

CONGREGATION BAIS TORAH

Nov 26, 2010 · 89 West Carlton Rd · Suffern, NY 10901 · (845)352-1343 · www.baistorah.org י"ט כסלו ערב שבת פרשת וישב

ערב שבת פרשת וישב

הדלקת נרות 4:12 PM
מנחה 4:20 PM
שקיעה 4:30 PM

Contemporary Halacha Shiur 8:00PM

שבת פרשת וישב

דף היומי 8:00 AM
שחרית 8:45 AM
זמן קריאת שמע 9:20 AM
גמרא שיעור 3:15 PM
מנחה 4:00 PM
שקיעה 4:30 PM
מעריב 5:12 PM

שחרית Weekday

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

מנחה-מעריב Weekday

Sunday-Thursday: 4:15 PM

מעריב Second

Mon-Thurs 8:00 PM

ערב שבת חנוכה פרשת מקץ

הדלקת נרות 4:10 PM
1 מנחה 3:00 PM
2 מנחה 4:10 PM
שקיעה 4:28 PM

Shiurim

Women's תהילים group, meets on שבת afternoon **45 minutes before** the shiur

Sundays at 8:30 AM מסכת סנהדרין – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Tuesdays at 8:15 PM – Partners in Torah

Tuesdays at 8:15 PM Mishnayos class for women-Rabbi Avromi Fein

Wednesdays at 8:15 PM – מלכים ב' - Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

דף היומי I Monday through Friday 5:25 AM and Sunday at 6:30 AM – Mordechai Rudman

דף היומי II, Monday through Friday 7:00 AM – Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

דף היומי III, Sunday through Thursday 9:45 AM – Rabbi Yosef Fischer

Monday through Friday at 7 AM – גמרא מסכת סוכה-ירושלמי – Mordechai Rudman

Monday through Friday after the second שחרית - נבאים – Rabbi Yosef Fischer

Monday through Thursday at 9:45 AM גמרא שיעור - Rabbi Leibel Reznick

Shul Announcements

This week's kiddush is available for sponsorship

סעודת שלישיית is sponsored Mr. Larry Seligson in honor of the bar mitzvah of his grandson, Alexander Yisroel Seligson, by Bert Sirote for the yahrtzeit of his father, Yosef Chaim ben Avrohom, and by Rabbi Shlomo Horowitz.

Avos Ubanim Motza'ai Shabbos learning program November 27-Parshas Vayeshev, at 6:30 pm in the old Bais Medrash. Bring your children and grandchildren for a wonderful evening of Torah learning, hot pizza and prizes for all. This week's learning is sponsored by Mrs. Gina Frommer. Sponsorships are still available; if you would like to sponsor an evening of Avos U'Banim learning, act, now!! Please contact Jonathan Rosenstock at Jonathan.Rosenstock@yahoo.com More information is also available at the shul website, www.baistorah.org

YOU can participate in a Special Chanukah toy drive for children this Sunday, November 28, notices are in the shul, please see or call Dovid Katz - (845) 729- 5329

Join us **Shabbos Chanukah, December 4th for a Simcha Kiddush!** If you have a birth, a bar or bas mitzvah of a child, grandchild or great-grandchild, or any other special celebration is cause for celebration and we invite you to participate in this special kiddush. Co-sponsorship is \$50 for your simcha or s'machos and will be recognized in a special listing on that Shabbos. Please contact Michael Kronenberg, Jack Gross or the shul office to join in.

Our **Scholar in Residence** weekend will be held on **December 10th and 11th, Parshas Vayigash**. Our featured speaker, back by popular demand, is Rabbi Edward Davis, the mora d'asrah of the Young Israel of Hollywood-Ft. Lauderdale. PLEASE contact Dr. Moshe Kranzler and tell him that you'd like to attend and be a sponsor of this annual event.

The next **Kosher Food Pantry** deadline for canned fruit is Monday December 13. Our quota is 120 cans of fruit per month.

Mazal Tov

Avromie and Renee Fein on the engagement of their daughter, Dalia, to Shlomo Hagler of Cederhurst.

Shaul and Kreindy Stern on the marriage of their children, Yudy and Miri Stern

Allen and Miriam Nussbaum on the birth of a granddaughter, Shoshana Kayla, born to their children Mark and Rena Nussbaum

Hamakom Yenachem

Bernie Kushner on the petirah of his brother

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's Grandson-
יהונתן משה בן דבורה טובה

Henry Shapiro - חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה לאה

Manny London - מנחם מונש בן חנה פרידא

Esther Lutwak - אסתר מלכה בת קילה

Bob Schore - חיים ראובן בן הענדל יהודית

Suzie Kirshenbaum's father- יוסף בן שרה

Tova Eizik's grandson - שלמה יעקב יונתן בן חנה רייזל

Ben Zauderer - בנימין בן בילה

חיה עטיל בת שלימה

Chana Mayerfeld-גיטל יהודית בת פרומה בת יהודית

Joel Rosenwasser's mother -

פשע לאה בת שפרינצא

Larry Seligson - אריה לייב בן רבקה

Leni Loebenstein - הילני בת רחל

Barbara Fischer- אסתר בילה בת נחה רייזה

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Bais Torah Bulletin Email: baistorahbulletin@gmail.com, or call (845) 371-5337. All submissions are subject to review and must be submitted by 9pm Wednesday evening.. This bulletin is downloadable from the web at www.baistorah.org.

