

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת בלק - פרקי אבות פרק ה'

July 4, 2014

ו' תמוז תשע"ד

ערב שבת פרשת בלק

מנחה	7:00
הדלקת נרות (summer)	7:20
הדלקת נרות (actual)	8:14
שקיעה	8:32

שבת פרשת בלק

שחרית בהשכמה	7:30
דף היומי	8:00
שחרית	8:45
סוף זמן ק"ש	9:11
Pirkei Avos Shiur	6:25
Halacha Shiur	7:15

מנחה	8:00
שקיעה	8:32
מעריב	9:14

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 7/6-7/11

שחרית	
Sunday	7:45
Mon, Thurs	6:20, 7:45
Tues, Weds, Fri	6:30, 7:45

מנחה - מעריב

Sunday-Thurs	8:20
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NEXT SHABBOS

פרשת פינחס

מנחה	7:00
הדלקת נרות	7:20
הדלקת נרות	8:11
שקיעה	8:29

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is co-sponsored by Steve and Noga Romer in honor of their daughter Shelly Rosenbaum who recently graduated with a Masters degree in Occupational Therapy (with honors) and passed her licensing boards, and by **Ronnie and Jennifer Herrmann** in honor of their mother making Aliyah and in honor of their good friends Dr. Leon Pachter and Michael Rossman.

סעודה שלישית is co-sponsored by David and Carol Abramczyk in honor of bar mitzvah of their grandson Yosef Weiss and by Carl Markowitz for yartzheit of his father Avraham Zev ben Kalman and by Laurence and Gloria Gordon for the yartzheit of Gloria's father Yaakov ben Yitzchok Halevi (Jack Epstein)

Rabbi Frand's shiur continues 9 PM every Thursday night until July 10.

The new **Kosher Discount Cards** are now available. Please pick up your card from Aviva in the Shul office, or call Leslie Goldress at 352-3257

The next **Kosher Food Pantry** collection date is **July 13**. Bais Torah's commitment is **180** cans of fruit for the month. The Food Pantry cannot accept cans with expired dates.

Bais Torah has once again reserved a limited number of tickets for **MOSTLY MOZART, Wednesday August 20th at 8:00 PM at Lincoln Center, Avery Fisher Hall** For reservations please call or email: **Sandy Thurm 368-3418** sfthurm@gmail.com. The concert includes works by Boyce, Mozart and Beethoven, \$65.00 per ticket payable in advance to Congregation Bais Torah. **Tickets must be reserved by July 20.**

This week's Daf Yomi Shiurim are dedicated to the memories of Naftali, Gilad and Eyal- sponsored by Steve and Jackie Fessel

MAZAL TOV

Irving and Eudice Rohinsky on the birth of a great-grandson, Yosef Shalom, born to their grandchildren, Moshe Dovid and Batya Rohinsky of Yerushalayim, and the birth of a great-granddaughter, born to their grandchildren, Aharon and Rivka Rohinsky of Yerushalayim, both are the children of Reuven and Miriam Rohinsky.

Hilde Zauderer on the engagement of her great-granddaughter, Erica Tamar Zauderer, daughter of Tzvi and Stefanie Zauderer, to Avi Buchman of LA. Mazel tov also to the grandparents, Irving and Eudice Rohinsky.

Doris Newman on the birth of a grandson born to her children Elliot and Gabriella Newman

Sam and Rena Wilen on the engagement of their grandson Aharon Wilen, son of Rabbi Avi and Sari Wilen of Denver to Shani Florans of St. Louis.

