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A Rosh Hashanah Message

Rabbi Joel Padowitz, BTYA President

Dear Friends,

We all know that Rosh Hashanah is serious business. Sometimes I even like to think of it in terms of a business: as the time of year when the Supreme CEO decides how He will allocate resources to His enterprise called "existence" for the upcoming year. Every "department" in existence is under scrutiny and those that have not contributed sufficiently to the enterprise's bottom line are in jeopardy, ר"ל. Of course, our CEO's bottom line isn't measured in shekels: כל מה שברא קדוש השם it's all about בעולמו לא בראו אלא לכבודו, making שמים כבוד felt down here on earth.

The CEO knows far better than we that "past performance is not necessarily indicative of future results." So

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Rosh Hashanah Schedule

Erev Rosh Hashana		ערב ראש השנה
Chatzos	12:39	חצות היום
Candle Lighting	6:23	הדלקת נרות
Mincha	6:43	מנחה
One should be mekabel Yom Tov before Sheki'a	7:03	יש לקבל יו"ט לפני שקיעה
Selling kibudim for 1st Day, Drasha, Maariv		
Rosh Hashana Day 1		ראש השנה יום א'
Shacharis - Vasikin	5:24	שחרית כותיקין
Hanetz HaChama	6:31:15	הנץ החמה
Brachos and Korbanos	7:00	ברכות וקרבתות
HaMelech	7:45	המלך
Shofar Blowing (not before)	10:00	תקיעת שופר (לא לפני)
2nd Shofar Blowing (not before)	1:30	תקיעות שניות (לא לפני)
Mincha	6:00	מנחה
Tashlich		תשליך
Sh'kia	7:02	שקיעה
Drasha (R' Hillel Horovitz)	7:00	דרשה
Candle Lighting—Not Before	7:42	הדלקת נרות - לא לפני
Selling kibudim for 2nd Day, Maariv		
Rosh Hashana Day 2		ראש השנה יום ב'
Shacharis - Vasikin	5:24	שחרית כותיקין
Hanetz HaChama	6:32:15	הנץ החמה
Brachos and Korbanos	7:00	ברכות וקרבתות
HaMelech	7:40	המלך
Shofar Blowing (not before)	10:00	תקיעת שופר (לא לפני)
2nd Shofar Blowing (not before)	1:25	תקיעות שניות (לא לפני)
Mincha	6:25	מנחה

Vasikin News

SPECIAL VASIKIN DAVENING ON ROSH HASHANAH:

BTYA will be having a Vasikin minyan for both days of Rosh Hashana, IY"H.

- B'rachos 5:24
- HaMelech 6:09
- Hanetz 6:31:15

This minyan is being offered to the Tzibbur for the express purpose of enabling one to daven Amidah at the most appropriate time. The minyan will NOT be having Chazzoras HaSha"tz. The pace and decorum will

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Shabbos Schedule לוח שבת

Erev Shabbos	ערב שבת
Candle Lighting	6:21 הדלקת נרות
One should be mekabel Shabbos before Sh'kia	7:01 יש לקבל שבת לפני שקיעה
Drasha from R' Joel Padowitz: Shabbos Shuvah'-What's the Connection?	7:00 דרשה
Shabbos Day	יום השבת
Shacharis - Vasikin	5:47 שחרית כותיקין
Hanetz HaChama	6:32:30 הנץ החמה
B'rachos and Korbanos	7:55 ברכות וקרבתות
Pesukei D'Zimrah	8:05 פסוקי דזמרה
Nishmas	8:25 נשמת
Latest Shema - G'ra	9:20 סוף זמן ק"ש לגר"א
Avos u'Banim	4:00 אבות ובנים
Shabbos Shuva Drasha	5:00
Tefillas Mincha Ketana	6:00 תפילת מנחה קטנה
Sh'kia	7:00 שקיעה
Ma'ariv	7:40 מעריב
Tzom Gedaliah	צום גדליה
Fast Starts	5:09 תחילת הצום
Selichos	5:32, 6:10, 7:15 סליחות
Shacharis	6:07, 6:55, 8:00 שחרית
Mincha	1:10, 6:10 מנחה
Fast Ends	7:32, 7:42 סיום הצום
Maariv	7:30, 10:15 מעריב
Next Shabbos	שבת הבאה
Mincha	2:30 מנחה
Candle Lighting	6:12 הדלקת נרות
Kol Nidrei	6:32 כל נדרי
Sh'kia	6:52 שקיעה

