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DAVENING SCHEDULE**Friday:**

Candle Lighting: 4:58pm
Friday Mincha: 5:00pm

Shabbos Day כ"ח טבת תשס"ט

Mishna Chabura (Sanhedrin): 8:00am
Shachris (Mevorchim Shevat): 8:30am
Youth Minyan: 9:00am
Mincha: 4:40pm
Sunset: 5:18pm
Maariv: 6:25pm
Shabbos is over after: 6:29pm
Father / Son Learning: 7:30pm

**THERE WILL BE A DAILY MINCHA /
MAARIV AT THE SHUL SUNDAY
THROUGH THURSDAY AT 5:00PM.
PLEASE CALL MORDECHAI BELECK
IF YOU CAN ATTEND REGULARLY
OR A FEW TIMES A WEEK**

Sunday:

Shacharis: 8:00am
Mincha / Maariv: 5:00pm

Monday – Rosh Chodesh Shevat:

Shachris: 6:20am
Mincha / Maariv: 5:00pm

Tuesday - Friday:

Shachris: 6:30am
Mincha / Maariv (M-Th): 5:00pm

Next Shabbos-Parshas Va'era:

Candle Lighting: 4:58pm
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MAZAL TOV!!

➤ To Bruce & Sandra Orman, and Abbey and Marc Berman on the birth of a grandson to Gidon and Bracha Orman in New York. ידי רצון שתזכו להכניסו בבריתו של אברהם אבינו בזמנו ולגדלו לתורה לחופה ולמעשים טובים

Yasher Koach

➤ Much thanks to Rebbetzin Bracha for organizing the card making for the soldiers at the Goldberger home. Yasher Koach to all who attended and participated. More cards and money were taken to Israel for the chayalim by Joan Kristall this past week. Please take a look at the beautiful thank you note from Gabi Nachmani and Livnot to the shul in the most recent Where What When supplement. It's also posted on the door to the men's side of the shul.

➤ The film shown at shul this past week on the rebuilding of Kever Yoseph was outstanding and educational. Dovid Haivri from the Shomron Regional Council was our guest and his words were quite inspiring. We had a good turnout, as well. The rabbi will be receiving information about one of the Shomron communities soon from Dovid Haivri regarding planting trees there on Tu B'shvat. Thank you to the rebbetzin for organizing the evening and to all who helped out.

TY Shiurim News

➤ Rabbi Pinchas Goldfinger's Sunday night Navi Shiur has been discontinued.
➤ Rebbetzin Goldberger's Tehillim session will resume from 11:15- 12 in the 2nd floor Beis Midrash
➤ Rebbetzin Goldberger will not be giving her Tefillah shiur on Sunday
➤ Reb Shlomo Goldberger's Hilchos Shabbos Shiur will resume in February

This Shabbos

➤ **January 23- 25:** Baruch Haba B'Shem Hashem- The Koidenover Rebbe will be visiting our community from Bnei Brak for Shabbos Parshas Vaera. We would like to welcome the Rebbe Friday night Jan.23 (Parshas Vaera) as he join us at Tiferes Yisroel for Mincha/Kabbalas Shabbos as well as Sunday morning, Jan 25th for Shacharis. After Shacharis he will be available (9-10am) for private consultations and brachos

➤ **January 24:** Shalosh Seudos sponsored by Suzanne Kayne and her sisters for their father's yahrzeit.

On the Horizon

➤ **January 31:** Shalosh Seudos - sponsored by Fred and Rena Levi on the occasion of the yahrzeit of Rena's father.

➤ **February 7:** Shalosh Seudos sponsored by Michael Gordet in honor of his mother's yahrzeit.

➤ **February 15:** 1-2:30 pm. Upsherin for Yissochar Shalom Blaxberg at the shul - sponsored by his parents Nisan and Meira Blaxberg

➤ **March 22:** 23rd Anniversary Banquet honoring Efraim Katz, Judy Schnidman and Elaine Witman

The TY family needs your help.

This is an opportunity to expand the base of support for TY beyond our own members. If each of us thinks of three to five businesses and asks them to place an ad in the journal, the worst that can happen is that they will say no. If they say yes, everybody wins: they get their names out, more people hear about our amazing kehillah and the shul gets support for our programs. Don't be shy, call Judy Schnidman (410-358-0440) or e-mail (judyschnidman@hotmail.com) for ideas, encouragement or just to brainstorm ways to get more advertising.

This week's Lev Echad is sponsored by:

➤ Lenny & Glenna Ross, in honor of Pinchas & Illana Goldfinger for their tireless efforts on behalf of the Shul.

