This past week we commemorated Yom Hazikaron, just days after the horrible tragedy at the Poway Chabad. Our world continues to be filled with these tragedies, based on senseless hatred and fear of “the other.” In the days following the Poway terrorism, the Rabbi of the shul, Rabbi Goldstein, continuously spoke of fighting darkness with light. Rabbi Goldstein also asked that Jews fill their synagogues in response to this attack on our religion.

I have never been prouder to attend Ner Tamid and to serve as president of its brotherhood. Our Shul, lives its moto of: “Something for Everyone.” We do not fear the other, but rather embrace diversity of all kinds in our humble synagogue. The diversity of Ner Tamid can be found in everything from age to skin tone, but it goes much deeper than that. Our diversity includes people all across the scale, politically, and even within their religious observance. That is what makes Ner Tamid special. That is how we do our part to fight the darkness with our light.

The Ner Tamid brotherhood embraces these values, so ingrained in our shul’s culture. We exist to help amplify the message and the impact of Ner Tamid while helping to continue the growth that we have been blessed with over the past few years.

Following tragedy, many people look for ways to take action. I would encourage you to join the brotherhood and help us develop and implement our programming, whether cultural, religious, social, or charitable in nature. If you do not feel like you belong in the brotherhood, I would argue that it is so much more important for you to join and help us all embrace the diversity that is Ner Tamid.

I would like to thank Pinny Zimmerman, Marc Berman, Sam Goldstein and Howard Kastner for all of the incredible work and for the passion that they bring to their roles in the brotherhood. Thank you to the Rabbi and the Shul executive board for your continued support. I would also like to thank all of our current members for their support, and I encourage you to attend our all-Brotherhood-member meeting on May 19th (more details to come). Thank you all for being part of the everlasting light, that is Ner Tamid.

Dov Shar
President
Ner Tamid Brotherhood
MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Bruce Blumenthal will be once again riding in the Bikur Cholim fundraising event and would like to both create a Ner Tamid team and raise funds from those who cannot ride with him. The event will take place on August 18. http://wizathon.com/bikercholim/67524 to register or donate.

Thank you to Karen and Mark Schwartzman for donating a portrait of Max Jacob a"h in the front lobby.

Welcome to our new member: Maia Bar-Am

Join Rabbi Motzen and many other Ner Tamid members on this year's Jewish Caring Network's 5K run! Join or sponsor the team by going to https://www.wizathon.com/jcn5krunmen/ The run will take place on Sunday, June 30th.

Are you interested in learning Hebrew? A number of members are looking to start an Ulpan at Ner Tamid. Please contact Dina Cotton at dinacotton@hotmail.com for more details.

The Jewish Caring Network Women's Race, will take place at the Baltimore Zoo on Sunday morning, June 16th. To join Ner Tamid's team or for more information, please contact Hannah Heller at hmheller18@gmail.com.

Meet Avinoam Miller

1. How did you first hear about Ner Tamid?
I was born in Baltimore, and my family went to the Agudah of Park Heights which is where my Bar Mitzvah was. I had been to other shuls since then because of community events, simchas, and they were there. When I moved to the county, I tried Ner Tamid on a regular basis.

2. How long have you been member? Not long enough. I'm looking forward to many more years.

3. What is your religious background? My family has always lived in the Orthodox community. My mother, Carol Miller, still lives in the Park Heights Area. My sister and brother-in-law, David and Shani Schwartz, are active members in HIR in Riverdale. My brother and sister-in-law, Gideon and Nava Miller, live in Houston and attend UOS. They are also very active members there, too. In fact, Gideon and Nava became grandparents recently.

4. What do you do professionally? Anybody who has been on Park Heights Avenue and has seen a unicycle knows one of the answers. Aside from that, I am a freelance court reporter. When I am not recording testimony in lawyers' offices, I have to prepare transcripts. Because the cases have become longer and more profitable, I can't ride as often as I could. I can take breaks in front of my building, but I can't ride on Park Heights as often as I did before. If I'm not doing that, I'm juggling in my apartment (occasionally on one wheel), reading, going to the DC Improv when they have a good comedian, and going to the Iridium Jazz Club or bigger venue to watch musicians.

5. Anything unusual you could tell us about yourself? Anything unusual? That's too easy.

6. What are you most excited about Ner Tamid? I don't think there's only one thing to be excited about. We have an incredible rabbi and rebbetzin. There are many community events and social opportunities. We also have an incredible rabbi and rebbetzin. I'm happy to say that bears repeating.

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The time between Pesach and Shavuot is a special one. A time not only for binging on all the bread and delicious carbs we missed so dearly over Pesach, not only for finally enjoying the beautiful weather that Maryland is finally bestowing upon us, (tpoo, tpoo, tpoo). But no. This is a time for self-reflection and self-improvement.

This month before we start davening each morning, I ask my students to think of one teeny tiny thing they can do today to get them a step closer to being the best version of themselves they can be. I remind them that no one expects perfection, but as we stride, step by step, higher and higher to the top of humble Har Sinai to receive the Torah, we need to better ourselves to prepare. And if we take tiny, manageable, relatively easy steps each day, focusing on the small things we can do, before we know it, we will be at the top, ready for Shavuot, as a great version of ourselves we are truly proud to be.

One step toward self improvement is racing to do Mitzvot with Zerizut. This month we have the chance to do just that in Baltimore’s First Ever Mobile Food Drive Race. Its called: The Ner Tami-Didarod! Named after the famous Dog Sled race in Alaska, teams will have the chance to compete to collect the most non-perishable food items in a limited amount of time. All the food collected will be weighed and donated to charity. The team with the most food will win a grand prize! (Plus, we all win when we can give back, and help out those who are less fortunate than us.)

