

# BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת וירא  
הדלקת נרות 5:31

November 3, 2017

יד' חשון תשע"ח

## ערב שבת פרשת וירא

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

## שבת פרשת וירא

Hashkama	7:30
Daf Yomi	8:00
Shacharis	8:45
Sof Zman K" S	10:05
Halacha Shiur	4:30
<b>Mincha</b>	<b>5:15</b>
Shkiah	5:48
Maariv	6:30
Shabbos Ends	6:38

**CHANGE CLOCKS  
BACK ONE HOUR**

## **Weekday Schedule: Week of 11/05-11/10**

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

## **MINCHA-MAARIV**

**Sun-Thurs- 4:35 PM**

**Second Maariv  
Mon-Thurs 7:30PM**

## **NEXT WEEK**

### שבת פרשת חיי שרה

Candle lighting	4:23
<b>Mincha</b>	<b>4:30</b>
Shkiah	4:41

## WHAT'S NEW

**This week's Kiddush is sponsored by all those celebrating a Birthday and Anniversary in October and November. Mazal tov to all the celebrants and thank you to all the sponsors. The list is attached**

*סעודה שלישית* is available for sponsorship.

Please join us **Thursday nights for shiurim through the Torah Conferencing Network. At 7:45 is Rabbi Mansour's shiur and at 9PM, is Rabbi Frand's shiur. Rabbi Reisman's shiur is Motzaei Shabbos at 8:30PM.**

**Rabbi Gottlieb is continuing his series on Contemporary Kashrus, Shabbos afternoons-45 minutes before Mincha.**

**This week: Back By Popular Demand! Second Maariv begins this week, Monday through Thursday promptly at 7:30 p.m. Come to the minyan and bring your friends.**

**Next Motzaei Shabbos, November 11th at 8:40 in the Simcha Room, The Wedding Plan.** After her fiancé calls off their wedding a month before the ceremony, Michal decides to keep the reservation and trusts G-d will provide her with a husband. A humorous and poignant film; don't miss it! **Hebrew with English subtitles. See attached flyer**

Rabbi Gottlieb's Wednesday night shiur on Trei Asar continues, with sefer Nachum. Wednesday nights at 8PM. All are invited to attend.

**Avos Ubanim is around the corner!** Starting **NEXT Motzaei Shabbos November 11th** the program of father-son learning is back for another inspiring year. Participants enjoy learning, pizza, and prizes. Sponsorships are available for \$50 per week. For any questions, or to be a part of this program please contact Amy Gottlieb: [mrsagottlieb@gmail.com](mailto:mrsagottlieb@gmail.com).

**Save the date- November 17th and 18th Scholar in Residence with Rabbi Hayyim Angel.**

## HAVE A GOOD SHABBOS

## 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

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 לייאן בן ריזל

Ruth Malinowitz

רבקה בת פריידא

Andy Yurowitz

אליהו זבי בן חנה

Shira Steinberg

שירה 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

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## BIKUR CHOLIM-

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## 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** –on hiatus

8:30 PM Navi Shiur

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

### Thursday

8:00 The Sandra Thurm Women's Mishna Class

Dr. Deborah Raice Fox

## Parashas Vayera *The Uniqueness of Avraham Avinu*

From the beginning, I must express my gratitude to the editor of the work "Aspaklaria" (The Lens) – an encyclopedic compilation of material relevant to Jewish thought by Rav Shmuel Avraham Adler, of Zurich, Switzerland. Material was culled from more than 75 sources and assembled into a work of thirty volumes. In this essay, I will focus on material relating to the first of the forefathers of the Jewish People, Avraham, Yitzchok and Yaakov.

"Rabbi Yochanan said in the name of Rabbi Shimon ben Yochai, 'From the time that the Holy One, Blessed is He, created the world, there was no person who called HaShem, 'Master' until Avraham said, 'My Master, the Almighty, how can I be certain that I will inherit the Land?' " (Berachos 7b)

"It is written, 'And He will give you compassion, and He will have compassion for you.' (Devarim 13:18) Anyone who has compassion for G-d's creatures, it is certain that he is a descendant of Avraham, our father, and anyone who does not have compassion for G-d's creatures, it is certain that he is not a descendant of Avraham, our father." (Baitzah 32b)

"And how was the coin of Avraham Avinu described? It had the figures of an elderly man and woman on one side and the figures of a young man and woman on the other side," to remind the viewer of the miracle that was performed for Avraham and Sarah, where Sarah's youthful femininity and Avraham's youthful vigor were restored."

Midrash Rabbah: "It was analogous to an individual passing by, who noticed a brightly lit palace. He wondered aloud, 'Is it possible that this palace has no owner?' The owner of the palace saw the curious individual and called out, 'I am the owner of the palace.' Just so was it when Avraham Avinu wondered aloud, 'Is it possible that this beautiful world did not have a Creator?' The Holy One, Blessed is He, gazed at him and said, 'I am the Creator of the world.' "

Chovas HaLevavos: "There is a kind of love regarding which it is easy for the one who loves to give up his wealth for it, or even a part of his body, or even to give up his life for it. And we find all of these in connection with Avraham, for he spent a great deal of money for the benefit of passers-by... and he didn't concern himself with his body when HaShem commanded him to undergo circumcision, and he didn't show concern for his soul when HaShem requested that he perform the Akeidah, for Yitzchok was more precious to him than his own soul. And that is the highest level of love of HaShem. And it would not be asked of the average man, because human nature opposes it..." (Shaar 10, Chapter 4)

Mishneh Torah: "...And it was in this manner that the world that the world was moving (and believing only in Avodah Zarah), until the Pillar of the World, Avraham Avinu, was born... When this strong one was weaned, he began to explore the world with his thought while still a child, and he was thinking constantly, day and night, and he was wondering, 'how is it possible for this sphere to continue to function without a guiding force, and no-one to move it? And he had no teacher and nobody to teach him anything? But he was sunken in Ur Kasdim among foolish idol-worshippers. And his father and mother and all of the people were worshipping idols and he was also worshipping them, but his heart was wandering and understanding more and more until he realized the True Way, and he apprehended the correct line of thought from his own logical thinking. And he knew that there was only One G-d, and it was He Who was conducting the Great Sphere, and He had created everything..." (Avodas Kochavim: Chapter One)

"One who serves HaShem out of love, engages in the study of Torah, and the performance of the Commands and he follows the pathways of Wisdom not for any material thing, from fear of punishment or to acquire reward, but rather does the Truth because it is the Truth, and reward will naturally follow; this is a very great level, and not every wise person merits to be on it, and it was the level of Avraham Avinu, whom HaShem called 'the one who loved Him'..." ( Teshuvah 10:2)

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

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