

CONGREGATION BAIS TORAH

August 27, 2010 · 89 West Carlton Rd · Suffern, NY 10901 · (845)352-1343 · www.baistorah.org י"ז אלול ערב שבת פרשת כי תבוא

ערב שבת פרשת כי תבוא
מנחה 7:00 PM*
הדלקת נרות 7:19 PM
שקיעה 7:37 PM

שחרית Weekday
Sunday 7:45 AM
Mon. and Thurs 6:20, 7:45 AM
Tues, Weds. Fri., 6:30, 7:45 AM

שבת פרשת כי תבוא
דף היומי 8:00 AM
שחרית 8:45 AM
סוף זמן קריאת שמע 9:38 AM
פרקי אבות 5:30 PM
Contemporary Halacha Shiur 6:20 PM
מנחה 7:05 PM
שקיעה 7:35 PM
מעריב 8:17 PM

מנחה-מעריב Weekday
Sunday-Thursdays : 7:20 PM

ערב שבת פרשת נצבים וילך
מנחה 7:00 PM*
הדלקת נרות 7:08 PM
שקיעה 7:26 PM

***Early mincha for the summer**

Shiurim

Women's תהלים group מנדל בת מנחם לז"נ פייגל meets on שבת 30 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' – Will resume in the fall.
דף היומי I, Monday through Friday 5:25 AM and Sunday at 6:30 AM – Mordechai Rudman
דף היומי II, Monday through Friday 7:00 AM – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
דף היומי 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

Mazel Tov to all those celebrating their birthdays and anniversaries in August and September. Everyone is invited to partake of the **special kiddush** that has been prepared in their honor. A list of celebrants is attached on Page 3. Thank you, sponsors!

The Rav will continue his Contemporary Halacha shiur this week, completing his discussion on the topics of "Dreams" and "Bugs in Vegetables."

סעודה שלישית is sponsored by Henry Shapiro in honor of his 94th birthday

Congregation Bais Torah is pleased to invite you to a **Mitzvah Fair on Sunday morning, September 5**, from 8:30 AM to 9:45 AM., **Rabbi Shmuel Schneid**, Sofer Stam, will check your mezuzos and tefillin and **Josh Rossman** will be on hand to check taleisim and tzitzis. At 10 a.m., **Rabbi Yaakov Kreitman**, director of the Monsey Shatnez Center, will speak about Shatnez: Keeping Current in the Age of Globalization. At 11:15 a.m., you can see a live demonstration by **Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb** on How to Take Trumos and Maasros. There is no admission charge, but checking service fees may apply..

The Yomim Noraim are around the corner! Please fill out and return your seating forms and outstanding balances as soon as possible!

Save the date: On Motzoei Shabbos, **October 30, meet Ahuvah Gray, an African-American former ordained minister**, who will tell us about her amazing journey from Christianity to Judaism. Her new book, titled "Journey to the Land of My Soul" will be available for purchase following the lecture. There is no charge for Bais Torah members; admission for non-members is \$10.

Our **Scholar in Residence** weekend will be held on **December 10th and 11th, Parshas Vayigash**. Our featured speaker, back by popular demand, is Rabbi Edward Davis, the mora d'asrah of the Young Israel of Hollywood-Ft. Lauderdale. It's never too early to contact Dr. Moshe Kranzler and tell him that you'd like to attend and be a sponsor of this annual event.

The next Kosher Food Pantry deadline for canned fruit is Monday September 13. Our quota is 120 cans of fruit per month

We are pleased to welcome **3 new families** into our midst: Steve and Noga Romer, Avraham and Sarah Shtaygrud, and Gedalya and Leana Rapoport have become full members. "V'yishlach bracha v'hatzlacha l'chol ma'asey yedeichem."

Mazal Tov

Edwin and Ruth Levi on the bar mitzvah of their grandson, Shimon, son of Eli and Debbie Mayerfeld of Oak Park, Michigan.

Yossie and Carol Stern on the birth of a granddaughter, born to Dena and Daniel Hundert of Montreal..

Chatz and Libby Lazarus on the birth of a granddaughter, Tamar, born to Ezra and Ruthie Lazarus.

Chatz and Libby Lazarus on the birth of a grandson, Yosef Eliyahu, born to Moshe and Nikki Lazarus.

Harvey and Joan Newman on the birth of a granddaughter, born to Yosef and Channie Newman.

