

# CONGREGATION BAIS TORAH

April 1, 2011 · 89 West Carlton Rd · Suffern, NY 10901 · (845)352-1343 · [www.baistorah.org](http://www.baistorah.org) כ"ו אדר ב' ערב שבת פרשת תזריע

## פרשת תזריע – הדלקת נרות 7:03

### ערב שבת פרשת תזריע

הדלקת נרות	7:03 PM
מנחה	7:00 PM
שקיעה	7:21 PM

### שבת פרשת תזריע

דף היומי	8:00 AM
שחרית	8:45 AM
סוף זמן קריאת שמע	9:49 AM
מברכים החדש ניסן	
גמרא שיעור	5:15 PM
Contemporary Halacha Shiur:	6:05 PM
<b>Selling of Chametz Part II</b>	
מנחה	6:50 PM
שקיעה	7:22 PM
מעריב	8:04 PM

### שחרית Weekday

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

### מנחה-מעריב Weekday

Monday-Thursday: 7:10 PM

### ערב שבת פרשת מצורע

הדלקת נרות	7:10 PM
מנחה	7:00 PM
שקיעה	7:28 PM

## Shul Announcements

**This week's Kiddush** is sponsored by Shira Rus Steinberg in honor of her son Nissin's Bar Mitzvah, and by Jossi and Sandy Lieder in honor of the Sheva Brachos of their children Nechama and Yitzy Tendler

**סעודת שלישיית** is sponsored by Jossi and Sandy Lieder in honor of Sheva Brachos

Rabbi Gottlieb's **Pre-Pesach Shiurim:**

**Wednesday April 6:** Products Part II 8:15 PM

**Wednesday April 13:** Haggadah 8:15 PM

Bais Torah is pleased to announce that on Shabbos Hagadol, Friday night and Shabbos lunch meals will be served in shul. There will not be a kiddush after shul on Shabbos morning. The cost per meal is \$25 per person for full and associate members and \$30 per person for non-members. Call Aviva in our shul office at 352-1343 or write to her at [aviva@baistorah.org](mailto:aviva@baistorah.org) to make your reservation or indicate your interest in attending. The deadline for reservations is Monday, April 11th and full payment must accompany your request.

There will be a special lecture by Bret Stephens, deputy editorial page editor of the Wall Street Journal, on "Israel and the World Around It." Sunday morning April 3 at 10:15 AM at Community synagogue

**PLEASE CLEAN OUT YOUR CUBBIES and COAT ROOM FOR PESACH! ANYTHING LEFT WILL BE CONSIDERED HEFKER AND DISPOSED OF!**

**YOUR PARTICIPATION in this year's dinner and journal is vital to our shul! PLEASE SEND IN ADS AND COME TO THE DINNER ON MAY 15! We still would like pictures of Bais Torah's early years, contact the shul office.**

## Mazal Tov

Shira Rus Steinberg on the Bar Mitzvah of her son Nissin

Jossi and Sandy Lieder on the marriage of their children Nechama and Yitzy Tendler

## Shiurim

Women's תהילים group מנדל בת מנחם מנדל, לז"נ פייגל בת מנחם מנדל, meets on שבת afternoon **45 minutes before Halacha 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 Avromy Fein-will resume in the summer

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

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 – גמרא מסכת סוכה-ירושלמי – 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

## Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's grandson-

יהונתן משה בן דבורה טובה

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 -

Felise Katz's father- חיים בן חנה -

Leni Loebenstein - הילני בת רחל -

Yehuda and Suzette Munk's son- אהרן בן זיסל רחל -

Ben and Fran Horwitz's son in law -

חיים יששכר בן חיה משקט

Ben Zauderer - בנימין בן בילה -

Chana Mayerfeld- חנה פרומה בת יהודית גיטל -

Joel Rosenwasser's mother -

פשע לאה בת שפרינצא

Larry Seligson - אריה לייב בן רבקה -

Larry Seligson's son- רפאל אפרים בן אריה לייב -

## How to Reach Us

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**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](http://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.

