

YOUNG ISRAEL OF THE MAIN LINE

Weekly Update

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Parshas Beha'aloscha פרשת בהעלותך

June 13-14—ח"א סיון תשס"ח

Shabbos Davening Times

Earliest candle lighting: 6:57pm
Candle lighting: 8:13pm
Mincha - Friday: 7:00pm

Sof Zman Krias Shema: 9:16am
Shacharis: 8:45am
Mincha followed by Seudah Shlishis: 8:00pm
Maariv: 9:16pm

Weekday Davening Times

Shacharis Sunday: 8:00am
Shacharis (Mon., Thu.): 6:40am
Shacharis (Tue., Wed., Fri.): 6:50am
Mincha/Maariv (Sun.–Thu.): 8:20pm

Next Shabbos Times

Candle lighting: 8:15pm
Mincha - Friday: 7:00pm

Calendar of Shiurim

DAY	TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER	NOTES
Shabbos	7:55am–8:15am	Parsha Chabura	R. Robin	ROTATES
Shabbos	8:15am	Mishlei Shiur	R. Steinberg	
Shabbos	After Mincha	Medical Halacha	D. Eisenberg	
Sunday	After Shacharis	Sefer Hachinuch	M. Buchbinder	
Mon., Wed.	After Maariv	Mishna Berura	Eli Back	
Sun.–Fri.	15 min. before Shacharis	Chovos haLevovos	R. Steinberg	
Monday	9:00pm	Advanced Gemora: Makkos	R. Steinberg	
Thursday	10:10pm	Nefesh Hachaim	Rav Sholom Kamenetsky	

* All shiurim are at YIML unless specified.

THIS SHABBOS

Kiddush and Shalosh Seudos:

Kiddush this week is being sponsord by Inna & Israel Pendrak in honor of their daughter Karen's return from Israel.

This week's Seudah Shlishis is sponsored by Danny & Janet Eisenberg in honor of their children.

The Siyum of the Chevra Mishnayos (Seder Nezikin) will take place this week at Seuday Shlishis. Gentlemen! Finish your masechtos!

Bnos and Pirchei:

Bnos will *not* meet this week. Next week (Sh'lach) will be the last Bnos of the season.

While Pirchei has ended for the season, this Sunday, June 15 there will be a Pirchei end-of-year BBQ at the Silver house, 151 Highland Circle, from 5:30–7:00pm. Cost is \$7 per person. Please RSVP to (610) 668-6833.

All submissions, suggestions, and sponsorships should be directed (by Wednesday evening) to the editor of the Weekly Update, פלוגי בן פלוגי (weeklyupdate@yiml.org).

MAZEL TOV!

To Lauren & Ira Somers...

...on the birth of their new daughter, Riva Chaya, born on Erev Shavuot.

E-SCRIP

Our Young Israel's children's programming is now a registered group with e-Scrip! Just go to <http://www.escrip.com/>, and you can register or add YIML to an existing registration (Torah Academy is also a registered group, and you can support up to 3 groups at once). Just follow the on-line instructions, or contact Janet Eisenberg with questions. Merchants include Genuardi's, Barnes&Nobel.com, Staples.com, etc...

MISSING

Missing: One set of marbles.

Slightly used. Last seen a few kids back. If found, return to the editor. Thank you.

ONGOING EVENTS

Chevra Mishnayos:

The Chevra Mishnayos is now learning Seder Nezikin. See the shul bulletin board to sign up.

Women's Tehillim Group:

The Tehillim Group meets Mondays at 9:45am at 345 Bala Ave.

Women's Chovos haLevovos Group:

The Chovos haLevovos Group meets Tuesdays at 9:30am at 8 Concord Circle.

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D'VAR TORAH by Rabbi Berel Wein

Parshas Beha'aloscha

Lighting the menorah—the great candelabra—in the Temple seems to be a very straight forward, cut and dried matter. One needs little skill or training apparently to light a candelabra. Yet the Torah's emphasis in this week's parsha insures that a deeper meaning is also present to this seemingly mundane and simple act.

Rashi already indicates the presence of this deeper idea by his comment that the obligation of the kohein was to keep his fire at the candelabra's wick, "until they caught and burned brightly on their own." This is a rule not only in lighting a menorah but also in life generally—in raising and educating children and students, in inspiring others with ideals, skills and knowledge.

It is a rule in the home, the classroom, the workplace and anywhere else in human life where people intersect and influence one another. It applies in those areas of life that are also subject to this challenge - that the wick has to catch fire and rise on its own.

The ability to let the "wick" catch fire and flame eventually on its own is a necessary trait in successful parenting and teaching. It is always difficult to let go of a child and a student. One becomes so emotionally involved that letting go becomes increasingly impossible. But the truth is that only by letting go and allowing the "wick"—child, student, etc.—to flame on its own is one's parental and educational responsibility fulfilled. We cannot live another person's life for that person. We can only attempt to provide that other person with the wherewithal to succeed and accomplish.

The other side of the coin in this matter is equally valid and important. The kohein may not remove the flame from the wick prematurely. He must make certain that the flame of the wick will not sputter out when he removes his flame from the wick.

The responsibility of parents and teachers remains as long as the child or student is still unable to flame on its own. Many times in life it is difficult to light the flame in others. It always seems never to catch and flame on its own efforts and abilities. The tendency therefore is for the flame giver to despair and eventually give up on the effort.

Students are expelled from schools and parents and children remain distant. No two instances in life are alike and there are therefore no real general rules that can be imposed in such situations. Yet it must be obvious to all that infinite patience and untiring efforts must first be expended before reaching a point of impasse and no return.

Some people are late bloomers and thus the flame has to be kept to their wick longer than usual. These are all naturally individual judgments and uncertain decisions. Perhaps that is why the Torah emphasizes this seemingly ordinary act of lighting the menorah in the Temple because it represents the ambiguities that lie at the heart of many basic issues in life, family and community affairs.

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