CONGREGATION BAIS TORAH

March 21, 2009 · 89 West Carlton Rd · Suffern, NY 10901 · (845)352-1343 · <u>www.baistorah.org</u> כ'ה אדר שבת

ערב שבת פרשת ויקהל-פקודי 6:50 PM הדלקת נרות מנחה 6:55 PM 7:08 PM שבת פרשת ויקהל-פקודי 8:00 AM היומי 8:45 AM 10:00 AM סוף זמן קריאת שמע מברכים החודש ניסו

שיעור 5:40 PM 6:25 PM מנחה 7:10 PM סעודה שלישית מעריב 7:52 PM

T:45 AM אחרית 7:45 AM שחרית Weekdav

Mon.: 6:20 and 7:45 AM

Tues. Wed. and Fri.: 6:30 and 7:45 AM Thurs.: 6:10 and 7:35 AM (ראש חודש)

מנחה-מעריב Weekdav Sun.thru Thurs.: 7:00 PM

ערב שבת פרשת ויקרא הדלקת נרות: 6:58 PM

מנחה: 7:05 PM 7:16 PM

Shiurim

Sundays at 8:30 AM – מסכת סנהדרין – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb Tuesdays at 8:15 PM - Partners in Torah Tuesdays at 8:15 PM - Ladies Mishnayos Class- Rabbi Avromy Fein Wednesdays at 8:00 PM - nto - Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb. איעור שבת שיעור 8:00 PM – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb אדן. Monday through Friday 5:25 AM and Sunday at 6:30 AM – Mordechai Rudman אדף היומי אדן II, Monday through Friday 7:00 AM – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb אימי קו III, Sunday through Thursday 9:45 AM – Rabbi Yosef Fischer Monday through Friday at 7 AM - ירושלמי - Mordechai Rudman – גמרא מסכת ברכות Monday through Friday after the second ברשת השבוע עם רשי - שחרית – Rabbi Yosef Fischer

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

שנחה group מנחה שנדל שבת meets on לז'נ פייגל בת מנחם מנדל minutes before מנחה.

Shul Announcements

There wil be a 2-part Shabbos afternoon series given by Rabbi Gottlieb on "Birchas Hachama: A Once in a 28-Year Mitzvah," Shabbos afternoon, March 21st at 5:40 PM. and Shabbos afternoon, March 28th at 6:00 PM. Learn "How to Clean and Kasher but Still Enjoy Pesach." when Rabbi Gottlieb gives a shiur on the topic Wednesday, March 25th at 8:00 PM. "What to Buy and Eat, A Guide to Common Pesach Product Issues" will be the subject of Rabbi Gottlieb's shiur on Wednesday April 1st at 8:00 PM. Please join us.

this week is sponsored by Laurence and Gloria Gordon celebrating the sheva brochos of their children, Aron and Yaffa Gordon..

Please join us for a video presentation of the Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation's latest film The Inner Meaning of Birchat HaChama on Sunday March 22nd at 4:50 PM. Presenters are Rabbis Paysach Krohn and Avrohom Feuer.

Congregation meeting at 10 AM on March 29th. All are encouraged to attend.

If you want to purchase wine for Pesach from Bais Torah, please place your order with Miriam Frankel. Thursday, March 26th is the last day for Pesach wine orders. If you need information, please call Miriam @ 893-4983.

Calling All Women: If you're interested in an 8-session Zumba class on Monday nights, please call Betty (369-1833) or Hinda

The Rockland Kosher Food Pantry is counting on us for our quota of Kosher L'Pesach canned fruit & we are behind in our collection. The deadline has been extended to March 27.

Mazel Tov

Laurence and Gloria Gordon on the marriage of their children, Aron and Yaffa Gordon. Sam and Rena Wilen on the birth of a grandson, born to Janina and Ari Madoff of Chicago. Max and Sandy Thurm on the engagement of their daughter, Sharona to Jesse Ohayon of Irvine, California.

Refuah Shelaimah

Henry Shapiro- חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה מנחם מונש בן חנה פרידא שלמה יעקב יונתן בן חנה רייזל- Tova Éizik's grandson Esther Lutwak - אסתר מלכה בת קילה Bob Schore - חיים ראובן בן הענדל Suzie Kirshenbaum's father- יוסף בן שרה Bella Helprin's mother- פיגע בת חיה רבקה רינה בת בילה - Rena Helprin

Joel Rosenwasser's parents -שמעון בן בלומא רבקה פשע לאה בת שפרינצא Ben Zauderer -בנימין בן בילה Lenny Wulwick - לייב יוסף בן חיה אריה לייב בן רבקה - Larry Seligson Leni Loebenstein - הילני בת רחל Eileen Frommer's father - חיים יונה בן חנה

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In Case of Emergency

The **red Hatzoloh 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 Hatzoloh phone.

VAYAKHEL - PEKUDEI

The Torah reviews for us once again the details of the construction of the mishkan / Tabernacle. In this review the Torah points out that the work was done by volunteers, people whose hearts and intuition brought them to do the actual work.

And as Rabbi Naftali Zvi Yehuda Berlin points out, these were not trained artisans that volunteered to build the mishkan / Tabernacle. Rather, they were people who had a vision of the holy building in their minds and hearts, who were willing to sacrifice their hands and minds and time for the cause.

Of course they had to have talent to do their jobs. But it was not so much a contest to find the best carpenter or goldsmith but it was rather a call for people whose hearts would bring them to do the work.

The volunteers were to be people who were aware that they were involved in building a spiritual structure and not just a physical building. This is true regarding all tasks of holiness and eternity.

Teachers have a job but it is not just a job. There is a commitment to the student and his or her future and to the importance and holiness of the subject matter being taught.

The Talmud states that teachers who do not have this attitude and commitment are guilty of doing God's work in a fraudulent fashion. Volunteerism, commitment, holy attitude and soaring vision are all necessary to complete a holy building. One's heart must accompany one's hands.

This message is not to be construed as allowing a novice with good and holy intentions to practice as a brain surgeon.

There is a famous Jewish story about a young rabbi who had just come to town and with great enthusiasm set for himself the task of constructing a mikvah / /ritualarium.

Not having architectural instructions and plans or previous construction experience he nevertheless set himself to the task with great commitment and enthusiasm. The source of his expertise in the construction of the building was his study and understanding of the mishnayot of tractate Mikvaot. After a short period of time the building rose and was completed.

After another period of time the building suddenly collapsed. When the townspeople came to inform the rabbi of the collapse of the building he mused and said to them: "Tosafot, the later commentary to Mishna and Talmud, truly raises an objection to the conclusion of that mishna!"

The Mishkan was built by talented people. But in the Jewish world talent without commitment is eventually of little value just as commitment without talent is not the way to build buildings or teach children.

The Torah always deals in practical human terms. But having commitment, vision and a holy attitude is a practical requirement not a soaring spiritual achievement. This lesson of the Torah applies to all areas of life - marriage, children, professions, and human projects, etc.

One has to always see the larger picture, the vision that lies behind all of the apparently smaller things in life. And perhaps that is the most important and relevant lesson that the parsha has to teach us.

Shabat shalom. Rabbi Berel Wein