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DAVENING SCHEDULE**Friday**Candle Lighting: 7:02-8:17 pm
Mincha: 6:30 pm**Shabbos Day**Mishna Chabura: 8:00 am
Shacharis: 8:30 am
Rebbetzin's Class: 5:30 pm
Rabbi's Shiur: 6:30 pm
Mincha: 7:30 pm
Maariv: 9:35 pm
Shabbos is over after: 9:47 pm**Sunday**Shacharis: 8:00 am
Mincha / Maariv: 8:15 pm
Mishna B'rurah: after Maariv**Monday-Friday**Shacharis: 6:30 am
Mincha / Maariv: 8:15 pm
Mishna B'rurah (Mon.-Thurs.): after Maariv**Next Shabbos – Parshas Matos-Masei**Candle Lighting: 7:00-8:14 pm
Friday Mincha: 6:30 pm

There are two times for candle lighting. The earlier time is Plag HaMincha (one and a quarter seasonal hours [Shaos Zemanios] before sunset [a seasonal hour is equal to one-twelfth of the total time from sunrise to sunset]) and is the earliest time to light candles. The latter time is the regular candle lighting time and is 18 minutes before sunset. The latest time to light candles is sunset. If one wants to light candles when the shul accepts Shabbos, this is approximately 40 minutes after the start of Mincha.

Donation

In memory of Bob Goldfein, father of Esther Nechama Margolese, by Louis and Gail Feinstein.

Fourth of July Fireworks!

Thank you to Nisan and Meira Blaxberg for a fantastic fun fireworks fundraiser.

This Shabbos

- Camp Shabbos. Next Camp Shabbos is July 25.
- Rebbetzin Goldberger's Tefillah class at 5:30 pm for women. On Ashrei.
- Rabbi Goldberger's weekly Shabbos shiur on the Ramchal's Derech Chachmah at 6:30 pm for men and women.

Dues

It's that time of the year again. Time to pay our dues for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, which began on July 1.

The dues structure is \$600 for families, \$400 for singles and \$300 for associates. You can mail a check to the shul at Congregation Tiferes Yisroel, 6201 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215.

Or you can pay online by visiting our Website, www.tiferesyisroel.org, and clicking donate.

Dues may be paid in full or monthly. For dues reduction please contact Ken Gelula or Lenny Ross.

Tehillim

The Tzemach Tzedek once said, "If you only knew the power that Tehillim has on High, you would never stop reading them."

Tehillim are traditionally recited for the healing of the sick and may also be said for singles or difficulty becoming pregnant or basically anything. Each Sunday morning at 10:30 the Tiferes Yisroel Tehillim Group

meets for 45 minutes in the upstairs Beis Midrash to recite Psalms.

There are prayers to say before and after the reading and the reading is done silently in Hebrew or English, proceeding at your own pace. We supply the Tehillim books, so there's no need to bring your own.

There is a long list of sick people that we pray for. If you can't make it to the group and want to add a name to the cholim list, please contact Rebbetzin Bracha.

Shemen Lamaor Sponsors

- Ari and Caryn Blum
- Elie and Esther Levi

**Fundraiser**

The shul will be having a new fundraiser in August. We will be taking professional portraits.

We are still looking for sponsors to underwrite the advertising needed for this venture. Please call Dvora Sora Reznick at 410-764-9278 or Chana Birnbaum at 410-358-7736.

This week's Lev Echad is sponsored by:

Gail Feinstein in memory of her dear father, Michael Freeman, Reuven ben Yaakov, a"h, on his first yahrzeit; in honor of her husband Louis and the kehilla for all their love and support this past year (and always!); with hakores hatov to Lenny Ross and the minyan for faithfully saying Kaddish, and with gratitude to the Rabbi and Rebbetzin for their wisdom, guidance and friendship. Also with gratitude to HaShem on the third birthday and upshurin of Elimelech by Louis and Gail Feinstein, Sivia Kayla and Avraham Meir

Hadrash Ve-Haiyun Dor Revi'i Torah Insights on the Weekly Parsha

by Efraim Levine
(from hadrash.com)

Our father died in the wilderness but he was not among the assembly that was gathering against Hashem in the assembly of Korach, rather he died of his sin; and he had no sons. Why should the name of our father be omitted from among his family because he had no son? Give us a possession among our father's brothers. And Moshe brought their case before Hashem. (Bamidbar 27: 3-5)

