

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת בראשית
הדלקת נרות 6:13
Shabbos Mevorchim

October 5, 2018

כ"ה תשרי תשע"ט

ערב שבת פרשת בראשית

Candle lighting	6:13
Mincha	6:20
Shkiah	6:31

שבת פרשת בראשית

Hashkama	7:30
Daf Yomi	8:00
Shacharis	8:45
Sof Zman K" S	9:51
Halacha	5:15
Mincha	6:00
Shkiah	6:30
Maariv	7:12
Shabbos Ends	7:20

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 10/7--10/12

Shacharis

Sunday	7:45
Mon.Thurs	6:20, 7:45

Rosh Chodesh

Tues.Weds 6:10, 7:35

Fri 6:30, 7:45

MINCHA-MAARIV

Sun-Thurs 6:15 PM

NEXT WEEK

פרשת נח

Candle lighting	6:02
Mincha	6:10
Shkiah	6:20

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is available for sponsorship

סעודה שלישית is sponsored by Michael Loebenstein commemorating the yartzheit of his father Hachaver Mordechai ben Yosef.

Rabbi Frand's live weekly shiur through TCN is **Thursday nights** at 9 PM. Rabbi Mansour's shiur resumes Thursday October 4th at 7:45 PM, Rabbi Reisman's shiur begins Motzaei Shabbos October 6th at 9PM.

The Sandra Thurm Women's Mishna class is every Thursday at 8PM with Dr. Deborah Raice Fox.

Avos Ubanim, the popular Motzaei Shabbos father-son learning program with pizza and prizes is coming up soon! Sponsorships are available for \$50 per week. Please contact Rivki in the office. More info to follow!

If you would like to order Memorial Plaques to be hung in the shul please contact Rivki in the shul office.

MAZAL TOV

Mazal tov to Chosson Torah from the Hashkama minyan Ephraim Minzer, and Chosson Berieshis Moshe Lehmann, and from the main minyan Rabbi Gottlieb and Abe Frankel.

NICHUM AVEILIM

Leah Davidson on the petirah of her brother, Daniel Savitsky

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 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 גישל

Goldress grandson
אילן רפאל בן טובה רבקה

Jennifer Herrman'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** afternoon 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 Bereshis “Endings and Beginnings”

The Holiday of Succos has just come to an end. We finished the Reading of the Torah and have begun it again. At the very beginning of the Parashah, we find a contrast between Darkness and Light. “...when the earth was astonishingly empty, with darkness upon the face of the deep, and the Divine Presence hovered upon the surface of the waters – G-d said, ‘Let there be light,’ and there was light.” (Bereshis 1:2-3) During Shabbos Chol HaMoed, we read Megilas Koheles, “Whatever has been is what will be, and whatever has been done is what will be done. There is nothing new beneath the sun!” (Koheles 1:9) - that was the first statement of the principle of the Conservation of Matter and Energy. Of course, Koheles didn't know what science would discover 3,000 years later – “Just as you cannot know what is the path of the wind, nor the skeletal profile of the fetus within the womb, so you cannot know the actions of the Almighty, who does everything.” Koheles could not have known about meteorologists and X-Ray machines which would be able to answer all those questions.

Physical Constants “There are many physical constants in science, some of the most widely recognized being the speed of light in a vacuum, c, the Gravitational constant, G, Planck's constant, h, the electric constant, epsilon sub-zero, and the elementary charge, e. Physical constants can take many dimensional forms: the speed of light signifies a maximum speed for any object and is expressed dimensionally as length divided by time; while the fine-structure constant, a, which characterizes the strength of the electromagnetic interaction, is dimensionless.”

“It is known that the Universe would be very different if these constants took values significantly different from those we observe. For example, a few percent change in the value of the fine-structure constant would be enough to eliminate stars like our sun...”

“Some physicists have explored the notion that if the dimensionless physical constants had sufficiently different values, our Universe would be so radically different that intelligent life would probably not have emerged, and that our Universe seems to be fine-tuned for intelligent life.” (Wikipedia, on Physical Constants)

Paul Dirac As the author of an article that was printed in the May, 1963 edition of Scientific American, Dirac wrote: “It seems to be one of the fundamental features of nature that fundamental physical laws are described in terms of a mathematical theory of great beauty and power, needing quite a high standard of mathematics for one to understand it. You may wonder: Why is nature constructed along these lines? One can only answer that our present knowledge seems to show that nature is so constructed. We simply have to accept it. One could perhaps describe the situation by saying that God is a mathematician of a very high order, and He used very advanced mathematics in constructing the universe. Our feeble attempts at mathematics enable us to understand a bit of the universe, and as we proceed to develop higher and higher mathematics, we can hope to understand the universe better.”

“It could be that it is extremely difficult to start life. It might be that it is so difficult to start life that it has happened only once among all the planets... Let us consider, just as a conjecture, that the chance of life starting when we have got suitable physical conditions is ten to the minus 100 power. I don't have any logical reason for proposing this figure, I just want you to consider it as a possibility. Under those conditions ...it is almost certain that life would not have started. And I feel that under those conditions it will be necessary to assume the existence of a god to start off life. I would like, therefore, to set up this connection between the existence of a god and the physical laws: if physical laws are such that to start off life involves an excessively small chance, so that it will not be reasonable to suppose that life would have started just by blind chance, then there must be a god, and such a god would probably be showing his influence in the quantum jumps which are taking place later on. On the other hand, if life can start very easily and does not need any divine assistance, then I will say that there is no god.” (G-d Forbid)

James Jeans: “The stream of knowledge is heading towards a non-mechanical reality; the Universe begins to look more like a great thought than like a great machine. Mind no longer appears to be an accidental intruder into the realm of matter...we ought rather hail it as the creator and governor of the realm of matter.” James Jeans, in “The Mysterious Universe

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

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