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### "נשיא אחד ליום יקריבו את קרבנכם..."

The Pasuk says נשיא אחד ליום יקריבו את קרבנכם...נחשון בן עמינדב למטה יהודה "One leader each day shall they bring their offering... The one who brought his offering on the first day was Nachshon Ben Aminadav, of the tribe of Yehudah."

The words "את קרבנו" are not found regarding the Korbanos of any of the other Nesiim. Nachshon was unique among the Nesiim. Along with his קרבן, he brought himself, his devotion, his spirit of sanctity, his Mitzvos and Maasim Tovim. The Ohr HaChaim Hakadosh says that while *all* the Nesiim brought "themselves" along with their Korbanos, Nachshon was the most outstanding. Consequently, the Torah emphasizes "את קרבנו" his קרבן, himself. The Torah does not refer to Nachshon as a נשיא, Why? The Ohr HaChaim explains that he viewed himself as just another Jew, not as the greatest of the Nesiim. His unique nature earned him the distinction of being the first Nassi to offer a קרבן for the Chanukas HaMizbayach.

Nachshon had two seemingly disparate qualities. On the one hand, he was the one that jumped first into the ים סוף. His action encouraged the rest of Klal Yisrael to follow. He took the initiative and the first step. This act makes him appear to be a "take charge" personality, someone who believes in himself, rather than one who considers himself to be just another Jew.

Horav Zaidel Epstein Shlita contends that actually these qualities complement one another. The true leader is one who does not seek the leadership role, who views himself as a common citizen, but takes the proper action when necessary. A leader is available when the community needs his leadership ability. Other-wise, he remains in the background as a collective member of the community. This describes Nachshon. When Klal Yisrael stood at the banks of the ים סוף, when fear and anxiety overwhelmed the nation, he was the one who made the necessary move - he jumped in. When they were about to offer קרבנות for the dedication of the מזבח, he faded into the "scenery". Moshe Rabbeinu called him forward to lead the Nesiim in dedicating the מזבח. Even though he was the first to offer a קרבן, he viewed himself as just another נשיא who was offering his קרבן. This may be inferred from the prefix "vov - and" of the word "ויקריבו". He viewed his קרבן as a part of the collective offering – "and his קרבן, not "his קרבן". He did not distinguish himself. He was first, but in his eyes he just followed along with the others. He was the kind of person who was always at the head of the line.

Nesanel ben Tzuar, the נשיא of שבט יששכר, followed right behind Nachshon. The Medrash relates that the שבט of Reuven, the first-born of

### Zmaanim

הדלקת נרות	8:06pm
מנחה עש"ק	7:00 / 8:14p
שקיעה	8:24pm
נביא שיעור	8:30am
שחרית	9:00am
סוף זמן ק"ש	8:33 / 9:09a
דף יומי	5:45pm
מנחה	6:30pm
פרקי אבות	6:45pm
שקיעה	8:24pm
מעריב	9:14pm
Sunday מנחה	8:00pm

All times subject to change

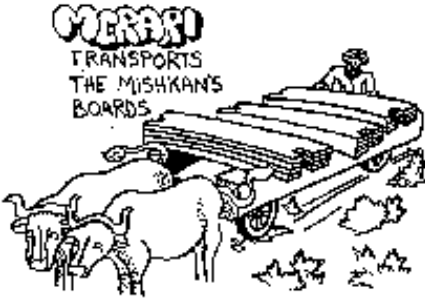
### Parsha Stats for נשא

Number Of Pesukim:	176
Number Of Words:	2264
Number Of Letters:	8632
מצוות עשה:	7
מצוות לא תעשה:	11

## KID'S KORNER

### Kid's Challenge Question # 1

Is a woman allowed to become a נזיר?



### Kid's Challenge Question # 2

Is a נזיר allowed to enter a vineyard?



### Kid's Challenge Question # 3

Is a נזיר allowed to become טמא to his mother or father?

See Rabbi Zucker after Davening if you have any correct answers.



the שבטים, came forward and said "The יהודה שבט has precedence over us. יהודה is the king of the שבטים, he should, therefore, be first to dedicate the מזבה. We would like to follow him". Moshe told them, "Hashem has determined the order of succession according to the encampments and their banners The שבט of יששכר will offer next, followed by the שבט of Zevulun" The Ohr HaChaim adds that יששכר followed יהודה because of his distinction in תורה. They represented the paradigm of the Ben Torah, the one who devotes himself to constant Torah study. Zevulun, the supporter of Torah, the one who made sure that יששכר had no material concerns to distract him from his learning, followed closely behind.