In this week's parsha we learn how the daughters of Tz'leph'chad requested a portion in Eretz Yisrael despite the fact that the law of inheritance does not apply to daughters but only sons. The Torah tells us that Moshe presented the question to Hashem. Hashem responded that their request was valid and they shall receive a share in Eretz Yisrael no different than had they been sons. The Midrash notes that Moshe here uncharacteristically did not know the answer to the question. The Midrash explains that this was a punishment for Moshe for saying that difficult questions of law be presented to him for resolution. These words conveyed that nothing was too difficult for Moshe. Here Moshe was forced to concede that there were things that were beyond him.

Let us suggest an additional homiletic explanation as to why Moshe could not decide this matter.

Immediately after the laws of inheritance, Moshe asked Hashem to choose a successor for the Jewish people who would lead them into Eretz Yisrael. Chazal tell us that Moshe truly desired that his own children succeed him. Hashem told Moshe that this was not His plan. Moshe's children were not worthy. Instead, Yehoshua, his disciple who toiled and served assiduously would be his successor.

The Midrash asks what is the connection between these two sections of the Torah? The Midrash answers that Moshe felt that the daughters of Tz'leph'chad did not deserve to inherit their father's portion of land because they were not included in the counting of the Jewish people and would not participate in the conquest of the land. Nevertheless, Hashem decided that they were to receive a portion. Based on this law, Moshe reasoned that his sons should inherit his position although they too were not worthy. Hashem explained to Moshe that Jewish leadership is different than the laws of inheritance.

Let us extend this thought a bit further by reviewing the words of the daughters of Tz'leph'chad. "Our father died in the wilderness but he was not among the assembly that was gathering against Hashem in the assembly of Korach, rather he died of his sin." These words had a powerful impact

on Moshe. Moshe realized that similar words would one day be said by his own children. "Our father Moshe died in the wilderness. He did not die due to the sin of the generation but for his own sin." Moshe's death was not due to the sin of the spies and Jewish people who complained about not being able to conquer the inhabitants of the land. This sin resulted in the decree that the entire generation die in the wilderness. Moshe's sin occurred when in his attempt to produce water for the Jewish people he hit the rock instead of speaking to it. Chazal explain that this resulted in the loss of a higher degree of sanctification of Hashem's name for which Moshe was held accountable. Moshe's children would continue to argue like the daughters of Tz'leph'chad that although they are not worthy nevertheless "give us a possession among our father's brother." Just as Aaron's children inherited Aaron's greatness let us also inherit our father's greatness. The daughters of Tz'leph'chad's words made Moshe realize that his own children would want to assume his position of leadership after his death.

It is a well-known law that a judge is not allowed to rule in a case where he has even the smallest degree of personal interest in the outcome. Furthermore, if the judge has a relationship with any one of the participants he may not rule. Moshe understood that the answer that would be given to the daughters of Tz'leph'chad would be relevant to himself and his children. Moshe thus had no choice but to remove himself from the case and present it to Hashem.

Chasidic Insights

by Zvi Akiva Fleisher
(from www.shemayisrael.com/parsha/fleisher/chasidic/)

Ch. 25, v. 11: "Pinchos ben Elozor ben Aharon haKohein" – The Holy Zohar says that Pinchos was so frightened upon entering the room where Zimri was sinning, fearing being killed by Zimri's fellow tribesmen, that his soul left him. Hashem revived him by placing the souls of both Nodov and Avihu into him. With his courageous act Pinchos corrected the flaws of Nodov and Avihu. They brought a foreign fire that they were NOT COMMANDED to bring, while Pinchos with fiery zealotness acted properly, although he was also not commanded to do so, "boh limloch ein morin lo" (gemara Sanhedrin 82a). As well, they sinned by giving a halachic ruling in front of Moshe. Pinchos also ruled in front of Moshe, but did so correctly, as Moshe momentarily forgot that "kano'im pogin bo." (Chidushei HoRi"m)

