This Shabbos

Parsha Chaburah by Reb Naftali Perlberger: 8:15am Kiddush this week is being sponsored by the Waxman family in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Shoshana Bracha Waxman.

Between Mincha and Maariv:

Shalosh Seudos this week is community sponsored. Medical Halacha Shiur given by Dr Daniel Eisenberg.

Bnos of Bala Cynwyd is preparing for a great new year! Girls 3yrs - 6th grade are welcome to join us for our opening event -"Back-to-CAMP" on Thurs, Aug 26th from 6 to 7:30pm. Membership \$36 per girl for the year. Also coming soon: first shabbos Bnos group of the year (Parshios Nitzavim/Vayailech) and the Bnos Motzai Shabbos Kedoshim Tehiyu program! Contact Meira Friedman (617-9529) for more information.

Kivrei Tzadikim Trip - Sunday, September 5th First day of Selichos, departing from YIML at 9:15am, men of the community are invited to visit the graves of many of the great Gaonim buried in Queens, NY. Rabbi Steinberg will speak about each of the figures, and the group will recite Tehillim and tefillos at their graves.

A Father-Son Shiur with Rabbi Steinberg (recommended age of 5th grade and up) studying Sefer Melachim Aleph (Kings I) Monday nights at 8:00pm. Class will meet Sept 13th and then weekly Oct 4th. E-mail Rabbi Steinberg to join.

The Halacha Shiur with Rabbi Steinberg will be learning "classic" Yoreh Deah (Hilchos Basar v'Chalav, Taaruvos, etc.) Tuesday nights at 8:30pm. Shiur will meet Sept 14th and resume weekly Oct 5th. Visit the yiml website for instructions to join the online group for mareh mekomos and other updates and to be part of the massa umattan between shiurim.

Young Israel of the Main Line 273 Montgomery Ave Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004 www.yiml.org Sherman Frager, President Rabbi Avraham Steinberg 610-667-3255 610-667-7063 rabbi@yiml.org Parshas Ki Seitzei פרשת כי תצא August 20-21 י״א אלול 🚽 🛓 Shabbos Davening Times 🚅 🛓 Candle lighting: 7:33 pm 7:00 pm Mincha - Friday: Shacharis: 8:45 am Sof Zman Krias Shema: 9:41 am Mincha: 7:20 pm Maariv: 8:34 pm Next Shabbos : Candle lighting: 7:23 pm Mincha - Friday: 7:00 pm Rabbi Steinberg will be away through Sunday. Anyone needing to reach the Rabbi should contact Shul President Sherman Frager.

Comments and questions can be sent to weeklyupdate@yiml.org

Weekday Davening Times		
Shacharis:	Sunday:	8:00 am
	Monday and Thursday:	6:40 am
	Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday:	6:50 am
Mincha/Maariv: Sunday through Thursday: 7:30 pm		

Weekday Shiurim

Daily Mussar Shiur:	15 min before Shacharis	
Mishna Brura:	Wed after Maariv	
Nefesh HaChaim:	Thursday 10:15pm	
Check with Dr Daniel Eisenberg to confirm.		

Women's Learning Experience - Spring Session Mon at 10:45am - Tehillim for Cholim, followed at 11:30am by Rabbi Steinberg teaching The Chazon Ish's Faith and Trust. Tues at 9:30am - Rabbi Shmidman teaching Tehillim at LMS. Wed at 9:30am - Dr. Goldman teaching Parshas haShavuah. Thurs at 9:30am - Mr. Dorman teaching Pirkei Avot. All classes at 8 Concord Circle, unless otherwise noted. For information, call Janis Fine 610-617-0913

The yiml website (http://www.yiml.org) and yiml internet archive (http://www.chaseplanet.us/yiml/) are being updated with new information and features.

The Chevra Mishnayos is learning Seder Taharos. See shul bulletin board to sign up or email eisenber@pol.net with your name and the masechta (and chapters) you intend to learn.

To subscribe to the YIML email list, visit http://mail.chaseplanet.us/mailman/listinfo/yiml

Thought of the Week

The parsha of Ben Sorer U'Moreh (the wayward and rebellious son) contains the laws for handling a very particular case of a child who shows signs of rebellion. By today's standards, this is quite a mild form of rebellion – he steals a little money from his parents, he consumes a little meat and drinks a little wine. The parents bring him to court and testify that he refuses to listen to them. The fate of this child – at most a few months past the age of Bar Mitzvah – is that he is publicly stoned and everyone comes to watch and observe his execution.

There is a Talmudic opinion that this case never happened and never could happen. At most it would happen extremely infrequently. The main purpose of its inclusion in the Torah is so that we might homiletically expound upon it and gain reward thereby (d'rosh v'kabel sechar).

The Kli Yakar notes that the Torah's exhortation of "and let all Israel hear and fear" [Devorim 21:21] (regarding the execution of the wayward and rebellious son) is itself an uncommon expression. If ben sorer u'moreh is in fact a case that happens rarely if ever and if the primary function is just to serve as a theoretical lesson, then why does the Torah go out of its way to say "and let all Israel hear and fear"?

The Kli Yakar explains that this mitzvah serves as a great lesson to the Jewish people, who are called "sons of the Almighty" [Devorim 14:1]. The underlying message of the laws of Ben Sorer U'Moreh is that as "sons of the Almighty" we should not become overly confident that Hashem will always overlook our sins and tolerate our misbehavior. It is not true that fathers are always indulgent and always let their children get away with disobedience. We should not take it for granted that He will always overlook our sins.

The Kli Yakar comments on the pasuk in HaAzinu "lo banav mumam" (His children's is the blemish) [Devorim 32:5] that the fact that we are His children is our blemish. It causes cockiness on our part as we tell ourselves that we can get do whatever we want and get away with it. We rely too much on the fact that we are His children.

To impress upon us that sometimes a child can go too far and not get away with it, the Torah writes the chapter of the wayward and rebellious son. When we go too far, even our father drags us into court and has us executed! Even children cannot cross beyond a certain line. That is the lesson that "all Israel must come to hear and fear."

Adapted from "The Hidden Lesson of Ben Sorer U'Moreh" by Rav Frand http://www.torah.org/learning/ravfrand/5770/kiseitzei.html