

# BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת משפטים  
הדלקת נרות 5:23  
Shabbos Mevorchim

February 24, 2017

כח' שבט תשע"ז

## ערב שבת פרשת משפטים

Candle lighting 5:23  
Mincha 5:30  
Shkiah 5:41

## שבת פרשת משפטים

Hashkama 7:30  
Daf Yomi 8:00  
Shacharis 8:45  
Sof Zman K"Sh 9:23  
Halach Shiur 4:30  
Mincha 5:15  
Shkiah 5:43  
Maariv 6:25

## Weekday Schedule:

Week of 2/26-3/3

## Shacharis

## Rosh Chodesh

Sunday 7:45

Monday 6:10, 7:35

Tues, Weds, Fri  
6:30, 7:45

Thurs 6:20, 7:45

## MINCHA-MAARIV

Sun-Thurs 5:35 PM

## SECOND MAARIV

Mon-Thurs 7:30 PM

## NEXT WEEK

שבת פרשת תרומה

Candle lighting 5:31  
Mincha 5:40  
Shkiah 5:49

## WHAT'S NEW

**This week's Kiddush** is sponsored by those celebrating a birthday or anniversary in February and March. Thank you to all those who sponsored, and mazal tov to all the celebrants!

*סעודה שלישית* is available for sponsorship.

**Bnos this Shabbos 2:30-3:30 for girls Kindergarden-8th grade.**

**Avos Ubanim this Motzaei Shabbos!** Learning! Pizza! Prizes! Learning begins at **7:45PM**. There are three sponsors this week: Marty and Carol Ginsberg in memory of her father Chanoch Henoch ben Leib, Mendel and Renee Rosenbaum in honor of the wedding of their son Avi to Dr. Rivka Schulman and Pinchas and Miriam Frankel in memory of her mother Basya Basha ben Meir HaLevi, Beatrice Bienstock. **NEXT WEEK: Don't miss our exciting grand finale ! Learning at 7:45 followed by an amazing program, "Sounds Like Science" at 8:15. Special sponsors are encouraged.** Please contact Mrs. Amy Gottlieb via phone 357-3913 or email: [mrsa-gottlieb@gmail.com](mailto:mrsa-gottlieb@gmail.com) or contact Aviva in the shul office.

**The TCN shiurim are at Bais Torah Thursday nights: Rabbi Mansour's shiur is at 7:45PM, Rabbi Frand's shiur is at 9PM. Motzaie Shabbos at 8 PM is Rabbi Reisman's shiur.**

**The Daf Yomi Shiurim for this past week** (February 19-25) were sponsored by Marilyn Sapir in memory of her grandmother Devora bas Menachem Dov, Dora Fruchter.

It's not too early to give your *matonos l'evyonim* to Rabbi Gottlieb, to be distributed on Purim.

Please send in your **Mishloach Manos forms** as soon as possible-be a part of our big fundraiser! The baskets are spectacular!

**BAIS TORAH PURIM CHAGIGA, Motzaie Shabbos March 11th**, 1 hour after Megillah- approximately 8:45PM. Bring the whole family, friends, neighbors, young and old, **have a houseful for Shabbos then entertain everyone with a great fun-filled night with LIVE music, food and costumes!**

Save the Date: Annual siyum Mishnayos is March 19th!

Our Annual Dinner is May 7th-Save the Date!!

## MAZAL TOV

Stuart and Pamela Erdfarb on the bris of their grandson Itai Noam son of Ari and Ilana Erdfarb of Efrat

Hilde Zauderer on the engagement of her great granddaughter and Irving and Eudice Rohinsky on the engagement of their granddaughter Jackie Zauderer to Stevie Rubin, children of Zvi and Stefanie Zauderer.

Hilde Zauderer on the birth of her great-great grandson and Irving and Eudice Rohinsky on the birth of a great grandson born to Monica and Eli Stahler children of Rachelle Rosenthal.

## Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's grandson-

יהונתן משה בן דבורה טובה

Rosalie Kallner

שיינה רחל בת שרה הודל

Henry Shapiro-

חיים מאיר יהואל בן מלכה לאה

Bob Schore -

חיים ראובן בן הענדל יהודית

Larry Seligson בן אריה לייב בן רבקה

Larry Seligson's son-

רפאל אפרים בן סימא פריעדל

Manny Mayerfeld

מנחם בן קילה

פנחס ליאן בן ריזל

Ruth Malinowitz

רבקה בת פריידא

Andy Yurowitz

אליהו זבי בן חנה

Shira Steinberg

שרה רות בת שרה

Rechy Ortner's cousin

רחל ביילא בת גיטל

Goldress grandson

אילן רפאל בן טובה רבקה

Jennifer Herrman's mother

שרה צירלא בת ידיל

## BIKUR CHOLIM-

**Please Call Before Visiting**

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Bob Schore 356-2512

Rebecca Tilson 369-9789

Hilde Zauderer 357 2556

## SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, I'zecher nishmas Feigel bas Menachem Mendel, meets **Shabbos** afternoon 45 minutes before the Halacha shiur