Ch. 25, v. 11: "B'kano es kinosi b'SOCHOM" – The Sforno comments on the word "b'SOCHOM" that the verse stresses Pinchos's acting zealously "in the midst of the people." All saw Pinchos act and yet no one

stopped him. This atones for their sin of seeing Zimri do a most despicable act and not stopping him. During a visit to Yerushalayim by the Holy Admor of Satmar, Rabbi Amrom Blau, the Yerushalmi zealot, came to see the Rebbi. Rabbi Blau bemoaned the difficulties he had in keeping up the standard of Torah without compromise. He added that when he went to publicly complain about anti-Torah policies, even those who claimed to be stalwart Torah standardbearers did not join him in his zealous activities. The Holy Rebbi responded that we see from these words of the Sforno that it should be sufficient for Rabbi Amrom that he is not stopped by others in his own camp. (Olomos Shechorvu)

Ch. 25, v. 17, 18: "Tzorore es haMidyonim, Ki tzorarim heim lochem b'nichlei'hem" – Why does the verse use the present tense "tzorarim," rather than the past tense "tzor'ru," as their causing the bnei Yisroel to sin with their woman had already taken place? Secondly, why does the verse say "b'nichlei'hem," – with their diabolical plans, as the Midyonim did much more than just plan? They brought their plans into the realm of action when they caused the bnei Yisroel to sin. The physical sinning was minor compared to the long-lasting effects. The Midyonim caused the bnei Yisroel to sin by having licentious thoughts in the future. Thus they diabolically PLANNED, "b'nichlei'hem," this long term effect, and its effects are still being felt, "tzorarim." (Noam Elimelech)

Ch. 29, v. 13: "Kvosim bnei shonoh arbo'oh ossor" – Sheep under a year of age fourteen – Rashi (Medrash Tadshei ch. 11) in verse 18 says that the total of 98 sheep (14 sheep per day for 7 days) counters the 98 admonishments in parshas Ki Sovo. Why were the 98 sheep offered specifically during Sukos and not on another festival?

The admonishments come about in the main for not serving Hashem with joy (Dvrim 28: 47). Since Sukos is the festival of "V'somachto b'cha'gecho, ... v'hoyiso ach so'mei'ach" (Dvrim 16: 14, 15), it is the appropriate time to counter serving Hashem without joy. (Avnei Nezer)

A Gutten Shabbos Kodesh.

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Baruch Dayan HaEmes

Our dear friend and member, Hinda Blum, lost her father, Mr. Eugene Blum, on Sunday afternoon. Hinda will be sitting shiva at her father's home, 3204 Nerak Road, until Monday morning, July 13, 2009.

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

Minhagim for the Three Weeks

The period of the three weeks begins with the fast of 17 Tammuz, and includes the first nine days of Av, including Tisha B'Av. The restrictions for the period prior to Rosh Chodesh Av are much more limited than those for the following period of the nine days.

THE THREE WEEKS

For the entire period of the three weeks, the following restrictions apply:

- You may not listen to live music. Recorded music may be played as background music, but it should not be listened to intentionally for enjoyment.
- Weddings are not performed.
- Public entertainment such as movies, shows, concerts, etc., are not permitted. Baseball games are not considered the same as other forms of entertainment, and it is permitted to attend them, but not during the nine days.
- Videos of comedies and / or musicals should be avoided during the three weeks, and are not permitted during the nine days. Videos on serious subjects are all right during the three weeks, but not during the nine days.
- Any beautification to your home may be performed during this period, but not during the nine days. This does not include necessary repairs, replacing broken appliances, etc., which may be done throughout the entire period. Planning of renovations is permitted.

Lev Echad Fundraiser

The editor of the Lev Echad has issued a challenge to the readers of the Lev Echad. For every submission received in the month of July (2009), the editor will contribute \$10 to the shul.

Submissions may be:

- original artwork
 - questions for the Rabbi
 - a write-up on why you love Tiferes Yisroel
 - nominations for Honorable Mention
 - a write-up on what you do for the shul
 - a write-up about something in the shul
- C'mon, spend my money.

The Lev Echad is also looking for sponsors to match funds with the editor. This is a great opportunity if you want to look like a big

spender, but want to shell out less than \$50.

Email submissions only. Void where prohibited by law. Limit of five submissions per person.

