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Anniversary Year

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SHAVUON WEEKLY NEWS

29 Marcheshvan 5785/11.30.24

Toldos

*Following services, please join us for kiddush/farbrenge
in the newly renovated Kent Auditorium sponsored by Tatyana
Elbert to elevate the soul of her father Yakov Yosef ben Tzalik*

Rabbi Emeritus
Manfred Gans z"l

Rabbi
Yossi Mendelson

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מולד חודש
כסלו

יהיה אור ליום
הראשון בשעה 4
49 דקות
ו 15 חלקים

ר"ח כסלו יהי'
מחר ביום
הראשון וביום
השני הבעל"ט

**HOW CAN YOU
MAINTAIN
STRONG
RELATIONSHIPS
DESPITE
OTHERS'
FLAWS?**



JOIN THIS COURSE
AND SEND OUT

Sign up today at MachaneChodosh.org/JLI

**NURTURING
RELATIONSHIPS**

Jewish Wisdom for Building
Deeper, Richer Connection in
All Your Relationships



Continuing this coming Wednesday evening at 8:15 PM

**Ladies: Join Rosh Chodesh Society/
Rebbetzin Mendelson's birthday
this Tuesday at 7:30 PM
at the Mendelson home (see pg. 3)**

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SHABBOS TOLDOS/MEVARCHIM KISLEV

Friday, November 29 Candle lighting	4:11 PM
Mincha/Kabbolas Shabbos	4:15 PM
Shabbos, November 30 Shacharis	9:00 AM
Talmud Class	3:30 PM
Mincha/Shalosh Seudos.....	3:55 PM
Shabbos Ends.....	5:14 PM

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Shacharis

- Sunday Rosh Chodesh Kislev 8:00 AM
- Monday Rosh Chodesh Kislev & Thursday..... 7:05 AM
- Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday 7:15 AM

Mincha/Ma'ariv

- 12/1–12/54:15 PM

SCHEDULE OF TORAH CLASSES

Talmud Class (Rosh Hashanah)	Shabbos 1 hour before Mincha
Rambam's Mishneh Torah	Daily, following Shacharis
Jewish Mysticism (men).....	Mondays 8:30 PM
The Rebbe's Advice (Zoom only)	Tuesdays 1:00 PM
Nurturing Relationships.....	Wednesdays 8:15 PM

FRIENDSHIP CLUB IN PERSON..... WEDNESDAYS 12:00 PM

SHABBOS VAYEITZEI

Friday, December 6 Candle lighting.....	4:09 PM
Mincha/Kabbolas Shabbos	4:15 PM
Shabbos, December 7 Shacharis.....	9:00 AM
Talmud Class	3:30 PM
Mincha/Shalosh Seudos.....	3:50 PM
Shabbos Ends.....	5:13 PM

UPCOMING EVENTS



A WORK OF HEART: BETWEEN ME AND G-D HOW JEWISH PRAYER UNITES HEAVEN AND EARTH

Tuesday, December 3, 7:30 pm

In honor of Rebbetzin Mendelson's birthday join with like-minded women at the Mendelson residence in exploring the art and opportunity in tefilla.

Also featuring a crafting activity. To order the course textbook please call

Iris at 917-353-3527 or Rebbetzin Mushky at 917-754-3006 by Monday, November 25.

Book fee \$25

Sponsorships available: Full sponsorship \$72, partial sponsorship \$54



GOOD RELATIONSHIPS DON'T JUST HAPPEN

Wednesday, December 4, 8:15 pm

Machane Chodosh presents a brand new course from the Jewish Learning Institute with Torah lessons for improving all your relationships.

Visit MachaneChodosh.org/JLI for more info



SISTERHOOD PAINT PARTY AFTERNOON

Sunday December 8th, 1:30 PM

All are invited to a fun filled event and go home with your very own unique masterpiece. Iris, a professional artist will guide you through the steps necessary to create your painting She will also introduce you to some

different methods in addition to the use of brushes.

Prepaid advance reservation by Dec 5th.

