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פרשת וישב (Chanukah 1) Parshas Vayeshev
December 11-12 כ"ה כסלו



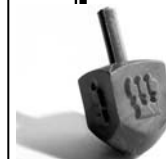
Shabbos Davening Times



Candle lighting:	4:18 pm
Mincha - Friday:	4:20 pm
<i>Mevorchim haChodesh</i>	
Sof Zman Krias Shema:	9:34 am
Shacharis:	8:45 am
Mincha:	4:15 pm
Maariv:	5:21 pm

Next Shabbos: Shabbos Chanukah 8

Candle lighting:	4:19 pm
Mincha - Friday:	4:20 pm



All submissions, suggestions and sponsorship should be sent (by Wednesday evening) to weeklyupdate@yiml.org



• Mazel Tov to Zev Zelman on his upcoming marriage to Charney Zauderer, be"H, next Sunday.

• Mazel Tov to Drs. Ron and Marguerite Werrin on being honored by the Chabad of Chester County at their banquet on Thursday night.

This Shabbos

Kiddush this week is community sponsored.

There will be no Shalosh Seudos this week.

Shabbos Shiurim

Parsha Chaburah: 7:55 am

Rabbi's Mishlei Shiur: 8:15 am

Medical Halacha Shiur: Between Mincha and Maariv
Medical malpractice in halacha: is a doctor, nurse, or layperson responsible for making an error?

Chaburah: Between Mincha and Maariv
Dov Daniel on the topic of Inaynei Chanukah

Pirchei of Bala Cynwyd

Pirchei of Bala Cynwyd will iy"H meet this Shabbos from 2:45 to 3:45pm in the Social Hall. Grades K-8th boys. Chanukah Mesiba! Sunday, December 13th, from 6:30 to 8:00pm at LMS. \$12/person, \$40 max. If you have any questions or would like to help sponsor please contact Rabbi Ari Silver at SilverDollar@verizon.net or 610-668-6833.

Bnos of Bala Cynwyd

Bnos of Bala Cynwyd will iy"H meet this Shabbos, from 2:45 to 3:45pm at LMS. Yearly membership is due! (\$36/girl, \$90 family maximum) - checks can be made payable to Bnos and sent to Meira Friedman. *Surprise* BnOs ChAnUkAh Event - girls 3Y through 6th grade - Sunday, Dec. 13th, from 1 to 3pm at LMS!!! \$4 for members, \$8 for non-members.

Weekday Davening Times

Shacharis:	Sunday:	8:00 am
	Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday:	6:40 am
	Rosh Chodesh Teves (Thurs and Fri)	6:30 am
Mincha/Maariv:	Sunday:	4:25 pm
Maariv:	Monday through Thursday:	7:45 pm

Weekday Shiurim

Mussar:	15 min before Shacharis
Mishna Brura:	Monday and Wednesday after Maariv
Hilchos Tzedaka:	Monday 8:30 pm
Nefesh HaChaim:	Thursday 10:15 pm
Check with Dr Daniel Eisenberg to confirm.	

Chanukah Party!!!

Wednesday, December 16th at 5:30pm at YIML. Fun, Food, Crafts and a Show! Cost: \$8 for ages 2 and up - with a \$60 family max

Weekly Events

Chevra Mishnayos: Now learning Seder Zeraim. See shul bulletin board to sign up. The Chevra Mishnayos will be making a siyum on Seder Zeraim on Shabbos (Chanuka) Parshas Miketz, December 19, 2009 at Shalosh Seudos. The siyum is being sponsored by Mr. Barry Weiss in honor of his completion of Seder Zeraim (over many Chevra Mishnayos cycles). Whether or not you have learned for the siyum, you are welcome to join us for the siyum.

Women's Tehillim Group: Mondays 10:45 am at 8 Concord Circle followed by the Rabbi's Chovos Halevavos shuir.

Save the Date: Scholar in Residence

We are pleased to announce that Rav Mayer Twersky, Rosh Yeshiva at Rabbi Isaac Elchonon Theological Seminary, will be joining us for a Shabbaton on January 16th. Details of this exciting program will be forthcoming.

Thought of the Week

This week's parsha contains four words that changed the course of history. Yosef was arrested and imprisoned. Shortly afterwards, two members of Pharaoh's Court were also thrown into jail.

Imagine what it was like to be in jail with two officers of Pharaoh's Court. As an analogy, this would be like having a two-bit drug dealer in jail together with two members of the President's cabinet. These were 'Cabinet level' people in the Egyptian government – the person who brought Pharaoh his wine was a trusted individual. He was the wine taster, a person in whom the King had implicit trust. These were people who could be compared to the Attorney General and the Secretary of State.

They were sitting in jail with a Hebrew slave – the lowest rung of society, someone who was serving time for a petty crime. We can be sure that there was not a lot of camaraderie and social interaction between Yosef and Pharaoh's officials.

The officers had their respective dreams, which upset them. Yosef saw that they were depressed and asked them "Why are you depressed?" The "drug dealer" (Yosef) comments to the "Secretary of State" (Wine Butler), "You don't look so good this morning!" Because of that remark, because of those four words, what happens?

The dreams are related to Yosef. Yosef interprets the dreams. The Butler sees that Yosef has special powers. The Butler is eventually released from jail and, in the time-honored tradition, gets put back on the 'Cabinet'.

Years later, the Butler remembers Yosef. Yosef is brought out of jail. He interprets the dreams of Pharaoh correctly. He becomes the second in command. He feeds the entire world including his own brothers and father. And the rest – as they say -- is history!

What started this entire series of events? Four words: "Madua peneichem ra'im hayom?" (Why are your faces troubled today?) What is the ethical lesson to be learned here? The lesson is that it is incumbent upon us to be a "nice guy." Yosef was concerned about how they looked and how they felt, even though we would need to assume that these were people who did not give Yosef a second look. Merely saying a nice, kind word makes such a difference!

Four words changed history. Two words can change history -- "Good Morning!" "How are you?" "How are you doing?" "How was your holiday?" "How is your spouse?" These types of words can make a difference. They made a vast difference in Yosef's life and for Klal Yisrael's lives.

Adapted from "Nice Guys Finish Second -- Second in Command to Pharaoh" by Rabbi Frand.

<http://torah.org/learning/ravfrand/5766/vayeishev.html>

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