Please consider joining a team- or better yet- be a TEAM CAPTAIN! Make teams of adults and kids, friends and family, between 5 and 10 people. After registering, each team will be given a zone (including but not necessarily limited to you neighborhood), and materials to distribute to tell people (and get them excited about the food drive), including flyers and collection bags. Get started spreading the word! Be at Ner Tamid on Sunday May 19 at 5:00 PM to begin the race! You’ll have 1.5 hours to collect as much as you can (That’s why it pays to spread the word ahead of time...) and you’ll meet back at Ner Tamid at 6:30 PM for weigh ins.

Game-On! Get those teams together and prepare to make a difference!

As Shavuot draws near, may we all find the energy and strength to take those little steps towards betterment each day. and may we always be on the giving end. Looking forward to racing with you all!

Contact Rachel Shar at NerTamidYouth.net with any questions.

Register your team at NerTamid.Net by 5/15
MAY 2019

YOUTH GROUPS

SHABBOS
@ 10:15 AM

Cocoa and Mishnah 10 AM
Tiny Tots 2-3 year olds
Morah Margalit Tiege in Classroom 1
Gan 4 year olds - Kindergarten
Morah Jordyn Miller in Classroom 11
Junior Minyan 1st and 2nd Grades
Morah Naomi Kastner in Classroom 9
TWEEN Minyan 3rd-6th Grades
Daniel Fialkoff in Classroom 9
Teens Shmuz and Snacks in Room 7

SUNDAY, MAY 5
Rosh Chodesh
Shacharis: 8:30 AM
no Gemara class
Mincha/Maariv: 7:50 PM
Who Will Write Our History? 7:30 PM

MONDAY, MAY 6
Rosh Chodesh
Shacharis: 6:30 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 7:50 PM
Gemara class: 8:45 PM

TUESDAY, MAY 7
Shacharis: 6:45 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 7:50 PM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8
Shacharis: 6:45 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 7:50 PM

THURSDAY, MAY 9
Shacharis: 6:30 AM
Bereshit class 11 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 7:50 PM
Navi class @ 600B
Pimlico Rd. 9 PM
Special Morning Services
with Hallel for Yom Haatzmaut

FRIDAY, MAY 10
Shacharis: 6:45 AM
Candle lighting: 7:45 PM
Mincha/Maariv: 7:50 PM

SHABBOS, MAY 11
Rav Kook: 8:45 AM
Shacharis: 9 AM
Sefer Shemos: 6:45 PM
Mincha: 7:30 PM
Mariv & Havdallah: 8:45 PM

SUNDAY, MAY 12
Shacharis: 8:30 AM
Talmud class: 9 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 8:05 PM

MONDAY, MAY 13
Shacharis: 6:30 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 8:05 PM
Gemara class: 8:45 PM

TUESDAY, MAY 14
Shacharis: 6:45 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 7:55 PM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15
Shacharis: 6:45 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 7:55 PM

THURSDAY, MAY 16
Shacharis: 6:30 AM
Bereshit class 11 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 7:55 PM
Navi class @ 600B
Pimlico Rd. 9 PM

FRIDAY, MAY 17
Shacharis: 6:45 AM
Candle lighting: 7:57 PM
Mincha/Maariv: 7:50 PM

SHABBOS, MAY 18
Rav Kook: 8:45 AM
Shacharis: 9 AM
Sefer Shemos: 7:50 PM
Mincha: 7:50 PM
Mariv & Havdallah: 8:50 PM
Scholar in Residence

SUNDAY, MAY 19
Shacharis: 8:30 AM
Talmud class: 9 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 8:05 PM
Ner Tamid-distributed
Food Drive Race

MONDAY, MAY 20
Shacharis: 6:30 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 8:05 PM
Gemara class: 8:45 PM

TUESDAY, MAY 21
Shacharis: 6:45 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 8:05 AM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22
Shacharis: 6:45 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 8:05 PM

THURSDAY, MAY 23
Shacharis: 6:30 AM
Bereshit class 11 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 8:05 PM
Navi class @ 600B
Pimlico Rd. 9 PM

FRIDAY, MAY 24
Shacharis: 6:45 AM
Candle lighting: 8:05 PM
Mincha/Maariv: 7 PM

SHABBOS, MAY 25
Rav Kook: 8:45 AM
Shacharis: 9 AM
Sefer Shemos: 7:05 PM
Mincha: 7:50 PM
Mariv & Havdallah: 8:04 PM

SUNDAY, MAY 26
Shacharis: 9:00 AM
Talmud class: 9 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 8:10 PM

MONDAY, MAY 27
Shacharis: 6:30 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 8:10 PM
Gemara class: 8:45 PM

TUESDAY, MAY 28
Shacharis: 6:45 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 8:10 PM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29
Shacharis: 6:45 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 8:10 AM

THURSDAY, MAY 30
Shacharis: 6:30 AM
Bereshit class 11 AM
Mincha/Maariv: 8:10 PM
Navi class @ 600B
Pimlico Rd. 9 PM

FRIDAY, MAY 31
Shacharis: 6:45 AM
Candle lighting: 8:08 PM
Mincha/Maariv: 7 PM

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE
RABBI YITZHAK BREITOWITZ
Rabbi, law professor, international lecturer, and Rabbinic authority

SHABBOS, MAY 25TH
Shacharis: 8 AM
Senseus: Why Bad Things Happen
Afternoon lecture, The Conversion
Crisis in Israel at 7:05 PM
9th A during Shabbos Services

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