

# CONGREGATION BAIS TORAH

Nov 11, 2011 · 89 West Carlton Rd · Suffern, NY 10901 · (845)352-1343 · [www.baistorah.org](http://www.baistorah.org) וירא חשון ערב שבת פרשת וירא

## פרשת וירא – הדלקת נרות 4:23 PM

### ערב שבת פרשת וירא

הדלקת נרות	4:23 PM
מנחה	4:30 PM
שקיעה	4:41 PM
Contemporary Halacha Shiur	8:00 PM

### שבת פרשת וירא

דף היומי	8:00 AM
שחרית	8:45 AM
סוף זמן קריאת שמע	9:10 AM
Men's Gemara Shiur	3:25 PM
מנחה	4:10 PM
שקיעה	4:40 PM
מעריב	5:22 PM

### שחרית Weekday

Sunday	7:45 AM
Mon, Thurs	6:20 AM 7:45 AM
Tues, Weds, Friday	6:30 AM 7:45 AM

### מנחה-מעריב Weekday Second Maariv

Sun -Thurs:	4:25 PM
Mon-Thurs:	8:00 PM

### ערב שבת פרשת חיה שרה

הדלקת נרות	4:17 PM
מנחה	4:25 PM
שקיעה	4:35 PM

## Shul Announcements

This week's Kiddush is sponsored by Jack and Rachel Gross in honor of their first grandchild Lior Eliyahu born to Maytal and Oren Hason

סעודת שלישיית is sponsored by Yosef Hendler

**AVOS UBANIM is back!** This Motzoei Shabbos of Parshas Vayera, November 12 at 6:30 PM in the Bais Medrash. Come learn with your son or grandson and enjoy hot pizza! This week's learning is sponsored by David and Ruthie Lehmann Sponsorships are available for \$50. Please contact Jonathan.Rosenstock@yahoo.com More information is also available at the shul website, [www.baistorah.org](http://www.baistorah.org)

**This Motzoei Shabbos November 12 at 8 PM join us for a fascinating lecture by Dr. H. Leon Pachter, "Clash of Civilizations: 9/11 and the Cult of Death."**

**The Sunday morning gemara shiur given by Rabbi Gottlieb**, will be completing *maseches Sanhedrin* this week and beginning *maseches Pesachim* - so now is a good time to join. Thank you to Carl and Sarah Markowitz for donating the *gemaros* for Pesachim.

**The daf yomi will be starting a new masechta this Wednesday**, making it a great opportunity to join one of our three daily *shiurim*.

Rabbi Gottlieb's **מלכים ב Shiur** has resumed, Wednesday nights at 8:15 PM. All are invited to attend!

**Bais Torah Sisterhood** would like to remind the ladies of our community that **ZUMBA** is alive and well and still kicking. We exercise at 8:15 p.m on Mondays in Bais Torah. Join us for \$10 a session.

Our popular **Scholar in Residence** weekend will take place **November 18-20th**, Shabbos Parshas Chayei Sarah. Rabbi Aharon Adler will be our special guest speaker and lead a nusach Carlebach davening on Shabbos and at a kumsitz Motzoei Shabbos. For further information and to sponsor this special event, please contact Dr. Moshe Kranzler. Shabbos luncheon reservations can be made through Ruth Malinowitz (845 598-1977 or 561 338-0015) or Marilyn Sapir (845 369-3631).

**BAIS TORAH SISTERHOOD ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP TEA** will take place **Monday evening November 21, at 7:30 PM** at the home of Max and Sandy Thurm on 8 Misty Lane. Join us for a sumptuous dessert reception, and be enthralled by our **Guest Speaker**, renowned beauty expert Rachele Weisberger, author of **Biblical Beauty: Ancient Secrets and Modern Solutions**. Beginning at **6:30 PM**, we will feature a **Cash for Gold Fundraiser**: Bring your unwanted gold, silver, diamonds, watches and estate jewelry – be prepared to leave with CASH!! Leave with the best prices paid while at the same time benefitting our shul!

**The Kosher Food Pantry** canned fruit collection date is November 14. Our goal is 120 cans for the month.

### Mazal Tov

Jack and Rachel Gross in honor of the Pidyon Haben of their first grandchild Lior Eliyahu born to Maytal and Oren Hason Avromy and Renee Fein on the marriage of their children Shoshana and Yehuda Fein

### Shiurim

Women's **תהילים** מנדל **להיילי** Shabbos afternoon 45 minutes before Mincha-If you have the time, we NEED you!