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 Vayeshev– 5771 –

Near the beginning of Parashas Vayeshev, we find, “These are the generations of Yaakov – Yoseph...” (Bereshis 37:2) Rashi cites a Midrash, which mentions a number of reasons for this unusual construction:

- 1) The main reason that Yaakov labored at Lavan’s house was his love of Rachel, the mother of Yoseph.
- 2) Yaakov and Yoseph were essentially identical in appearance.
- 3) Everything experienced by Yaakov was experienced by Yoseph; for example, they were both hated by their siblings, to the extent that the sibling wanted to kill them.

Another similarity not mentioned in the Midrash was that both Yaakov and Yoseph were dreamers. Yaakov experienced his most famous dream in Yerushalayim, in which HaShem spoke to him from the top of the ladder, “The land upon which you lie, I will give to you and to your descendants.” (Bereshis 28:13) In Vayeshev, Yoseph is the dreamer, and Yaakov feels an especially strong attachment to him. And, since love overcomes common sense, Yaakov openly displays his greater love for Yoseph by presenting him with a multi-colored coat. In Parashas Vayechi, just before Yaakov blesses his sons, the Midrash says that he wished to reveal to them what would occur at the “end of days,” which he knew by Prophecy, which, according to the Rambam, is always transmitted from HaShem to the Prophet (except in the case of Moshe) in a dream, but HaShem prevented him from doing so.

Yoseph’s brothers are aware of the greater love felt by their father towards Yoseph, which only adds to their hatred of their gifted younger brother. Yoseph dreams two prophetic dreams, the gist of which is his ascendance above his brothers, and in the second dream, of the heavenly bodies, above his parents as well.

What was Yoseph dreaming of? Clearly, he was dreaming of his rise to greatness in Mitzrayim, and his taking care of his People during their first Exile. But it is possible that he was also dreaming of the distant future, of the time of the redemption of his People from their final Exile. At that time, one of his descendants, through his near-future son, Ephraim, would become the Mashiach ben Yoseph, would rid the world of evil, and pave the way, along with Eliyahu HaNavi, for Mashiach ben David. It is possible that Yaakov, sensing the great import of Yoseph’s dreams, didn’t hesitate to send Yoseph to his brothers, although he was aware of the great danger that posed for Yoseph.

The Shem MiShmuel explains the function of the two Messiahs, the Mashiach ben Yoseph and the Mashiach ben David. That is, the Mashiach ben Yoseph will destroy the seed of Amalek, and he will conduct the final battle with the seed of Esav, for Esav will fall only by the hand of a son of Rachel, as it says in Midrash Rabbah. And as the external, so will it be with the spiritual, for from this perspective, both Meshichim are heart surgeons. Mashiach ben Yoseph will pull aside the curtain which separates the Heart of Israel, and he will tear away that which seals their Heart, and he will soften the Heart of Stone, after which will come Mashiach ben David, and he will find a Heart of Flesh, prepared and suitable to receive the great “Ki Tov” which he will pull down from Above. Thus, the nature of Mashiach ben Yoseph is, as it were, to mix metaphors, to plow the earth for Mashiach ben David.

Another perspective concerning the role of the two Meshichim, again seen in medical terms, is that the Mashiach ben Yoseph will be a spiritual neurologist-neurosurgeon, whose task will be to excise the “tumors” that have afflicted the “brain” of the Holy People, such that it could temporarily not distinguish between the Holy and the Impure. But Yoseph, who would be called a “first-born ox” (Devarim 33:17) by Moshe Rabbeinu, for he was an “ox” in Holiness, for he knew “konehu,” his Master. And Mashiach ben David will play the role of a cardiac surgeon, who will come to fix the diseased portions of our Heart, that it will never desire anything unworthy, and he will ride the “chamor” of Holiness, which is always humble and contrite, accepting the burden of the Kingdom of Heaven. And it desires and yearns only for Holiness, for that spirit epitomized David HaMelech, A”H, and it will epitomize Mashiach ben David, who will insert that type of Love into the Heart of Israel, as it says (Devarim 30:6) “And HaShem your G-d will circumcise your heart and the heart of your offspring, to love HaShem your G-d with all your Heart and with all your Soul, in order that you may live.”

Thus, without medical jargon, the roles of the two Meshichim will be as follows: Mashiach ben Yoseph will eliminate the seed of Amalek, and will fight the Wars of Gog and Magog, and all the wars will be fought and finished by him. His mission will be to remove the dark clouds which hide and block the G-dly Light. And after the removal of the hiddenness and the darkness, will shine the Light of Mashiach ben David, who will have no wars with non-Jews. Rather, his entire mission will be to bring the Knowledge of HaShem to earth.

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