Running total:

- Submissions: 0
- Sponsors: 0
- Total \$\$\$ to shul: 0

Siddur Dedications

- Rabbi Osher and Avivah Werner in honor of their son Elazar Werner
- Rabbi Osher and Avivah Werner in honor of their daughter Tehila Werner
- Rabbi Osher and Avivah Werner in honor of their daughter Michal Werner
- Rabbi Osher and Avivah Werner in honor of their son Binyamin Werner
- Rabbi Osher and Avivah Werner in honor of their daughter Tzipora Werner
- Rabbi Osher and Avivah Werner in honor of their son Betzalel Werner
- Rabbi Osher and Avivah Werner in honor of their son Eliyahu Werner
- Rabbi Osher and Avivah Werner in honor of their son Daniel Werner
- Rabbi Osher and Avivah Werner in honor of their son Shimshon Werner
- Avivah Werner in appreciation of her husband, Rabbi Osher Werner
- Avivah Werner in honor of her mother, Francine Root
- Jerry Rosenbaum in memory of his uncle Max Rosenzweig, Mordechai Hersh ben Shlomo Yaakov
- Suzanne Kayne in memory of Gertrude Mainen
- Suzanne Kayne in memory of her parents, Alfred S. and Pearl G. Kayne

End of Siddur Sale

The sale is over and the price for a siddur dedication is once again \$50. Thank you to everyone who took advantage of the sale and bought siddurim.

Just because we're now back to full price, don't let that stop you from dedicating another siddur. Dedicating a siddur is really a perfect way to honor the memory of a loved one or to show appreciation to someone in a special way. To make a siddur dedication, please contact Nisan Blaxberg at 410-358-3943.

Recycle

Are you familiar with the changes in the trash collection beginning on July 13? Trash will be collected once a week and limited to 96 gallons. **Recycling** will be collected once a week and will be **UNLIMITED**.

Since the shul generates a lot of trash, we will all need to work hard to make sure we recycle as much as possible.

Perhaps you have noticed that the shul now has its own recycling container, the same

yellow can that we all use in our homes. So if you have an event in the shul, please recycle as much as you possibly can.

What items can be recycled?

- Paper
 - Cardboard
 - Glass containers
 - Bottles
 - Aluminum pans and aluminum foil
 - Milk and juice cartons
 - Plastic containers with a triangle 1 through 7 on the bottom
 - Wide-mouth plastic containers and lids
- These items **MUST** be CLEAN.

CLEAN means you may have to wash out the container so that no food remains, even on aluminum foil and foil pans. Does that mean more work? It does. But we must recycle to reduce our trash down to the maximum allowed. So please help us out by recycling whatever you can from your shul event.

Half Way to Sinai

If you will be walking to Sinai Hospital or Levindale on Shabbos day (from Shavuot through Succos), please stop for a drink and to rest your feet on the porch at these locations: 3000 Glen Avenue (at the corner of Key) or 5932 Cross Country Boulevard (at the corner of Simmonds). For further information, please call 410-466-3132.

Yahrzeits

Gussie Kristall, Gussie bas Eliezer Binyamin a"h, 19 Tammuz, mother of Joan Kristall
 Sam Rosensweig, Shlomo Yaakov ben Aharon a"h, 20 Tammuz, grandfather of Dr. Jerry Rosenbaum
 Phyllis Freidlin Rosenfelt, Fraidel bas Yoel a"h, 21 Tammuz, mother of Bob Rosenfelt
 Max Rosenblatt, Yechiel Michel ben Avraham Dovid a"h, 22 Tammuz, father of Chana Leah Kuritsky
 Murray Slatkin, Mordechai ben Chaim Noach a"h, 22 Tammuz, grandfather of Shlomo Slatkin
 Helen Blanche Cohen, Hinda Blima bas Moshe a"h, 23 Tammuz
 Rhoda Bakove Katz, Raizel bas Shalom a"h, 23 Tammuz, mother of Efraim Katz

The Lev Echad Regrets

That this yahrzeit was not included in last week's list.

Michael Freeman, Reuven ben Yaakov a"h, 13 Tammuz, father of Gail Feinstein

In the Community

- Wednesday evenings from 8-9:30 pm. Relationships workshop with **Rebbetzin Bracha Goldberger**. BJSZ. WIT members: No charge. Non-members: \$10 per class.

For more information contact WIT at witbaltimore@verizon.net or 410-358-2545.

