

Youth Happenings @ Congregation Etz Chaim

March 10, 2017 Parsha Tetzaveh 13 Adar 5777



Tetzaveh Times & Numbers

Candle Lighting- 5:41

Mincha- 5:45

Shacharit- 9:00 am

Teen Minyan- 9:45

Junior Cong.- 10:15

Tot Shabbat- 10:15

Mincha- 5:35 pm

Shabbat Ends- 6:40



NUMBER OF MITZVOT: 7

4 Mitzvot Aseh (positive commandment)

3 Mitzvah lo Taseh (negative comm.)

NUMBER OF PESUKIM: 101

NUMBER OF WORDS: 1412

NUMBER OF LETTERS: 5430

**YONI'S FINAL
SUPERHEROES &
JUDAISM CLASS WILL BE
TUESDAY NIGHT THE 14TH!
FRESH PIZZA & PASTRIES.
GRADES 7 & UP.**

**SAVE THE DATE!
THIS YEAR'S PURIM CARNIVAL
WILL BE IMMEDIATELY AFTER
DAVENING ON PURIM DAY
THIS SUNDAY MARCH 12**

**YOUTH DEPARTMENT
INFLATION!!!
\$5 MITZVAH
MONEY IS
COMING SOON!**

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The Toil of The Oil

Moshe makes an appeal for olive oil. But not just any olive oil. This oil will be used to light the *Menorah*, so it must be pure. When an olive is pressed to release its oil, the first few drops are the purest. Only those first few drops can be used for the *Menorah*. (The rest of the oil can be used for other things in the *Mishkan* like *Mincha* flour offerings on the *Mizbayach*). It turns out that only the *Nesiyim* (Princes) of the tribes have pure enough olive oil for the *Menorah*. It burned so brightly that it's said that during the times of the *Bait Hamikdash* the rays of the *Menorah* lit all the alleyways of *Yerushalayim*. Only a *Kohain* can light the *Menorah*. Another *Kohain* however, gets his two cents into this *mitzvah* as well. Each morning a *Kohain* will walk up the stepping stool that is placed before the *Menorah*, clean out the ashes from the lamps that rest on the *Menorah's* branches. The old wicks get replaced with fresh ones. Then fresh olive oil is poured from a "half-log bottle" (a "log" equals about half a pint). Of course, the olive oil's got to be the purest, as stated above.

One of the seven lamps of the *Menorah*, the middle light, called the *Nair Ma'aravi* (Western Light), which did not receive any more oil than the other lamps, would always be burning when a *Kohain* came to clean the *Menorah* in the morning. The *Kohain* who lit the *Menorah* in the evening would always use the fire from the still-burning *Nair Ma'aravi*. This *Nes* (miracle) was a sign that *Hashem's Shechina* was in the *Mishkan*.

"Quote of the Week"

"A man's greatness is in direct proportion to his humility. The two are interdependent."

-The Rav aka Rabbi Joseph Soloveichik Z"l



MIDDLE RIDDLE ??????

THE FIRST KID WHO TELLS YONI THE ANSWER GETS \$3 MM, THE SECOND GETS \$2, & THE THIRD GETS \$1- NO TELLING THE ANSWER!

My ancestor Haman was very bad
And when Saul let me live I was very glad
Then Samuel came and struck me down
But my son survived & the prophet did frown

Last Week:

We made the Mishkan, as you will read
It was quite complicated, not an easy deed
Betzael was most definitely the man
But I gave him a helping hand

A- Aholiav

Slow down, kid. It's
just a Purim costume!



DID YOU KNOW???

Did you know that the Talmud in Magilla (6b) says that in the future Amalek will be found in a place called "Germamia"? Sounds quite similar to "Germany", no? Furthermore the Talmud says that this land would be made up of 300 kingdoms. Germany, it turns out, was made up of 300 provinces/territories before being decreased to 39 following the Napoleonic Wars in the early 19th Century.

**MIDOT MATTER MOST:
REMEMBER TO BE EXTRA QUIET
DURING MEGILLAH READING
AND DON'T GO TOO CRAZY
DURING THE HAMANS.**

Altruism- Al·tru·ism

(¹ā¹ tr¹ō¹·ī¹z¹ ə¹m) n.

1. Unselfish concern for the welfare of others; selflessness.
2. Zoology-behavior by an animal that is not beneficial to or may be harmful to itself but that benefits others of its species.

TORAH GREATS: RAV ENRIQUE SAMUEL KLIBANOFF

Rabbi Klibanoff was born during Chanukah of 1971 in the middle of a fabrengen in Crown Heights, and as such was blessed with Super Scotch powers. He was raised in New Rochelle, NY and his parents were both doctors... on the show General Hospital. As a young boy he showed a natural ability for ice skating, and his parents gave him three years of pairs figure skating lessons. However, as adolescence took hold it became clear that RSK was interested in another sport as he began checking his skating partner into the boards. His parents switched him over to hockey and he became a rising star in the pee-wee league. Ultimately RSK had to choose between a life of ice hockey or a life of shabbos and mitzot. He chose the latter, and attended MTA where his hockey needs were somewhat fulfilled by playing floor hockey in the yeshiva league- the only known league where the sport is played by men. After completing MTA he went to study in Israel in Neveh Zion for a year and a half until Saddam Hussein decided to launch Scud Missiles upon our Holy Land. In an historic moment of international diplomacy RSK kindly asked the mad man to please stop firing rockets, and Hussein did stop for a brief period. However Hussein, a huge Buffalo Bills fan, resumed his attacks after Scott Norwood's famously missed field goal at the end of Super Bowl XXV and the Bills lost. Hussein claimed the game was rigged by Zionists. Rabbi Klibanoff had a very nervous Jewish mother at the time (and still does) who begged him to come home, so he dutifully obeyed.

The next seven years were spent learning in Yeshiva Shaarei Torah in Monsey. During those years Rabbi Klibanoff received Semicha, a BA in Psychology, a MA in Secondary Education and won the Rabbinic Stand Up Comedy Showcase for three straight years, before losing to the hilarious Rabbi Dovid Orlofsky. However, this proved to be a blessing as Rav Orlofsky had a niece: Sarah. Yet, RSK was slated to be the first contestant on the TV show "The Jewish Bachelor." As fate would have it, Sarah Orlofsky was chosen to be one of the 180 shidduch dates RSK had to go on during the course of the show. Needless to say they ended up together after the final "Gefilte Fish Ceremony".

The Klibanoffs would then spend the next two years on the road following the band Rush, doing Jewish outreach all along the way. They eventually settled in Atlantic Beach, NY where RSK discovered he had a tremendous talent for building sand castles while giving daf yomi shiurim. But "All roads lead to Livingston" as they say, & RSK, Sarah and their 5 daughters (aka the Pop Group "Off-Beat Klips") became the first family of Etz Chaim. Their good fortune continued as they were finally blessed with an adorable baby boy- Prince Moshe of Mt. Pleasant Avenue- Long May He Reign!