

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת תולדות
הדלקת נרות 4:21

November 13, 2015

א' כסלו תשע"ו

ערב שבת פרשת תולדות

Candle Lighting	4:21
Mincha	4:30
Shkiah	4:39

שבת פרשת תולדות

Hashkama	7:30
Daf Yomi	8:00
Shacharis	8:45
Sof Zman K"Sh	9:11
Halacha	3:25
Mincha	4:10
Shkiah	4:38
Maariv	5:21

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 11/15--11/20

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

Mincha-Maariv

Sun-Thurs **4:20**

Second Maariv

Mon-Thurs **7:30**

NEXT SHABBOS

פרשת ויצא

Candle lighting	4:15
Mincha	4:20
Shkiah	4:33

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is co-sponsored by **Gedalya and Leana Rapoport** in honor of the birth of their granddaughter, Aliza Malka, and by **Peter and Felise Katz** in honor of the marriage of their children Ricki and Brandon Gelbart.

סעודה שליטית is co-sponsored by Seymour Lutwak for the yartzheit of his father Yeshayahu ben Chaim Shimon and Nechemia Zyskind for the yartzheit of his mother, and by Peter and Felise Katz celebrating the sheva brachos of their children Ricki and Brandon Gelbart.

Bnos is Shabbos afternoon from **2:30-3:30 for girls** from kindergarten to 7th grade. .

Avos Ubanim Motzaei Shabbos November 7th at 6:45 PM with learning, pizza and prizes!!! This week is sponsored by **David and Carol Abramczik**. Stay tuned for the very special "Kickoff Event" Motzaei Shabbos of Nov 21. with special entertainment by Goowin's Balloowins. for sponsorship opportunities **Contact jonathan.rosenstock@yahoo.com for \$50 per week.**

Rabbi Frand's shiur is Thursday 9:00 pm **Rabbi Reisman's** shiur is Motzaei Shabbos at 7:30PM.

The Daf Yomi Shiurim this upcoming week are sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Yossie Goldman in memory of his mother, Sarah bas Shlomo Getzel.

Please join us this Motzaei Shabbos **November 14th at 8:45** as we present "**Woman in Gold**," a film depicting one woman's struggle to recover her family's artifacts stolen by the Nazis. Admission is \$5. All are invited to attend.

Please save the date: The first Oneg Shabbos for this year will take place Friday night of Shabbos Parshas Vayetzaei November 20th at 8PM at the home of Yisroel and Bella Helprin.

Zumba is back---all women are invited to dance/exercise with us on Mondays, 8:15 p.m. in the Simcha Room

Our **Scholar-in-Residence weekend** will IYH take place Thanksgiving weekend, Shabbos Parshas Vayishlach **November 27-28 featuring Rabbi Blech**. Invitations were mailed out. For lunch reservations, \$35 per person please contact Marilyn Sapir 369-3631.

MAZAL TOV

Peter and Felise Katz on the marriage of their children Ricki and Brandon Gelbart.

David and Ruth Lehmann on the birth of a grandson, born to their children Dovid and Hadassah Feinberg of Ramat Beit Shemesh. Mazal tov also to the great-grandfather, Felix Lehmann.

Yossi and Bassie Schachter on the engagement of their son Shmueli to Shevy Basch of Monsey.

NICHUM AVEILIM

Dr. Moshe Kranzler on the petirah of his wife, Eveline Kranzler .

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's grandson-

יהונתן משה בן דבורה טובה

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

Allen Nussbaum

אשר בן קילה

Shira Steinberg

שירה רות בת שרה

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SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, l'zecher nishmas Feigel bas Menachem Mendel, meets **Shabbos** afternoon 30 minutes before the Halacha shiur

Sunday:

6:25 AM Daf Yomi

Rabbi Avromy Fein

8:30 AM Gemara 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 Chumash Shiur

Rabbi Yosef Fischer

9:45 AM Gemara Shiur

Rabbi Leibel Reznick

Wednesday

8:00PM Navi Shiur

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Thursday

8:00 Women's Mishna

Dr. Deborah Raice Fox

Parashas Toldos -

This week's Torah reading continually raises for us the unbelievable fact that two such divergent personalities and worldviews could have been raised in the house of Yitzhak and Rivkah. We can understand how a person such as Yaakov could have come from their home. After all, he is studious, serious and obedient to the wishes of his parents, especially to those of his mother.

He is not an outdoorsman and prefers the study hall to that of the sports field and the hunt. Later on in life he will acquire the traits of a warrior, an entrepreneur, and a strong leader who will endure much but remain steadfast in his beliefs and way of life.

However, it is very difficult for us to fathom how a murderer, rapist, idolater and feared hunter and tyrant could grow up and be raised in this very same household and by the very same parents that raised Yaakov. All of the commentators to the Torah have questioned this and every generation of scholars have attempted to address it and give it relevant meaning.

Yet, as is often the case regarding the human condition, the questions and problems involved defy logical answers and human understanding. The entire field of psychiatry and psychology is devoted to attempting to unravel behavior patterns and the mysteries of the human personality.

In my experience, psychology can, in the main, help identify the problem. But in most cases the true cause that triggers aberrant behavior remains hidden even from the most knowledgeable of us. Human beings are very complicated, have ultimate freedom of choice and behavior and only God in heaven can read the secrets of one's soul and personality.

And yet, we are all held responsible for our behavior and actions. Whatever it was that made Eisav the person he became, is solely his responsibility.....his deeds in life and the havoc that he created. Generally speaking, Judaism does not allow for excuses. Unforeseen circumstances can acquit someone in specific instances from performing a mitzvah. But Judaism never grants carte blanche excuses and forgiveness because of natural dysfunction and problems of life, especially of family life.

In our current society there are many who believe that parents and home atmosphere are responsible for wayward children. This may be true in particular instances, but it is certainly not the case in every instance or even in most instances.

From the moment we are born, we are granted the power to do what we wish to do. Those are our choices. We are taught that the rebellion of David's children against him came from the lack of discipline that David enforced upon them in their youth. Nevertheless, the blame and punishment visited upon those children was of their own doing and a result of their choices and behavior in life.

Eisav will weep at his father's feet and beg for his eternal blessing. He will be given a blessing but not the one that he wishes for. That other blessing had to be earned through his behavior and the choices he made. Ultimately that was up to Eisav alone. And that perhaps is the main message that we can glean from this otherwise mysterious person and situation.

-Rabbi Berel Wein

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