### Sunday:

6:25 AM Daf Yomi  
Rabbi Avromy Fein

8:30 AM Gemara Mischeches Pesachim

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

### 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

8:00 PM Navi Shiur

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

### Thursday

8:00 The Sandra Thurm Women's Mishna Class

Dr. Deborah Raice Fox

## Parashas Mishpatim – “Tefilah” – A Form of Direct Communication

At the end of Parashas Mishpatim, we find Moshe Rabbeinu, acting as ‘Shaliach Tzibbur’ and ‘Baal Koray’: “He took the Book of the Covenant, and he read it to the Children of Israel...” (Shemos 24:7); the congregational response was, “... Everything that HaShem has said, we will do, and we will obey!” (ibid.) Moshe was not only the ‘Adon HaNevi'im,’ the Master of the Prophets, but also the ‘Adon HaMispallelim,’ the Master of Those Who Prayed. He prayed on behalf of the People of Israel, saving them, more than once, from destruction.

When they acted as a faithless bride and built the Golden Calf at the foot of Mt. Sinai, HaShem said to Moshe, “And now, desist from Me. Let My anger flare up against them, and I shall annihilate them; and I shall make you a great nation.” (Shemos 32:10) Moshe's response is described as, “Moshe pleaded before HaShem, his G-d, and said, ‘Why, HaShem, should Your anger flare up against Your people, whom You have taken out of the land of Egypt, with great power and a strong hand? Why should Egypt say: ‘With evil intent did He take them out, to kill them in the mountains and to annihilate them from the face of the earth? Relent from your flaring anger and reconsider regarding the evil against Your people.’” (Shemos 32:11-12) “HaShem relented regarding the evil that He declared He would do to His people.” (Shemos 32:14)

And, again, at the time of the revolt inspired by the Meraglim, who cast aspersions on the land of Israel, to the point where the people said, “...Let us appoint a leader, and let us return to Egypt!” (Bamidbar 14:4) The anger of HaShem flared again against the people, and He said to Moshe, “... How long will this people provoke Me, and how long will they not have faith in Me, despite all the signs that I have performed in their midst? I will smite them with the plague and annihilate them, and I shall make you a greater and more powerful nation than they.” (Bamidbar 14:11-12) And, once again, Moshe intervenes with prayer for the people, concluding by reciting, as he had been instructed, HaShem's Thirteen Attributes of Mercy, and the plea, “Forgive now the iniquity of this people according to the greatness of Your kindness...” (Bamidbar 14:19) “And HaShem said, ‘I have forgiven because of your words.’” (Bamidbar 14:20) The only time Moshe's prayers failed occurred when he prayed for himself. He said, “My L-rd, HaShem/ Elokim, You have begun to show Your servant Your greatness and Your strong hand. For what power is there in the heaven or on the earth that can perform according to Your deeds and according to Your mighty acts? Let me now cross and see the good Land that is on the other side of the Yarden...” (Devarim 3:24-25) The Midrash says that Moshe prayed 515 prayers, until HaShem commanded him to stop, for if he had continued, HaShem would have been forced to grant his request.

In the fifth chapter of Hilchos Teshuvah, the Rambam makes an assertion which sounds like a tremendous exaggeration: “... It is possible for every person to be as righteous as Moshe Rabbeinu or as wicked as Yeravam...” (Rambam, Hilchos Teshuvah, Chapter 5, Halacha 2) Is it possible for anyone to reach the level of Moshe? After all, he is described by HaShem as “... in my entire house, he is the trusted one. Mouth to mouth do I speak with him, in a clear vision and not in riddles, at the image of HaShem does he gaze.” (Bamidbar 12:7-8)

There is one way, however, in which one can approach the level of Moshe Rabbeinu, and that is through prayer. The Rambam's opinion is that ‘Tefilah’, Prayer, the ‘Service of the Heart,’ is a ‘Mitzvah’ for which every Jew is obligated. The basic Tefilah is the ‘Amidah’, the ‘Shemoneh Esray’ or ‘Eighteen Blessings.’ It was composed by the ‘Men of the Great Assembly’ at the beginning of the Second Temple period and it reached its final form under Rabban Gamliel II after the Destruction, over four centuries later. Though it does not reach the level of ‘peh el peh’, mouth-to-mouth, the Jew or Jewess has the opportunity to address G-d directly three times a day each weekday and four times on Shabbos and the Festivals: praying while standing, with the feet together in the manner of the angels, with the sure knowledge that one is addressing HaShem. The grammatical case throughout is the second case, the case of conversation with another party.

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

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