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Parshas Sh'lach

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כ"ו סיון תשע"ב

Weekday Shiurim

Mussar Chabura: 15 mins before Shacharis.
 Mishna Brura: Mon and Wed after Maariv
 Nefesh HaChaim: Thursday at 10:10pm
 Mussar Shiur for Women: Mon at 9:30am at 8 Concord Circle.

Bnos and Pirchei

Bnos will not meet. Contact Meira Friedman at 610-617-9529.
Torah Youth will meet from 4:30 to 5:30pm on the lower level of LMS. Grades k-8. To sponsor a Shabbos or for more information contact Rabbi Ari Silver at 610-668-6833 or silverDollar@verizon.net
Torah Youth End of Year BBQ. Tuesday, June 26th, 6:30 to 7:30pm. At the home of the Silvers, 151 Highland Circle. \$10 per person.

Chevra Mishnayos

The Chevra Mishnayos will start learning Seder Kodshim . Sign up on shul bulletin board or email eisenber@pol.net with your name and the masechta and chapters you intend to learn.



Shabbos Schedule Mevorchim haChodesh



Molad for Tamuz: Tuesday, June 19th 11:45am and 5 chalakim.

Earliest Candle Lighting:	6:57pm
Light Candles:	8:13pm
Mincha and Kabbalas Shabbos:	7:00pm
Parsha Chaburah given by Dennis Rosen:	7:55am
Rabbi's Mishlei Shiur:	8:15am
Shacharis:	8:45am
Sof Zman Krias Shema:	9:16am
Shabbos Groups, upstairs, for ages 2 and up.	9:45am
Kiddush is community sponsored.	
Mincha:	8:00pm
Shalosh Seudos is community sponsored.	
Medical Halacha Shiur given by Dr. Daniel Eisenberg.	
Maariv:	9:16pm

YIML BBQ – This Sunday!

Fun for one and all! YIML Annual BBQ Sunday, June 17, from 4 to 7pm at General Wayne Park. Gourmet BBQ Delicacies. \$18 single, \$36 couple, \$10 per child, \$72 family max.

Questions? Comments! Sponsorships\$ weeklyupdate@yiml.org

Sun, Jun 17	Mon, Jun 18	Tue, Jun 19	Wed, Jun 20	Thu, Jun 21	Fri, Jun 22
Shacharis 8:00am Mincha/Maariv 8:20pm	Shacharis 6:40am Mincha/Maariv 8:20pm	Shacharis 6:50am Mincha/Maariv 8:20pm	Rosh Chodesh Tamuz Shacharis 6:30am Mincha/Maariv 8:20pm	Rosh Chodesh Tamuz Shacharis 6:30am Mincha/Maariv 8:20pm	Shacharis 6:50am Earliest Light 6:59pm Light Candles 8:15pm Mincha 7:00pm
27 Sivan	28 Sivan	29 Sivan	30 Sivan	1 Tamuz	2 Tamuz

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- Mazel Tov to Rabbi Shmuel and Ruthie Lynn on the occasion of their son Naphtali's Bar Mitzvah! Everyone is invited to kiddush at the Fire House following davening.
- Mazel tov to Yitz and Ariella Greenberg on the birth of their daughter, Eliana Leah.

Graduation Kiddush

Calling all graduates and their families!... Kiddush sponsors sought for June 23rd's YIML graduation kiddush. Listings are \$36 per name. For more information, please contact Janet Eisenberg (eisenber@pol.net or 610 -664- 8554).

Community Announcement - TAGHS Flea Market

Join us at the annual TAGHS spring flea market on Sunday, June 17 from 9am until 2pm at Torah Academy. Lots of quality merchandise and great bargains!!!

Thought of the Week

"Send forth men..." (13:2)

This week's parsha introduces the episode of the spies who spoke disparagingly concerning Eretz Yisroel. As a result of the spies' actions the entire generation of Bnei Yisroel who accepted their evil tidings were doomed to die in the desert. Rashi explains that the reason why this parsha is juxtaposed to the story of Miriam's affliction with tzora'as recorded at the end of last week's parsha, is that the spies should have taken a lesson from Miriam regarding the consequences of speaking Loshon Horah. The prohibition of speaking Loshon Horah is amongst the most severe offenses recorded in the Torah. The Chofeitz Chaim enumerates the many positive and negative precepts violated when engaging in Loshon Horah. Why did the spies, who were the greatest leaders of the generation, require the incident with Miriam to teach them a precept which is clearly delineated in the Torah?

The Torah identifies the sin of the spies as "vayatziu dibas ha'aretz asher taru osah" - "and they presented evil tidings concerning the land that they had spied out." Although we can infer that giving such a negative account of Eretz Yisroel reflected the spies' deep-rooted lack of faith in Hashem's ability to fulfill His promise that Bnei Yisroel would enter Eretz Yisroel, the Torah focuses upon the Loshon Horah spoken concerning the Land. Based upon this verse, the Chayei Adam records speaking disparagingly about Eretz Yisroel as a separate prohibition. Why is it so grievous an offense to speak Loshon Horah regarding a piece of land; an inanimate object?

In last week's parsha, immediately after recording the Loshon Horah which Miriam spoke against Moshe, the Torah states "veha'ish Moshe anav me'od" - "and the man Moshe was exceedingly humble." What is the connection between the two verses? Speaking Loshon Horah is generally portrayed as "bein adam l'chaveiro" - "a sin against society", the heinous nature of the sin reflected by its anti-social repercussions. Although the aforementioned is valid, the Torah is revealing to us that the most destructive force which is unleashed when we engage in Loshon Horah is the damage we inflict upon ourselves. The Torah records the exceedingly humble nature of Moshe immediately after Miriam's criticism of him to teach us that he was completely unaffected by her comments. The damage caused by Miriam's words was the damage she caused herself. Loshon Horah causes part of the transgressor to die; this is reflected by the tzora'as - dead flesh, which is a natural by-product of the transgression. Consequently, Aharon pleaded with Moshe to pray for their sister, "al na shehi kemeis" - "let her not be like a corpse."

This message was not apparent until the story of Miriam, when it became evident that a person has violated the sin of Lashon Horah even if the subject of the tidings is unaffected. This should have prevented the spies from speaking Loshon Horah, even against an inanimate object.

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