

CONGREGATION BAIS TORAH

July 18, 2009 · 89 West Carlton Rd · Suffern, NY 10901 · (845)352-1343 · www.baistorah.org כ"ו תמוז שבת פרשת מטות-מסעי

ערב שבת פרשת מטות-מסעי

מנחה 7:00 PM *
הדלקת נרות 7:20 PM **
Regular Candle Lighting 8:08 PM
שקיעה 8:26 PM

שבת פרשת מטות-מסעי

היומי 8:00 AM
שחרית 8:45 AM
9:21 AM סוף זמן קריאת שמע
מברכ'ם החודש מנחם אב
6:20 PM פרקי אבות
Contemporary Halachic Issues 7:10 PM
מנחה 7:55 PM
שקיעה 8:25 PM
סעודה שלישית
מעריב 9:07 PM

Sunday שחרית 7:45 AM

Weekday שחרית

Mon. and Thurs.: 6:20 and 7:45 AM
Tues., and Fri.: 6:30 and 7:45 AM
Wed.: 6:10 and 7:35 (ראש חודש)

Weekday מעריב

Sun. thru Thurs.: 8:15 PM

ערב שבת פרשת דברים

מנחה 7:00 PM *
הדלקת נרות 7:20 PM **
Regular Candle Lighting 8:02 PM
שקיעה 8:20 PM

* Early Mincha for summer

** Shul Accepts Shabbos

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- **Will resume in the fall.**
Wednesdays at 8:30 PM – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb.- **Will resume in the fall.**
Friday at 6:25 PM - Rabbi Yosef Fischer - Parshas Hashavua.
היומי I, Monday through Friday 5:25 AM and Sunday at 6:30 AM – Mordechai Rudman
היומי II, Monday through Friday 7:00 AM – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
היומי III, Sunday through Thursday 9:45 AM – Rabbi Yosef Fischer
Monday through Friday at 7 AM - גמרא משכת חלה - ירושלמי - Mordechai Rudman
Monday through Friday after the second שחרית עם רשי - שחרית – Rabbi Yosef Fischer
Monday through Thursday at 9:45 AM - גמרא שיעור - Rabbi Leibel Reznick
Women's תהלים group מנדל בת מנחם meets on שבת 45 minutes before פרקי אבות.

Shul Announcements

סעודה שלישית this week is co-sponsored by Moe Tilson and Marty Ginsberg.

Ladies: **Zumba** will be continuing for 5 Tuesday evenings in the Multi-Purpose Room starting June 23rd at 8:15 PM. Call 357-9571 or 369-1833 with any questions.

This Sunday morning, July 19th, the Holocaust Museum and Study Center in Spring Valley will be opening its doors just for friends and members of Bais Torah. There is no charge for the docent-led tour, but you must call either Malkie Zamore at 352-8238 or contact our shul office at 352-1343 asap to reserve space. We meet at the Holocaust Center behind Finkelstein Library at 11:00 AM.

There will be a special Yom Iyun and breakfast on Sunday morning, July 26th beginning at 9:30 a.m. Rabbi Gottlieb will introduce our very special guest speakers, Rabbi Reuven Taragin, Dean at Yeshivat Hakotel, who will speak on, "Yerushalayim: A City of Two Tales" and his wife, Shani Taragin, who is Rosh Beit Midrash of Midreshet Lindenbaum and will speak on, "Eicha: Sounds of Music." The Yom Iyun is sponsored by Bracha and Moshe Ollech in memory of Marvin Hochbaum a"h, Natan Ollech a"h, and Ruth Tager a"h.

New date for **Kosher Food Pantry**: July 29th. Please bring your cans of fruit by that day and drop it into the bin in shul.

Each year, Bais Torah endeavors to make Tisha B'Av a more meaningful experience, and this year is no exception. Beginning at 8:40 a.m., Rabbi Gottlieb will explain Kinos and its history. After Chatzos, we will once again be screening a full schedule of video programs, including the Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation's annual presentation. There will also be a brief introduction to one of the films by the coordinators of an interactive nationwide student project on the Holocaust. Further details will follow.

New **Kosher Discount Card** is now available. Cost is \$18.00. It benefits Bais Torah and Jewish Family Service. Contact Aviva at 352-1343 or Leslie at 352-3257.

Mazel Tov

Jossi and Sandy Lieder on the birth of a granddaughter, Esther Devorah, born to Noam and Brocha Peikes.

Refuah Shelaimah

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

Ben Zauderer - בנימין בן בילה
Joel Rosenwasser's mother -
פשע לאה בת שפרינצא
Larry Seligson - אריה לייב בן רבקה
Leni Loebenstein - הילני בת רחל
Eileen Frommer's father - חיים יונה בן חנה
Irwin Citron - יצחק מרדכי בן בלימה

How to Reach Us

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Sisterhood Tribute Cards, Mona Selzer 356-0129

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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.

MATOS – MASEI

The reading of the book of Bamidbar concludes this week with the parshiyot of Matos and Masei. Jews are inveterate travelers. The long exile that we have suffered has of necessity forced us to travel a great deal. There is almost no place in the world that we have not visited, settled and eventually moved from to a different location. Thus the recording of all of the travels and way stations that the Jews experienced in their years in the Sinai desert is a small prophecy as to the future historical experiences of Jews over millennia of wandering.

The world of our enemies has always accused Jews of being “rootless.” But that is untrue since we have always been rooted in the Land of Israel, consciously or subconsciously, during our entire history as a people. It is in the Exile that we are rootless, never certain of the shifting ground that lies under our weary feet. Thus we are always a restless people filled with curiosity over locations that we have not as yet seen and wonders that we have as not as yet experienced.

The history of the Exile is that Jews arrive at a new destination, settle there, help develop that country or part of the world, begin to feel at home there and attempt to assimilate into the majority culture and society. Suddenly all of this collapses. A mighty and unforeseen wind uproots them after centuries of living there and they move on to new shores.

There are no more Jews in numbers sufficient to speak of in Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, The Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania, etc. This was the Jewish heartland for centuries. But now we have moved on again to other shores.

All of the travels and way stations described in this week's parsha had only one ultimate goal and destination in mind – entry into the Land of Israel and settlement there. The Israel deniers in our midst, religious and secular, leftists and rightists, academics and almost illiterate (certainly in Jewish history) all share a common delusion – that the home of Jews is somehow not necessarily, and certainly not now in the present, in the Land of Israel.

We are taught that the Jews stayed at the oasis of Kadesh in the desert for thirty eight of their forty year sojourn in the Sinai desert. They became accustomed to living there and felt comfortable there. The Land of Israel was a far off dream and goal of theirs but not an immediate imperative. But the Lord pushed them out of the desert to fight wars that they probably would have wished to avoid and to settle a land, harsh in character but with the potential of being one of milk and honey.

Every way station and desert oasis is recorded for us in this week's parsha in order to remind us that these places exist only in our past, but that our present and future lie only in the Land of Israel. The lessons of this parsha are as valid to us today in our Jewish world as they were to our ancestors long ago at Kadesh.

Shabat shalom.

Rabbi Berel Wein