

# CONGREGATION BAIS TORAH

September 8, 2007 · 89 West Carlton Rd · Suffern, NY 10901 · (845)352-1343 · www.baistorah.org · כ"ה אלול שבת פרשת נצבים-וילך

## ערב שבת פרשת נצבים-וילך

מנחה 7:00 PM \*  
הדלקת נרות 7:02 PM

## שבת פרשת נצבים-וילך

8:00 AM - Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb  
8:45 AM שחרית  
9:42 AM סוף זמן קריאת שמע

5:25 PM פרקי אבות  
6:05 PM גמרא שיעור  
6:50 PM מנחה  
שלישית סעודה  
8:00 PM מעריב

סליחות Program 10:30 PM

סליחות 12:55 AM

Sunday שחרית 7:45 AM

Weekday שחרית and סליחות

Mon.: 5:55 and 7:20 AM

Tues.: 6:05 and 7:20 AM

Wed.: 5:00 and 6:30 AM

Weekday מנחה-מעריב

Sun. thru Tues.: 7:00 PM

## Schedule for Rosh Hashanah Shabbos Shuva and Tzom Gedaliah on Separate Page

## Shiurim

Sundays at 8:30 AM – סנהדרין מסכת – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Mondays at 7:30 PM – מסכת ברכות – Rabbi Chaim Wein

Tuesdays at 8:15 PM – Partners in Torah

Wednesdays at 7:30 PM – קהלת – Rabbi Gottlieb – **Shiur will resume after Succos.**

היומי I, Monday through Friday 5:25 AM and Sunday at 6:30 AM – Mordechai Rudman

Monday through Friday at 7 AM - ירושלמי - מסכת ברכות – Mordechai Rudman

Monday through Friday after the second שחרית עם רשי – Rabbi Yosef Fischer

Monday through Thursday at 9:45 AM - גמרא שיעור - Rabbi Leibel Reznick

היומי II, Monday through Thursday 10:00 AM and Sunday at 9:30 AM – Rabbi Yosef Fischer

Women's אבות תהלים group meets on שבת right after the שיעור פרקי אבות.

## Shul Announcements

סעודה שלישיית is being sponsored by Bob Landa and Yosef Fischer for their respective yahrtzeits.

Congregation Bais Torah invites you to a **Slichos night program** this Motzoei Shabbos, September 8, 2007. The schedule is as follows: 10:45 PM - Collation sponsored by Bais Torah's Sisterhood; 11:15 PM - A "Must-See" Video presentation appropriate for Slichos; 12:10 AM - Divrei hisorrerus from Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb; 12:55 AM – Slichos.

Please reserve Shabbos, Parshas Noach, Motzei Shabbos, October 13th and Sunday, October 14th for a full program of events celebrating the hachnosu of the Sefer Torah written in memory of **Rebbetzin Jackie Wein** a"h. Rabbi Berel Wein will be joining us for the weekend.

Bais Torah has secured seats for the **NY Knicks vs. the Maccabi Elite Tel Aviv** basketball team. They will be playing in Madison Square Garden on October 11<sup>th</sup>, for the benefit of Migdal Ohr. The number of seats are very limited so they will be sold on a first come first served basis. We are going to have a bus going from the shul to the game and back. Preliminary reservations can be made by emailing [baistorah@taxprof.net](mailto:baistorah@taxprof.net). That will hold your reservation for 5 days. The total cost of seat and bus is \$80.00. Checks are to be made out to Bais Torah and only reservations that are paid for will be valid. Kosher food will be available at the Garden supplied by Mendy's.

This past week's **Labor Day Barbeque** was a great success, with over 125 adults and children in attendance. Thanks are due to Jack Gross, David Lehmann, Moishe Kranzler, Moshe Lehmann, Hinda Kimmel and the Adult Education Committee, including Sandra Thurm, Marilyn Sapir, Fayge Deutsch and Ruth Lehmann. Thanks also to the Rossman family, Shaul Stern, Peter Katz and most of all, to Allen, Miriam and Mark Nussbaum for their invaluable assistance and for so generously allowing us to use Camp Regesh for the day.

## Mazel Tov

Jossi and Sandy Lieder on the birth of a granddaughter, born to Yaakov and Yocheved Lieder.

Kate Tannenbaum on the marriage of her grandchildren, Elianna and Yitzchok Rappaport, children of Eliot and Debbie

Tannenbaum and grandchildren of Rabbi Moshe and Sifra Tendler.

Abe and Sunny Fogel on the engagement of their grandson, Tzvi Mordechai Kornbluth, to Shifra Lieberman of Brooklyn.

## Refuah Shelaimah

Mr. Henry Shapiro -

חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה לאה

Ben Zauderer - בנימין בן בילה

Manny London - מנחם מונש בן חנה פרידא

Ken and Judy Gribetz's grandson, Eitan Witkin -

איתן אפרים בן נחמה יטה

Joel Rosenwasser - שלום אברהם בן פשע לאה

Yoel Adler - יואל בן מירלא

Renee Rosenbaum's mother, Fanny York -

רחמה פיגל בת רבקה

Shira Steinberg - שירה רות בת שרה

Yossie Stern's granddaughter -

ציפורה יהודית בת דינה רבקה

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## In Case of Emergency

The **red Hatzolah phone** is in the hallway on the wall between the rear washing station and the Simcha Room.

The **defibrillator** is in a cubby in the coat room opposite the Hatzolah phone.

