



*From the Desk of the Rav*



**GETTING EGYPT OUT OF THE JEW**

Many people I know love traveling lightly. The last thing they want to do is take with them something that they will never use during their trip. "Only the necessary shall be schlepped!"

As Klal Yisrael left Egypt, the Torah notes that Moshe took the remains of Yosef to fulfill his will that he be buried in Eretz Yisrael. Taking Yosef with them was more than just fulfilling a promise: it was actually part of the process of the exodus.

Despite the fact the nation left Egypt physically, many Jews still identified themselves as Egyptian. For such individuals, Yosef was the symbol of the ideal Jew: a person who can reach the pinnacle of society - in exile - despite his Jewish roots. Unfortunately, the departure from exile and having Israel as our destination is not enough to uproot such views.

By taking Yosef with them and reminding the people that Yosef wanted Eretz Israel to be his final resting place, and not Egypt, Moshe affirmed to all Jews that Egypt and its culture has no place in the Jewish heart. This indeed was a crucial component of Yitziat Mitzraim.

Shabbat Shalom  
 Yirmiya Milevsky

**Tu Bishvat Shabbat / Sunday Morning Program**  
**January 19 - 20, 2019**

- **Enhanced davening Shabbat morning** in the Main Sanctuary.
- **A special Tu Bishvat drasha** from Rabbi Milevsky, followed by:
- **A Congregational Kiddush** in the Sam Ferman Hall, to celebrate Tu Bishvat.
- **An enhanced Seudah Shlisheet for men and women** in the Sam Ferman Hall. Rabbi Milevsky will speak.
- **Shacharit, Sunday morning 8:00 a.m. in the Main Sanctuary**
- **Breakfast program Sunday morning, 9:00 a.m.**, following Shacharit, in conjunction with Mizrahi Canada, in the Sam Ferman Hall; Couvert \$5/pp for shul members, \$10/pp for non-members. Entrance for sponsors is included in the sponsorship.
- **Rabbi Eitan Aviner** will speak on the topic **"Tu Bishvat - An Anomaly of the Calendar?"**

**Our Tu Bishvat programs are sponsored by:**

- Mizrahi Canada, in support of their **70 for 70 Sifrei Torah Project**.
- **"Friends of David and Dina Brothman"** as a tribute to the Brothmans' upcoming Aliyah to Israel.
- Jerry and Dina Adler, honouring the upcoming wedding of Benjamin Adler to Cecilia Cohn in Jerusalem.
- Andrea Stern and Isaac Singer, to commemorate the yahrzeit of Andrea's mother, Esther Laika Bat Yale.
- Marvin Wenner.

**Z'manei Tefillah**

Friday, January 18, 2019	
Candlelighting.....	4:52 p.m.
Mincha.....	4:55 p.m.
Saturday, January 19 2019, Pareshat Beshalach	
Shacharit, Shabbat.....	9:00 a.m.
Latest Shema.....	10:07 a.m.
Daf Yomi.....	4:05 p.m.
Mincha.....	4:45 p.m.
Shkiya.....	5:11 p.m.
Motzaei Shabbat.....	5:56 p.m.
Sunday-Friday, January 20-25, 2019	
Earliest Talis & Tefillin.....	6:49-6:46 a.m.
Shacharit, Sunday.....	<b>In the Main Sanctuary 8:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Breakfast &amp; Lecture by Rabbi Eitan Aviner.....</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>
Shacharit, Monday, Thursday.....	6:45 a.m.
Shacharit, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday.....	7:00 a.m.
Mincha/Maariv, Sun.-Thurs.....	5:05 p.m.
Friday, January 25, 2019	
Candlelighting.....	5:01 p.m.
Mincha.....	5:05 p.m.

**B'nai Torah Shiurim**

\*For sponsorship opportunities, please contact Paul Forman.\*

*Weekday Daf Yomi, Nir Lifshitz*

Sunday @ 7:00 a.m., Beit Midrash

Monday-Friday @ 6:00 a.m., Beit Midrash

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*Daily learning between Mincha and Maariv*

Rabbi Milevsky

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*Rabbi Gemara - Navi Shiur*

Mondays @ 7:00 p.m., Beit Midrash

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*Pareshat HaShavua - Rabbi Milevsky*

Tuesdays @ 10:15 a.m., Beit Midrash

Sponsored this week by Annie Tencer.

