



# ADAS TORAH BULLETIN

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## SHABBOS SCHEDULE

Do not light before 6:35 pm

Early Mincha	6:25 pm	מנחה א'
New Mincha	6:55 pm	מנחה ב'
Candle Lighting	7:45 pm	הדלקת נרות
Mincha	7:50 pm	מנחה ב'
Repeat שמע after 8:46 pm		
Hashkamah	8:00 am	השכמה
Shacharis	8:50 am	שחרית
Early Mincha 1	2:00 pm	מנחה א'
Early Mincha 2	5:45 pm	מנחה ב'
Chabura	6:55 pm	חבורת לימוד
Daf Yomi	7:00 pm	דף היומי
Mincha	7:40 pm	מנחה ג'
Seudah Shlishis	8:00 pm	סעודה שלישית
Maariv	8:45 pm	מעריב
Shabbos ends	8:46 pm	מוצאי שבת
Rabbeinu Tam	9:16 pm	ר"ת

## SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	6:30/8/9 am	יום א'
Mon, Thu	6:40/7:45 am	יום ב', ה
Tue, Wed, Fri	6:45/7:45 am	יום ג', ד', ו'
Sunday Mincha	1:35 pm	מנחה יום א'
Mincha/Maariv	7:50 pm	מנחה/מעריב
Late Maariv		מעריב
Monday & Wednesday only at 8:50 pm		

## SHABBOS Z'MANIM

Alos Hashachar	4:28 am	עלות השחר
Tzitzis/Tefillin	5:05 am	זמן ציצית ותפילין
Sunrise	5:57 am	הנץ החמה
L/T for Shema	8:44 am	סוף זמן ק"ש-מ"א
L/T for Shema	9:28 am	סוף זמן ק"ש
L/T for Tefilah	10:38 am	סוף זמן תפילה
Midday	12:59 pm	חצות היום
Mincha Gedolah	1:36 pm	מנחה גדולה
Plag Hamincha	6:34 pm	פלאג המנחה
Sunset	8:03 pm	שקיעה

## תענית י"ז בתמוז SUNDAY, JULY 21st

Fast Begins	4:29 am
Shacharis	6:30/8/9 am
Mincha	1:35/7:35 pm
Maariv	8:25 pm
Fast Ends	8:42 pm, 8:34 pm if necessary



## SHIURIM & LEARNING PROGRAMS

### CHOVOS HALEVAVOS CHABURA

Rabbi Simcha Bornstein gives a Chabura in Chovos Halevavos on Shabbos after the 8:00 am minyan.

### TANYA SHIUR

Rabbi Revah is continuing his Tanya shiur before davening on Shabbos morning at 8:30 am, on "Why is Success in Avodas Hashem Within Reach?".

### TEFILAH GROUP FOR GIRLS

There is a Tefilah Group for Girls 11 and up run by Basia Markman, with davening, kiddush, and learning.

### INYAN SHIUR

Given by Rabbi Revah after davening at 11:20 am on "Vacationing the Jewish Way Part 3".

### GEMARA SHIUR ON MASECHES SHABBOS

Given by Isaac Kleinman after davening on Shabbos morning in the library, from 11:15 am - 12:00 pm, on "74b - Tying and Untying".

## LEARNING PROGRAM FOR BOYS

On Shabbos afternoon for 3rd to 8th grade, 40 minutes before Mincha.

## DAF YOMI

Daf Yomi is at 6:05 am Mon - Fri and 7:20 am on Sundays.

## TWO-PART SERIES WITH MRS. REVAH

On: The Habitual and the Ritual - Making Life Meaningful July 23rd & 30th at 8:15 pm at the home of Mrs. Mira Shuchatowitz, 9048 Cresta.

## ZICHRON MENACHEM PROGRAM SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR BOYS 4TH - 8TH GRADE

Sunday: After the 9:00 am Shacharis, from 9:45 - 10:30 am, there will be refreshments! Shabbos: July - Shabbos afternoon program with Bachurim will continue.

