

# BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת מטות - פרקי אבות פרק א'

July 18, 2014

כ' תמוז תשע"ד

## ערב שבת פרשת מטות

מנחה	7:00
הדלקת נרות (summer)	7:20
הדלקת נרות (actual)	8:07
שקיעה	8:25

## שבת פרשת מטות

שחרית בהשכמה	7:30
דף היומי	8:00
שחרית	8:45
סוף זמן ק"ש	9:21
Pirkei Avos Shiur	6:20
Halacha Shiur	7:10

מנחה	7:55
שקיעה	8:24
מעריב	9:07

## Weekday Schedule:

### Week of 7/20-7/25

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

## מנחה - מעריב

Sunday-Thurs	8:10
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## NEXT SHABBOS

### פרשת מטות

מנחה	7:00
הדלקת נרות	7:20
הדלקת נרות	8:01
שקיעה	8:19

## WHAT'S NEW

**This week's Kiddush is available for sponsorship.**

**סעודה שלישיית** is co-sponsored by Manny Mayerfeld for the yartzheit of his mother Kaila bas Yaakov. Rabbi Shlomo Horowitz for the yartzheit of his mother, Elka bas Shmuel and The Green family as Hakoras Hatov to the shul.

Bais Torah will screen a **special TCN presentation Tuesday night July 22 at 9 PM : Rabbi Dovid Goldwasser on the topic of " Machlokes L'shem Shamayim... Staying Above the Fray. "** All are invited to attend.

**It would be greatly appreciated if those with outstanding balances and pledges due to the shul would arrange to redeem them.**

**Daf yomi shiurim this week were sponsored by Steve and Jackie Fessel** for the yartzheit of Steve's father, Naftali Tzvi Ben Avraham Yitzchak. Friday was sponsored by **Manny Mayerfeld** for the yartzheit of his mother Kaila bas Yaakov.

**Next week's daf yomi shiurim are sponsored by Marilyn Sapir** for the yartzheit of her mother, Chaya Rachel bas Rafael Yitzchak.

**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](mailto: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 THIS SUNDAY July 20.**

**SAVE THE DATE: Shabbos Parshas Ki Savo Sept 12-13 Bais Torah will host Rabbi Steven Weil, Senior Managing Director of the Orthodox Union. Rabbi Weil will address the kehilla over Shabbos and Motza'ei Shabbos.**

## MAZAL TOV

Avraham and Sara Shtaygrud on the bar mitzvah of their son Moshe.  
Leiby and Devorah Pomerantz on the bar mitzvah of their son Akiiva.

## 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

Fran and Ben Horwitz's son inlaw

משה זבי בן פריידא שמחה

Shira Steinberg שירה רות בת שרה

## BIKUR CHOLIM-

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## SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, l'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 Matos Oaths and Vows and the N.Y. Times

In the second account of the creation of man, beginning in the second chapter of Bereshis, we find the following: "And HaShem, the Almighty, formed man of the dust of the ground, and blew into his nostrils the soul of life, and man became a living being." (Bereshis 2:7) Onkelos renders "nefesh chayah," not simply as a "living being," but rather as a "ruach memaleloh," a "speaking being." The human being is the only earthly creation capable of speech, and I say "earthly" to exclude "Malachim," who are capable of some types of speech.

What is the purpose of human speech? One purpose is prayer, the method of communicating between creature and Creator. Another is also very important; communication between creature and creature; between a man and his wife, between friends, between teachers and students, etc. The Bible does record a case of inter-species communication, when Bilaam's donkey gave him "musar" for attempting to curse the People of Israel.

At the beginning of Parashas Matos, we find the basic requirement that man must abide by when he utters words. "...This is the thing that HaShem has commanded: 'If a man makes a vow to HaShem or swears an oath to establish a prohibition upon himself, he shall not desecrate his word; according to whatever comes out of his mouth, shall he do.'" (BaMidbar 30:2-3)

This is one of the ways King David declared his loyalty to HaShem: "Shir HaMaalos; A Song of Ascents. To HaShem, In my distress I cried and He answered me. HaShem, rescue my soul from lying lips, from a deceitful tongue. What can He give you, and what will it profit you, O deceitful tongue? You are like the sharp arrows of the mighty; with coals of rotem wood. Woe unto me, for my drawn-out sojourn; I dwell with those who inhabit the tents of Kedar! Long has my soul dwelt with those who hate peace. I am peace – but when I speak, they are for war." (Tehilim 120)

The N.Y. Times has always operated under the Rule of "All the News that's Fit to Print," although it now seems to have moved to "All the News that's Fit to Mis-print!" In this case, it's not a question of truth, but rather of emphasis. Egypt had presented a proposal for a Cease-Fire between Israel and Hamas. One might have thought that that was somewhat more important than what their editors chose for their lead story on Tuesday, July 15, 2014:

### "A BOY SET ABLAZE: DETAILS EMERGING IN REVENGE CASE - KILLING OF PALESTINIAN

Jerusalem – They cruised around the Arab neighborhoods of East Jerusalem for hours in the dark of night, three Israeli Jews: a man of 29 driving, and two of his relatives, youths about 17. They were looking for a victim, preferably someone lightweight, who could easily be pushed into the car. After forcing Muhammad into the car, a Hyundai, they sped off to a forest near the western entrance to Jerusalem. Muhammad was dragged from the vehicle and the adult bludgeoned him on the head a number of times with a wrench. The adult then set Muhammad on fire with the help of one of his young relatives. Leaving Muhammad to die, the three fled."

It is not until Page 8 that we find: "Egypt presents proposal to Israel and Hamas for a Cease-Fire," followed by "A senior government official in Israel... said it was seriously considering the Egyptian proposal." Further down the column, we find: "Hamas, which had said it was prepared to fire rockets indefinitely, appeared to want better terms. Sami Abu Zuhri, a Hamas official in Gaza, wrote, 'The responses of resistance will continue until the demands of our people are achieved. Any unilateral Israeli cessation has no value in the light of its large crimes...'"

It is not until the next page that we find: "Rachel Fraenkel, the mother of Naftali Fraenkel, one of the Israeli teenagers kidnapped and murdered in the West Bank, spoke of her pain upon hearing of Muhammad's death. Speaking to reporters outside her home after the shiva, the traditional seven-day Jewish mourning period, she said, 'Even in the abyss of mourning for Gilad, Eyal and Naftali, it is difficult for me to describe how distressed we are by the outrage committed in Jerusalem – the shedding of innocent blood in defiance of all morality, of the Torah, of the foundation of the lives of our boys and all of us in this country.'"

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

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