These z'manim are correct for our tzibbur

- Shabbos Shiurim**
- The Rav's shiur. *Doniel perek 2, 7:25.*
 - English Shabbos shiur for women: **3:15pm** at **Beit Kneset Ahavat Zion**, Nachal Timna 2 (corner Dolev). Speaker: **Shira Smiles.**
 - Rebbetzin Malinowitz's Shiur in הלכות שבת after the

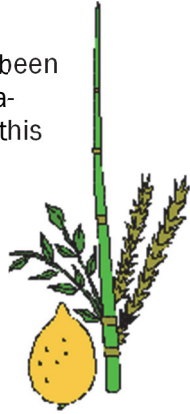
- women's shiur.
- The Rav's shiur *עין יעקב, אגדות השי"ס* 4:15pm. **Not This Week**
- דף יומי:
 - ▲ 9:30pm in the מדרש ליל שבת
 - ▲ 4:00pm in the מדרש שבת
 - ▲ 4:00pm in the מדרש שבת, R' Zabrowsky

Don't Go To The Shuk!

Moraiy VeRabosai:

I have arranged for the person who has been selling us arba minim (3 of the 4--no aravos) at the Shul to come and service us this year as well.

While I understand that the way we sell the 4 Minim is "uncustomary," I have found that it is easier, quicker, and gives you really, really nice sechorah, at a decent price, at your doorstep. And there's a track record of many years of very satisfied customers.



To Order

Send an e-mail to rav@btya.org or to info@btya.org

ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH THE END OF TZOM GEDALYA ONLY.

You do not need to pay in advance. Prices are as follows (includes Lulav, Esrog, and Haddassim):

- Alef Alef-**410** ₪
- Alef-**300** ₪
- Bais-**200** ₪
- Kasher lechatchilah (aka Gimmel)-**130** ₪

DUE TO THIS YEAR'S CALENDAR CONFIGURATION, coupled with the Rav's wishes that this not be done before Yom Kippur, the sale will take place on Sunday 15-Sep between the first and second maariv, only. Because of the way we do this, you are really only just coming to pick up, and pay. You don't need to run to be the first one there, but don't miss this time, either. Your order is NOT binding, you will decide if it is appropriate to order and then not come.

Kesiva VaChasima Tova—CZM

Limited to members, associate members, and guests of theirs who are coming to spend Sukkos with them.

Rosh Hashana Kid's Groups

Thank you, in advance, to the girls that have signed up to help run the groups.

The names of the girls who are volunteering and their time slots are posted outside in the lobby.

The groups will run from 9am (right before קריאת התורה) until 1pm (towards the end of musaf).

The groups are for boys from age 2-7 and for girls from age 2-8. Please do NOT bring any children that are not in these age ranges.

If you have a child in the group, you or your spouse MUST BE IN THE BUILDING at all times.

If you are sending a child in diapers, a parent or older sibling must be with them downstairs where the groups are taking place.

Lastly, it would really help everyone, if mothers went down periodically to give support and make sure things are OK.



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be similar to the main minyan. Expected time of Chazoras HaSha"tz in the main minyan is 8:25

SHABBOS: The Vasikin minyan will be davening in the main shul, and then moving downstairs to Ulam Shabtai for Musaf.

MOVING HELP: After Shabbos at 9pm, please return to BTYA to help us arrange the Vasikin room for the next week of davening.