August - There will be Father - Son learning. Both programs will be before Mincha.

Save the date: The Father - Son Seudah Shlishis will be on August 31st.

From now until August 30th: Come 10X to Adas Torah and learn 40 minutes each time between 8:30 - 9:45 am and receive \$20.

## SHABBOS AFTERNOON CHABURA

The Shabbos Afternoon Chabura continues 45 minutes before Mincha, at 6:55 pm. This week's Chabura is given by Aaron Schultz on "In-Laws, Siblings, Grandparents - An Extended Look At Kibbud Av V'Em". We would love to have new members join and give Chaburos or just to come and listen.

## CHABURA - **דברת בים** - MONDAY & WEDNESDAY, 8:00 PM

The Chabura is learning Perek Eilu Metzios, the second perek of Bava Metzia. The goal of the chabura is that all participants will master the Perek, understanding and retaining the information. This is accomplished by a built in review program which has been utilized very successfully in many communities and has led to a tremendous sense of accomplishment. Please speak to Rabbi Dovi Saltz if you are interested.

## BAVA METZIA IYUN SHIUR - ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS, 9:00 PM

R' Yaakov Siegel will be giving an Iyun Shiur on the Bava Metzia sugya for those who wish to delve deeper into the Limud. The Shiur will be following Maariv (approx. 9:00 pm) on Wednesdays and run for 30 minutes. It is possible to come to the shiur even without attending the Chabura.

## YOREH DEAH CHABURA

We are continuing our Yoreh Deah Chabura on Sunday from 8:00 - 9:00 am. We are learning the Halachos of Bishul Akum, Pas Akum and Cholov Yisrael. It is possible to join the chabura now and become proficient in these very relevant halachos. For more information please speak to Rabbi Revah.



### KIDDUSH

Kiddush after the 8:00 am minyan is sponsored by Eitan and Bracha Tashman in honor of the Yahrzeit of Eitan's father, Mr. Paul Tashman א"ח, **פנחס בן אברהם**.

### TOMCHEI SHABBOS ROUTE

Thank you to Azriel Aharon for driving the Tomchei Shabbos route this week.

### NITZACHON

We are excited to announce that we are now accepting articles for our next issue of Nitzachon! We would like to encourage all past contributors and all who have not yet contributed to strongly consider submitting an article.

This issue will BE"H cover topics relating to the moadim of Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur, Sukkos, and Chanuka. We will also have a section for halacha and machshava topics unrelated to the moadim (such as Shabbos, Tefilla, Eretz Yisrael, etc.) and would welcome such articles. Please discuss any of the non-moadim topics with the editors before starting to write. Topics are due August 1 and articles are due August 18. If you would like contribute an article, please speak with Michael Kleinman, Yaakov Rich, or Yaakov Siegel. We are also looking for sponsors - there are dedication opportunities in honor or in memory of loved ones.

## SHARSHERET PINK CHALLAH BAKE AND WOMEN'S HEALTH EDUCATION DISCUSSION

Wednesday July 31st, 2019, at 7:30 pm at Bais Yaakov - 7353 Beverly Blvd. Suggested Donation \$18.

Dr. Taaly Silberstein will address the latest in women's health. Register at: <https://link.sharsheret.org/pinkchallahLA>



### Dear Kids and Parents,

This week's parsha craft will be the "tents of Yaakov".

The answer to last week's riddle was the Parah Adumah which is a chok, a law that we don't understand. It turns black when burned, and the ashes are mixed in water.

The bonus answer was a snake which crawls on the ground and bites, but when Moshe raised a copper snake on a staff, Bnei Yisrael knew to daven for Hashem to heal them.

This week's question is: I used one eye to spy from up high, who am I?

Bonus question: "I tried to outdo your father's by doing double, but instead of winning I just got in trouble." Who am I and what did I do double of?

Good Shabbos,  
Rabbi Wagshul

We are looking for volunteers to stand outside with the security guard for an hour once every three months.  
Thank you to Fred Denitz, Isaac Kleinman & Dan Braum who took shifts last Shabbos.