All art supplies will be provided and light refreshments will be served

Price \$20 For more information please contact Iris 347-738-6156 or 917-353-3527

Save the Date of December 25th-First night of Chanukah for the CMC Chanukah event

IN OUR SYNAGOGUE FAMILY

Please keep Rivka Kogan in your tefillos for Refuah Sheleima. Her name is **Rivka Hila Hodaya bas Rachel**

We wish a Refuah Shelaimah to our members: **Esther Arnold, David Aulov, Avi Azoulay, Edward Mazar-Menachem Yisrael ben Tzirel, Leah bas Talya, Malka bas Tamar, Gila bas Tamara, and Babette Sommer-Batya Leah bas Miriam.**

A TELLING STORY

THREE STEPS BEFORE THE FRONT DOOR

One wintry day, a man came to the tzadik, Rabbi Tzvi of Dinov [known to all as "the Benei Yisasschar"]. The man braved the winter weather to seek the saintly rebbe's help. He told the rebbe that he was an innkeeper in a village some distance away, the inn having come down to him from his late father, who had rented it from the previous regional landlord.

The old squire was a reasonable man and made no trouble if the rent was not paid on time in a bad season, in the wake of a severe winter.

But the old squire died, and his son, the new squire, was not so kind. He was threatening to throw them out if the rent was not paid on time. He came to ask the rebbe's help, so that his family would not be left without food and shelter in the midst of a terrible winter.

"Do you live in such and such village?" the rebbe asked. "Yes, Rebbe."

"Still in the same house, with the narrow windows and three steps leading up to the front door?" "Yes, Rebbe," the innkeeper replied, wondering how the rebbe knew.

"And is the well in the courtyard still plentiful, and the water still good?"

"Yes, Rebbe," the innkeeper answered with even greater amazement.

"I'm glad, I'm glad," the rebbe said, stroking his silver beard. "You have nothing to worry about."

The innkeeper's face lit up with relief and he turned to go. But then he stopped and hesitated. He was baffled. How did the rebbe know about the inn and the well, and what had the well to do with it all?

"Forgive me, Rebbe, for my insolence, but how is it that the Rebbe is so familiar with my inn?" he finally mustered the courage to ask.

The rebbe smiled and said, "Very simple. I was there. It was a long time ago. Let me tell you the whole story.

"Many years ago, a young man was on his way to the holy rebbe, the 'Seer' of Lublin. He had been traveling for three days without food and shelter. He came to your village and stopped at the inn for a rest. He was so tired and hungry that he could barely climb the three front steps leading to the door.

"Your father was busy at that moment with peasants and wayfarers who crowded the inn, and he did not notice the stranger. After the

young man rested a while, and seeing that no one took any notice of him, he decided to move on. As he passed by one of the narrow windows, he saw a small boy peeking out.

"The boy saw the haggard face of the stranger and ran after him. He begged the stranger to return with him to the inn. 'My father always welcomes poor wayfarers, and he would not forgive himself if he knew that one had passed by his inn without a good meal and a good night's rest. Please, come with me,' the boy urged.

"The young man returned to the inn and was immediately greeted by your father, then led to the dining room where a sumptuous meal was set before him. After the meal he was quite thirsty. The innkeeper sent the maid to fetch a pail of water. In her absence the innkeeper explained that she had to go to the village to fetch water.

"Have you no well in your courtyard?" the young man asked.

"Yes, but the water is not good. We only use it for the horses and the garden."

"If you don't mind, I'd like to taste your well-water. I'm very thirsty," the young man said.

"The innkeeper brought a pitcher of water from the well and poured some for the thirsty guest. He drank it and said, 'Fancy giving such good water a bad name! Taste it, and see for yourself.'

Everyone who tasted it was astonished. 'It's wonderful! It's even better than the water from the village well!' they said."

"Now I remember," the innkeeper said. "I was that little boy, and the young man - he must have been you!"

"Yes," said the saintly Rebbe, "and thanks to you I had a good meal and a good rest."

"That was nothing in comparison to the blessing which you brought into our home. Word got around how the water in our well suddenly turned pure and fresh. Former customers testify that it proved to be good for their health. People still come and rent rooms only because they want to drink our well water!"

"If the water in the well is still good, then you can be sure that G-d is with you. Go home, and don't worry. Carry on with the mitzvah of welcoming guests and G-d will continue to bless you," said the Rebbe.

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