

CONGREGATION BAIS TORAH

Oct 29, 2010 · 89 West Carlton Rd · Suffern, NY 10901 · (845)352-1343 · www.baistorah.org כב' מרחשון ערב שבת פרשת חיי שרה

ערב שבת פרשת חיי שרה

הדלקת נרות 5:38PM
מנחה 5:45 PM
שקיעה 5:56 PM

שבת פרשת חיי שרה

דף היומי 8:00 AM
שחרית 8:45 AM
9:58AM סוף זמן קריאת שמע
Contemporary Halacha Shiur: 4:40PM
מנחה 5:25 PM
שקיעה 5:54 PM
מעריב 6:36 PM

שחרית Weekday

Sunday 7:45 AM
Mon. and Thurs., 6:20 AM, 7:45 AM
Tues, Wed. and Fri., 6:30 AM, 7:45 AM

מנחה-מעריב Weekday

Sunday-Thursday: 5:35 PM

מעריב SECOND

Mon-Thurs 8:00 PM

ערב שבת תולדות

הדלקת נרות 5:29PM
מנחה 5:35 PM
שקיעה 5:47 PM

Shiurim

Women's תהלים group מנדל בת מנחם לז'נ פייגל meets on שבת afternoon **30 minutes before** the shiur
Sundays at 8:30 AM – מסכת סנהדרין – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
Tuesdays at 8:15 PM – Partners in Torah
Tuesdays at 8:15 PM Mishnayos class for women-Rabbi Avromi Fein
Wednesdays at 8:15 PM – מלכים ב' – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
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 - 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

This week's kiddush is co-sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Mattis Steinberg in honor of the birth of their daughter and by all those celebrating **birthdays and anniversaries** in October and November.

שלישית is sponsored by Dr. Moshe and Baila Tilson in honor of the yartzheit of her mother Raizel Golda bas HaRav Dovid Hacoheh, and in honor of the birth of their granddaughter. Also sponsoring, is Dr. Leon Pachter for the yartzheit of his father Yaakov Yitzchak ben Simcha Bunim

Join the new learning program, THIS SHABBOS, Parshas Chayei Sarah, under the direction of Rabbi Yaakov Hauer. The program meets each week 45 minutes before Mincha in the old Bais Medrash. This week it will meet at 4:40 p.m. REFRESHMENTS will be served!

THIS motza'ai Shabbos, 8:30 PM, 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.

Avos Ubanim Motza'ai Shabbos program begins November 13-Parshas Vayetzei, details to follow. If you would like to sponsor, please contact Jonathan Rosenstock at jonathan.rosenstock@ge.com, or 369-6349. The schedule is available at our website, www.baistorah.org

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 November 15. Our quota is 120 cans of fruit per month.

Our mispallilim are encouraged to please return all siddurim, chumashim and seforim to their proper location in the bookcases

Mazal Tov

Moshe and Baila Tilson on the birth of a granddaughter, Raizel Golda born to their children, Yael and Yehuda Jacoby of Bergefield

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's

יהנתן משה בן דבורה טובה-Grandson
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
Tova Eizik's grandson- שלמה יעקב יונתן בן חנה רייזל

בנימין בן בילה- Ben Zauderer
חיה עטיל בת שלמה
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

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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.

Parashas Chaye Sarah– 5771 –

Aftershocks of the Akeidah, and a Comment by Rabbi Schwab, ZT”L, on the Parashah

According to Midrash Tanchuma, the “cause of death” of Sarah “Imeinu” was the shock at how close her beloved son, Yitzchak, had come to being slaughtered by his father. This was an effect of the Akeidah that Avraham could have fully expected, and his willingness to accept that harsh consequence was another aspect of the level of sacrifice, for Chazal say, “The full impact of a wife’s death is felt only by the husband” - that Avraham was willing to undergo for the sake of HaShem. Perhaps that is why the letter “Chof” in “*ve-livkosah*” is written in miniature, for Avraham’s action had in fact been the cause of Sarah’s demise, and he thereby had perhaps forfeited the right to fully express himself emotionally. Yitzchok also underwent major personality change after his near-sacrifice by the figure who until now had been nothing but a loving father, and even if he understood his father’s motivation, his near-death experience (and according to a Midrash, an actual death, and revival) experience, could not but have affected his delicate nature, and caused him to veer towards silence. And Avraham himself, till now a towering model of HaShem’s Compassion in the World, must have undergone a severe blow to his self-image, and, temporarily at least, to his view of his Creator.

The following comment was taken from the Sefer “Ma’ayan Beis HaSho’evah,” by Rabbi Shimon Schwab:

The following is based on the use of “kri,” the vocalized form of words, and “ksiv,” the written form of words, as they appear in the Bible. *Bereshis (24:39)*, “*And I said to my master, perhaps the young woman will not wish to follow me.*” Now the word “*perhaps*,” is written with a “Vav” after the “Aleph,” and is vocalized as “oo-lie,” whereas the expression “*for me*” or “*to me*” is written **without a “Vav”** following the “Aleph,” and is vocalized as “ay-lie.” But the latter form is also a shortened form of **perhaps**. Now when Eliezer said to Avraham the above, the word is written “malei,” full; i.e. with a “Vav,” meaning “perhaps,” but the Midrash (*Bereshis Rabbah 59:9*), explains, “Eliezer was searching for a reason that Avraham should approach him and ask for his daughter as a wife for Yitzchak, Avraham **understood his aim** and responded, ‘My son is blessed by HaShem, and you are cursed, and one who is cursed cannot become attached to one who is blessed.’”

When Eliezer spoke to Besuel and Lavan, however, the word is written “Chaser,” without the “Vav,” meaning “for me,” because Eliezer, despite his greatness, was unable to remove his ego, and act entirely for the sake of his Creator, but even though he was on a high level and had the advantage of serving his great master, Avraham, he was unable to suppress his ego, and let his personal interests enter the picture.

This is in sharp contrast to what we find in connection with Ruth (*Megilas Ruth 3:5*), “*And (Ruth) said to Naomi, ‘I will do everything that you said to me’*” – where the “*to me*” - “*ay-lie*,” is represented only by the vocalization; again, no letters at all appear; more than “kri” and “ksiv,” here the letters aren’t even there! Similarly, when Ruth (*ibid. 17*) says to Naomi, “*He gave me six grains of barley, because he said to me*” – here again, Ruth’s great modesty enters the picture, and causes the letters spelling “*ay-lie*” **not even to appear**, Boaz said to her, “*You are blessed by HaShem, my daughter*” – for he saw in her the great ability to suppress her ego and personal interests, and act only for the sake of Heaven.

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