

**Fun, Frum & Friendly****Shabbos**

Pre-Game Farbrengen:	4:10pm
Candle Lighting:	4:20pm
Mincha:	4:20pm
Shacharis:	8:30am
Jr Minyan - R' Binyomin Stone	9:45am
Shabbos Groups:	9:45am
Mincha:	4:10pm
Maariv:	5:21pm
Shabbos ends:	5:30pm
Mother – Daughter Learning:	6:30pm
Father & Son Learning at FTI:	7:00pm

Next Week

Shacharis (Sunday - Monday):	8:30am
Shacharis (Tuesday – Friday):	6:45am
Mishneh Berura after Shacharis	
Mincha at Kollel:	1:45pm
Mincha & Maariv:	4:25pm
Minha & Maariv (Thursday):	4:10pm
Arvei Pesachim (Monday):	8:30pm
Maariv at Kollel:	9:15pm

Coming Up...

- Goals & Goodies for Kids – 12/24
- Arvei Pesachim - 12/25
- Women's Pasha Shiur – 12/27
- YI Board Meeting – 01/07
- Challah Bake – 01/11
- Rabbi Sacks at Kohelet – 01/16

Seforim Reminder

If you've borrowed any seforim from the shul, please return them when you're done.

Mazel Tov...

... to the Shapiro & Sadres families on the birth of a baby boy.
 ... to the Osborne family on Michael's upcoming marriage.
 ... to the Halle family on Uri's graduation from the police academy.

Torah

- Community Mishnayos Program - sign up by speaking to Elad Rosin.
- Shnayim Mikra V'echad Targum - speak to Rabbi Bienenfeld

Dvar Torah

The Torah is not a story book or history lesson, yet emotions arise when reading through Breishis which introduces, reveals, and shares life events of important characters. We are almost forced to react to the accomplishments, drama, and human interactions that unfold. With the traumatic and unfathomable events of recent parshas, loaded with suspense and anticipation, I am struck in Vayigash by a depth of character revealed through Yehuda. As in Pirkei Avos (2:6) "In a place of no leaders, strive to be a leader," he stands up alone to confront this Egyptian ruler, who toys effortlessly with the entire brotherhood, by offering himself in place of Binyomin. This scene follows a range of drama from dysfunction of a family willing to kill their own, sell him to strangers, dupe their father, and swings opposite by protecting their own at all costs. This conversation is powerful, risky, and yet safe because it happens among...family. Knowingly and even blindly. There is a gamut of experience. Guilt, forgiveness, fearlessness, and judging favorably. Yosef containing himself and not embarrassing, condemning, or revenging is superhuman. A brand of kindness maybe only seen within a family. I can't identify exactly where the unspoken bond emanates from in humans, this automatic instinct to protect one's own. Maybe because we don't choose family, we don't choose our connection either. This interchange reveals a dynamic that is rocky and bruising, but is honest and inherent with a resolve that says "my relatives are me, I am them." To borrow a phrase from a current societal dilemma, me too = we too. By treating our family like friends and our friends like family may we all recognize and experience the unbreakable bond of family. By Jay Cantor

Participate in the Community Divrei Torah Project contacting isaacbenmass@gmail.com to sign up.

Sponsorships

Kiddush sponsored by Paul Osborne with gratitude to Hashem on the upcoming wedding of Michael and Stephanie and the hope that we don't get stuck in Kiev on the way to Eretz Yisroel.

Seudas Shlishi sponsored by Duke McCarthy. All glory, honor and praise to the G-d of Abraham, Isaac & Jacob. And may he bless and unify Israel and all Jews around the world to show his glory. And especially Young Israel Congregation of Cherry Hill for all things for the good. Amen.

Sponsorship opportunities:

- Kiddush: \$120
- Seudas Shlishi: \$85
- Yartzeit Board: \$250
- Eitz Chaim: \$120

Membership

\$1,525 Regular Family
\$775 Single / Retired Family / Young Family (under 30 years)
\$400 Young Single (under 30)
\$500 First year at YI—Family
\$250 First year at YI—Single
\$500 Associate Membership
 For more info, contact Shmuel at Samuel.Gluck@gmail.com

Scrip - Purchase on YI's website or by contacting Joyce at JJoseph5@aol.com

Tribute Cards - Support YI & mark any occasion by purchasing on YI's website.

Silly Humor

Someone is walking around Dublin when he sees a sign: "O'Malley & Goldberg, Tailors." Amazed, he peeks in through the window and sees a guy with a beard, payos, tzitzis & a black yarmulke. The other guy has green eyes, flaming red hair and is singing "Danny Boy." He walks over to the guy with the yarmulke & whispers, "Mr. Goldberg, I'm so surprised you two can work in such peace & harmony." The man replies, "I have a bigger surprise: I'm O'Malley!"

Submit a joke to Yicherryhill@gmail.com

Join us for another great
Mother-Daughter Learning Program

Motzei Shabbos
December 23

Beginning at 6:30pm
 At Young Israel of Cherry Hill

Topic: Valranus-Giving In

source sheets will be provided
 appropriate for all ages

RSVP by 12/21 to:
yicherryhillgouth@gmail.com

A light dinner will be provided

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