## Parashiot Nitzavim-VaYeLech – 5767 – “Rosh HaShanah” – 5768 “Not with You Alone”

Moshe “Rabbeinu” served as the representative of HaShem as King and Judge of the People of Israel. He uttered the following words on the last day of his life: *“Not with you alone do I seal this covenant and this imprecation; but with whoever is here, standing with us today before HaShem, our G-d, and with whoever is not here with us today.”*(Devarim 29:13-14) He was addressing all the Jews who had lived and whoever would live: past, present and future, **including you and me**. This covenant of loyalty to HaShem embraced the Torah in all its aspects: the explicit Commands and the Command to be holy in ways not explicitly commanded by the Torah. It also included a requirement to present ourselves each year on One Day, “Rosh HaShanah,” before HaShem, for judgment by the Supreme Judge Who knows all thoughts.

A larger gap than usual occurs between candle lighting times last week and this week, and previous gaps. That is because the Intensity of the sun’s light follows a sinusoidal curve; so that when the sun is at the top (or the bottom, smooth and nearly horizontal parts) of the curve, the variations week-to-week are small. But when the sun is on the steep, roller-coaster parts of the curve, the variations week-to-week increase dramatically. As opposed to the moon, the Intensity of which follows a circular, constant curve.

The Midrash tells us that the moon complained to HaShem after it and the sun were created, “Two Kings cannot serve with one crown.” And HaShem responded, “You know, you’re right, **go and diminish yourself.**” And that explains (metaphorically, of course) the situation that pertains at the present time, where the sun reigns during the day and the moon reigns during the night.

The sun shines brightly, enabling us to see, and providing light for the process of photosynthesis, that enables green plants to survive, as a primary source of Oxygen and as the foundation of the food chain. The moon rules over a dark world which allows the stars to shine, and the creatures to sleep. It receives reflected light of the sun on a cyclical basis, that sees it waxing and waning. Its fortunes are seen as the model of the fate of the People of Israel, which also waxes and wanes as it passes through various periods of its history.

Man has no control over the sun. Only HaShem can shield the earth from the full Intensity of the sun by the positioning of clouds. During the sojourn of our People in the Wilderness, they were protected by HaShem’s Clouds of Glory, and in our time, clouds are moved around the world by the “One Who blows the wind and makes the rain descend.”

Among the classic verses associated with “Rosh HaShanah” are the following: *“Blow the Shofar **when the moon is hidden**, at the appointed time for our festive day. Because it is a decree for Israel; a time of Judgment, for the G-d of Yaakov.”* (Tehilim 81:4-5)

The Jewish People follows a lunar calendar; its seasons and holidays are determined by the moon; in particular, by sightings of the new moon by witnesses who come to report their viewings to the “Sanhedrin,” the Jewish Supreme Court, who then pronounce the onset of the new month. Nowadays, without a Sanhedrin, we follow a fixed calendar. But even in its relative constancy, the lunar year must be compromised periodically with the solar year by the addition of an additional month, to keep the spring-linked Festival, Pesach, relatively in place, and with that, the entire calendar is stabilized.

But why is it that the time that the moon is in diminished mode, essentially invisible, is appropriate for the judgment of the People of Israel? Because **Israel is symbolized by the moon**, and the beginning of a new month, and certainly the New Year, the Head of the New Months, when the moon shrinks to nothingness, represents a time of self-nullification; when we stand aside and blow the Shofar, announcing the arrival of the Great and Righteous King, Who will sit in Judgment upon us, and upon the World. PF

# Schedule for Rosh Hashanah Shabbos Shuva And Tzom Gedaliah

## Erev Rosh Hashanah - ערב ראש השנה - Wednesday - (9/12/07)

Eiruv Tavshilin - עירוב תבשילין	
Candle Lighting - הדלקות נרות	6:53 PM
Mincha - מנחה	7:00 PM

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## First Day Rosh Hashanah - א' ראש השנה - Thursday - (9/13/07)

Daf Hayomi - דף היומי	7:15 AM
Shacharis - שחרית	8:00 AM
Shema by - סוף זמן קריאת שמע	9:43 AM
T'Kias Shofar - תקיעת שופר	Not before 10:30 AM
Mincha - מנחה	5:30 PM
Tashlich - תשליך after Mincha	
Rabbi's Shiur followed by Maariv - מעריב	6:45 PM
Candle Lighting - הדלקות נרות	Not before 7:51 PM

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## Second Day Rosh Hashanah - ב' ראש שנה - Friday - (9/14/07)

Daf Hayomi - דף היומי	7:15 AM
Shacharis - שחרית	8:00 AM
Shema by - סוף זמן קריאת שמע	9:47 AM
T'Kias Shofar - תקיעת שופר	Not before 10:30 AM
Candle Lighting - הדלקות נרות	6:50 PM
Mincha - מנחה followed by Maariv - מעריב	6:55 PM

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## Shabbos Shuva - שבת שובה - Shabbos - (9/15/07)

Daf Hayomi - דף היומי	8:00 AM
Shacharis - שחרית	8:45 AM
Shema by - סוף זמן קריאת שמע	9:43 AM
Shabbos Shuva Droscha - שבת שובה דרשה	5:25 PM
"The Benefits of Beneficence"	
Mincha - מנחה	6:35 PM
Maariv - מעריב	7:48 PM

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## Tzom Gedaliah- צום גדליה - Sunday - (9/16/07)

Fast Begins	5:25 AM
Selichos - סליחות	7:15 AM
Shacharis - שחרית	7:45 AM
Mincha - מנחה	6:30 PM
Maariv - מעריב	7:30 PM
Fast Ends	7:44PM