What is the significance of this group of three who led the קרבנות? Horav Eliyahu Schlesinger Shlita explains that יהודה was foremost because of his position as monarch. Malchus takes precedence. What value does monarchy hold however if it is short-lived, if there is no future to the monarchy, if there will not be anyone over whom to rule? Who can guarantee the future of Klal Yisrael? Who can ensure that the people over whom יהודה is to rule will adhere to his monarchy, that they will subordinate themselves to the dictates of the heritage he represents?

It is the power of Torah. Its truth and Divine origin will sustain the Malchus of יהודה שבט. יהודה שבט and his partner/supporter שבט זבולון, will educate Klal Yisrael. They will assure the development of Mosdos Ha'Chinuch, Torah institutions, for educating future generations. Thus, they will secure Klal Yisrael's future. Only a Malchus, monarchy, that is committed to the total education of its young, has a right to rule and to endure.

### Schedule of Shiurim throughout the week

- Mondays and Wednesdays at 8:45pm - Shiur in Hilchos Shabbos given by Rabbi Braunstein, followed by Maariv.
- Tuesdays at 8:45pm - Hashkafah Shiur - given by the Rosh Yeshiva; topic varies from week to week.
- Tuesdays at 9:45pm - Gemara B'iyun - given by the Rosh Yeshiva, following Maariv.
- Thursday at 8:45pm & 9:45pm - Parshas Hashavua given by the Rosh Yeshiva, before and after Maariv.
- Maariv every weeknight at 9:30pm.
- Navi Shiur given by the Rosh Yeshiva at 8:30am on Shabbos mornings
- Pirkei Avos Shiur given by the Rosh Yeshiva after Mincha on Shabbos

Previous Shiurim as well as the "Evening of Inspiration" with Rebbetzin Jungreis are available online at <http://www.ohryisroel.org/shiurim.html>

A reminder to all those that made pledges over Pesach or at the dinner. Please mail in a check or hand it to one of the Gabbaim. You can also redeem your pledges online by using the Donate Now button at [www.ohryisroel.org](http://www.ohryisroel.org)

## הלכות ומנהגי שבועות

### שלחן ערוך & משנה ברורה

On Shavuos at night the Minhag is to wait until it is night (Tzeis Hakochavim) to Daven Maariv in order to have 49 complete days of Sefirah. Shulchan Aruch w/Mishnah Brurah 494:1

Likewise, it is preferable for women to wait until it is night to light candles and say Shehechyanu on Shavuos night. Luach R' Yechiel Michel Tukatchinsky, Piskei Tshuvos 494:2

There is a Minhag (brought in The Zohar) to stay up the night of Shavuos and learn Torah. This is based on the Midrash which says that Klal Yisroel slept the night before Matan Torah and Hashem had to awaken them to receive the Torah. Therefore we stay up all night to rectify their oversight. Shulchan Aruch with Mishnah Brurah 494:1

The Ari'zal writes that one who does not sleep the night of Shavuos and toils in Torah is assured to live out the year and no damage will occur to him. Shulchan Aruch with Mishnah Brurah 494:1

There is a compilation of Torah learning known as "Tikkun Layl Shavuos" which has The Zohar and the writings of The Ari'zal as it's source, and many have the Minhag to say / learn this on Shavuos night. Kaf Hachaim 106:7, Lev Dovid L'Hachidah.

Generally women should not say the "Tikkun Laly Shavuos". However, some say that a woman who counted all the days of Sefiras Ha'omer may learn the portions of the Tikkun which are from Tanach. S"U Rav Poalim 1SY:9, Kaf Hachaim 106:8

One who stayed awake all night of Shavuos should immediately, at Alos Hashachar (NYC 3:36 am) wash one's hands for Netilas Yadayim without a Bracha, and listen to Birchas Hatorah from someone who slept before one continues to learn. Shulchan Aruch 4:14, 47:12MB28

Before Shachris one should use the restroom, wash his hands and then make the Berachos of "Al Netilas Yadayim" and "Asher Yotzar". Shulchan Aruch w/Mishnah Brurah 594:1

One who stayed awake all night should not make a Bracha on his Tzitzis. Rather, he should make the Bracha on his Tallis Gadol and have in mind to be Yotze for his Tzitzis with the same Bracha. Shulchan Aruch w/Mishnah Brurah 594:1

One who stayed awake all night should listen to the Berachos of "Elokai Neshama" and "Hamaveir Shayna Mayeinai" from someone who slept during the night. Shulchan Aruch w/Mishnah Brurah 46:MB24

