

CONGREGATION BAIS TORAH

June 11, 2010 · 89 West Carlton Rd · Suffern, NY 10901 · (845)352-1343 · www.baistorah.org כט' סיון ערב שבת פרשת שלח

ערב שבת פרשת קרח

מנחה 7:00 PM*
הדלקת נרות 7:20 PM**
Regular הדלקת נרות 8:11 PM
שקיעה 8:29 PM

שחרית Weekday

ראש חדש תמוז Sunday 7:45 AM
Mon, and Thurs 6:20, 7:45 AM
Tues., Weds., Fri., 6:30, 7:45 AM

מנחה-מעריב Weekday

Sunday-Thursday : 8:20 PM

שבת פרשת קרח

היוםני 8:00 AM
שחרית 8:45 AM
9:09 AM סוף זמן קריאת שמע
ראש חדש תמוז
6:25 PM פרקי אבות
7:15 PM Contemporary Halachic Issues
Eruvim in Hotels, Motels, Hospitals and Nursing Homes
Doctors Whose Parents are their Patients
מנחה 8:00 PM
שקיעה 8:29 PM
מעריב 9:11 PM

ערב שבת פרשת חקת

מנחה 7:00 PM*
הדלקת נרות 7:20 PM**
Regular הדלקת נרות 8:14 PM
שקיעה 8:32 PM

*early mincha for the summer

** Shul accepts Shabbos

Shiurim

Women's תהלים group מנדל בת מנחם לז'נ פייגל meets on שבת 45 minutes before פרקי אבות

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

Tuesdays at 8:15 PM – Partners in Torah

Wednesdays at 8:15 PM – מלכים ב' – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb.

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

היוםני II, Monday through Friday 7:00 AM – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

היוםני III, Sunday through Thursday 9:45 AM – Rabbi Yosef Fischer

Monday through Friday at 7 AM - ירושלמי - סוכה - Mordechai Rudman

Monday through Friday after the second שחרית - נבאים - Rabbi Yosef Fischer

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

Shul Announcements

סועדה שלישיית is sponsored Dr. & Mrs. Gedalya Rapoport in honor of sheva brachos for Mark and Shira Koivogui.

Join us, **THIS SUNDAY MORNING, June 13th for a Breakfast Lecture and Book Signing by Rabbi Berel Wein.** The program will begin at 10 a.m. in the Simcha Room. Rabbi Wein's new book, "Vision and Valor" will be available at a special discounted price and can also be pre-ordered. For further information and order forms, visit our website, <http://www.baistorah.org>. Thank you to the Herrmann family, who is sponsoring the event in memory of Lou Hermann, z"l.

It's that time of year!!! All women are invited to the **Simcha Tea on Shabbos Parshas Chukas, June 19 at 4 pm.** We will be honoring Kallos and bas mitzvas. To include YOUR simcha please get your written information to Raizie Lutwak at 76 Carlton Road, Monsey, NY 10952 or by email: raizie@optonline.net.

Motzei Shabbos, June 19 at 10:15PM, please attend the General Membership meeting including election of Officers and Board members.

The new **KOSHER DISCOUNT CARD** is available. Cost is \$18.00. The card benefits Bais Torah and Jewish Family Service. Call Aviva at 352-1343 or Leslie at 352-3257

Mazal Tov

Larry Seligson, on the engagement of his granddaughter, Hannah Schacht of Sharon, Mass to Moishe Lefkovich of Flatbush
Marty and Carol Ginsberg on the bas mitzvah of their granddaughter, Naomi, daughter of Hindy and Tully Bryks of Ramat Beit Shemesh.

Jackie and Diane Schuster on the birth of their grandson, Mordechai, son of Dovid Hillel and Yael Schuster.

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's

Grandson- טובה- משה בן דבורה

Henry Shapiro- חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה לאה

Manny London- מנחם מונש בן חנה פרידא

Esther Lutwak - אסתר מלכה בת קילה

Bob Schore - חיים ראובן בן הענדל יהודית

Suzie Kirshenbaum's father- יוסף בן שרה

Ben Zauderer - בנימין בן בילה

חיה עטיל בת שלימה

חנה פרומא בת יהודית גיטל- Chana Mayerfeld

Joel Rosenwasser's mother -

פשע לאה בת שפרינצא

Larry Seligson - אריה לייב בן רבקה

Leni Loebenstein - הילני בת רחל

Bella Helprin's mother- פיגע בת חיה רבקה

Ed Furman- יהודה בן סימא

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Lost and Found Michael Loebenstein, 425-8895

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Sisterhood Tribute Cards, Mona Selzer 356-0129

Bais Torah Bulletin Email baistorahbulletin@gmail.com, or call (845) 371-5337. All submissions are subject to review and must be submitted by 9pm Wednesday evening.. This bulletin is downloadable from the web at www.baistorah.org.