YOM KIPPUR: The Vasikin minyan starts at 5:28, Hamelech is at 6:14, and Hanetz at 6:36:30. After davening, we will split up sefer Tehillim with the goal of finishing the entire sefer.

Clean up RBS

BTYA will be having a team of members join thousands of other Israelis in the annual Clean up the World event that will take place next week, Monday Sept. 9th. Together we can do our little part and make a dent in making the world, and specifically Bet Shemesh, and more specifically Ramat Bet Shemesh, a cleaner place to live and enjoy.

The event is all day long, but the BTYA team will be working together for about an hour starting from 5:45pm on Monday, though of course you can work for longer, if you want to!

The BTYA team has adopted the Merkaz Mischari as its location for clean-up. The meeting point will be outside of Yaaleh.

Cleaning supplies will be provided by the organizers of Israeli World Clean Up Day, but you can also bring your own to make sure you have enough (garbage bags, gloves, etc.).

You should also plan to bring water.

Let Rafi Goldmeier (rafi.goldmeier@gmail.com) know if you plan to join us, so that the organizers will be able to send enough supplies. This is a great activity for kids and adults alike, and a great opportunity to teach the young'uns some social responsibility.

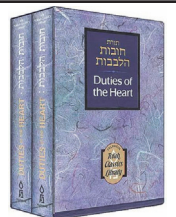
Everyone can help make Beit Shemesh a more pleasant & cleaner place to live.



Chovos HaLevavos

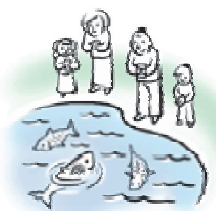
Shiurim with Rav Malinowitz

Wednesday Sept 11: "Shaar HaBitachon" - Developing Our Trust In and Reliance on HaShem. 12:15 - 1 p.m. in the "Vasikin" room ,



Tashlich Suggestions

- **Weissmandl**, Fish Pond @ Nachal Ayalon 9/9. Women should view from Bernstein next door 9/8.
- **Rosenbaum**, Salt water fish tank on HaYarden 90/2.
- **Rosen**, Fish Pond @ 8/7 Luz.



Shul Set-up

Erev Yom Kippur:

Ari Rosenstein, Barak Saffer, Yossi Schneiderman, Aryeh Sonnenberg, Shlomo Weis, Raphael Willig, Randy Zelcer, Shmarya Zelcer.

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He makes His decisions **שם באשר הוא שם**— assessing each department based on its current state of affairs. Resources are allocated based on what the department stands for right now and what it proposes to do in the upcoming year. Naturally, unless the department has recently reorganized its priorities and/or can present a credible plan for how this year will be better than last, He will base his decisions on last year's performance. The opportunity exists, however, to submit a new mission statement and/or strategic plan for executing that mission. And all of us whose performance has fallen short of ideal must seize this opportunity by reflecting upon our personal mission statement, and revising it and/or our plan for its implementation.

The Rambam famously emphasizes that the “departments” that are judged are not only individuals, but also the larger social groups to which they belong. Therefore, in considering your personal mission statement and what **you** will be doing next year to advance the cause of **כבוד שמים**, you should also consider yourself in the larger context of **our community** and what it stands for. Fortunately, thanks to our Rav and his insistence on a principled approach to **עבודת ה'**, our **קהילה** has a formal mission statement, and I believe it is worthwhile for every member of our **קהילה** to review this mission statement at least once a year.

*BTYA's mission is to maintain and expand an open and tolerant **קהילה** that fosters and develops the **עבודת ה'** (including **חיבת ארץ ישראל**) of English-speakers in **ארץ ישראל**, in order to help them grow in their **עלייה רוחנית**; and also one which assists them with the **גשמי** needs of normal, everyday life. We consider the **Kehilah “חרדי”** in the sense of the acknowledgment and implementation of the centrality of **תורה** and **תלמוד תורה** in our lives. Through our success, we hope to influence Israeli society as well.*

I once saw a brilliant billboard: “You aren't sitting in traffic. You are traffic!” Without a doubt, BTYA is here to be a vehicle to help you obtain all the worthy ideals set out in its mission statement. But you aren't just sitting in BTYA. You are BTYA! Which means that, as part of your Rosh Hashanah review of your personal mission statement and of your plan for execution, you ought to ask yourself what role you can play in our communal mission. (Have no fear: I'll resist the presidential urge to riff on JFK's “ask not...” at this juncture.)