There is a well known Minhag to bring flowers into the Shul and home as a remembrance that on Shavuos we are judged on "P'eiros Ha'ilon" - fruits. However, one should not cut off branches from fruit-bearing trees for this purpose inasmuch as some Poskim do not permit this because of the Torah prohibition of "Ba'al Tashchis". Shulchan Aruch w/Mishnah Brurah 494:3, Piskei Tshuvos 494:10

Those who follow the Minhag of the Gr'a (Vilna Gaon) do not place flowers in the Shul. The Gr'a ended the Minhag because it had become the custom of non-Jews to decorate their places of worship with flowers. Shulchan Aruch w/Mishnah Brurah 494:3, Piskei Tshuvos 494:10

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One should be careful not use leftover Challah from a Milchig meal at a Fleishig meal. (This is applicable all year as well). Rather, one should use new Challahs for each meal. This also fulfills the Minhag of remembrance of the Shte Halachem (Two Loaves) brought on Shavuos in the Beis Hamikdash. Shulchan Aruch w/Mishnah Brurah 494:3

From Rosh Chodesh Sivan until the 8th of Sivan (Isru Chag) we do not say Tachnun. Some do not say Tachnun until the 12th of Sivan, and in the Diaspora until the 13th of Sivan. Shulchan Aruch w/Mishnah Brurah 494:3, Piskei Tshuvos 494:9

We read Megillas Rus on Shavuos because it was written to document the Yichus of Dovid Hamelech and Dovid Hamelech was born and Niftar on Shavuos.

Shulchan Aruch w/Mishnah Brurah 490:9, see also Shaarei Tshuvah 494:3

The Ollelos Ephraim says that one who dedicates a new Sefer Torah to a shul on Shavuos is considered as if he "brought a Korbon Mincha to Hashem in its right time". Shaarei Tshuvah 494:3

To receive two Halachos by e-mail each day, please send an email request to [dailyhalacha@aol.com](mailto:dailyhalacha@aol.com)

## Kashrus Korner

### Quality HealthCare breath-strips

Quality HealthCare, a Brooklyn based healthcare service provider, has issued the following press release in regards to a promotional item they have recently handed out at a Jewish event.

It has been brought to our attention that a promotional product that was purchased and approved by a Rav to be given out, appears to be Treif.

Anyone who has a breath-strip promotional item given out by Quality Healthcare (identical to mini Listerine Breath-strips) should throw it out as they contain Gelatin and were ruled Treif by a different Rav.

It's important to let everyone know this - especially the people who attended the Revival Event on Tuesday 5/27 where most of them were given out.

On behalf of Quality Healthcare we ask everyone to be Mochel us and we sincerely regret what occurred. I"YH we will do everything possible to make sure this does not happen again.

### Herr's Kettle Cooked Potato Chips



**Brands:** Herr's Kettle Cooked Potato Chips  
**Products:** Cracked Pepper and Sea Salt flavored Potato Chips  
**Company:** Herr Foods- Nottingham, PA  
**Issue:** This product contains dairy ingredients as listed on the ingredient panel but the dairy designation has been inadvertently omitted. Future packaging will be revised.

## Found Online...

### Kosher Home, Sweet Home Webcast Video

In this remarkable & invaluable webcast presentation, the internationally-renowned Poskim of the OU Kashrus bring their immense knowledge and understanding to bear on practical issues in the Kosher kitchen.

Numerous relevant topics are discussed, such as: How do I use a conventional oven for both dairy & meat? How about a microwave? Or a sink? How do I reheat food on Shabbos? Do disposable containers need Tevilah?

Tune in to this tour de force in which timeless Halachos are applied to timely day-to-day questions. It is chock full of practical Halacha for the kosher kitchen.

View it now at

<http://www.ouradio.org/ouradio/channel/C301/>

## Community News and Events

Mazel Tov to **Baruch & Ruchie Giberstien** upon the birth of their daughter, Lana.

The Giberstien family would like to invite everybody to a Kiddush in honor of the birth of their daughter to take place this Shabbos after Davening in the shul!

May the Giberstien family be Zocheh to be Migadel their daughter  
 L'Torah L'Ben Torah L'Chupah U'Lmaasim Tovim.

Mazel Tov to **Dov & Rachele Mandel** upon the birth of their baby boy, Baruch, and on the Bris that took place this morning.

May the Mandel family see much Yiddische Nachas from Baruch and their other children.

Mazel Tov to **Yossi & Malkie Ackerman** upon the birth of their daughter.

May the Ackerman family be Zocheh to be Migadel their daughter  
 L'Torah L'Ben Torah L'Chupah U'Lmaasim Tovim.

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6 1/2 rooms including a large dinette, Upper floor of a 2 family house. New kitchen & bath including a laundry room. East 34th between P. & Flatlands. \$1,550.00 includes heat. Please call 1-917-597-6649

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