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*Minchas Chinuch - Rabbi Hochman*

Men, Tuesdays @ 8:00 p.m., Library

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*Chumash & Rashi - Yitzchak Deutsch*

Men, Tuesdays @ 8:00 p.m., Beit Midrash

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*Gemarah Yoma in depth - Rabbi Milevsky*

Men, Thursdays @ 7:00 p.m., Library

## Lifecycle

### Celebrations:

- Mazal Tov to Symee and Avi Citron on the engagement of their granddaughter, Yael, daughter of Lisa and Issie Chaimovitch, to Hershel, son of Sigal and Yaacov Stevens of Thornhill.
- Mazal Tov to Molly and Arthur Kaplan on the birth of their first great-grandchild, granddaughter to Akiva and Devorah Grossman of Monsey, daughter to Chava and Rafi Patow of Maalot Daphna in Israel. Mazal Tov to great-great-grandmother Frieda Kleiner.
- Mazal Tov to Sandy and Nachum Woolf on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Yaakov Daniel Woolf, son of Pesach and Tamara Woolf of Toronto.

### Nachas Notes:

- A "Yasher Koach" to Wendy Zierler, daughter of our members David and Marion Zierler, who had an article published in this week's CJN about the family's move to Toronto. The article can be found at <https://www.cjnews.com/perspectives/zierler-finding-hebrew-in-the-big-city>.

### Tzetzchem L'Shalom:

- Tzetzchem L'Shalom to David and Dina Brothman, who are leaving Toronto to make Aliya. They will be missed. We wish them all the best in their new home.

### We Thank Our Sponsors:

Rabbi Milevsky's Paresha Shiur this week is sponsored by:

- Annie and Joel Tencer, to commemorate the yahrzeit of Annie's father, Menachem Mendel ben Rav Avraham Yaacov, z"l.

### Flu Prevention

Cold and flu season is upon us. Hand hygiene is the most effective way to minimize the spread of illness. It is also recommended that we greet one another without a handshake.

## Synagogue Notes

### One Minyan on Shabbat, January 19, 2019:

There will be only one minyan on **Shabbat, January 19, 2019**. The Hashkama minyan will not meet.

### Azriel and Rivka Karp z"l Memorial Fund" c/o B'nai Torah Charity Fund:

The Karp family has set up the "Azriel and Rivka Karp z"l Memorial Fund" within the B'nai Torah Tzedakah Fund. Donations to the "Azriel and Rivka Karp z"l Memorial Fund" c/o B'nai Torah Charity Fund Charity Fund can be pledged online at [www.bnaitorah.ca](http://www.bnaitorah.ca) ~ then the Donate tab ~ then the "Card of Acknowledgment - In Memory" tab. The direct URL is <http://bnaitorah.ca/donate.php?id=3>, – or a donation may be made by calling or emailing the shul office. The Karp Family will be provided with a list of all donors.

### Purim Project:

The Mishloach Manot mailing with the details of the project and the order form has gone out. If you have not received the Purim mailing by Tuesday, January 22, please contact the office. Sponsorship opportunities are available. **Return date for all forms is February 15, 2019. No forms can be accepted after that date.**

### Halacha Corner

In the Land of Israel when fruits are tithed, they must all be from the same year. The date that determines the beginning of a year for fruit is the fifteenth of Shevat, known as Tu Bishvat. Despite the fact that in the exile the laws of tithing were not in play, nevertheless, Tu Bishvat was considered a significant day and thus Tachanun was not recited. Many have a tradition of eating fruit from the land of Israel. In the past, the only fruit of Eretz Yisrael available was dried fruit. Thus, for many, Tu Bishvat became the day of dried fruit. Today, we can get several products that are fresh. By making a blessing and enjoying the fruit of Israel, we show our appreciation for the wonderful land Hashem gave us.

☞ **Those interested in engaging in non-stop conversations during davening, layingn or the Rabbi's speech are asked to please step outside the Main Sanctuary, so that those who wish to daven with kavanah can do so. Shabbat Shalom!**

**Kaylim Mikvah** 10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, other times by appointment with the Shammos, Rav Mark Breslow. Kaylim Mikvah is not available Erev Shabbos or Yom Tov. **Ladies' Mikvah.** Friday nights and Yom Tov nights, by appointment. Call Hanna Katz by Wednesday at 416.225.6483. **Sisterhood Donations,** Elaine Tanenzapf, [lainny@rogers.com](mailto:lainny@rogers.com) or call 416.665.2182; **Tree of Life, Dedications, Memorial Plaques,** Contact the office.

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