I believe deeply in our **kehilah's** mission, and I trust you do too. With our collective focus resting squarely on **עלייה רוחנית**, balanced with a self-sufficient, **chessed-oriented** **גשמי** of normal, everyday life, we truly can serve as a model community for wider Israeli society. Seen in this light, our community as a whole presents an opportunity to advance **שמים** that may exceed anything we can do alone.

As part of your Rosh Hashanah plan that you submit to the Supreme CEO this year, I encourage you to include a section regarding how you will invest in our communal mission, and I ask each and every one of you to pray that Hashem grant each and every one of us the resources and the **זכות** to fulfill all our lofty ambitions.

Wishing you a **טובה** and **חתימה טובה**.

Looking For a Sponsor for Rabbi Chazan's Kollel

Our Beis Medrash has been host for several years to a Sephardic Kollel of over 20 Avrechim. Their diligence and warmth has added a dimension to the learning in our shul that is immeasurable.

Due to the recent drastic cuts in “Datot” (monies provided by the Government) and the loss of a major donor, the Rosh Kollel has no choice but to close at the end of this zman. The loss would not be just ours; in the late afternoon, the Kollel goes out to teach in many Shuls in Bet Shemesh.

One of the most endearing qualities of the daytime learning in the Shul is the fact that Baalei Batim are toiling in Torah shoulder to shoulder next to Avreichim. There is a mutual respect and admiration since both are in a different way sacrificing financial gain to serve G-d. So when I found out that this sweet partnership might soon end, it was with a heavy heart, to say the least.

One by one, several of my working friends started approaching me with the same ache and disappointment because we could not take on this responsibility. The group that approached me I would say are the pillars of daytime learning in BTYA, to them and I it was clear that this was a major loss.

Perhaps a glimmer of hope?

Our past year's Chasan Torah, Nir Kedar, approached the Kollel to perhaps salvage a few Avrechim or more, and is working on a solution to keep the Kollel operational. If we can get commitments for 15,000 NIS per month through Pesach the Rosh Kollel thinks he can use that as a springboard to inspire other contributors. So I and others who are concerned are looking for at least 15 individuals to commit to 1,000 NIS per month through Pesach to be that catalyst for this Torah to continue. As this campaign is beginning from within the Beis Medrash, we are already 25% of the way there.

And in case you are wondering why this is an important read..

What we are witnessing here in our own Shul is the effect of what many would characterize as “the War on Torah.”

If we can answer by reaching in our pockets, that would be something really special. For at the very least we need to realize that the intense atmosphere of Torah is at risk here and throughout Israel, as situations like this play out. The Gemara says that there is a daily heavenly voice that cries out for the disgrace of Torah. Now is the time for us to feel this pain when we see it, and act accordingly.

If you can join us, please contact me Naftali Rischall (neil.rischall@gmail.com or 052-768-7015) or Nir Kedar (nir@hydrocore.biz or 054-831-8935) for details or to make a commitment.

Simchas Beis Hashoeiva

Come join the festivities **Motzei Shabbos of Chol HaMo'ed Succos** in the Shul's Succah: Music, dancing, melava malka, Torah, and all your buddies!

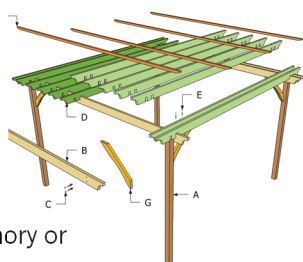


Would you like to have the **zechus** of being responsible for creating so much simcha in so many people? We are looking for **sponsors**. If you want a part of this great opportunity, be in touch with rafi.goldmeier@gmail.com.



