

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

ערב שבת פרשת וישלח הדלקת נרות 4:09

December 9, 2011

ג' כסלו תשע"ב

WHAT'S NEW

ערב שבת פרשת וישלח

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| הדלקת נרות | 4:09 |
| מנחה | 4:15 |
| שקיעה | 4:27 |
| הלכה שיעור | 8:00 |

שבת פרשת וישלח

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| דף היומי | 8:00 |
| שחרית | 8:45 |
| סוף זמן ק"ש | 9:29 |
| גמרא שיעור | 3:15 |
| מנחה | 4:00 |
| שקיעה | 4:28 |
| מעריב | 5:10 |

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 12/11-12/16

Monday, Thursday:
שחרית 6:20, 7:45

Tues, Weds, Fri:
שחרית 6:30, 7:45

Sun-Thurs
מנחה-מעריב 4:15
מעריב 8:00

Next Week:

שבת פרשת וישב

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| הדלקת נרות | 4:11 |
| מנחה | 4:20 |
| שקיעה | 4:29 |

This Week's Kiddush is sponsored by Avram and Nechama Becker on the forthcoming marriage of their son, David, to Katya Dunitz.

סעודת שלישיית is sponsored by **Ronnie and Jennifer Herrmann** in honor of the bas mitzvah of their granddaughter Chaya Goldschmidt, daughter of Doron and Shira Goldschmidt of Passaic. Also, join us for a presentation by Akiva Werber of **Jerusalem Aliyah Absorption Authority "Why Jerusalem is Real For You -Today!"**

AVOS UBANIM Motzoei Shabbos Parshas Vayishlach, December 10 at 6:15 PM in the Bais Medrash. Come learn with your son or grandson and enjoy hot pizza! This week's learning is sponsored by Dovid and Rena Bussu. Sponsorships are available for \$50. If you would like to sponsor, please contact Jonathan.Rosenstock@yahoo.com. More information is also available at the shul website, www.baistorah.org

The next **Birthday and Anniversary Kiddush** is coming up soon! **Shabbos Chanukah**, Parshas Miketz, December 24. If you are celebrating a birthday or anniversary in December or January, why not help sponsor our Kiddush and celebrate with your Bais Torah family! Sponsorships are \$18 per name or couple, and signing up couldn't be easier, just call Aviva in the shul office (352-1343 or Aviva@baistorah.org) or speak to Michael Kronenberg or Jack Gross, deadline is December 20

The Kosher Food Pantry canned fruit collection date is December 12. Our goal is 120 cans for the month

Be a Part of History! **The Worldwide Siyum HaShas** is Aug 1, 2012 at Metlife stadium. Contact Steve Fessel for reservations and details.

Be a part of a **Chesed Shel Emes. The Chevra Kadisha of Monsey** needs your help. Please donate clean used bed linens (flat sheets, pillow cases) to help the Chevra prepare for kevarah. Donations can be brought to Gloria Gordon at 2 Briarwood Lane, and she can be reached at home 425-1276 for more information.

HAVE A GOOD SHABBOS

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's grandson-
יהונתן משה בן דבורה טובה

Teddy Kallner- טודרוס בן הינדא

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 גייטל

Joel Rosenwasser's mother -
פשע לאה בת שפרינצא

Larry Seligson- אריה לייב בן רבקה

Larry Seligson's son- רפאל
אפרים בן סימא פריעדל

Felise Katz's father- חיים בן חנה

SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, l'zecher
nishmas Feigel bas Men-
achem Mendel, meets Shab-
bos afternoon 45 minutes
before Mincha

Sunday:

6:30 AM Daf Yomi-
Rabbi Avromy Fein

8:30 AM Mischeches Pesachim -
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Sun-Thurs:

10:00 AM Daf Yomi
Rabbi Yosef Fischer

Mon-Friday

5:25 AM Daf Yomi I -
Rabbi Avromy Fein

7:00 AM Daf Yomi II-
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

8:25 AM Navi Shiur-
Rabbi Yosef Fischer

9:45 AM Gemara Shiur-
Rabbi Leibel Reznick

Wednesday

8:15 PM Melochim Beis-
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Thursday