## Parashas Tazria - 5771 – “Taf VeNashim” – Young Children and Women

This week's parashah begins with the Torah looking at and prescribing laws regarding childbirth. "...When a woman conceives and gives birth to a male, she shall be rendered ritually impure for seven days...If she gives birth to a female, she shall be rendered ritually impure for two weeks, as during her separation..." (Vayikra 12:2,5) The relationship between Women and Childbirth goes back to the first woman: "Adam called his wife's name Chava, because she was the mother of all humanity." (Bereshis 3:20)

On Rosh HaShanah, after each blowing of the Shofar, for "Malchiyos," "Zichronos," and "Shofaros," we recite the following prayer: "Today is the birthday of the world. Today all creatures of the world stand in judgment – whether as children (of HaShem) or as His servants. If as children, be merciful with us, as with the **mercy of a father for his children**. If as servants, our eyes look toward and depend upon You, until You be gracious to us and release our verdict as clear and pure as light, O Awesome and Holy One." I used to wonder why the mercy of the father, rather than that of the mother, is invoked. Then I realized that if the mercy of the mother were invoked, there would be no trial, no dispensation of justice at all. As Yeshayahu says, "Can a woman forget her baby, or not feel compassion for the child of her womb?..." (Yeshayahu 49:15)

According to the Midrash, each of the "Imahos" was made initially barren by HaShem, for He wanted to hear her voice in prayer. When the "Malach" came to inform Avraham that Sarah would give birth, we hear Sarah's bittersweet laugh, "And Sarah laughed inwardly, saying, 'After I have dried up, do I still have any hope of youthfulness, and my master is also quite old.'" (Bereshis 18:12) And indeed, according to the Midrash, when Sarah heard that Avraham had planned to sacrifice their son, Yitzchok, she died from the shock.

Sweet Rivkah, who was Sarah's match in "midos," also suffered from the ordeal of barrenness, and desperately wanted to have children. Parashas Toldos paints a unique picture for us, "And Yitzchok entreated HaShem, in a corner of their room, opposite his wife, for she was barren. And HaShem allowed Himself to be entreated by Him, and Rivkah, his wife, conceived." (Bereshis 25:21)

Leah had her true feelings blocked by sibling rivalry with her sister, Rachel, until, with her fourth son, her feelings broke through and she declared, "This time let me gratefully praise HaShem; therefore she called his name Yehudah..." (Bereshis 29:35)

After some time, the Torah tells us, "G-d remembered Rachel; And G-d heard her prayer, and He opened her womb. And she conceived and bore a son and said, 'G-d has taken away my disgrace.' So she called his name Yoseph, saying, 'May HaShem add on for me another son.'" (Bereshis 30:22-23) Now that his most beloved wife had given birth, Yaakov engineered his escape from the grasp of Lavan, and left with great wealth. On their way from Bais-El, Rachel's prayer for another son was answered, but she did not survive the pregnancy, and "...the midwife said to her, 'have no fear, for this one, too, is a son for you. And it came to pass, as her soul was departing – for she died – that she called his name Ben Oni (Son of my Misfortune), but his father called him Binyamin. Thus Rachel died, and was buried on the road to Ephrath, which is Bais Lechem. Yaakov set up a monument on her grave; it is the monument of Rachel's grave till today.'" (Bereshis 35:17-20)

Yaakov chose that site because he foresaw that his descendants would pass on that road, on their way into exile in Bavel, and Rachel would pray for them, as we find in *Yirmiyahu* 31:14-16, "Thus said HaShem: 'A voice is heard on high, wailing, bitterly weeping, Rachel weeps for her children; she refuses to be consoled for her children, for they are gone.' Thus said HaShem: 'Restrain your voice from weeping and your eye from tears; for there is reward for your accomplishment – the word of HaShem – they will return from the enemy's land. There is hope for your future – the word of HaShem – and your children will return to their border.'"

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