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's

הנתן משה בן דבורה טובה-Grandson
חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה לאה-Henry Shapiro
מנחם מונש בן חנה פרידא-Manny London
אסתר מלכה בת קילה-Esther Lutwak
חיים ראובן בן הענדל יהודית-Bob Schore
יוסף בן שרה-Suzie Kirshenbaum's father

בנימין בן בילה-Ben Zauderer

חיה עטיל בת שלמה

חנה פרומא בת יהודית גיטל-Chana Mayerfeld

Joel Rosenwasser's mother -

פשע לאה בת שפרינצא

אריה לייב בן רבקה-Larry Seligson

הילני בת רחל-Leni Loebenstein

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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.

Haftoas Parshas Ki-Sovo – 5770

- "Kumi Ori Ki Va Orech..." (Yeshayahu 60:1)

The Haftorah of Parashas Ki-Savo is the sixth of the "Haftoros of Consolation," in the series of seven such Haftoros. Both the Ashkenazic and Sefardic Communities take this Haftorah from the Book of Yeshayahu, beginning with Yeshayahu (60:1) through the last Possuk in the Perek, Yeshayahu (60:22)

The theme of this Haftorah is the "Return" of the People of Israel to its brethren, to its Land and to its G-d. Rashi, Radak, and Metzudas Dovid all interpret the idea of "Return" as referring to "Kibbutz Galuyos," Return of the People from Far-Flung Places of Exile. Not one interprets the Haftorah as referring to "Techiyas HaMesim," the "Revival of the Dead." Against that lineup, I'm really going out on a limb. But there definitely are historical reasons for this reticence. Rashi, the Master of the Commentators, flourished around 1100 C.E., the time of the First Crusade; the others were later, but not as great. This was the time when the Moslem and the Christian Worlds were contesting "ownership" of the "Holy Land," Jews were being slaughtered right and left, and the People of Israel were very far from being involved in this historical struggle. The greatest miracle that could have been imagined at that time was "Kibbutz Galuyos," Return of the Exiles. The "Coming of the Moshiach" and, even more, "Techias HaMesim" were quite far from people's minds, even the greatest minds.

Whereas, in our own time, when G-d, out of His Great Mercy, has been good to us, we are in possession of major portions of the Land of Israel (unless we foolishly give it back), **we are actually living in an era of "Kibbutz Galuyos."** We can also imagine the "Coming of the Moshiach," and how that transcendent event would affect us. "Techiyas HaMesim," though very hard, well-nigh impossible to imagine, is also not totally beyond us, because it is associated with the 12th and 13th of the Rambam's 13 Principles of Faith:

- 12) I believe with complete Faith in the "Coming of the Moshiach," and even if he delays in coming, nevertheless I await his coming every day.
- 13) I believe with complete Faith that there will occur the "Revival of the Dead," at the time when the "**Ratzon, the Will, for it to occur arises**" before the Creator, May His Name Be Blessed, and His Mention Be Elevated Forever and for All Eternity.

Another indication is that there are two references in the Haftorah to the "Ratzon," the "Will," of HaShem, that the Rambam mentions as a prerequisite for that great and mysterious, frightening but much hoped-for event:

*"All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together for you,
The rams of Nevayos will serve You;
They will be brought up **willingly upon My Altar ("Retzon Mizbechi"),**
And I will glorify My House of Splendor."* (Yeshayahu 60:7)

The sheep of Kedar are the best within the family of sheep. The People of Israel, the "Chosen People," is often pictured as a "flock of sheep." Likewise are the rams of Nevayos the best within the species of rams. The reference to "sheep and rams," brought **willingly upon the altar** seem to point to our forefather Yitzchok who allowed himself to be placed upon the altar by his father Avraham at the Akeidah. In the end, a ram was substituted for him, but the Midrash says that Yitzchok died from fear, and was brought back to life by G-d.

*"And strangers shall build up your walls, and their Kings shall serve you,
For it was in a flash of anger that I struck you,
But with **My Full Will (bi'Retzoni)** have I showered mercy upon you."* (Yeshayahu (60:10)

For it was with only a momentary flash of anger, relatively speaking, that I punished you. But it is with **My Full Will**, which we have posited may relate, in addition to the in-gathering of the Exiles and the Coming of the Moshiach, also to the Resurrection of the Dead, that I will show the Ultimate Mercy upon My People, by bringing the beloved of all their generations back to life. And then the reunion of the People of Israel will be not only across space, but across all of time, as well.