

YOUNG ISRAEL OF THE MAIN LINE

Weekly Update

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Parshas Miketz Shabbos Chanukah

פרשת מיקץ שבת חנוכה

כ"ז כסלו תשע"א—4—3 December

Shabbos Davening Times

Candle lighting: 4:17pm
Mincha - Friday: 4:17pm

Sof Zman Krias Shema: 9:28am
Shacharis: 8:45am
Mincha followed by Chabura: 4:15pm
Maariv: 5:20pm

At Maariv: ותן טל ומטר

Weekday Davening Times

Shacharis Sunday: 8:00am
Shacharis (Mon., Thu.): 6:40am
Shacharis (Tue. & Wed. Rosh Chodesh): 6:30am
Shacharis (Fri.): 6:50am
Mincha/Maariv Sunday: 4:25pm
Maariv (Mon.–Thu.): 7:45pm

Next Shabbos Times

Candle lighting: 4:17pm
Mincha - Friday: 4:17pm

Calendar of Shiurim

DAY	TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER	NOTES
Shabbos	7:55am– 8:15am	Parsha Chabura	I. Pendrak	ROTATES
Shabbos	8:15am	Mishlei Shiur	R. Steinberg	
Shabbos	After Mincha	Chabura	R. Steinberg	
Shabbos	After Mincha	Chabura	J. Weinberger	
Shabbos	After Mincha	Medical Halacha	D. Eisenberg	
Mon., Wed.	After Maariv	Mishna Berura	Eli Back	
Sun.–Fri.	15 min. before Shacharis	<i>Pirkei Avos</i> with Rabbeinu Yonah	R. Steinberg	
Monday	8:00pm	Melachim Aleph	R. Steinberg	OFF WEEK
Tuesday	8:30pm	Yorah Deah	R. Steinberg	OFF WEEK
Thursday	10:10pm	Nefesh Hachaim	Rav Sholom Kamenetsky	

*All shiurim are at YIML unless specified.

THIS SHABBOS

Kiddush:

Kiddush is community sponsored.

Bnos and Pirchei:

Neither Bnos nor Pirchei will meet this week as it is Shabbos Chanukah.

Chabura:

The Shabbos Afternoon Chabura will be given this week by Dr. Ari Weintraub:

*How Many Mitzvos Fit In a Kiddush Cup:
A Discussion of Ain Osin Mitzvos Chavilos Chavilos.*

YOUNG ISRAEL CHANUKAH PARTY!

Monday Night (December 6) at 5:30pm
Magic Show to begin at 6:00pm

Pizza! Crafts! Donuts! Fun!

Cost: Adult \$12, Children (2-18) \$8, Family Maximum \$60

All submissions, suggestions, and sponsorships should be directed (by Wednesday evening) to the editor of the Weekly Update, פלוגי בן פלוגי (weeklyupdate@yiml.org).

CONDOLENCES

The Young Israel of the Main Line extends condolences to our member, Steve Goldman, on the passing of his wife, Risa.

Shiva continues after Shabbos at the Goldman home, 127 Maple Avenue:

Sunday: Shacharis at 8:30am, Mincha/Maariv at 4:20pm.

Monday: Shacharis at 7:00am.

Hamakom yenachem oso b'soch she'ar availei Tzion v'Yerushalayim.

SPECIAL SHIUR

The Young Israel is pleased to present
an advanced-level *iyun* shiur given by
Rav Sholom Kamenetsky, שליט"א:
בענין מקום הדלקת נר חנוכה בשעת הסכנה

Sunday, December 5

ד' חנוכה—כ"ה כסלו, תשע"א

שחרית 8:00am

Light breakfast will be served

שיעור about 9:15am

COMMUNITY EVENTS: YESHIVA BANQUET

The Talmudical Yeshiva of Philadelphia's 57th Annual Banquet will be held the December 12 at the Drexelbrook, at 5:30pm.

The honorees are Dr. & Mrs. Leon Schwartz.

You may purchase reservations or make a donation by visiting <http://www.chaseplanet.us/typ/>.

ONGOING EVENTS

Chevra Mishnayos:

The Chevra Mishnayos is now learning Seder Zeraim.

See the shul bulletin board to sign up.

Women's Tehillim Group:

The Tehillim Group meets Mondays at **9:00am** at 8 Concord Circle.

The Chevra Mishnayos Siyum on Seder Zeraim will be held next Shabbos, Parshas Vayigash, at the Young Israel.

D'VAR TORAH by Rabbi Berel Wein

The Talmud teaches us that the meanings of dreams are all contingent upon the interpreter and interpretation of the dream. Yosef had told the butler and baker of Pharaoh's court that "Dream interpretations are up to the Lord." Yet he went ahead and interpreted those two dreams accurately and presciently.

Apparently what he meant by "up to the Lord" was that the one who interprets dreams has to possess some sort of holy intuition, an inner sense of the person whose dream he is interpreting in order to be able to interpret the dream. This inner voice is a gift from the Lord.

This is true in medical matters where some physicians are master diagnosticians and their inner voice leads them to the correct conclusion regarding the nature of a person's illness. It is also true for psychologists and mental health therapists. An inner voice must guide them as to how to help the troubled person that they see before them.

It is even true for the great decisors of halacha, who many times arrive at their decision after rigorous scholarship but also with unerring intuition as to what the correct solution is to the matter laid before them. Yosef has this intuition within him and therefore he is confident that his interpretation of the dreams of Pharaoh will be accurate and correct.

It is this apparent self-confidence and certainty of spirit that so impresses Pharaoh and thus is the catalyst for Yosef's meteoric rise to power in Egypt. Pharaoh recognizes this by stating that Yosef possesses God's spirit within him. Without that spirit, Pharaoh is well aware that his dreams will never be interpreted in a proper light.

We read in Psalms that when the Lord returns the captivity of Zion "we will be as dreamers." The dream will require interpretation and that interpretation can only come from the returnees to Zion themselves. And in order for that dream to be interpreted correctly, the spirit of Godly holiness and purpose must reside within the interpreters—in this case the dreamers themselves.

God provides the dream but the interpretation is up to us and our ability to fathom God's wishes is the matter. Every dream—even the dream of Zion restored and rebuilt—is subject to varying interpretations. We who live in current day Israel are well aware that there are not only varying but even conflicting interpretations of what the dream of Zion and Jerusalem truly means.

Holy spirit is required to make sense of the dream and to implement its promise. The Lord presents us with opportunities. What we do with those opportunities is the ultimate measure of our interpretation of the dream. Yosef not only interprets Pharaoh's dream but he lays out a course of action in order to actualize its promise and opportunity. The healthy intuition born of Jewish experience and tradition can help us arrive at the correct and most meaningful realization of our age old dream of Zion and Jerusalem, peace and holiness.

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