



Suburban Orthodox
Congregation Toras Chaim



SHABBOS & YOM TOV SCHEDULE

Shabbos Night

7:00p Mincha followed by

Kabbolas Shabbos

8:13p Candle Lighting

Shabbos Day

9:00a Shachris (9:23a KS)

11:30a Simcha Kiddush

5:30p Women's Living Emunah Group
(Suburban Small Beis Midrash)

6:30p Special Women's Shiur: Family
Dynamics - Megillas Rus Part II
(Main, Shul Rabbi Silber)

6:50p Early Mincha (Beis Midrash)

7:15p Daf Yomi (Yehuda Neuberger)

8:15p Mincha followed by special shiur:
The DNA of a Halachic Ruling: Ancient
Teachings in Practice Today Part I
(Rabbi Richter)

Motzei Shabbos, 1st Night of Shavuos

9:14p Maariv & Candle Lighting

12:00-1:00a 6-8 Grade Boys Learning

12:00-5:00a Tikun Leil Shavuos

Sunday 6/9 - 1st Day/2nd Night

No Groups in the morning

5:10a Early Shacharis

9:00a Shacharis (9:23 KS)

4:30p Torah & Toppings Ice Cream Party

7:20p Daf Yomi (Yehuda Neuberger)

7:35p The DNA of a Halachic Ruling:
Ancient Teachings in Practice Today
Part II (Rabbi Richter)

8:20p Mincha

8:35p The DNA of a Halachic Ruling:
Ancient Teachings in Practice Today
Part III (Rabbi Richter)

9:14p Candle Lighting

Monday 6/10 - 2nd Day

9:00a Shacharis (9:23 KS)

10:30a Yizkor

11:30a Siyum & Kiddush (Dairy)

6:30p Special Women's Shiur: Personal
Growth - Megillas Rus Part III
(Main Shul, Rabbi Silber)

7:20p Daf Yomi (Yehuda Neuberger)

8:20p Mincha followed by Neilas HaChag
Kumzitz

9:15p Maariv



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Tues - Thurs, Fri am

6:45, 9:00a Shacharis

6:45p Plag Mincha

8:15p Mincha/Maariv

Parshas Bamidbar/ Shavuos

5 Sivan | June 8, 2019

Candle Lighting
8:13p

Mincha
7:00p

Torah Reading
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Haftorah
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Candle Lighting 6/8
9:14p



MAKING THE HONOR ROLL

RABBI SHMUEL SILBER

"The Lord spoke to Moses in the Sinai Desert, in the Tent of Meeting on the first day of the second month, in the second year after the exodus from the land of Egypt, saying. Take the sum of all the congregation of the children of Israel, by families following their fathers' houses; a head count of every male according to the number of their names." (Bamidbar 1:1-2)

The fourth book of the Torah begins in a rather non-dramatic fashion: a count, a simple tallying of the tribes. But why was this necessary? At first glance it would appear this was done in preparation for entry into the Land of Israel. The Jewish people would have to raise an army to fight against the indigenous nations of Canaan. God commands Moshe to count the men from age twenty in order to ascertain the size of the national fighting force. However, Levi is counted separately from the other tribes and is reckoned from the age of one month. *Rashi* explains the count was not to gauge the size of the potential army, rather, "*Mitoch Chibasan L'fanav Moneh Osam B'Chol Shaah* (Because of [God's] love for the [Jewish people]; He counts them at every moment.)" This was not a utilitarian count, it was a love count, to show how much He cares about us as a nation and as individuals.

But then something fascinating occurs. *"These are the descendants of Moses and Aaron on the day that the Lord spoke to Moses at Mount Sinai. These are the names of the sons of Aaron: Nadab the firstborn Abihu, Elazar, and Ithamar."* (Bamidbar 3:1-2) The Torah begins to list the offspring of Aharon and Moshe and yet, only Aharon's children are mentioned and Moshe's are not. What is the meaning of this omission?