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.

Parshas Korach – 5770

Enemies of Israel – From Within and From Without

Ramban maintains that Korach's revolt took place after the tragedy of the Meraglim. Indeed, the source of his resentment was earlier, when Aharon was appointed "Kohen Gadol" and when Elitzaphan ben Uziel was put in charge of the Kehath Family. But it was impossible to stage a revolt then, because Moshe was beloved by the entire congregation. However, when the People of Israel believed the slander of the "Meraglim" against "Eretz Yisrael," and disbelieved the promise of HaShem, a shameful treachery, and the entire generation that had left Egypt was condemned to die in the Wilderness, Moshe's popularity plunged precipitously, and the time seemed ripe for rebellion.

Chazal, who say that Korach was a very wise man, ask, "How could Korach, who was wise, have led such a foolish endeavor as this revolt?" The answer is found in Pirkei Avos 4:28, where we find, "Rabbi Elazar HaKapor says, 'Jealousy, Desire and Quest for Honor, remove a person from the World.'" Korach was **jealous** of Aharon, was full of **desire** for riches and embarked on a desperate search for **honor**, all of which combined to literally remove him from the world, as he was swallowed up by the earth.

In two weeks, we will encounter the evil prophet of the nations, Bilaam, who had the potential to be as great as Moshe, if he would have had the desire to know G-d's Essence, but instead wasted his great potential in seeking G-d the "Boray Ra," Who created Evil only so that Mankind would have Free Choice between Good and Evil. He became the expert in finding G-d in His infinitesimal moments of Anger, "*BeShetzel Ketzef*," so that he could curse, and direct G-d's Anger at his intended victims.

But in the case of Israel, it was very different. Driven by a hatred beyond the bounds of reason, Bilaam got up at dawn to saddle his own donkey, and not even his donkey's speaking to him could dissuade him from making the trip. When he arrived, he tried to curse Israel three times, and each time, what emerged from his mouth was a sublime blessing.

Modern Times

Many Jewish figures could have been chosen, but Judge Goldstone, who headed the Commission investigating the recent conflict in Gaza, and produced a report condemning Israel, seemed a timely choice.

"...No one won the war. There was tremendous suffering on all sides – before, during and after the war. The Goldstone Report failed mainly because it refused to understand that fact. Palestinian groups, including Hamas, launched more than 10,000 rockets and mortars at Israeli cities...One woman, a doctor, who treated Israeli and Palestinian patients equally and without discrimination, was called to testify. She spoke of being seriously injured during a missile attack. In the end, her moving testimony was all but ignored...She later spoke of her humiliation at the hands of the Commission, one determined to produce a report that was all but written before they even started their work."

Helen Thomas

The appearance of Ms. Thomas here is no surprise. For many years, she has represented the negative feelings held by many in the media towards the Jewish People. But this time, she just went too far.

"Longtime White House reporter has retired effective immediately, 'Hearst Corporation said Monday...Her retirement comes amid the furor created last week by her comments regarding the Jewish People.'"

"Thomas, 89, was considered the dean of the White House press corps...She came under fire when a You Tube video surfaced showing her saying that Israel should '**get the hell out of Palestine**,' and that the **Jewish People should go home to 'Poland, Germany...and America and everywhere else.'**"

Due to our great sins, we have seen the negative fulfillment of the verse in *Yeshayahu (49:17)*, "*Your ruiners and destroyers will come from you.*" We have seen the revolt of Korach against Moshe and against HaShem, driven mainly by inappropriate personal passions, the attempt by the prophet Bilaam to curse the People of Israel out of insane hatred of them and of their G-d because they and He "hate immorality." In our time, we have seen misguided Jewish compassion for the cruel, which has led, as Chazal say, to cruelty against the weak, and generalized hatred of the outside world towards us, no matter what we do.

May the time come soon when "*our ruiners and destroyers will leave us in peace*" and the bright light of HaShem's "*sun of righteousness with healing in its wings*" (*Malachi 3:20*) will cause the darkness of hatred to depart from us.

L'Illuy Nishmas beni, Aharon Baruch Mordechai ben Pinchas Menachem