

CONGREGATION BAIS TORAH

June 6, 2009 · 89 West Carlton Rd · Suffern, NY 10901 · (845)352-1343 · www.baistorah.org י"ד סיון שבת פרשת נשא

ערב שבת פרשת נשא

מנחה 7:00 PM *
הדלקת נרות 7:20 PM **
Regular Candle Lighting 8:07 PM
שקיעה 8:25 PM

שבת פרשת נשא

היומי 8:00 AM
שחרית 8:45 AM
סוף זמן קריאת שמע 9:09 AM

פרקי אבות 6:20 PM
Contemporary Halachac Issues 7:10 PM
מנחה 7:55 PM
שקיעה 8:26 PM
סעודה שלישית
מעריב 9:08 PM

Sunday שחרית 7:45 AM

Weekday שחרית

Mon. and Thurs.: 6:20 and 7:45 AM
Tues., Wed. and Fri.: 6:30 and 7:45 AM

Weekday מעריב

Sun. thru Thurs.: 8:15 PM

ערב שבת פרשת בהעלותך

מנחה: 7:00 PM *
הדלקת נרות 7:20 PM **
Regular Candle Lighting 8:11 PM
שקיעה 8:29 PM

* Early Mincha for summer

** Shul Accepts Shabbos

Shiurim

Sundays at 8:30 AM – מסכת סנהדרין – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
Tuesdays at 8:15 PM – Partners in Torah
Tuesdays at 8:15 PM – Ladies Mishnayos Class- Rabbi Avromy Fein- **Will resume in the fall.**
Wednesdays at 8:30 PM – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb.- **Will resume in the fall.**
Friday at 6:25 PM - Rabbi Yosef Fischer - Parshas Hashavua.
היומי I, Monday through Friday 5:25 AM and Sunday at 6:30 AM – Mordechai Rudman
היומי II, Monday through Friday 7:00 AM – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
היומי III, Sunday through Thursday 9:45 AM – Rabbi Yosef Fischer
Monday through Friday at 7 AM - ירושלמי - חלה – Mordechai Rudman
Monday through Friday after the second שחרית עם רשי - פרשת השבוע עם רשי – Rabbi Yosef Fischer
Monday through Thursday at 9:45 AM - גמרא שיעור - Rabbi Leibel Reznick
Women's תהלים group מנדל meets on שבת 45 minutes before פרקי אבות.

Shul Announcements

סעודה שלישית this week is sponsored by the Frankel Brothers, Simcha Friedman and Carl Markowitz.

The scheduled membership meeting has been rescheduled for June 13th at 10:00 PM.

New date for **Kosher Food Pantry**: Friday, June 5th. In addition, Jewish Family Service has requested that we join Kehillat New Hempstead on Sunday, June 14th from 9 to 12 to help with the packing and distribution of the food packages. Both men and women are welcome and encouraged to share in this mitzvah. If you are interested and are available for all or part of the time please contact Leslie Goldress at 352-3257 or Sandra Thurm at 368-3418.

Bais Torah is pleased to announce a double-header for **Father's Day**, June 21st. It begins with a visit to the oldest standing Jewish dwelling in North America, The Gomez Mill House, which is five miles north of Newburgh, NY and about 50 minutes from Monsey. We've arranged for a special 11:30 a.m. Bais Torah tour of the historic house and grounds. Fathers will be admitted free. Afterwards, we'll head 3 miles down the road to sample another taste of history - at Kedem Winery. Further information, maps and directions are on our website and in the mail. To reserve for the tours, please call Aviva at 352-1343 or e-mail aviva@baistorah.org. More information about The Mill House can be found at www.gomez.org.

Bais Torah Adult Education Committee has obtained a limited number of orchestra seats for the **New York Philharmonic** Summertime Classics Russian Fest. Program: Tchaikovsky, Rachmaninoff and Khachaturian. Guest pianist Vladimir Feltsman. Conducted and hosted by Bramwell Tovy. Tuesday June 30th at 7:30 p.m. at Avery Fisher Hall. Tickets are \$54.00 each. For more information and reservations contact Sandra Thurm 368-3418 or sfthurm@optonline.net.

The **Adult Education** Committee has planned several special events for the upcoming weeks. On Sunday, July 12th, view a special movie in our Simcha Room entitled "My Father, My Lord." A visit to the Holocaust Center in Spring Valley is planned for July 19th and on Sunday, July 26th, there will be a Yom Iyun and light breakfast in shul. Stay tuned for further details.

Mazel Tov

Michael and Rena Rossman on the marriage of their children, Karen and Dov Rush in Israel.

Manny and Chana Mayerfeld on the birth of a great grandson, born to Ari and Shoshana Lob. The grandparents are Uri and Esther Mayerfeld.

Josh and Shaindy Berger on the birth of a granddaughter, born to Avrumy and Chaya Berger.