8:00PM Women's Mishnayos
class-Tumah and Tahara-
Dr. Debbie Raice Fox

Parashas Vayishlach

THE RIGHTEOUS

The Chumash describes Esav as he entered maturity as "an expert hunter and a man of the field" (Bereshis 25:27) and Yitzchok blessed Esav, "You shall live by your sword..." (Bereshis 27:40) Jewish tradition also identifies Esav as the ancestor of Rome and the Catholic Church, which have been persecuting the Jewish People for 2,000 years. One might have thought that Esav had forfeited all his spiritual qualities. And yet... when the two brothers meet in this Parashah, we find "And Esav ran towards him, and he embraced him, and fell on his neck, and kissed him, and they wept." (Bereshis 33:4) On the Hebrew word " - וישקו" and he kissed him," there appear dots on each letter. Rashi cites a dispute in Sifre over the meaning of those dots. One opinion is that they indicate that Esav did not mean that kiss with all his heart. Rabbi Shimon ben Yochai said "It is a tradition well known that Esav hated Yaakov; however, his compassion was moved at that time and he kissed him wholeheartedly." Following the above view that Esav was genuinely moved, R' Hirsch comments that one cannot cry unless he is genuinely moved, for tears flow from the innermost feelings. Esav's kiss accompanied by tears prove that he was more than a violent hunter.

In fact, various sources indicate that Esav excelled in one of the great Commandments: "Kibbud Av," honoring one's father:

"There was no one in the world who was superior to Esav in the area of honoring his father... (Zohar, Part 1, 146b)

"When he served his father, he did so wearing garments of royalty." (Pesikta Rabbasi 24:55)

"Rabbi Shimon ben Gamliel said, 'no one excelled me in serving my ancestors, but I discovered that Esav served his father in a manner superior to mine.' " (Devarim Rabbah 1:15)

"Even till today he has not exhausted his reward for honoring his ancestors." (ibid. 1:16)

Martin Gilbert is the author of "The Holocaust," and other important works, which describe the horrors of Nazi-dominated Europe in vivid detail. Now he has written a work, "The Righteous," which gives examples of individuals, all non-Jewish, who risked their lives and the lives of their families, in order to help Jews survive: Countess Maria von Maltzan, one of whose brothers was in the SS, lived in Berlin. As Hitler imposed increasingly repressive measures against the Jews, the Countess made contact with members of the Swedish Protestant Church in Berlin who were systematically smuggling Jews out of Germany. She forged visas, ration books and other official documents and drove vegetable lorries full of refugees out of Berlin. Her relaxed, aristocratic manner helped her to hoodwink officials and to outwit the Gestapo. Since Kristallnacht in November 1938, the pastor of Saint Hedwig's Cathedral in Berlin, Bernhard Lichtenberg - who had been a military chaplain in the first World War - closed each evening's service with a prayer for the Jews and the poor prisoners in the concentration camps. On 23 October 1942 he offered a public prayer for the Jews who were being deported to the East, calling on his congregants to observe the Biblical commandment of "Love thy neighbor" with regard to the Jews. Lichtenberg was denounced to the authorities, arrested, put on trial and sentenced to two years in prison. He was sent to Dachau, but died "on the way." Carl Lutz issued protective documents to Jews in Budapest which saved their lives. His stepdaughter described his motive: "Carl Lutz, as an engaged Christian, could not tolerate the Jews being pursued and killed in Budapest. He had to protect and help these people. He felt, G-d gave him this task, and he was persuaded He would give him also the strength to fulfill it."

Some fourteen thousand non-Jews have been recognized in the "Yad VaShem" memorial in Jerusalem as being "Chasidei Umos HaOlam," "Righteous Gentiles." The premise is that each human being was created "b'tzelem Elokim," "in the image of G-d" - with a Divine soul planted within him, allowing him the ability to make moral choices. And these individuals, faced with such a choice in the most brutal and terrifying conditions, made the moral choice.

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

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rear washing station and the Simcha Room.

The defibrillator is in a cubby in the coat room