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Schedule for Parshat Vayera/Carlebach Shabbat

Friday, October 26

Mincha **5:25 PM**
Candle lighting for Shabbat **5:28 PM**

Saturday, October 27

Shacharit (**7:45 AM** Salem Towers) **8:45 AM**
Services followed by kiddush
Latest time for Kriat Sh'ma **9:49 AM**

 Men's Class **4:00 PM**

Mincha **4:30 PM**
 Family Se'udah Shlishit **5:00 PM**
Ma'ariv **6:25 PM**
Shabbat Ends **6:35 PM**

Schedule for the Week of October 28 - November 2

	Shacharit	Mincha	Ma'ariv
Sunday	8:00 am	5:25 pm	5:55 pm
Monday	6:40 am	5:25 pm	5:55 pm
Tuesday	6:50 am	5:25 pm	5:55 pm
Wednesday	6:50 am	5:25 pm	5:55 pm
Thursday	6:40 am	5:25 pm	5:55 pm
Friday	6:50 am	5:15 pm	<i>following Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat</i>

Salami and Shiites

You read the article (if you didn't, check it out at http://www.aish.com/jewishissues/jewishsociety/Salami_and_Shiites.asp), now hear the man himself! Captain Andy Shulman, chaplain of the US Army and former Program Director of Congregation Beth Israel, will be speaking on Saturday night, November 3, at 8:00 pm about his experiences as a Jewish chaplain serving in Iraq.

Refreshments will be served. \$5/person for non-members, \$3/person for members. Proceeds will go towards sending gift baskets to Jewish soldiers serving overseas.

Carlebach Light

This Shabbat marks our inaugural Carlebach Shabbat. Due to the nature of the theme, there are a few small changes to the regular schedule. First of all, our Shabbat will really be more of a "Carlebach Light". That means that the Carlebach tunes and feeling will be during the Kabbalat Shabbat service, led by our guest chazzan Mordechai Levovitz. *Please expect Kabbalat Shabbat services to be longer than usual.* Ma'ariv, shacharit, and mussaf will all be as usual. The Rabbi's sermon will be saved until se'udah shlishit to allow for an earlier Kiddush and time to go home for lunch and a rest before mincha. Mincha will be early, and se'udah shlishit will be extended to allow ample time for schmoozing and singing. We hope you enjoy the experience!

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Shabbat Kiddush

This week's kiddush is sponsored by Irma & Stephen Leboff and Lillian & Joseph Lamport, in celebration of the birth of their granddaughter and great-granddaughter, Nechama Sima Leboff.

Mazal Tov!



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Luncheon (Shabbat Chazak)----	\$100.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

-  Torah Ethics Class Monday, 10/29, 9:30 am at Salem Towers
-  Weekly Parsha Class Thursday, 11/1, following Ma'ariv

The Rabbi's class is available on our website, www.BethIsraelMalden.com

 Cpt. Andy Shulman speaks about his army experiences abroad. Saturday night, November 3, 8:00 pm. Refreshments will be served.

 Fall Shabbaton, November 9/10. Please RSVP by November 7 to the shul office at 781-322-5686 or director@bethisraelmalden.com

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The Test

Insights into Parshat Vayera from the Ramban, by Rav Reuven Ungar of Sha'alvim.

“And G-d tested Avraham” (Genesis 22:1) introduces the passage that records the binding of Yitzchak (the akeida). It is obvious that Hashem knows all- what is the purpose of His testing His creations?

Hashem is interested in enabling us to reach our full potential. Prior to passing a test (nisayon), a well-meaning individual is precisely that: a well-meaning individual whose heart is in the right place. The nisayon (that has been passed successfully) elevates the individual to a higher realm; a person who brings to fruition his/her desire to serve Hashem, even in the face of adversity.

Hashem tests the righteous (Psalms 11:5). Only people whom He knows are capable of passing the nisayon and to whom Hashem desires to bequeath additional rewards are subject to undergo nisanot. All of the nisanot in the Torah are intended to benefit the tested.

(Note: The Ramban in the Book of Deuteronomy comments that the Mitzvoth are for our own good; He does not “gain” or “lose” as a result of human (mis)conduct. Thus, in all realms- performance of Mitzvoth, and confronting challenges, we are offered opportunities for spiritual refinement and elevation- may we succeed!).