NICHUM AVEILIM

Marcia Holzer on the petirah of her husband, our long time member, Philip Holzer

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's grandson-

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

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 לייאן בן ריזל

Ruth Malinowitz

רבקה בת פריידא

Helen Furman חנה בת תמרה

Andy Yurowitz אליהו זבי בן חנה

Shira Steinberg שירה רות בת שרה

Allen Nussbaum אשר בן קילה

Yosi Rosenberg יוסף דוד בן זיסל

BIKUR CHOLIM-

Please Call Before Visiting

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Helen Furman 357-1365

Hilde Zauderer 357 2556

SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, I'zecher nishmas Feigel bas Menachem Mendel, meets **Shabbos** afternoon 30 minutes before pirkei avos 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

8:45PM Shmuel Aleph

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Thursday

Women's Mishnayos will resume in the fall

Dr. Debbie Raice Fox

Parashas Balak, Bilaam, Hamas, and L'Havdil, the Lubavitcher Rebbe

Balak ben Tzipor is King of Moav as the People of Israel appear on his horizon. He has observed how the Israelites have shattered the mighty Emorite nation, and he is terrified. He sends emissaries to the Prophet Bilaam, to request his aid in cursing the People of Israel, "...for I know, whom you bless is blessed, and whom you curse, is cursed." (BaMidbar 22:6)

Bilaam responds to the emissaries that they should wait overnight, till he determines the will of God, as to whether He wishes the People of Israel to be cursed. HaShem's response is clear as day: "And the Almighty says to Bilaam, 'Do not go with these men, do not curse the People, for it is blessed.'" (BaMidbar 22:12) Bilaam is disobedient, and sets off on his donkey to do Balak's will. The donkey sees an Angel of God standing in her way three times, and stops moving, prompting Bilaam to hit her with his stick. HaShem opens the mouth of the donkey, who upbraids Bilaam. Finally, HaShem opens Bilaam's eyes, so that he can also see the Angel, from whom he receives a tongue-lashing. If you were Bilaam, you'd get the idea that HaShem was not pleased with your venture.

Nevertheless, Bilaam resumes his journey and arrives at Balak's palace. On his third attempt at cursing the People of Israel, Bilaam utters one of the most sublime prayers in the Hebrew Siddur:

"How Goodly are your tents, O Yaakov, your dwelling places, O Israel;

Stretching out like brooks, like gardens by a river,

As aloes planted by HaShem, like cedars by water..." (BaMidbar 24:5-6)

A nightmarish episode still in progress has to do with the kidnapping and murder of three Yeshiva students: Naftali Frenkel, Gilad Shaar, both 16, and Eyal Yifrach, 19, by individuals acting in the name of Hamas, the Arab terror organization. The boys were missing for about two weeks, while the Israeli Army and many Israelis looked for them.

"'God's ways are mysterious, and I don't know why you have left us so young,' Naftali's father, Avi, said at his son's service in the religious kibbutz, Shalavim. 'But your death has led this entire nation forward, and there is some comfort.'"

To change the mood of this piece, the NY Times of July 2, in an article on the 20th "Yaahrtzeit" of the Lubavitcher Rebbe, recorded the following: "The pilgrims had traveled from Montana and Helsinki, eastern Michigan and western Ukraine, waiting patiently for the sun, hanging over Old Montefiore Cemetery in Queens, to set on Monday night. Rabbi Shlomo Wilhelm of Ukraine, said through a Yiddish translator that the rebbe's teachings had sustained him through the last 20 years in the City of Zhytomyr. 'This is the place' he said beside the overstuffed tent, 'where I derived the inspiration and energy.' "Chabad-Lubavitch," a Hasidic movement, expected more than 50,000 people to visit on Monday night and Tuesday to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the rebbe's death.

The following are excerpts from an opinion piece written by Shmully Hecht, in the Sunday Times of last June 29: "Rabbi Schneerson reminded us that every person and every good deed is important. He embodied the concept that Judaism was summed up in a single act of unconditional kindness and pioneered a global movement based on this ideal. This spiritual undertaking would transform Chabad, and he became the most influential rabbi of his time."

"World leaders like Ronald Reagan and Robert F. Kennedy and Yitzhak Rabin would visit and correspond with him. During his decades of leadership, the rebbe worked over 18 hours a day and never took a day of vacation."

"the Old Montefiore Cemetery in Queens, with a Baptist senator-to-be, at the grave of the most influential rabbi in recent history. I thought of how God's world was so wonderfully diverse, yet sadly too often divided. It simply requires courageous leaders to unite it. One act at a time, one person at a time."

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

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The defibrillator is in a cubby in the coat room opposite the Hatzolah phone.