

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת יתרו
הדלקת נרות 4:46

January 24, 2019

י"ט שבט תשע"ט

ערב שבת פרשת יתרו

Candle lighting	4:46
Mincha	4:55
Shkiah	5:04

שבת פרשת יתרו

Daf Yomi	8:00
Shacharis	8:45
Sof Zman K"S	9:41
Halacha	3:50
Mincha	4:35
Shkiah	5:05
Maariv	5:47
Shabbos Ends	5:55

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 1/27-2/1

Shacharis

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

MINCHA-MAARIV

Sun-Thurs 5:00 PM

NEXT WEEK

ערב שבת משפטים

Candle lighting	4:54
Mincha	4:55
Shkiah	5:12

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is co-sponsored by Jossi and Sandy Lieder in honor of their son in law, Rabbi Betzalel Sochaczewski receiving Smicha, and Saul and Ricki Rubin commemorating his father's yartzheit.

סעודה שלישית is sponsored by Jack and Judy Gross commemorating the yartzheit of her father, Aryeh ben Avrohom Shraga Feivish Halevi

There is no Hashkama minyan this Shabbos.

The shiurim from TCN feature Rabbi Mansour at 7:45 PM **Thursday nights** followed by Rabbi Frand at 9 PM. Motzaie Shabbos Rabbi Reisman's shiur begins **7:30 PM**. All are welcome to attend.

The Rav, at the Halacha shiur on Shabbos afternoon will be discussing "The Credit Union Controversy - a Topic of Interest

Avos Ubanim, the popular Motzaei Shabbos father-son learning program with pizza and prizes **is this Motzaei Shabbos at 7:15 PM**. This week is co-sponsored by **Jonathan and Chavy Rosenstock and Yehuda and Judi Eliezri and an Anonymous sponsor**. Sponsorships are available for \$50 per week. Please contact Amy Gottlieb 357-3913 or email: mrsagottlieb@gmail.com or Rivki in the office..

The **Daf Yomi shiurim** for this upcoming week are sponsored by Marilyn Sapir in memory of her grandmother Devora bas Menachem Dov, and the shiurim on January 31 are sponsored by Mrs. Judith Lowin in memory of her father Avrohom Aryeh Leib ben Yosef

Active Seniors of Rockland and Bais Torah invite everyone to join us for a talk this Monday, January 28th at 7 PM with Kenneth Jacobson, Deputy National Director of the Anti-Defamation League . Mr. Jacobson will be speaking about "The Challenge of Anti-Semitism, Old and New."

Save the Date! Matzah Baking is March 3rd. More details to follow!

MAZAL TOV

Steve and Jackie Fessel on the bas mitzvah of Orly Fessel daughter of Pnina and Naphtali Fessel.

Yis and Bella Helprin on the marriage of their children Rena and Stu Litwack.

Yerachmiel (Rocky) Cohen on his engagement to Leah Rivka Wilen of Denver

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

Larry Seligson's son-

רפאל אפרים בן סימא פריעדל

Manny Mayerfeld

מנחם בן קילה

פנחס יואב 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 Herrmann's mother

שרה צירלא בת ידיל

Ruth Lowenstein's mother

בתיה בת מרים

Marty Ginsberg

משה זאב בן אסתר

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SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, I'zecher nishmas Feigel bas Menachem Mendel, meets **Shabbos** after-noon 45 minutes before the Pirkei Avos shiur

Sunday:

6:25 AM Daf Yomi

Rabbi Avromy Fein

8:30 AM Gemara Miseches 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-trei asar

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Thursday

8:00 The Sandra Thurm Women's Mishna Class

Dr. Deborah Raice Fox

Parashas Yisro – The Righteous Gentile

I recently read a book by Martin Gilbert, a gifted scholar of the Holocaust, called “The Righteous,” the theme of which was righteous gentiles, non-Jews who saved Jewish lives during the Holocaust. Yisro, the father-in-law of Moshe, and a great religious scholar of the ancient world, was at least that, if not much more.

Yisro makes his first appearance in the Midrash as a member of Pharaoh's Advisory Board on the question of whether to begin the solution of his “Jewish Problem” by drowning Jewish baby boys in the Nile. The other members of the Board were the pagan prophet, Bilaam and Iyov. Bilaam enthusiastically endorsed the idea, Iyov maintained his silence, and Yisro registered his extreme displeasure by fleeing Egypt for Midian. Bilaam continued to express hatred for Israel by attempting to curse them. His punishment was having his curses turned into blessings. For not protesting the genocidal plan, Iyov was punished with great suffering.

For protesting Pharaoh's plan, Yisro was rewarded by sending his daughters back to the well to retrieve the “Egyptian” who had gallantly saved them from the other shepherds, and by becoming Moshe's father-in-law. Most impressive was his receipt of the unbelievable reward of adding a section to the Torah, subject to HaShem's approval, of replacing Moshe's one-man Justice Department by instituting a hierarchy of Judges which Yisro described as “*men of valor, God-fearing, men of Truth, and haters of bribes*” (Shemos 18:21), and dividing them into panels of judges of thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens, with Moshe at the top. Now this honor had not been accorded before to any human being, Jewish or non-Jewish!

A significant component of Yisro's mission to the camp of Israel was to act as a marriage counselor, where we find, at the beginning of the Parashah, “*Yisro, the father-in-law of Moshe, took Tziporah, the wife of Moshe, after she had been sent away.*” (Shemos 18:2)

At the beginning of Sefer BaMidbar, when HaShem intended to bring the Jewish People to the Land of Israel quickly, and the marching orders had been given to the People, we find the following conversation between Moshe and his father-in-law: “*Moshe said to Chovav son of Reuel the Midianite, the father-in-law of Moshe, ‘We are journeying to the place of which HaShem has said, ‘I shall give it to you.’ Come with us, and we shall treat you well, for HaShem has spoken of good for Israel. And he said to him, ‘I shall not go; only to my land and my family shall I go.’ He said, ‘Please do not forsake us, inasmuch as you know our encampments in the Wilderness, and you have been as eyes for us. And it shall be that if you come with us, then with the goodness with which HaShem will benefit us, we will do good to you.’*” (Bamidbar 10:29-32)

The following is a footnote attached to Verse 32 of the ArtScroll Chumash: “The Torah does not tell us if Yisro acceded to Moshe's pleas, but most commentators assume that he did. According to Ramban, Yisro and his entire family remained with the Jews. Sforno, however, maintains that Yisro's children remained with Moshe, but he returned to his homeland.” Whether Tziporah went with him, remains obscure, but the following may shed light.

At the end of Parashas Beha'aloשה, we find the following: “*Miriam and Aharon spoke against Moshe...Was it only to Moshe that HaShem spoke? Did He not speak to us as well?*” HaShem descended in a pillar of cloud and stood at the entrance to the tent, and He summoned Aharon and Miriam; the two of them went out. He said, “*Hear now my words. If there shall be prophets among you, in a vision shall I, HaShem, make Myself known to him; in a dream shall I speak with him. Not so is My servant Moshe; in My entire house, he is the trusted one... Why did you not fear to speak against My servant Moshe?*” (Bamidbar 12:1-2, 5, 7-8). HaShem describes the superior quality of Moshe's prophecy, and the need for him to be ready for prophecy, to be Face to Face with HaShem at any time.

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

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