

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת ויקרא- הדלקת נרות 5:36

March 7, 2014

ה' אדר ב תשע"ד

ערב שבת פרשת ויקרא

הדלקת נרות	5:36
מנחה	5:45
שקיעה	5:54

שבת פרשת ויקרא

שחרית בהשכמה	7:30
דף היומי	8:00
שחרית	8:45
סוף זמן ק"ש	9:14
Halacha Shiur	4:40
מנחה	5:25
שקיעה	5:55
מעריב	6:37

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FORWARD AT 2 AM**

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 3/9-3/14

שחרית

Sunday	7:45
Monday	6:20,7:45
Tues,Weds Fri	6:30,7:45

****THURSDAY TAANIS
ESTHER-SEE BOX**

מנחה -מעריב

Sun-Weds	6:50
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NEXT SHABBOS:

פרשת צו

הדלקת נרות	6:44
מנחה	5:45
שקיעה	7:02

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is available for sponsorship .

סעודה שלישיית is sponsored by Mrs. Zauderer commemorating the yartzheit of her son Moshe ben Binyamin.

Pirchei for boys 2:00-2:50 and Bnos for girls 3:00-4:00 Shabbos afternoon. **This week is sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Shlomo Stern. To sponsor a week of Pirchei and Bnos for only \$25 please call Aviva in the shul office.**

Rabbi Frand's shiur Thursday night is at 9 PM, Rabbi Reisman's shiur Motzoei Shabbos is at 8:30 PM

AMIT of Rockland County will present "A Night of Nostalgia" Motzoei Shabbos, March 8 at 8:30pm at the Community Synagogue of Monsey, The program will include the documentary film "Hava Nagila," Simcha Dancing with Sharon Rothchild, award to Joan Soskin, update on the schools in Israel, a silent auction and Melave Malke.

Bais Torah is pleased to host, **Sunday morning March 9, at 9:30 AM**, the JDC Committee for Orthodox Engagement **Rabbi Edward Abramson** who will present a lecture "**Haredi Employment in Israel: Facts, Figures, and Halachic Observations**" a snapshot of one of Israel's greatest social challenges today – the high unemployment rate among Haredim (ultra-Orthodox Jews).

Matzah pick-up starts at the shul Sunday March 9, right before and after the Siyum Mishnayos, . After that pick up is at the shul during office hours: 9:30am-3pm. Call 352-1343

THIS Sunday March 9 is the Annual Siyum Mishnayos at 6 PM. Mincha is at 5:40 followed by the siyum with Guest Speaker Dr. Ephraim Kanarfogel of Yeshiva University: "**Shidduchim (Marital Choice) in the Medieval Ages and Today**," and **Maariv** following "**bentching**." Call Aviva at 352-1343 or Rabbi Yossie Fischer at 425-2785 to make your reservations.

Motzoei Shabbos March 15 PURIM NIGHT Masquerade and Mentalist [at 9:15 pm. Come in Costume! Dairy refreshments, and the "Bais Torah Band!"

The 8:00pm second Maariv has ended until the fall. Thank you to all those who helped "make the minyan."

SAVE THE DATE... The Annual Bais Torah Dinner ... Sunday May 11... Honorees are: Guests of Honor-Ronnie and Jennifer Herrmann, Bais Torah Leadership Award Jonathan and Chavy Rosenstock, Eishes Chayil Award-Malkie Zamore, Bais Torah Service Award-David and Carol Abramczik, and a special memorial tribute to Joel and Shelly Sanders.

****TA'ANIS ESTHER -THURSDAY 3/13**

Fast begins: 5:59 AM

Shacharis 6:10 and 7:45

Mincha 6:35

Maariv 7:25

Fast ends 7:41

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's grand-
SON-
יהונתן משה בן דבורה טובה

Teddy Kallner- טודרוס בן הינדא

Rosalie Kallner

שיינה רחל בת שרה הודל

Henry Shapiro-

חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה לאה

Manny London

מנחם מונש בן חנה פרידא

Bob Schore -

חיים ראובן בן הענדל יהודית

Larry Seligson-

אריה לייב בן רבקה

Larry Seligson's son-

רפאל אפרים בן סימא פריעדל

Manny Mayerfeld

מנחם בן קילה

פנחס ליאן בן ריזל

Ruth Malinowitz

רבקה בת פריידא

Helen Furman

חנה בת תמרה

Andy Yurowitz

אליהו זביב בן חנה

Rachel Gross

רחל בת חנינה

Shira Steinberg

שרה רות בת שרה

BIKUR CHOLIM-

Please Call Before Visiting

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Joel Rosenwasser-354-9467

SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, l'zecher nishmas Feigel bas Menachem Mendel, meets **Shabbos** afternoons 30 minutes before Halacha Shiur