Only a Few Pergola Days Left!

Attention potential sponsors, there are only a few days left to dedicate the soon-to-be-erected (IY"H) Simcha Pergola and Sukkah.



Hundreds of baalei Simcha can bask in the beautiful garden under YOUR PERGOLA, in the memory or honor of someone special to you.

The pergola dedication is listed as \$18,000, but in order to get it "off the ground" in time for the chag, we are willing to discount that to a ridiculously low price, as well as to spread the dedication out over several payments.

If you are interested in this, or any of our dedication opportunities, contact Aryeh Sonnenberg at 054-499-1733 or info2@btya.org.

Shabbos Tefillah Hakoras Hatov

The Kehilla expresses gratitude for last week's Shabbos Tefillah: For the inspiration, for the sponsorship, and for all the work that went into putting it together. A special thanks to **Moshe Steinberg** and **Moshe Lichtenstein** for purchasing, setting up, AND cleaning up the final Seuda Shlishis event.

A Seated Thank You

Are you reading this in your seat? Why don't you give some thanks to **Benjamin Fishman**, who spent several tens of hours of his time to ensure that you got the seat that most met your requests. Also, to **Tzvi Gherman** and **Mrs. Zeitlin**. Yeyasher Kochachem to all!

The Kohein Gadol's Avoda on YK

Learn about this once-a-year service of the Kohein Gadol!

Shlomo Goren, of RBS, will explain this special and complex Avoda, as well as relate it back to the tefillos of Yom Kippur.

Add more meaning to your tefillah.

Expand your appreciation of the loss of the Beis HaMikdash.

This Thursday night, 8:30 PM, in the Ezras Nashim. Men, women, and children are encouraged to attend.

Suggested donation 10 NIS (max 30 per family).



Erev Shabbos Tefillah in Chevron

On Friday, erev Shabbos Tefilla, a convoy of 13 cars left BTYA to daven mincha in Chevron at the Me'aras HaMachpela, and we were met there by another 3 cars of people, totaling between 70-80 people! The Rav inspired us with some words on tefilla and the avos, after which we davened. After that about half the cars continued on to Kever Rochel for some more tefilla and inspiration, before heading home to prepare for Shabbos. Yasher Koach to everyone who participated.



Selichos at BTYA

The p'sukim of introduction that precede each "selicha" – before the first selicho, these psukim as well as the **אב ונא** and **כרחם** are said. In subsequent selichos, the psukim and **אב ונא** are said until **קראנו**, then the rest is skipped until **על עירך ועל עמך**.

The viduy – the minhag is to say the **אשמנו** viduy itself only once, but to say the rest of the words in this section. One who wishes to say it three times may do so, but not when acting as the **ציבור** שליח.

Weekday Selichos: 35 minutes before Shacharis & at 12:40

Avos uBanim

Due to the Shabbos Shuva drasha, AUB will begin at 4pm. It is sponsored this week by **Yoni** and **Chani Samber** in the zechus of a

רפואה שלמה בקרוב למשה בן פייגא שבע and a כתיבה וחתימה טובה לכל עם ישראל!!



Refuah Sheleima

Refuah Sheleima Bekarov to **Yossi Billyack** who is suffering from a broken ankle (and a ton of related agmas nefesh). You can contact Yossi at yossi@billyack.com.

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שחרית- Selichos is 35 minutes before Shacharis except 15 minutes on Friday-

א'	ב'	ג'	ד'	ה'	ו'
6:10	6:08	6:09	6:09	6:10	6:11
8:00, 6:55	8:00, 6:50	8:00, 6:55	8:00, 6:55	8:00, 6:50	8:00, 6:55

זמנים לימי
חול עד שבת
יום הכיפורים

מעריב	תפלת מנחה קטנה
8:00 & 10:15	6:35

תפלת מנחה גדולה א-ה'
1:10