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Weekday Shiurim

Mussar Chabura: 15 mins before Shacharis.
Mishna Brura: Mon and Wed after Maariv
Ruach Chaim:
Thursday at 10:15pm
Mussar Shiur for Women: Mon at 9:30am at 8 Concord Circle.

Chevra Mishnayos

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

Bnos is Back!

Bnos of Bala Cynwyd will iy"H meet at LMS from 4pm - 5pm. As this is the beginning of a new year, please pay your yearly membership dues (\$36/person) so Bnos can continue to meet. Contact Meira Friedman: 610-617-9529 or dm201@gmail.com

Parshas Nitzavim

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September 14-15, 2012

פרשת נצבים

כ"ח אלול תשע"ב

Shabbos Schedule



Light Candles:	6:53pm
Mincha and Kabbalas Shabbos:	6:53pm
Parsha Chaburah given by Reuven Kovacs:	7:55am
Shiur on Sefer Tehillim with the Malbim's Commentary:	8:15am
Shacharis:	8:45am
Sof Zman Krias Shema:	9:49am
Shabbos Groups, upstairs, for ages 2 and up.	9:45am
Kiddush is community sponsored.	
Mincha:	6:40pm
Shalosh Seudos is community sponsored.	
Medical Halacha Shiur given by Dr. Daniel Eisenberg.	
Maariv:	7:54pm

Second Shofar Blowing

On both days of Rosh Hashana, Rabbi Moshe Rudenstein will blow shofar for anyone who was unable to hear the shofar in shul. This will take place at the Rudenstein's home, 304 Bala Ave. at 4:30 PM.

Shiurim on Rosh Hahshana

Between Mincha and Maariv on Rosh Hashana, Rabbi Steinberg will deliver Shiurim B'inyana D'Yoma.

Sun, Sep 16	Mon, Sep 17	Tue, Sep 18	Wed, Sep 19	Thu, Sep 20	Fri, Sep 21
<i>Erev Rosh haShanah</i>	<i>Rosh haShanah</i>	<i>Rosh haShanah</i>	<i>Tzom Gedalia</i>	Slichos 6:00am	Slichos 6:10am
Slichos 7:00am	Shacharis 8:00am	Shacharis 8:00am	Fast Begins 5:34am	Shacharis 6:35am	Shacharis 6:45am
Shacharis 8:00am	Shofar 10:30am	Shofar 10:30am	Slichos 6:00am	Mincha/Maariv 6:50pm	Light Candles 6:41pm
Light 6:50pm	Mincha 6:45pm	Mincha 6:45pm	Shacharis 6:30am		Mincha 6:41pm
Mincha 6:50pm	Light after 7:51pm	Maariv 7:49pm	Mincha 6:35pm		
Maariv 7:53pm	Maariv 7:51pm		Fast Ends 7:48pm		
29 Elul	1 Tishrei	2 Tishrei	3 Tishrei	4 Tishrei	5 Tishrei

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Men's Mikva - Yom Tov Schedule

Message from the Men's Mikva at Congregation Raim Ahuvim, 5854 Drexel Rd., Philadelphia:

The mikva closing schedule is as follows:

Erev Rosh HaShanah: Sunday 9/16/12 closing 4:20 PM.

Erev Sukkot: Sunday 9/30/12 closing 4:15 PM.

Erev Shemini Atzeret: Sunday 10/7/12 closing 4:15 PM.

Please make every effort to use the mikva as early as possible.

New Shiur with Rav Sholom Kamenetsky – Sefer Ruach Chaim

Having completed the Sefer Nefesh HaChaim after many years of study, the Thursday night Shiur with Rav Sholom Kamenetsky will be starting the Sefer Ruach Chaim. Shiur resumes after Sukkos. To be included in a group order of the sefer (approx. \$12), or for general information about the shiur, please contact Dr. Danny Eisenberg: eisenber@pol.net. (Orders should be placed ASAP.)

YIML Ezras Nashim

As we sometimes have an overflow crowd, and being that at many of our regular weekly tefillos, no women are present, it is understandable that men sometimes daven in the Ezras Nashim. However, we do ask that men be alert and sensitive, and if you see a woman coming, please vacate the Ezras Nashim ASAP, so she not feel that she has nowhere to daven. (This has had particular relevance at Shabbos Mincha lately.)

Thought of the Week

"You are standing today, all of you..." (29:9)

Parshas Nitzavim begins with Moshe assembling the entire nation of Israel on the last day of his life.

The verse divides Bnei Yisroel into distinct segments and social classes; the first to be mentioned are "Rosheichem" - the political leaders. Why are they named prior to "Zikneichem" - the spiritual leaders of the nation?

After "Rosheichem", the verse mentions "Shivteichem" - "your tribes". Rashi explains that "your tribes" should not be interpreted as a separate segment, rather as "Rosheichem le'shivteichem" - "the leaders of your tribes". If the expressions "Rosheichem" and "Shivteichem" are connected, why does the Torah not insert the preposition "le" - "of" to make the interpretation clearer? Without the "le" which defines the leaders as a function of the tribes, the verse can be understood as "your leaders who are your tribes", i.e. the tribes are constituted solely of leaders.

The message which the Torah is imparting is that the true definition of a nation is formed by its leadership. The leaders, who are responsible for the political and economic well-being of the nation, create the medium through which the "Zekainim" - "elders", spiritual leaders can be effective. Without both economic and political support the elders would be powerless.

This notion is borne out by the actions which Yaakov Avinu took when he created a Jewish settlement in the land of Goshen. Yaakov sent Yehuda to establish the Yeshiva, which was to be the center of Jewish life in Mitzrayim. The Rambam teaches that Levi was the Rosh Yeshiva, the spiritual leader of Bnei Yisroel. If so, why did Yaakov send Yehuda, the economic and political leader, to establish the Yeshiva? Clearly, the definition of the Jewish people is formed by its political leaders, who create the forum to facilitate effective spiritual leadership.

The term which refers to a political leader is "rosh", which means "head", whereas a spiritual leader is known as either a "zakain", which has the same etymology as "zakan" - "beard" or "ayin" - "eye". The head is the central part of the body, while the beard and eyes are merely appendages to it. Similarly, the leader, who provides the economic and political elements for the nation, defines the parameters for all other forces to be effective.

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