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

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

Women's Mishnayos class Thursday at 8:00 PM – Dr. Debbie Raice Fox

דף היומי I Monday through Friday 5:25 AM and Sunday at 6:30 AM – Avromy Fein

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

דף היומי III, Sunday through Thursday 10:00 AM – Rabbi Yosef Fischer

Monday through Friday after the second **שחרית** – **נבאים** – Rabbi Yosef Fischer

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

**REFUAH SHELAIMA LIST IS ON REVERSE**

## Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's grandson-  
יהונתן משה בן דבורה טובה  
Teddy Kallner-טודרוס בן הינדא-טודרוס  
Henry Shapiro - חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה לאה  
Manny London - מנחם מונש בן חנה פרידא -  
Bob Schore - חיים ראובן בן הענדל יהודית -  
Suzie Kirshenbaum's father- יוסף בן שרה  
Tova Eizik's grandson - שלמה יעקב יונתן בן חנה רייזל -  
Leni Loebenstein - הילני בת 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 סימא פריעדל-

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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 VaYera -5772 –

### "במצוותיו חפץ מאד" – "He Desires Your Commandments Greatly"

When driving, I tend to remind my passengers to attach their seatbelts, using the phrase from Devarim 4:15, "ונשמרתם מאד לנפשותיכם", "Guard your lives with great care." When the passenger is my friend, Mr. Felix Lehmann, he tends to respond with another citation using the same word, this one from Avos 4:4, in the name of Rabbi Levitas, "...מאד מאד הוי שפל רוח..." – "One should be exceedingly humble..." The variation between the two citations stimulated my curiosity regarding the key word in both, so I decided to research the appearance of the word מאד in Tanach using a Concordance.

The first thing I noticed was the extreme frequency of the occurrence of the word. It appears more than 300 times, and as מאד עד some 25 times, as מאד מאד some 8 times, מאד במאד some 7 times; and עד למאד and מאדך each 1 time. It occurred to me that this was proof that Judaism is a religion which calls for extreme emotion, be it pride, love or sorrow.

The first time the word occurs is in Parashas Bereshis (1:31), at the culmination of Creation, "וירא אלקים את כל אשר עשה והנה טוב מאד", where HaShem expresses great delight in His handiwork. And we echo His praise in the מזמור שיר ליום השבת ה' – "How great are Your deeds, HaShem!"

Parashas Vayera deals with Avraham, and his character traits. It concludes with the account of "Akeidas Yitzchok." In this trial of Avraham, the tenth and hardest, Avraham was asked to take his beloved son, Yitzchok, and sacrifice him as a burnt offering. In his unquestioning willingness to perform this incredible act, Avraham fully justifies the description given in Tehilim (112:2), "אשרי איש ירא", "Fortunate is the one who fears HaShem; he desires Your Commandments greatly" - which is the only possible justification for one's willingness to perform such an act. And it is this unprecedented act that we ask HaShem to remember for us on the Days of Awe. Avraham subsequently found a ram entangled in a thicket by its horns. It was this Shofar, this ram's horn, that was heard at Mt. Sinai, as described in (Shemos 19:16), "וקול שופר חזק מאד,"

As mentioned in Avos 5:19, the relationship between David and Yehonason serves as a paradigm for the relationship of love between two individuals. In I Samuel 19:6, we find, "ויהונתן חפץ בידוד מאד" - "And Yehonason loved David greatly" – which was paralleled in II Samuel 1:26, when David learned of the death of Yehonason, "אחי יהונתן נעמת לי מאדי" – "My brother, Yehonason, you were exceedingly pleasant to me."

The model Avraham and Yitzchok left for generations of martyrs על קידוש ה', including Rabbi Akiva, to follow, Avraham first in the furnace of Nimrod, and again spiritually bound together with his son, Yitzchok, on the altar at Moriah, is expressed by the verse, "ואהבת את ה' אלהיך בכל לבבך ובכל נפשך ובכל מאדך" – "You shall love HaShem your G-d with all your heart and with all of your existence and with all of your intensity."