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Rabbi Elly Broch

Give It Your All

"Amram took Yocheved his aunt as a wife, and she bore him Aaron and Moshe. This is the Aaron and Moshe to whom G-d said, 'Take the children of Israel out of Egypt according to their legions.' They are the ones who spoke to Pharaoh, King of Egypt, to take the Children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; this is Moshe and Aaron." (Shemos/Exodus 6:20, 26-27)

Rashi observes the variation of the order in which Moshe and Aaron are mentioned; there are places where Aaron is mentioned before Moshe and others where it is reversed. Rashi explains that this occurs because the brothers were considered equal in greatness. Although a fascinating sentiment, how is it possible to equate Aaron to Moshe, the greatest leader of the Jewish Nation, whom G-d Himself declared as the supreme prophet and one who surpassed all in humility? Further, Moshe alone was chosen to give over the Torah to the people of Israel.

Rabbi Moshe Feinstein (1) explains that certainly Moshe was objectively greater than Aaron in his spiritual achievements and intensity of closeness to his Creator. However, Aaron fulfilled his potential to the best of his ability and harnessed all his talents in serving G-d. They both fulfilled all they were capable of achieving and were, therefore, equal in the Divine Perspective. Thus, he merited to be compared to his brother Moshe.

The Talmud (Bava Basra 10b) states that when Rabbi Yosef was soon to leave this world, his father, Rabbi Yehoshua, asked him what he could see. "An upside down world," he answered. "The elevated people are lowly and the lowly are honored." This reveals to us that there are those who in this world enjoy an elevated and respected position who in the next world are not accorded such great honor.

In contrast, there are those who are lowly, poor and despised in this world, but achieve great recognition in the next world. The Talmud teaches us that only G-d knows a person's abilities and potential, only He can determine if he is utilizing his talents to the fullest. Therefore, the results and achievements expected from different people are different. There may be individuals who do not seem to generate results or accomplish a great deal, due to some personal constraints, but who invest themselves fully in their lives. There are others who may possess numerous talents and abilities who can achieve great accolades even without fully engaging themselves. They may experience an abundance of rewards, honors and recognition in this world but may be disappointed in the afterlife, when G-d relates to them according to their unrealized potential.

We live in an externally-oriented world in which only tangible results count, causing us to define achievement in superficial terms. Those who are talented, cunning and visibly productive are respected, whereas those who do not are overlooked. Appreciating another's inherent worth is not an employment situation, where one qualifies only if he can perform the requisite tasks at hand. G-d gives each of His children the tools he needs for life; success in Jewish terms is defined by growth accomplished and effort expended given the tools this individual has at his disposal. Regardless of the quantitative output, a person who sincerely strives and struggles is a spiritual success.

TY Shiurim Schedule

Sunday:

- Men's Gemara Brachos shiur given by the Rabbi. פירק ה', Rashi, selected Tosfos and Maharsha- following Shacharis.
- 11:15 – 12:00: Tehillim gathering for cholim for women
- 11–12pm: Rebbetzin's class on Tefillah, for women.
- 8- 8:45pm Hilchos Shabbos Shiur, given by R' Shlomo Goldberger, with the Sefer Shmiras Shabbos K'Hilchesa. All men are invited to attend.

Monday:

- Rambam Shiur, given by Jay Taffel 1 hour before Maariv (6:45pm).

Tuesday:

- Gemarah Chulin, given by Jay Taffel 1 hour before Maariv (6:45pm).

Thursday:

- Men's shiur given by the Rabbi on *Peirush HaRamban al HaTorah*, please bring chelek Breishis to the shiur.

Daily Shiurim (M-F):

- Every morning following davening- a chabura for strengthening Hebrew reading with Nesivos Shalom. Incentive: *fresh hot coffee!*
- 6 – 6:25am Chaburah learning Rashi on the weekly parsha given by Nisan Blaxberg. All men and (older) boys are invited to attend.
- **Shabbos Morning Chabura:** Learning, Discussion and Inspiration: 8-8:30am by Rabbi Shimon Apisdorf. **Text:** Shabbos Malkisa

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Crash Course in Jewish History

By Rabbi Ken Spiro

HASSIDIC DYNASTIES

When the Ba'al Shem Tov died in 1760, he was succeeded by Rabbi Dov Ber or Mezrich whose disciples went off to develop particular streams within the Hassidic movement and to found their own dynasties. There were many significant personalities in this group. (For those interested in reading about them, see *Chassidic Masters: History, Biography and Thought* by Aryeh Kaplan.) We will mention just a few:

- Rabbi Dov Ber (1704-1772). Known as the Maggid of Mezritch, he succeeded the Ba'al Shem Tov as head of the Hassidic movement and further developed many of the movement's philosophies. Incidentally, the great psychologist Carl G. Jung, nearing his death, said that all of his advances in psychology were preempted by Rabbi Dov Ber, which gives you an idea of the Maggid's insights into human nature. (See C.G. Jung *Speaking*, p. 271-272.)
- Rabbi Shneur Zalman of Liadi, (1745-1812). He was known as the Alter Rebbe and the Ba'al HaTanya. He wrote the famous work, the *Tanya*, and founded the Lubavitch sect of Hassidism. The Lubavitch Hassidim are known as Chabad -- which is an acronym for *chochmah*, ("wisdom"), *binah* ("understanding") and *da'at* ("knowledge.") According to Kabbalah, these are the three highest intellectual of the ten *sefirot* - channels of Divine energy - and their name for this Hassidic sect hints how much its teachings are steeped in Kabbalah.
- Rabbi Nachman of Breslav (1772-1811) was the great-grandson of the Ba'al Shem Tov. He was a gifted story-teller and is perhaps best known for his allegorical stories of beggars and princes through which he tried to teach deep truths to simple people. He founded the Breslaver sect of Hassidism.

