

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת שמות
הדלקת נרות 4:20

January 1, 2016

כ" טבת תשע"ו

ערב שבת פרשת שמות

Candle lighting	4:20
Mincha	4:25
Shkiah	4:38

שבת פרשת שמות

Hashkama	7:30
Daf Yomi	8:00
Shacharis	8:45
Sof Zman K"Sh	9:41
Halacha	3:25
Mincha	4:10
Shkiah	4:38
Maariv	5:22

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 1/3-1/8

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

Mincha-Maariv

Sun,-Thurs	4:30
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Second Maariv

Mon-Thurs	7:30
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NEXT SHABBOS

פרשת וארא

Candle lighting	4:26
Mincha	4:35
Shkiah	4:44

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is available for sponsorship

סעודה שליטת is co-sponsored by Michael and Sharon Kronenberg commemorating the yartzheit of Michael's father Harav Mordechai Yosef ben Azriel Zelig and by Jossi Lieder commemorating the yartzheit of his father Avraham ben Yosef.

Bnos is Shabbos afternoon from **2:30-3:30PM** for girls in Kindergarten through 7th grade.

Avos Ubanim Motzaei Shabbos January 2 at 6:45 PM. This week there are two anonymous sponsors, one of whom is sponsoring l'zecher nishmas Yaakov Yochanan ben R' Yosef HaLevi. To sponsor for \$50 per week, email jona-than.rosenstock@yahoo.com.

Rabbi Frand's shiur is Thursday night at 9PM. **Rabbi Reisman's** shiur this **Motzaei Shabbos at 7:30PM** is followed this week by a shiur at **8:40 by Rabbi Mansour** on Parshas Shemos.

Join us for an **evening of music with Composer Avrohom Leichtling** on Motzaei Shabbos **January 9th at 8:30pm**. All are invited to attend as he highlights two of his works.

Lema'an Achai and Congregation Bais Torah Motzaei Shabbos, January 23 at 8:30pm present **Rabbi Ron Yitzchok Eisenman** who will be speaking on the topic of "Forgiveness: A Lifelong Process."

Please return reflectors taken from the shul so that they can be used every Friday night.

It would be greatly appreciated if all members and mispallelim could redeem their outstanding pledges and obligations to the Shul.

MAZAL TOV

Edwin and Ruth Levi on the birth of a great-granddaughter born to their granchildren Adina and Yehuda Steinhardt, children of Debbie and Eli Mayerfeld.

Sam and Rena Wilen on the birth of a great-granddaughter, born to Aharon and Shani Wilen of Lakewood.

Dr Moshe Kranzler on the birth of a great-grandson, born to Shoshana and Jason Margolis in Ramat Eshkol.

Mr. Kurt Rossman celebrating the 80th anniversary of his bar mitzvah.

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

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Andy Yurowitz

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חנה

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שרה

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SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, l'zecher
nishmas Feigel bas Menachem
Mendel, meets **Shabbos** after-
noon 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 Shemos – Changing One's Heart and Mind

At the end of Sefer Bereshis, Yoseph HaTzaddik finds himself in Mitzrayim. Pharaoh has had a frightening double-feature dream. First, seven cows, fully well developed, come out of the Nile; then, seven cows, thin and scrawny to the extreme, emerge from the river, and consume the larger cows. Pharaoh sleeps and dreams again. This time, healthy, fat ears of grain are consumed by unhealthy, thin ears. Yoseph, using his God-given gift of dream-interpretation, correctly interprets the dreams as referring to seven years of plenty followed by seven years of famine. Pharaoh enthusiastically makes Yoseph his "mishneh le-melech," assistant to the king.

Later, we find, "And a new Pharaoh arose over Egypt, who did not know Yoseph." (Shemos 1:8) He plots with his people against the Jews, their plans do not succeed. We find, "...and they were disgusted with the People of Israel." (Shemos 1:12) There follow hundreds of years of slavery, and finally, the joyous Exodus from Egypt.

I found in WIKIPEDIA the following: "In the Iberian Peninsula, under Muslim rule, Jews were able to make great strides in mathematics, astronomy, philosophy, chemistry and philology. This era is sometimes referred to as the 'Golden Age of Jewry in the Iberian Peninsula.' Traditionally, Jews living in Muslim lands known (along with Christians) as dhimmis, were allowed to practice their religion, and administer their internal affairs, subject to the payment of a "jizya," a per capita tax imposed on free, adult non-Muslim males, to the Muslim government. An exception were the Al-mohades, who massacred or forcibly converted them in the 12th century." (This group persecuted the Rambam, and that is how he wound up in Egypt.)

An important opinion piece in the N.Y. Times, "A Medieval Antidote to ISIS" by Mustafa Akyol, stands out as a representative of a long-forgotten school of thought, which threatens the "Islamic State."

ISTANBUL "The recent massacres in Paris and San Bernardino, Calif., demonstrated, once again, the so-called Islamic State's ability to win over disaffected Muslims. Using a mixture of textual literalism and self-righteous certainty, the extremist group is able to persuade young men and women from Pakistan to Belgium (to the U.S.A.) to pledge allegiance to it and commit violence in its name."

"A good place to start understanding the Islamic State's doctrine is by reading Dabiq, ...the English-language magazine that the group puts out every month. One of the most striking pieces I have seen in it was an article...titled 'Irja: The most dangerous Bid'ah,' or heresy. Unless you have some knowledge of medieval Islamic theology you probably have no idea what 'Irja' means. The word translates, literally, as 'postponing'; "The proponents of 'Irja' said that the burning question of who is a true Muslim should be 'postponed' until the afterlife. Even a Muslim who abandoned all religious practice and committed many sins, they reasoned, could not be denounced as an 'apostate.' Faith was a matter of the heart, something only God – not other human beings – could evaluate."

"In fact, there are hundreds of millions of Muslims around the world who are also engaged in 'Irja,' even if they are unfamiliar with the term. Some of them are focused on the Quran, instead of the medieval Shariah, and hold on to the famous Quranic verse that says, 'There is no compulsion in religion.'"

"As one such Muslim, I call on my like-minded coreligionists to join me in wearing the 'Irja' badge with pride – and revived knowledge. We lost this key theology more than a millennium ago, but we desperately need it today to both end our religious civil wars and to establish liberty for all."

"Aware that 'Irja' is its theological antidote, the Islamic State presents it as a lack of religious piety. It is, however, true piety combined with humility – the humility that comes from honoring God as the only judge of men. On the other hand, the "Islamic State's" zeal to dictate, which it presents as piety, seems to be driven by arrogance – the arrogance of judging all other men, and claiming power over them, in the name of God."

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

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