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Ki Tavo

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Jewish Tape Measure

Though most of the world operates on a metric system for weight, liquid, cubic, square and linear measurements, the United States continues to use a system referred to as the "traditional systems of weights and measures." It's sometimes (erroneously) called "Imperial," or "English" (which refers to the pre-1824 reform measures used throughout the British Empire).

Years back, it was expected that Americans would gradually wean themselves off English and switch to metric; thus products produced in the U.S., even those not manufactured for export, carry both the metric and English measurements. Goods imported into the U.S. from Israel and Europe carry both metric and English designations. But for most American schoolchildren, their only familiarity with the metric system is the knowledge that soft drinks come in one, two or three liter bottles.

There is, however, another system of measurement, linear at least. And it is called the "Jewish yardstick."

The Jewish yardstick is simple to use, and it doesn't interfere with any other system of weight, liquid, cubic, square, or linear measurement.

The rules for using the Jewish yardstick are as follow: When measuring up your neighbor, friend, co-worker, relative or any stranger, judge him leniently and favorably. When measuring yourself and your accomplishments, be stringent.

In Chasidic terminology one would say: Look at another with the "right eye" - with kindness; look at yourself with the "left eye" - with strictness.

Such an approach is based on the commandment to "Love your fellow as yourself." Just as a person's intrinsic self-love allows him to overlook his own faults, so too, must we overlook another's faults.

In regard to our personal conduct, we strive to both push away the negative and to do good. When relating to another individual, however, the Jewish yardstick's method is to channel our energies solely into the positive path - "Do good."

Although there may be times when someone's conduct warrants reproof, before criticizing - even before giving "positive criticism" - we should question ourselves as to whether we are fit to be the one to administer it. Furthermore, if reproof must be given, it should be offered gently, which will obviously enable it to be accepted more readily than harsh speech.

Moreover, such words should be spoken only on select occasions.

The old saying, "Spare the rod and spoil the child," is a derivation of the Biblical verse, "One who spares the rod hates his son." Judaism indicates that rebuke and reprimand are not only important, but at times, essential. However, admonishment may be given only when the relationship between two individuals is like that between a father and son: To give rebuke, one must love the other person just as a father loves his child; additionally, the difference in level between the two people must be as radical as the difference between a father and a son. Needless to say, this does not apply in most cases.

Why is all this true? Because the ultimate value of every Jew is immeasurable.

(from <http://www.lchaimweekly.org/>)

This Shabbat **is the LAST weekly session for this season's** Shabbat afternoon Torah Learning & Refreshments.

Presented by **Mrs. Rochel Kaplan** at 6509 Deancroft Road (corner of Hanway Rd)

from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. RSVP 410-486-1959

לעילוי נשמת חיה יוטא בת חנוך הענוך הכהן ה.ב.צ.ג.ת.

SHACHARIS Shiur & Breakfast



This Monday, Labor Day, after Selichot & Shacharit, Rabbi Kaplan will be giving a shiur entitled ***Selichos - Nothing To Be Afraid Of!***

Breakfast is sponsored by **Mr. & Mrs. Chaim Khan** in appreciation of Hashem's kindness.

We happily wish Mazel Tov to
Mr. Jeffrey and Mrs. Shira London and Family
on the **Birth of a Granddaughter**,
born to their children Leor and Jody London of Silver Spring, MD.



Mazel Tov also to the grandparents **Harry and Betty Rashbaum**.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy and condolences to **Cynthia Rosenberg**
on the loss of her mother, **Gilda Rachel Bromberg**.
Cynthia will be sitting shiva at 6719 Old Pimlico Road, through Monday.

המקום ינחם אתכם בתוך שאר אבלי ציון וירושלים



Sponsorships are available for two flower displays on the Bima during Succot. Please consider sponsoring the flowers in honor or in memory of someone. Please email Allan Genut at agenut@gmail.com to make arrangements.

Yahrzeits This Week:

Leslie Silverberg

23 Elul - Sunday night/Monday

for father

Eugene Hettleman

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Davening and Shiurim Schedule

Friday, 8/31 — 20 Elul

Shacharit — 7:00 a.m.

Minchah / Ma'ariv — 7:00 p.m.

Shabbat, 9/01 — 21 Elul

Shacharit — 9:00 a.m.

Sof Z'man Kriat Shema — 9:48 a.m.

Berachot Gemara Shiur — 6:10 p.m.

Minchah & Seudah Shilishit — 7:10 p.m.

Ma'ariv — 8:21 p.m.

Selichot — 1:00 a.m.

Sunday, 9/02 — 22 Elul

Shacharit — 8:00 a.m.

Minchah / Ma'ariv — 7:15 p.m.

Monday — Labor Day, 9/03 — 23 Elul

Selichot & Shacharit — 8:00 a.m.

Minchah / Ma'ariv — 7:15 p.m.

Tuesday, 9/04 — 24 Elul

Selichot & Shacharit — 6:30 a.m.

Minchah / Ma'ariv — 7:15 p.m.

Wednesday, 9/05 — 25 Elul

Selichot & Shacharit — 6:30 a.m.

Minchah / Ma'ariv — 7:15 p.m.

Thursday, 9/06 — 26 Elul

Selichot & Shacharit — 6:20 a.m.

Minchah / Ma'ariv — 7:15 p.m.

Friday, 9/07 — 27 Elul

Selichot & Shacharit — 6:30 a.m.

Candles — 7:09 p.m.

Minchah / Ma'ariv — 7:00 p.m.