Rabbi Samson Raphael Hirsch (1808-1888) explains:

"For in all these chapters of numbers, only those are mentioned of the dead who formed the separate branches of the tribes and families, but of the living only those are named who had some official public position as Nesiim (tribal princes) and Kohanim (priests). But our Moses allowed his sons to be quite absorbed in the masses without any special distinction, he did not even have a small position, a tiny title, a small badge for his own children." (Bamidbar 3:1)

There were two different groups of individuals listed in the counting. Those who founded the major families and had since died and those who became contributors and assumed active positions of leadership within the Jewish people. Moshe's sons are not counted by name (though they are included in the total tally) because they did not contribute to the Jewish people in a substantive manner. Aharon's sons were given the mantle of the priesthood. They served and they contributed.

Our precious Torah is conveying to us a truly profound lesson. Life is about rolling up your sleeves and seeing what you can do to advance your family, your community, your people and your world. Too often, we sit back and expect others to do for us, to give to us and to provide for us. Too often, we expect that others will do the heavy lifting while we sit on the side and benefit from the fruits of their labor. This unfortunate mindset is prevalent in many areas of life. Spouses assume that the other will do the necessary work to improve the marriage saying, "I'm ready and willing to have a blissful marriage, but you, my significant other should do all the work." Parents want their children to be committed and passionate Jews but sometimes fail to be true spiritual role-models. We are quick to point out the flaws in our schools, shuls, communities, leaders and nation, but are we committed enough to actually work to improve them?

The counting conducted in the beginning of *Bamidbar* is no ordinary count. It is the "who's who" of the Jewish people. It is the Judaic honor role that pays homage to those who dedicated themselves to advancing the nationhood and destiny of the Jewish people. For whatever the reason, Moshe's children did not follow in the footsteps of their illustrious father. They did not lead lives of committed contribution; they did not dedicate their abilities and talents to the Jewish nation.

Our goal is to forge a meaningful identity that will continue to inspire even when we are no longer here. We must roll up our sleeves. We have to work, we have to contribute. We cannot be spectators in our personal, communal and national lives. We must rise to the occasion and make a difference whenever and wherever we can. This Shabbos we read the names of men who lived thousands of years ago but through whose efforts we live today. Let us become the kind of people whose efforts will shape the world in which we live and whose memory will inspire for generations to come.



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WEEKLY SHIURIM

by Rabbi Silber

Sun 8:00a Daf Yomi

Tues - Fri a.m.

5:45a Chovas HaTalmidim

5:55a Daf Yomi

Following 9am minyan 15 Minutes of Mishnayos (Rabbi Richter)

Tues

8:30p Hilchos Shabbos B'lyun (Rabbi Richter)

Wed (shiurim for women)

9:30a Perek Shira for WIT, BJSZ

8:00p Life Lessons from the Parsha

Thurs

8:30p Likutei Moharan (for men)

Tues-Thurs

8:40-9:00p Night Seder in Beis Midrash



MEMBER NEWS

BIRTHDAYS

Michael Artman, Ila Bierer, Rivka Bluestein, Saul Brum, Michael Elman, Eytan Erez, Evelyn Getz, Jack Gladstein, Elan Hamburger, Mayer Katz, Eliezer Krawatsky, Elly Lasson, Elaine Meiseles, Penny Myrowitz, Sylvan Oppenheimer, Michael Pottash, Elliot Rothschild, Rena Schor, Pinchas Toshner

Yahrzeits

Jean Hausdorff, Rabbi Cecil Kadin, Dov Klein, Cynthia Baral, Sylvia Ackerman, Marc Shefter



SHUL HAPPENINGS

Graduate Kiddush

Shabbos 6/15

suburbanorthodox.org/sponsor

SOTC Annual Meeting

Tues 6/18 | 7:10p, SOTC

SOTC Book Club

Tues 6/18 | 2:00p, SOTC

Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate

SOTC BBQ & Raffle Drawing

Wed 7/3 | Save the Date!

Suburbanorthodox.org/raffle

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

JCN 5K: Women's Run 6/16 | Men's Run

6/30 Join the Suburban teams!



