad for the Jews? It Depends Whom You Ask" by Dr. Moshe J. Bernstein. 3:30 pm, Shomrei Main Shul.
- **November 23:** Women's shiur in memory of Chaya Malka Barkai and Esther Nechama Margolese. Sefer HaChinnuch, led by Dr. Dovid Clay. Home of Joyce Dreyfuss, 3820 Menlo Drive, each Shabbos at 3:30 pm. All women and high school girls are invited.
- **November 23:** Rabbi Katz lecture, Progress without Peace, Suburban, 8 pm. No class next week.
- **November 24:** Completion of the new Bais Medrash at Mesivta Neimus Hatorah, 6911 Park Heights Avenue. Short program including Divrei Brocha from Rabbi Tzvi Teichman followed by lively dancing. Light refreshments. 9:45 am.
- **November 24:** WIT Chanukah Yom Iyun. Lecture by Mrs. Aliza Bulow from Denver at 10 am followed by a video presentation from Yerushalayim of Rabbanit Yemima Mizrahi. BJSZ. No charge for WIT members; nonmembers, \$10 per class. For more information, please contact WIT at witbaltimore@verizon.net or 410-358-2545.
- **November 25:** Blasé Day. Who cares?
- **December 1:** Who Knows 5. Chanuka concert. Etz Chaim, 8 pm, \$10.
- **December 4:** Chanukah Car Parade and Menorah Lighting. 6 pm. Leaving from Cheder Chabad, winding through Park Heights, down 83 south and ending up at the Inner Harbor for Giant Menorah Lighting Ceremony with city dignitaries and community leaders. Live music, refreshments, latkes and sufganiot.
- **December 4:** CHANA presents the Second Annual Speaker Series — Journeys of Professional Jewish Women with Rebbetzin Dr. Miriam Marwick. \$36/session. Light refreshments, dietary laws observed. 7-9 pm, Park Heights JCC, To register, visit chanabaltimore.org/speakerseries2013. For more information, please contact Ellen Fox at efox@associated.org or 410-234-0030.
- **December 14:** Girls' Night Out, performances for women by women, vocal and instrumental. Sign up at 7:30 pm. 8-10 pm, Park Heights JCC.
- **December 14:** Wine and cheese tasting and art auction with Marlan Art Auctioneers. Melava Malka begins at 8 and auction at 9 pm. \$25/person in advance, \$30/person at the door. RSVP re.stlichtman@gmail.com or call 410-358-3674. Suburban Orthodox.

PUSHKA CAMPAIGN

Sign up by emailing shlomhuva@aol.com. The pushka challenge is to put whatever amount of money one is able into a pushka every day or as often as possible. The recommended amount is only 36 cents a day.

When your pushka is full, please empty it into a ziplock bag marked with your name, and drop it into our locked mailbox at 3310 W. Strathmore Avenue. If it is difficult for you to drop it off, please contact Shlomo and Ahuva Goldberger at 410-358-4456 to arrange a pickup. If you need a shul pushka, you may take one from the shul window sill, and they will be replenished as needed.

Latest contributors:

Lev Avraham and Rachel Rosenstock

Running total: \$690.50

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Mordecai Zev and Aviva

Margolese

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Donation

- In honor of the engagement of Tali Goldman, daughter of Yaakov and Batsheva Goldman, to Zev Goldberg, of Potomac, Maryland, by Ari and Caryn Blum

Refuah Shalaimah to

- Karen Rosenfelt, Chaya bas Sheindel
- Karen Eisenberg, Keren bas Levana Yuta
- Raizy Cohen, Raiselle bas Sarah
- Shaya Cohen, Yeshaya Lev ben Shelly Gabriella
- Hillel Zeitlin, Hillel Mordechai ben Miriam

Yizkor Donation

- Dov and Tayna Goldstein

Yahrzeits

Giving tzedakah in the name of the departed has the power to elevate their soul. When you give charity on behalf of your loved one, consider giving to Tiferes Yisroel. And may the soul of your loved one be bound in the bond of life, together with the souls of Avraham, Yitzchak and Yaakov; Sarah, Rivka, Rachel and Leah; and together with the other righteous men and women in Gan Eden.

Sidney Morrison, Schneur ben Shlomo HaKohen a"h, 21 Kislev, father of Elliott Morrison a"h
 Barry Y. Moss, Baruch Yehuda ben Chaim HaLevi a"h, 22 Kislev, father of R. Laurence Moss
 Isidore Benjamin Chaim Frank, Chaim Binyamin Yitzchak ben Gerschon a"h, 23 Kislev, father of Glenna Ross
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If you are looking for a job or know of one at your office, please contact our shul liaison, Yehudis Gruber, gruber.jennifer.e@gmail.com, or Elly Lasson, executive director, at Joblink, 410-602-8700, elasson@joblinkemployment.com.

No Peanuts! The shul is peanut-free. In consideration of our members with peanut allergies, please refrain from bringing peanut products into the shul.

Sponsorships. To arrange your sponsorship, email levechad@tiferesyisroel.org or go to www.tiferesyisroel.org and click donate. Please send your donation to Congregation Tiferes Yisroel, 6201 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215.

To sponsor Shemen Lamaor for a month or the Lev Echad, Camp Shabbos or Father/Son Learning for a week, the donation is \$36.

For the following, please contact Nisan Blaxberg at 410-358-3943 or inn8doc@aol.com.

Siddur \$50

Chumash \$75

Yahrzeit Plaque \$300

Other seforim may be dedicated as well.

Ride G'mach. Call the Ride G'mach at 410-358-RIDE (7433). We need ride offers when anyone drives interstate, any direction. Not door-to-door, just city-to-city. Often, Chesed of Boro Park calls, needing a ride to/from New York for people with medical appointments in Baltimore hospitals.

Mitzvah Cards. For \$18, you get four cards that you can mail out yourself. For \$10, we will send the card out for you, and your donation will be announced in the Lev Echad.

Contact Glenna Ross at 410-358-1687 or e-mail glenna@tiferesyisroel.org.

Shul Rentals. To reserve the use of the shul's simcha hall or Nancy Taffel Annex, please contact Eileen Rosenbaum at 410-764-8443 or eileen@tiferesyisroel.org.

There is no fee to reserve the date. For availability, go to www.tiferesyisroel.org, and click on the "Calendar" button on the left. This online calendar is kept up-to-date continuously.

TY Shiurim Schedule**Sunday:**

- 9:30-10:15 am: Men's **Gemara Megilla** shiur given by the Rabbi. Rashi, selected Tosfos and Maharsha following Shacharis.
- 10-10:45 am: **Women's Tehillim** gathering for cholim (Nancy Taffel Annex).

Monday:

- 6:45-7:45 pm: Rambam Hilchos Ishus. Given by Jay Taffel. Upstairs Beis Midrash. On hiatus.

Tuesday:

- One hour before mincha: **Gemara Chulin.** The 8th perek dealing with the meat and bones and blood of kashrus, given by Jay Taffel. Upstairs Beis Midrash.

Daily (Monday-Friday):

- Every morning following davening — a chabura for strengthening Hebrew reading with **Nesivos Shalom.** With *fresh hot coffee!*
- Monday through Thursday between mincha and maariv: Rabbi Goldberger teaching **Tur Bais Yosef** on Hilchos Chanukah.
- Sunday through Thursday evening after mincha/maariv for 15 minutes — Rabbi Goldberger shiur for men. **Sfas Emes** on the parsha.
- 8-9 pm: Nightly men's bais medrash. Sunday through Thursday.

Shabbos:

- 8-8:30 am: Mishnayos Chabura. **Nezikin.**

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