Sunday:

6:25 AM Daf Yomi
Rabbi Avromy Fein

8:30 AM Gemara Miseches 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

Tuesday

8:15 PM Sha'arei Torah Chavrusa Program

Wednesday

8:15PM Shoftim

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Thursday

8:15PM Women's Mishnayos

Dr. Debbie Raice Fox

Parashas Vayikrah Animal Sacrifices; Humanity and the Animal Kingdom

(Much of the material in this essay was derived from "Man and Beast," by Rabbi Natan Slifkin)

Parashas VaYikra represents the first time that animal sacrifices are codified as part of the Torah's set of Mitzvos. Those commands were obeyed by the Jewish People in the Mishkan, and the first two Temples. What will be the procedure in the Third Temple is the subject of a vigorous debate among Torah authorities.

One approach to this topic is to consider the link between religion and conservation:

"The statistics on endangered and extinct species are frightening. The most numerous bird ever, the passenger pigeon of the United States, which numbered some four billion birds in the nineteenth century, was hunted entirely to extinction by 1914. There are only around ten thousand lions left in the entire world. Every second, one and a half acres of rainforest are cut down. Every twenty minutes, another species of animal or plant goes extinct – a total of 27,000 per year."

"The son of Azzai used to say, 'Do not be scornful of any person and do not be dismissive of anything, for there is no person who does not have his hour, and **there is nothing that does not have its place.**' (Mishnah *Pirkei Avos* 4:3)"

"Hyenas have always been much loathed by man, due to their mangy appearance, unearthly howls, aggressive natures, and most of all their scavenging habits. It is natural for people to think that the world would be a better place without them. But, as the Talmud states, even the hyena has its hour. The hyena fulfills a vital role in the natural world. Hyenas scavenge from dead animals. They possess immensely strong jaws which enable them to crush and chew up bones, which they digest with their very powerful acid stomach secretions. The result is that a pack of hyenas can entirely consume a dead animal within a short space of time. By so doing, they are fulfilling an important role in disposing of these carcasses, and preventing them from being a source of disease."

"When the Roman Empire conquered Beitar, they committed the outrage of not allowing their victims to be buried. Eventually, they relented and the dead were allowed to be buried. The Jews instituted the blessing of 'Who is good and bestows good' – God is good in that He didn't allow the bodies to decompose, and bestows good in that they were given over for burial. (*Berachos 48a*)' The same is true in the animal kingdom. The same consideration that was extended to the victims of Beitar is extended to dead animals through the agency of the hyenas. Hyenas consume a carcass so quickly that it does not even have time to decompose. The excrement from the scavengers and the detritus from their endless feeding fertilize the soil beneath and around the carcass. This causes vegetation to grow and draw a veil over the final residue. The song that is sung in Perek Shirah by wild animals is the same as that sung over the victims of Beitar: 'Blessed is the One Who is good and bestows good.' Even the hyena has its hour."

"Rabbi Moshe Cordovero (1522-1570) wrote: Just as He sits and sustains everything from the horns of oryx till the eggs of lice, and does not deride any creature – for if He were to deride creatures due to their ignobility, they could not survive even for a moment – but rather He supervises them and grants mercy to all of them, so too man must be beneficent to everything, and no creature should be derided before him." (Tomer Devorah, Chapter 2)

"A disciple of the Arizal writes: 'My master was careful never to kill any insect, even the smallest and least of them, such as flies, lice and bees – even if they were causing him pain.' " (Rabbi Chaim Vital, *Shaar HaMitzvos, Noach*)

"Let us end with the words of the Midrash: 'Look at the work of God, for who can rectify that which he has damaged' (Ecclesiastes 7:13) – At the time when God created Adam, He took him around the trees of the Garden of Eden, and He said to him, 'Look at My works, how beautiful and praiseworthy they are! Everything that I created, **I created for you**; take care that you do not damage and destroy My world, for if you damage it, there is no one to repair it afterwards!' " (*Midrash Koheles Rabbah* 7:19)

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

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