

# BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת בא

הדלקת נרות 4:34

Aufruf of Simcha Zishe Stern

ה' שבט תשע"ו

January 15, 2016

## ערב שבת פרשת בא

Candle lighting 4:34  
Mincha 4:40  
Shkiah 4:52

## שבת פרשת בא

Hashkama 7:30  
Daf Yomi 8:00  
Shacharis 8:45  
Sof Zman K"S 9:42  
Halacha 3:40  
Mincha 4:25  
Shkiah 4:53  
Maariv 5:35

## Weekday Schedule:

### Week of 1/17-1/22

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

## Mincha-Maariv

Sun,-Thurs 4:45

## Second Maariv

Mon-Thurs 7:30

## NEXT SHABBOS

### פרשת בשלח

Candle lighting 4:42  
Mincha 4:50  
Shkiah 5:00

## WHAT'S NEW

**This week's Kiddush** is co-sponsored by Shaul and Kreindy Stern in honor of the Aufruf of their son, Simcha Zishe, and by the Herrmann family in honor of Ronnie Herrmann's birthday.

**סעודה שליטית** is co-sponsored by Lottie Herrmann, in honor of her son, Ronnie Herrmann's special birthday, and Shaul and Kreindy Stern in honor of the Aufruf of their son, Simcha Zishe.

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

**Avos Ubanim Motzaei Shabbos January 16 at 7:00 PM. This week is sponsored by two anonymous donors.** If you would like to sponsor, e-mail [jonathan.rosenstock@yahoo.com](mailto:jonathan.rosenstock@yahoo.com).

**Rabbi Mansour's shiur is at 7:45 Thursday night, followed by Rabbi Frand's shiur at 9PM. Rabbi Reisman's shiur this Motzaei Shabbos is at 7:30PM.**

Please join us for our second Friday night Oneg, Parshas Beshalach, January 22 at 8:30 PM, at the home of Seymour and Raizie Lutwak 76 Carlton Road.

**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

Fishel and Pessy Strenger on the birth of grandson born to their children Yaakov and Elisheva Weiss of Passaic.

Shaul and Kreindy Stern on the Aufruf of their son, Simcha Zishe.

Ronnie Herrmann on his 70th birthday.

Ronnie and Jennifer Herrmann on the bas mitzvah of their granddaughter Gabriella, daughter of Daniel and Chani Herrmann of Teaneck, New Jersey .

## 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 פרידעל

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** 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 Bo – "...Upon the Lintel and the Two Doorposts ..." Shemos (12:22)

Throughout the preceding nine plagues, the Jewish People were completely passive; the only active participants in the drama on the side of Israel being its G-d and Moshe and Aharon, Hashem's designated representatives. However, on the eve of their Exodus from Egypt, they are commanded "Withdraw and take for yourselves" (Shemos 12:21) the lamb, the "god" of the Egyptians, to slaughter it, eat it with their families, and smear its blood on their door-posts and upon their lintels. What is the significance of these acts, how did they protect the Jewish People from the Tenth Plague, "Makat Bechoros," the Plague of the First-Born, and why were they necessary ingredients for Jewish salvation?

Among the opinions cited by Rav Yissachar Yaakovson, in "Binah BaMikra," regarding this question, are the following:

According to the Midrash Mechilta, the purpose was to raise the Jewish People to the level of true Teshuvah, as Rabbi Yosi HaGelili says regarding the verse, "Withdraw and take," "Withdraw from the idol worship to which you have become attached and cleave unto the Divine Commandments."

The fact that the Jewish People were involved in idol worship is clear from the Midrash which speaks of the Heavenly Representative of Egypt complaining when Hashem is about to restore the Red Sea to full strength, thus drowning the Egyptians, "But these and those are idol worshippers!" It is also hinted at by the fact that only 20%, and that's the high value, of the Jews left Egypt, and made specific by Yechezkel when he berates the People for continuing to hold onto the idol worshiping practices of ancient Egypt.

Despite the fact that the normal reaction of the Egyptians to seeing the blood of their idol being smeared on doorposts could have been expected to be deadly violence (imagine doing that in India even today to the cow) the Ktav V'Kabbalah writes, "Despite all of this, they chose to do the will of their Creator, and by this demonstrated a wondrous sign of full repentance."

The Abarbanel and the Akeidat Yitzchak both emphasize the public protest aspect, the demonstration against and condemnation of the Egyptian Religion, which was expressed in "the blood of the sheep-god crying out from every door and doorpost." Not only was the Jew raising himself above the level of idol worship, but he was shouting "False!" for all to hear, especially the Egyptians, to the religion and culture that had subdued his People for so long.

Rabbi S. R. Hirsch, with some nuances added by Dr. Nechama Leibowitz, focuses on the expression, "In one household shall it be eaten..." (Shemos 12:46) whereby the Jews of Egypt were required to eat their Korban Pesach, and their descendants after them throughout the ages were required to celebrate their Sedarim, in the context of a family grouping. The living cell in Jewish life was always seen to be the family and the home. And just as the physical "bayit" is protected by its wall and ceiling from the elements and from physical pressure, so is the spiritual "bayit" protected from assimilation, by the Torah and its Mitzvos, as symbolized by the Mezuzah and the Mashkof.

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

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