Refuah Shelaimah

Henry Shapiro - חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה לאה
Manny London - מנחם מונש בן חנה פרידא
Tova Eizik's grandson - שלמה יעקב יונתן בן חנה רייזל
Esther Lutwak - אסתר מלכה בת קילה
Bob Schore - חיים ראובן בן הענדל יהודית
Suzie Kirshenbaum's father - יוסף בן שרה
Bella Helprin's mother - פיגע בת חיה רבקה
Manny Frankel - אלימלך בן רבקה חוה

Joel Rosenwasser's mother -
פשע לאה בת שפרינצא
Ben Zauderer - בנימין בן בילה
Larry Seligson - אריה לייב בן רבקה
Leni Loebenstein - הילני בת רחל
Eileen Frommer's father - חיים יונה בן חנה
Irwin Citron - יצחק מרדכי בן בלימה

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In Case of Emergency

The **red Hatzolah phone** is in the hallway on the wall between the rear washing station and the Simcha Room.

The **defibrillator** is in a cubby in the coat room opposite the Hatzolah phone.

Parashas Naso – Shavuos - Megilas Ruth – 5769 - The Role of “Zemer,” Song

The beginning of Parashas Naso deals with a census of the Levi'im, the mission of whom in the Holy Temple was primarily the singing of the “Shir shel Yom,” the “Song Designated for the Day,” using special musical instruments. They added the element of music to the Sacred Service.

On the Second Day of Shavuos, we read the Megilah of Ruth. One of the reasons given for this is that Ruth was the ancestress of David HaMelech, who is the ancestor of the Mashiach. David was a great hero for the People of Israel and a great Torah Scholar. But perhaps what he is most famous for is that he was the main author of the Book of Tehilim, a Book of Divine Poetry, Song and Praise of HaShem, for which he earned the designation of “Neim Zemiros Yisrael,” “The Sweet Singer of Israel.”

The Talmud speaks of two ways in which mastery of Torah expresses itself: “Sinai” and “Oker Harim,” “Uprooter of Mountains.” “Sinai” refers to knowledge of vast amounts of Torah while “Oker Harim” refers to the ability to use logic to understand the Laws of the Torah and how they relate to each other. But there is still another capability of the mind in which the “Neshamah,” the human soul, expresses itself within the realm of Torah; namely, that of music. Music is a form of beauty, of harmony, most pleasing to the ear, which, when combined with words, is called “Shirah,” Song, or “Zemer,” Sacred Poetry.

Two of my aunts, now deceased, I associate particularly with music. They are my Aunt Jessie, A”H, an older sister of my mother, A”H, and Tante Feigie, A”H, a younger sister of my father, A”H, who passed away 28 Iyar, “Koach,” Strength in Gematria, on Erev Shabbos, at the age of one hundred or one hundred and one.

Aunt Jessie was the wife of Rabbi Moshe Max, A”H, the Founding Rabbi of the Queens Jewish Center, in Forest Hills. She taught music, particularly Israeli music, for many years, at the Flatbush Yeshiva Elementary School, and played beautifully on the concert piano in her home. A very bright, sweet, compassionate, and gentle woman, she practiced the art of “music therapy” long before that term came into vogue. An ardent Zionist, she moved with her husband to Eretz Yisrael in 1966, to Bayit Vegan, then just a new development. Her two daughters had moved with their families to Israel around the time their parents did, so when she passed away some decades ago, Aunt Jessie was surrounded by grandchildren and great grandchildren, Sabra and non-Sabra alike.

As mentioned above, Tante Feigie, Sarah Feiga bas Rav Pinchas Yehuda and his Rebbetzin, Frumit Scheindle, passed away on an Erev Shabbos after a very long and very productive life. She married her husband, Uncle Eli Kahn, a Slobodka Alumnus, with whom she had two children, Pinchas and Moshe, both of whom became Maggidei Shiur. Pinchas was a Talmid of Rav Hutner at Chaim Berlin, where he now teaches the second highest shiur. Moishie, who was one of the last Talmidim of Rav Aharon Kutler at Lakewood, also became a Maggid Shiur, in St. Louis and then in Denver. Unfortunately, he passed away tragically at a very early age. Rav Pinchas and his wife, Hennie, produced nine children, eight boys and one girl. Rav Moshe and his wife, Hadassah, produced five children; three boys and two girls. All of the children have gone into learning or learning communities; the grandchildren following in their footsteps.

To trace the origin of the music that ran in her veins, we have to shift our gaze to Europe. Feigie grew up in Tekendorf in Romania/Hungary, in a family of four brothers and four sisters, with father Rav Pinchas Yehuda, “Dayan,” Religious Judge of the village, and mother Frumit Scheindel. Since all the family members had beautiful voices, it was like a family choir when they sang. They had a huge repertoire of Zemiros, for Shabbos and the Yamim Tovim, to exalted melodies of the Seder. In her childhood, her brothers learned the davening of Shabbos, Yom Tov and the Yamim Noraim, and the girls listened in. Tante Feigie integrated all those Tefilos into her Neshamah, and well into her mid-nineties and beyond, she had grandchildren and great-grandchildren assist her in offering those Tefilos to the Ribbono shel Olam. PF