### ADAS TORAH CHEVRA KADISHA

Adas Torah is starting a Chevra Kadisha. The opening class will be on Shiva Assar B'tamuz, this Sunday, July 21st, at 9:00 am, for men and women, given by Baruch Blum and Chavi Gorman. After the class participants will have opportunities to participate in Taharos with experienced Chevra Kadisha members. If you are not sure if this Mitzvah is for you, you can still attend the class and decide afterwards if you would like to commit. Please speak to Rabbi Revah if you are interested.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Yonatan Malk - July 24th  
Moshe Nagel - July 25th  
Noam Neiman - July 26th  
Extra Spinrad - July 26th

### Yahrzeits

17 - 23 Tammuz/July 20 - 26  
Tuesday: Eitan Tashman's father,  
Mr. Paul Tashman a"h

פנחס בן אברהם ע"ה

Thursday: Avrum Reiss's mother,  
Mrs. Yetta Reiss

## D'VAR



## TORAH

### Steve Kirschenbaum

Some Gedolei Ha'Rishonim opine that Bilam was not really a Navi, despite the conventional thinking in the implication of Rashi that Bilam was in fact a Navi. It's for this reason that Balak hired him. In Yehoshua 13:22, Bilam ben B'or is referenced as 'Koseim,' a magician. The Radak comments that Bilam was not a Navi; Bilam furthered his career through the use of magic. It was only at this time he was given Nevua for this one episode as described in the Chumash.

The Rambam in Hilchos Yesodei Ha'Torah in the beginning of Perek 7 delineates a list of characteristics one must possess for the Shechina to be shoreh on somebody (Gibor, Ashir etc.); a Gibor in this instance means a Gibor bi'midosav. Based on this, the Rambam states it's understandable that Bilam received Nevua during this episode, but to say that Bilam had been a Navi all along is very difficult to comprehend.

Similarly, the Ramban in 22:31 makes the case that Bilam was not truly a Navi. On the verse 'Va'yigal Hashem es eini Bilam,' the Ramban says this is not language that is appropriate when referencing a Navi. Therefore, the Ramban states, as is the implication of the Rambam and explicitly in the Radak, Bilam had not really been a Navi all along. In Nedarim 38, Rav Yaakov Emden in his Hagaos makes a similar observation based on the Rosh that Bilam's career was not one of Nevua. Therefore, we have this chidush from many that Bilam was not truly a Navi.

However, Devarim 34:10 states, and Chazal expound, bi'umos ha'olam kam -- among the

nations of the world, someone was like Moshe. Rashi says in Bamidbar 22:5 the nations shouldn't claim we didn't follow in HKBH's ways because we didn't have a Navi like Moshe. For that, Bilam was portrayed as a Navi ki'Moshe. So, if we understand like the Radak, the Ramban, the implication of the Rambam, and the Ya'aveitz based on the Rosh, then what does it help having a one-time episode with Bilam to answer these claims of the other nations that they didn't have a Navi like Moshe?

The Ksav Sofer in V'zos Ha'bracha answers nobody actually thinks that Bilam was like Moshe. At their beginning, Bilam and Moshe were similar regarding Nevuah. Moshe started with a small mattana from HKBH, a small amount of special Hashpa'a. Bilam received that same gift and was able to understand the timing of what transpires in heaven, so he was able to predict certain events. But it's what you make of it. For the first 80 years of his life, Moshe Rabbeinu had no Nevua. Moshe Rabbeinu had an opening, a pesach, and he seized the opportunity. Bilam received the same opening, and he failed to capitalize. Moshe made of it a Moshe Rabbeinu. Bilam made nothing of it, a magic business. When you recognize an opportunity, but ignore it and push it aside, you are responsible for the outcome. You are responsible for the missed opportunity. There are many decisions in life that can turn one's life in a certain direction. Says the Ksav Sofer, the lesson of Bilam is to capitalize on those opportunities.