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Candlelighting: 6:09 pm

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## Friday, October 28

6:09pm Candlelighting  
6:10pm Mincha / Maariv

## Shabbos, October 29

8:45am Shacharis  
(see below for Kiddush)  
5:30pm Laws of Shabbos  
6:00pm Mincha / Shalosh Seudos /  
Maariv

## Sunday, October 30

9:15am Parsha Class  
(R. Nisenbaum)  
10:00am "The 613 Mitzvos"  
(R. Stoll)

## Monday, October 31

8:00pm The Seven Shepherds –  
The Sefiros and how they  
affect us

## Tuesday, November 1

8:00pm Pirkei d'Rebbi Elazar  
(R. Stoll)

## Wednesday, November 2

8:00pm Nach Still Speaks –  
Tehillim (R. Stoll)

## Thursday, November 3

10:15pm Parsha Class  
(R. Nisenbaum)

### Kiddush

Sponsored by R. & Mrs. Eli  
Feigelstock in honor of the  
publication of R.  
Nisenbaum's new book

### Mazel Tov!

Rabbi & Mrs. Moshe Stoll  
upon the engagement of their  
granddaughter

### Weekday Minyanim

7:00am Shacharis (M-F)  
8:00am Shacharis (Sun)  
10:00pm Maariv (Sun-Th)

### Class Connection

#### R. Nisenbaum:

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#### R. Stoll:

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## Parsha: Noach

In the succeeding generations after Adam, immorality, theft and strife became rampant throughout society. As a result of man's degeneration, the animal life also degenerated. The corruption was so widespread that it polluted the very environment, and G-d decided that the world must be destroyed. He would send a flood to purify the whole world, destroying all the evil.

Only one righteous person existed, Noach, who deserved to be saved with his family. G-d instructed Noach to build an ark that would spare him, his family, and every species of animal from the flood. Noach was ordered to take pairs of all the different species of animals and birds into the ark to protect them from extinction. Seven pairs of certain animals were taken, to allow for them to be sacrificed after the flood.

G-d wanted Noach to involve himself in the tedious task of building a gigantic ark in order to attract the attention of others, and warn them that the world would be destroyed if they did not change their evil ways. Unfortunately, Noach did not exert much influence on his contemporaries, and nobody's behavior changed.

It rained for forty days and nights, but the floodwaters did not allow Noach to leave the ark

for a year's time. Throughout that time, Noach was responsible for feeding all the animals in the Ark. The world had been destroyed because of theft and strife, and it would now be rebuilt upon kindness. After the world was destroyed, G-d instructed Noach and the animals to be fruitful and multiply. G-d sent the rainbow as proof of a covenant that He would never again send a flood to destroy the world.

Unfortunately, even the experience of the flood did not seem to have much of an effect on Noach's grandchildren. A few generations later, the society again began to slide, albeit in a more sophisticated manner. Man began to deny G-d's authority by building a great tower as a monument to his own strength, power, and independence.

This time too, G-d showed them the folly of their actions by thwarting their plans. Initially, all mankind had been one nation speaking the same language. He confused their communication with each other, thereby preventing them from working together. This was the source of a single society becoming fractured into different nations and languages. Because unity had been the cause of their sin, G-d caused them to become dispersed.

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upon the occasion of  
his mother's yahrzeit

## Insights: Noach

### The land was filled with theft ... (Gen. 6:11)

Rav Avrohom Genechovsky was once shopping at a grocery store for vegetables. After weighing the produce, the storekeeper, who recognized the esteemed rabbi, rounded off the price to the lower sum of shekels, saving him seventy agarot, or around 20 cents. Rav Genechovsky asked the man if he owned the store himself or if he had a partner. The man said that he had a partner who did not work in the store. Rav Genechovsky thanked the man warmly for lowering the price, but he explained that he could not accept the discount since the partner had not been consulted. A student who was present at the time marveled at the rabbi's honesty regarding seventy aggarot and he recalled several years later how much of an impression the incident had left on him.

## Did You Know?

It is prohibited to build or erect a protective shelter on Shabbos, even if it is only temporary. Even opening or closing an umbrella is prohibited. Moreover, to avoid suspicion of transgression, one may not even use an umbrella on Shabbos if it was opened before Shabbos. The prohibition only applies if the intention is to provide shelter or protection, i.e. from the sun or rain, or if the intention is to create a usable space underneath. To extend a temporary covering, however, for example to open an awning, is permitted. It is also permissible to open or close a folding table or chair.

**Thought for the Week:** *The good man has been superseded by the nice guy.* (A Candle By Day)