



BAIS TORAH BULLETIN



פרשת צו-פרשת זכור- הדלקת נרות 6:44

March 14, 2014

יב' אדר ב תשע"ד

ערב שבת פרשת צו

הדלקת נרות 6:44

מנחה 6:55

שקיעה 7:02

שבת פרשת צו

שחרית בהשכמה 7:30

דף היומי 8:00

שחרית 8:45

Parshas Zachor :
not before 10:00 AM

סוף זמן ק"ש 10:06

Halacha Shiur 5:15

מנחה 6:30

שקיעה 7:03

מעריב 7:46

**Please drive to shul
no earlier than
7:53PM**

****For PURIM Schedule
See Box**

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 3/17-3/21

שחרית

Monday 6:20,7:45

Tues,Weds Fri
6:30,7:45

מנחה-מעריב

Mon-Thurs 6:55

NEXT SHABBOS:

פרשת שמ"ב

הדלקת נרות 6:51

מנחה 7:00

שקיעה 7:09

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is sponsored by Michael and Rena Rossman in honor of the engagement of their son Josh to Tani Wolf, daughter of Dr. & Mrs. Barry Wolf of Highland Park, NJ

סעודה שלישית is sponsored by Michael and Sharon Kronenberg celebrating the great Yom Tov of Purim, Josh Rossman's engagement to Tani Wolf and lezecher nishmas Rivka bas Yitzchok

Parshas Zachor is this Shabbos and will be read three times: At the main minyan, not before 10 AM, Second reading following mussaf, and third reading before mincha at 6:25 pm.

Pirchei and Bnos will take a Purim/Pesach break, and will return better than ever after Yom Tov!.

Rabbi Frand's shiur Thursday night is at 9 PM

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

Matzah pick-up is at the shul during office hours: Monday-Thursday 9:30am-3pm. Call 352-1343.

The next Kosher Food Pantry collection date is April 2. Bais Torah's commitment is 170 cans of fruit for the month. ALL FRUIT CANS FOR THIS MONTH SHOULD BE "KOSHER L'PESACH". The Food Pantry cannot accept cans with expired dates.

Sunday Morning April 6th at 10:15 am Community Synagogue will present an Israel and Pearl Stern Memorial Lecture featuring renown historian, writer, political commentator **Daniel Pipes "The Mideast in Upheveal."** All are invited to attend. Brunch following the lecture.

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.

NICHUM AVEILIM

Liba Zucker on the petirah of her brother, Moshe Koenig

****PURIM SCHEDULE MOTZOEI SHABBOS 3/15**

Megillah 8:15PM

Second Megillah (in the multipurpose room)9:30 PM

PURIM DAY SUNDAY MARCH 16

Shacharis: 7:45 AM

Second Megillah (in the main shul)10:00 AM

Mincha 3:00 PM

Maariv 8:00 PM

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 זבי בן חנה

Rachel Gross
רחל בת חנינה

Shira Steinberg
שירה 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** afternoon 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 Leibei 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 Tzav Aspects of Megilas Esther

This essay will deal with various facets of Megilas Esther, which is read on Motzaei Shabbos Parashas Tzav Ve-Parashas Zachor, and on Sunday Morning. It is at once a charming story, a source of Jewish Law, a play with aspects of Greek drama, a critique of Shakespeare long before he lived, written with the Holy Spirit by Mordechai and Esther.

On Purim we recite "Al HaNisim," "For the Miracles," a prayer of gratitude to HaShem for performing Miracles for us to save us from physical destruction. This prayer expresses the fundamental idea of "VeNahapoch Hu," that the evil plan of our enemy was overturned upon his head. The Miracle described in "Al HaNisim" was a "Nes Nistar," a "Hidden Miracle," as opposed to a "Nes Nigleh," a "Revealed Miracle." An example of the latter is "Krias Yam Suf," the "Splitting of the Sea of Reeds," which, though it was caused by the very fortuitous timing of natural phenomena, the result was of such a stupendous nature, that it is looked upon as an intervention by HaShem in history, as the Torah says, "*Moshe stretched out his hand over the sea, and HaShem moved the sea with a strong east wind blowing all the night, and He turned the sea-bed into dry land, and the waters split.*" (Shemos 14:21) Another example is when the Laws of Nature were actually violated, as when the prophet Elisha performed a feat of "Yesh MeAyin," Creation "Ex Nihilo," Creation of "Something from Nothing," when he caused a multitude of jars of oil to be poured forth from a single jar (Melachim II 4:1-7)

The other type of Miracle, the "Nes Nistar," the "Hidden Miracle," occurs by the weaving together of highly improbable events, to produce a certain result; in the case of Purim, the "Nes Nistar" produced, or contributed to, the Salvation of the Jewish People. One of the first wildly improbable events was that Esther won the contest to be queen. After all, how many Jewish Miss America's have there been? I believe there was just one, Bess Myerson by name, in the 89 years of the competition. Yet here was Esther, Miss Persia, and Queen of the Kingdom.

A second occurred on the night which the Megillah describes as "*On that night the sleep of the king was disturbed.*" (Esther 6:1) Instead of taking Advil, Achashverosh commanded that the recent Chronicles of the Kingdom of Persia be read to him. In them was recorded the heroic act of Mordechai, in informing upon two potential assassins, which had saved the king's life. The king anxiously inquired whether Mordechai had received any reward for his act of bravery, and was told "Not a penny!" Achashverosh then asked, "*Who is in the royal courtyard?*" (Esther 6:4) He was answered that Haman was there. Now Haman was on a murderous mission to get the approval of the King for the hanging of Mordechai on a 50-cubit gallows he had erected in his backyard. When Haman came in, the king asked him what he thought should be done for someone whom the king wished to honor. Egomaniacal Haman, who assumed that the king meant him, described a reward, "*have them bring royal attire that the king has worn and a horse upon which the king has ridden, and upon which the king was crowned...*" (Esther 6:7-9), from which any objective observer would conclude that Haman had designs on the throne. Then the king shocked Haman by commanding him, "*Hurry, take the attire and the horse, as you have said, and do all this for Mordechai the Jew, who sits in the king's gate. Do not omit a single detail from all that you suggested.*" (Esther 6:10) This was the beginning of the end for Haman.

Rabbi Yossi Fischer mentioned that the Vilna Gaon noticed something amazing in the list of Haman's ten sons who were hanged: there is a small "Toff" in "Parshandasa" (Esther 9:7), a small "Shin" in "Parmashta" (Esther 9:7) and a small "Zayin" in "Vayezasa" (ibid.); as well as a large "Vav" in "Vayezasa." Thus we have the date: Five thousand (from the large "Vav," meaning the sixth thousand of the 6,000 years till Mashiach), together with the "Toff-Shin-Zayin," representing the year 1946, the year that six of the top (sic) Nazi generals were hanged in Nuremberg. Actually, eleven Nazi generals were scheduled to be hanged, but Goerring committed suicide, not wanting to give the Jews the satisfaction of hanging him.

In Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice," Shylock is described as a money-lender, one of the few professions the Christians allowed the Jews to practice. Thus is given a come-uppance by the Megillah when the victims of the first day in Shushan are listed, together with those of the second day, as well as the total number of Persian-Medean victims, and the Megillah says each time, "*but they did not lay their hand on the spoils.*" (Esther 9:10,15,16)

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

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