Hassidic sects have names like Kotzk, Sanz, Belz, Satmar, Lubavitch, Skvar. These were all names of communities in places like Poland, Lithuania, Ukraine, etc. When these Hassidic communities moved, they took the names with them. So today in Israel you have Kiryat (city or district) Sanz, Kiryat Belz. In New York, there are the New Square Hassidim - they were the Skvar Hassidim whose original name became anglicized to Square.

The movement had a huge impact in spiritually revitalizing the Jewish world. It kept a lot of Jews in Judaism and put a lot of joy back into Judaism.

Writes Aryeh Kaplan (in his essay "A World Beyond" in *Chassidic Masters: History, Biography and Thought* p. 4):

"Hassidism uplifted the masses, but it would be wrong to suppose that its teachings were designed solely as a kind of spiritual medicine, necessary when one is ill, but of no value for the healthy. An important teaching of Hassidism is that its insights are important to the spiritual well-being of every Jew. Although its masters aimed much of their energies at helping poor, illiterate Jews, it would be incorrect to say that this was the main characteristic of Hassidism, since the movement also brought new vision and depth to the entire body of Jewish thought."

Yahrzeits: 28th Teves – 5th Shevat

כ"ה שבט – ה' שבת

We apologize for any *yahrzeits* not listed in the *Lev Echad*. Please let us know if we missed a *Yahrzeit*.

- Alfred S. Kayne, Shimshon Aharon ben Moshe Lazar HaKohen a"h, 3 Shevat, Father of Suzanne Kayne

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R' Aron Tendler

1st Aliya: The year is 2448 and Moshe had unsuccessfully confronted Pharaoh. The situation had gotten worse, not better, and Hashem (G-d) reassured Moshe that in fact the redemption was about to begin. The 4 statements of redemption are stated for which we have the 4 cups of wine at the Passover Seder.

2nd & 3rd Aliyot: Moshe's Yichus (lineage) is established. He is 80 years old and Aharon is 83.

4th Aliya: Moshe performed the miracle of the "staff turning to a serpent" and performed the first and second plagues.

5th Aliya: Moshe performed the third plague and forewarned Pharaoh about the fourth.

6th Aliya: The fourth, fifth, and sixth plagues were performed, and Moshe forewarned Pharaoh regarding the seventh.

7th Aliya: The seventh plague was performed and Pharaoh "hardens his heart" and refused to let the Jews go.

Camp Shabbos!

Camp Shabbos has an exciting new program for children ages three through six. Camp Shabbos will now be run by our own teenage girls. We will have games, stories, Parsha, fun prizes and of course Kiddush. Future dates for Camp Shabbos: Feb. 7, Feb. 21

Around Town

- **February 1:** 8pm for men and women
Author of Artscroll's Chinuch in Turbulent Times, Rabbi Dov Brezak will be speaking at Bnai Jacob Shaarei Zion on the topic, "The Shabbos Table, Source of Bracha." No fee for admission.
- **February 11:** from 6:00-9:00 pm. free one-on-one legal advice at a Foreclosure Solutions Workshop at the Jewish Community Center, 5700 Park Heights Avenue in Baltimore. This public service is sponsored by CHAI and Jewish Legal Services, a program of Jewish Community Services. Pre-registration is required by February 5 call CHAI at 410-466-1990, extension 0.

Notice Regarding Shul Rentals

If you are planning on having a Simcha, Shalosh Seudos, vort, l'chaim, party, meeting, or any other event that would require the use of the Shul's Simcha Hall please call Eileen Rosenbaum to reserve the use of the hall. Even if your event is in the planning stages or there's a chance that it might even be canceled, call Eileen so you can be penciled in on that date. There's no sign-up fee, we just want the scheduling to go as smoothly as possible. 410-764-8443 or eileen@tiferesyisroel.org
If you just want to check whether the date you want is available, you can go to our website www.tiferesyisroel.org and click on the "Calendar" button on the left. This online calendar is kept up to date continuously.

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 - Other Seforim may be dedicated as well.
- Contact Nisan Blaxberg, 410-358-3943

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The shul is peanut-free. Please do not bring in any products with peanuts. This includes personal snacks (for children and adults) as well as for any functions held in the shul, i.e. Kiddush, Shalosh Seudos, etc.

FRAGRANCES

A reminder for women and men -- please refrain from using fragrances (such as perfume, cologne, after shave) in shul. Many people are sensitive to these fragrances, and some people even experience severe allergic reactions. We appreciate your cooperation and understanding.

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Good Shabbos!
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