

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת שמיני-פרשת פרה

הדלקת נרות 7:00

Aufruf of Rocky Cohen-Shabbos Mevorchim

March 29, 2019

כב' אדר-ב תשע"ט

ערב שבת פרשת שמיני

Candle lighting	7:00
Mincha	7:10
Shkiah	7:18

שבת פרשת שמיני

Hashkama	7:30
Daf Yomi	8:00
Shacharis	8:45
Sof Zman K"S	9:52
Halacha	6:05
Mincha	6:50
Shkiah	7:19
Maariv	8:01
Shabbos Ends	8:09

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 3/31-4/5

Shacharis

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

MINCHA-MAARIV

Sun-Thurs 7:10 PM

NEXT WEEK

ערב שבת תזריע

Candle lighting	7:07
Mincha	7:15
Shkiah	7:25

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is available for sponsorship.

סעודה שלישית is co-sponsored by Yehuda Eliezri commemorating the yartzeit of his mother, Slava bas Harav Avraham, and by Bais Torah, wishing farewell to Charlie and Shulamith Grandovsky.

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 **9:30 PM**. All are welcome to attend.

The Rav, at the Halacha shiur on Shabbos afternoon will be discussing "Uggs and Bugs-Looking for Problems."

The **Daf Yomi Shiurim** for this coming week are sponsored by Barbara Fischer in memory of her father Shmuel Yaakov ben Tzvi Hirsh

Matzos can be picked up at the shul office, Monday-Thursday 9 AM to 1 PM and Sunday morning April 7th after the Siyum Mishnayos.

Please join us for the 40th annual Elaine Fischer/Ilan Tokayer **Chevra Mishnayos Siyum Sunday April 7th at 9:30 AM**. A sumptuous, anonymously sponsored breakfast will be served. Please make reservations through the Shul office, 352-1343 or Yossi Fischer, 425-2785.

Many thanks to all our volunteers who were instrumental in making this year's **Purim fundraiser** a phenomenal success. Thanks to Hinda Kimmel, Miriam Frankel, Gloria Gordon, Kay Greenblatt, David Abramczik, Fran Horwitz, Jackie Fessel, Raizie Lutwak, Ayla & Dylan Lutwak, Emily Lifschitz, Judy Gross, Judy Gribetz, Dianne Schmeltz, and Sandy Rosenwasser. Thanks to Monsey Glatt for always coming through for us.

Music, dancing, costumes, delicious food and wine, our Purim Seudah was great fun and a big success. **Many thanks** to all those who helped out, including Raizie Lutwak, Marilyn Sapir, and David Abramczik. **Special thanks** to the Sisterhood, major sponsors of the event, and to the Cat in the Hat family, featuring our own Rabbi Gottlieb doing stand-up comedy.

Once again, **Rabbi Gottlieb** will be delivering a three-part series of shiurim in preparation for **Pesach**. Please take careful note of the dates and times for each shiur as the days vary due to scheduling conflicts. Shiur 1 - **Cleaning and Kashering** - Tuesday, April 2nd at 8:00 PM, Shiur 2 - **Products and Shopping (Including Medications)** - Wednesday, April 10th at 8:00 PM, Shiur 3 - **Seder and Haggadah** - Sunday, April 14th at 8:00 PM. All are invited.

Sandy Rosenwasser and Leslie Goldress are collecting Matzah for the Kosher Food Pantry. If you received free Matzah from Shoprite that you do not want, please drop it off at 39 Forshay Road.

SAVE THE DATE: The Annual Bais Torah Dinner will be Sunday May 12 at 6PM at Valley Terrace. We will be honoring Dr. Gedalya and Leanna Rapoport, our baal Koreh Rocky Cohen and Moshe Lehmann. More Details coming soon....

A woman's ring was found in shul a few months ago. Please contact Sandy Lieder if it you think it may be yours, or have any leads to whom it may belong.

MAZAL TOV

Yerachmiel (Rocky) Cohen on his Aufruf.

Yis and Bella Helprin on the birth of a grandson, Yehuda Shmuel, born in Houston to Rabbi Chaim & Avigayil Helprin

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's grandson-

יהונתן משה בן דבורה טובה

Rosalie Kallner

שיינה רחל בת שרה הרדל

Henry Shapiro-

חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה לאה

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 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 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-Trei Asar

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Thursday

8:00 The Sandra Thurm Women's Mishna Class

Dr. Deborah Raice Fox

Parashas Shmini – Joy and Tragedy

Many Ideas have been advanced regarding the tragic deaths recorded in this Parashah, of Aharon HaKohen's eldest sons, Nadav and Avihu. Their deaths occurred by a fire which came from G-d during the till-then joyous celebration of the Inauguration of the "Mishkan," the Tabernacle, which was to be the Abode of the Divine Presence among the People of Israel.

One of the explanations of the deaths of Nadav and Avihu, is that, this was basically a punishment for Aharon himself, for his role in the disaster of the "Egel HaZahav," the Golden Calf. It seems inescapable that whatever his greatness before and after the event, Aharon had committed a terrible sin during those awful moments when unbearable pressure was placed upon him at the foot of Mt. Sinai. This again was despite the fact that he embodied the principle of "ohev shalom v'rodeph shalom," "loving and pursuing peace," between husbands and wives, and between friends and neighbors who had become estranged. And despite the fact that as "Kohen Gadol," High Priest, each year he secured Atonement on Yom Kippur, for all of Israel, while they were in the desert.

Perhaps he saw that resistance was futile when he witnessed his nephew, Chur, son of Miriam, killed by the mob. Whatever the mitigating factors, it seems clear that the "Ribbono shel Olam," the Master of the Universe, held Aharon responsible for the making of the "Egel." The text says "ki peraoh Aharon," literally translated as "because Aharon made them wild." But if we look at the Hebrew letters of "peraoh:" "Peh," "Resh," "Ayin," "Heh" without the vowels, the word spells Pharaoh, and the meaning might be that in that terrible moment, it was as if Aharon was Pharaoh. For he "accomplished" what Pharaoh tried to do to the Jewish People; namely, to make them indistinguishable from the Egyptians, in their worship of the Calf.

For this sin, Aharon was subject to the penalty of "Kares," to be cut off from Eternity by the death of all his children, if not for the prayers of his brother, Moshe, in his behalf, which reduced the sentence to "only" Nadav and Avihu. And they too might have been saved by the awesome power of Moshe's prayer, were not they themselves subject to the penalty of death, for behaving with excessive familiarity with the Divine Presence after the Giving of the Torah. For the text says, "They gazed upon the L-rd, and they ate and drank," at which point "RASHI," the great commentator says, they incurred the penalty of death, postponed until now.

Leadership of the Jewish People is, and has always been, a very, very difficult proposition, as the fate of the great Aharon Hakohen should, at the very least, make clear. Therefore, let us be patient with and generally supportive of our leaders who have to deal with the internal chaos of Jews continuously at each others' throats over religious issues while the Arabs prowl around the gates of Yerushalayim.

Let us not create "fifth columns" within our nation while our "cousins" and the rest of the world bring maximum pressure against us. If we are good Jews and good people, we'll have good and great leaders, and see the "Yeshuat Hashem," the "salvation of G-d," come to us, as it came to the Jewish People at the edge of the Sea in the path of the advancing Egyptian army, "k'heref ayin," in "the blink of an eye."

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

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