SPONSORSHIPS

TALMUD TORAH SIVAN

Anonymous in honor of Rabbi Silber and all the warm members of Suburban

SIMCHA KIDDUSH

Yoni & Ashley Strauss in honor of the birth of their daughter, Eliana Sarit

LEIL SHAVUOS LEARNING

Allen & Sue Myrowitz l'iluy nishmas Sue's father, Nathan Futeral, Nosson ben Yitzchok HaLevi z'l, and her sister, Cynthia Baral, Chaya Tzivia Sarah bas Nosson HaLevi z'l

Isaac & Brenda Samuel in honor of a refuah sheleima for Leah bas Faiga

Co-Sponsored by: Gregg & Rena Trestman; Samuel & Malka Esterson as a zechus for a refuah sheleima for Kol Cholei Yisrael; Neil & Pam Weissman in honor of the legacies of Bashi & Royal Rockman and Alice & Irving Weissman
Supported by: Howard & Sally Goldstein

Midnight BBQ: Justin & Avigail

Rosemore and Barry & Judy Nabozny

SIYUM SPONSORS

Justin & Avigail Rosemore l'iluy nishmas Coby Rosemore, Chaim Yaakov Dovid z'l ben Yosef Tzadok

Barry & Rena Dubin l'iluy nishmas Rena's grandmother, Freyda Schwartz, Freyda bas Aharon z'l

Co-Sponsored by: Avraham & Shaindy

Kelman in memory of Shaindy's father who arrived in Auschwitz on Shavuos, the last time he saw his family.

Supported by: Justin & Rebecca Myrowitz

ICE CREAM PARTY

Gregg & Rena Trestman

Co-Sponsored by: Alan & Janet

Abramowitz, Akiva & Hilary (Jacobson) Kent, Brian & Shoshi Ponczak



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

MEET THE STRAUSS FAMILY

Yoni (Atlanta, GA) moved to Baltimore when he was 9 while Ashley was born and raised just outside of DC in Montgomery County. They met on Frumster (now called JWEd) and bought their home just a couple of blocks from the SOTC! Yoni works with his brothers in the furniture business. Ashley studied cosmetology and worked for 6 years as a hairdresser before moving to Baltimore and opening her sheitel salon. Their boys attend Beth Tfiloh: Jordy (7), Aiden (5). They became very involved with Chai Lifeline Mid-Atlantic and started Levi's Legacy in honor and memory of their sweet boy, Levi Chaim z'l. Today, we join them in celebrating the birth and growth of their beautiful daughter, KiH, Eliana Sarit.

SHAVUOS DRASHA

Pacy & Lisa Kadin in honor of the yearzeit of Pacy's father, Rabbi Cecil Kadin, Rav Zissel ben Tzvi Hirsch z'l

SHAVUOS FLOWERS

Gregg & Rena Trestman

DAY OF LEARNING

Gavi & Shayna Cohn in honor of the yearzeit of Gavi's grandfather, Meyer Oxman z'l

Jacob & Julie Blumenfeld in the zechus of a refuah shleyma for Zechariah Mordechai ben Yehudit Devorah

DAF YOMI

Michael & Linda Elman in honor of the yearzeit of Michael's father, Julius Feigelman, Yehuda ben Yechiel Michel z'l

Michael & Rachel Turniansky in honor of the yearzeit of Michael's mother, Jeanette, Shaindel bas Mordechai z'l

Moshe & Devorah Werdesheim for their son, Avi, to successfully complete his medical boards

Anonymous in honor of Rabbi Zalman Nissel's birthday

Gregg & Rachel Levitan for a refuah for Rachel bas Sarah Gittel and Esther bas Shoshana

Allen & Susan Myrowitz in honor of the yearzeit of Susan's sister, Chaya Tzvia Sara bas Nosson HaLevi z'l

Rabbi Kalman Akiva Kovacs in honor of Rabbi Silber and Yom Tov

DONATION

Steve Shefter in honor of the yearzeit of his brother, Moshe Leb ben Ravi Hirsch Alta z'l

Justin & Rebecca Myrowitz in honor of the upsherin of Shmueli & Miriam Frankel's son, Mordechai and the birth of Marc & Lillian Solowecyk's son, Chaim Pinchas