- **July 12:** Shalom USA celebrates ten years of great Jewish radio with a gala dinner. The event will feature a keynote address from veteran IDF officer and military intelligence expert, General Yaakov Amidror, and will honor Mike Lowenstein for his work on behalf of the former residents of Gush Katif. 5:30 pm, at Moses Montefiore Anshe Emunah. \$54. Sponsorships are available. Reserve your spot by calling 410-764-7443, or emailing shalom@shalomusa-radio.com.
- **July 20:** Rabbi Mitchell Ackerson, Deputy Commander and Chaplain of the 311th Signal Command and Director of Pastoral Care and Chaplaincy at Sinai Hospital will be hosted by Etz Chaim Center. He will discuss Retaining Jewish Identity in the Iraqi War Zone and share his personal experiences. 7:45 pm.
- **July 27:** The largest shidduch meeting of the year. Linda Diamond's, 2504 Larryvale Road (off of Shelleydale). 8 pm.

Trash Collection Changes Start MONDAY!!!!!!

Baltimore City changes its trash service this week. Collection for residents between Park Heights and Greenspring (this includes the shul) will have trash collection on Wednesday and recycling on Friday. Residents between Park Heights and Liberty will have trash collection on Thursday and recycling on Tuesday.

DON'T PUT YOUR TRASH OUT ON MONDAY!!!! It won't be collected.

The City will initially focus its enforcement on failure to use trash cans with LIDS, and not on volume of trash.

Boys Night Out

Youth Motivation for Education is planning some exciting nights out for boys during the summer. Activities will be two nights a week (nights will vary depending on activity) and will be supervised by an adult at all times. Activities will include: bowling, batting cages, Orioles games, go-karting, putt-putt golf, swimming, hiking, plus more great things as we think of them. For dates and costs of individual events, please call Mrs. Rebecca Lencz at 410-358-7507 or email Mrs. Marla Lewis at marla.g.lewis@verizon.net.

No Peanuts!

No Fragrances!

Costs of Sponsorships

Batya Sklar Camp Shabbos

Full sponsorship \$72 Co-sponsorship \$36

Shemen Lamaor \$36

Lev Echad \$36

Father / Son Learning (seasonal)

Full sponsorship \$72 Co-sponsorship \$36

To arrange your sponsorship, e-mail levechad@tiferesyisroel.org, call 410-764-1971 option 4, or go to www.tiferesyisroel.org and click donate.

Please send your donation to:
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For the following, contact Nisan Blaxberg at 410-358-3943

Siddur \$50

Chumash \$75

Yahrzeit Plaque \$300

Other seforim may be dedicated as well.

TY Shiurim Schedule

Sunday:

- 9:30-10:15 am: Men's **Gemara Brachos** shiur given by the Rabbi. פרק ה', Rashi, selected Tosfos and Maharsha following Shacharis.
- 10:30-11:15 am: **Tehillim** gathering for cholim for women (upstairs Beis Medrash).

Monday:

- **Rambam** shiur on the laws of Shofar, Sukkos and Lulav, given by Jay Taffel, approximately 1 hour before the scheduled Mincha time.

Tuesday:

- **Gemara Chulin** on ta'aruvos, the mixing of non-kosher and kosher foods, given by Jay Taffel, approximately 1 hour before the scheduled Mincha time.

Daily Shiurim (M-F):

- Every morning following davening – a chabura for strengthening Hebrew reading with **Nesivos Shalom**. With *fresh hot coffee!*
- 6-6:25 am: Chabura learning **Rashi** on the weekly parsha given by Nisan Blaxberg. All men and (older) boys are invited to attend.
- Rabbi Goldberger's **Mishna Berura** shiur each night after ma'ariv on the topic of hilchos Pesach. For men.
- 9:15 pm (S-Th). **Amud Yomi Gemara** shiur for men with Rabbi Porter and Rabbi Lowenbraun.

Shabbos:

- 8-8:30 am: Morning Chabura: Learning, discussion and inspiration by Rabbi Shimon Apisdorf. Text: **Shabbos Malkisa**.
- 8-8:30 am: Mishnayos Chabura. Text: **Makkos**.
- 5:30 pm: Rebbetzin's class on **Tefillah**, for women. Ezras Nashim. Continuing with Ashrei.
- 6:30 pm: Rabbi Goldberger's weekly Shabbos shiur for men and women on the Ramchal's work **Derech Chachmah**.

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