CONGREGATION BETH AARON ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parshat Vayechi

December 21-22, 2018

14 Tevet 5779

SHABBAT TIMES

Friday, December 21

Latest Candles: 4:13 p.m.

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 4:15 p.m.

Shabbat, December 22

Hashkama Minyan: 7:30 a.m.

Nach shiur: 8:20 a.m. Main Minyan: 8:45 a.m. Youth Minyan: 9:15 a.m. Sof Zman Kriat Shema: 9:36 a.m.

Early Mincha: 1:45 p.m. Daf Yomi: 2:55 p.m.

Women's Learning: 2:55 p.m., in the *shul* Social Hall, *Shmuel Bet*, Chapters 16-17, led by Rivka Herzfeld and Mollie Fisch

Meir Hirsch's shiur: 3:05 p.m. 5th/6th grade Boys Mishna Group: 3:35 p.m., in the Book Room Mincha: 4:05 p.m., followed by Rabbi Rothwachs' shiur, "What Everyone Should Know About Burial in Israel"

Maariv: 5:13 p.m. Havdalah: 5:22 p.m.

Sisterhood Dairy Dinner and Comedy Show: 7:30 p.m., at the Cooper home,

915 Prince Street

Latest Candles on Friday, December 28: 4:17 p.m.

This week's announcements are sponsored by Carmela & Jack Rosenbaum and family to commemorate the 19th *yahrtzeit* of Jack's father,

Meir ben Yakov Yehuda *a"h*, *niftar* 15 *Tevet* 5760.

This week's announcements are sponsored by Lamdeinu.

For information on their schedule of classes, see page 4 or go to <u>lamdeinu.org</u>.

Study in depth; be inspired!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 23						
	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri
	23	24	25	26	27	28
Earliest <i>Tallit</i>	6:19	6:19	6:19	6:20	6:20	6:20
Shacharit	6:30 MS 7:15 MS 8:00 MS 8:45 MS	6:08 SH 6:20 BM 7:10 BM 8:00 BM	6:30 MS 7:15 MS 8:00 MS 8:45 MS	6:09 SH 6:30 BM 7:15 BM 8:00 BM	6:09 SH 6:20 BM 7:10 BM 8:00 BM	6:09 SH 6:30 BM 7:15 BM 8:00 BM
Mincha	1:00 BM		1:00 BM			
Mincha/ Maariv	4:15 MS	4:15 BM				
Maariv	8:00 BM 9:30 BM					

KEY: MS = Main Shul BM = Beit Midrash SH = Social Hall

MAZAL TOV TO

- Esther & Michael East, on the *Bnot Mitzvah* this week of their two granddaughters, Ayala East and Olivia East, respectively, daughters of Donna & Rabbi Menashe East of Mt. Freedom, NJ, and Randi & Shalom East of New Milford. *Mazal Tov* also to the entire East family.
- Ria & Tim Levart, on the birth of their granddaughter Aliza Rivka, born to their children Gemma & Corey Turk of New York City's Upper West Side.
- Jason Rosenblatt, on his *aufruf* and upcoming marriage to Liat Riechman of Staten Island. *Mazal Tov* also to Jason's parents, Joy & Robert Rosenblatt, and to Liat's parents, Rachelit & Elazar Riechman.
- Aliza & Kal Staiman, on the birth of a granddaughter, born to their children Atara & Zach Bienenfeld of Ra'anana.

CONDOLENCES TO

- Marc Bernstein, on the passing of his beloved mother, Marian Bernstein. *Shiva* will be observed at the Bernstein home, 296 Edgemont Terrace, until this Sunday morning, December 23. Please do not visit after 9:00 p.m. *Minyanim* will be held as follows:
- Mincha: Friday at 1:00 p.m.
- Shacharit: Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

PARNAS HAYOM

Dedicate a day of learning at Beth Aaron on the occasion of a *yahrtzeit*, in the *zechut* of a *refuah shelaima*, or in honor of a *simcha*, a birthday or any other occasion. Each week's dedications are prominently displayed in the *shul* lobby and sent out to the membership via email. For more information, or to sign up, please go to www.bethaaron.org/parnashayom.

This week's Parnas Hayom sponsors are:

Sunday, 15 Tevet: Brooke & Aryeh Lewitan, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Brooke's father,
 Yitzchok Baruch ben Shmuel.

Early Shabbat Morning Minyan

As there has been an expressed interest among some of our members to have an earlier *minyan* on *Shabbat* morning, beginning next *Shabbat*, December 29, we will have, on a trial basis once a month, an earlier *minyan*, beginning at 7:15 a.m., in addition to the regularly scheduled 7:30 a.m. and 8:45 a.m. *minyanim*. If anyone is interested in *lain*ing at this *minyan* in future weeks, please contact Josh Klavan, President@bethaaron.org.

On Shabbat,
the shul elevator will operate
in Shabbat mode as follows:
 Friday:
 4:30-6:00 p.m.
 Shabbat:
8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. 1:30-2:30 p.m., 3:00-5:10 p.m.

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Contact Beth Aaron at office@bethaaron.org

SUBMITTING PAYMENTS BEFORE YEAR-END

December *shul* account balance statements have gone out via email. We hope you will consider supporting Congregation Beth Aaron in your year-end giving by fulfilling your outstanding pledges and charges before December 31.

Use the **PayPal Giving Fund (PPGF)** to pay for *shul* events and obligations -- without a fee charged to either the payor (you) or the payee (the *shul*). When you make a donation through our link, Beth Aaron will receive 100% of your donation, with no credit card expense for either party. The Fund can be used only for one-time donations. If you are making a donation through the PPGF, please DO NOT check the box that the gift is being made anonymously; we need to be able to credit your account. **Through December 31, PayPal will add 1% to all donations made through the donate page or the PayPal app.** Visit bethaaron.org/givingfund for more details or to pay *shul* obligations using this method.

If you have any questions about your outstanding balance, or if you wish to pay online and have forgotten your password, pcontact the office, office@bethaaron.org, 201-836-6210. If you require consideration in meeting your outstanding obligations, please email fac@bethaaron.org.

Thank you for your prompt payment of outstanding obligations and for your support of Congregation Beth Aaron.

SHUL ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Shabbat, *Parshat Vayechi*, Congregation Beth Aaron is participating in **TEAM Shabbos**, a project of the National Association of Chevra Kadisha (NASCK). The Traditional End-of-Life Awareness Movement (TEAM) is a national movement dedicated to generating positive awareness, educating and guiding the Jewish community on the value of life and making appropriate end-of-life decisions. For more information, please go to <u>teamshabbos.org</u>.

This *Motzaei Shabbat*, December 22, at 7:30 p.m., at the Cooper home, 915 Prince Street, Sisterhood is holding a **Dairy Dinner and Decluttering Comedy Show for those who have registered.**Organizing humorist Jamie Novak will discuss "Keep This -- Toss That," a look at the challenges of decluttering. Thank you to sponsors **Esther Schnaidman, Lynn Silverberg, Barbara Yaros,** and **Marilyn Zeidel**. For more information, please contact sisterhood@bethaaron.org.

Beth Aaron has introducing a new learning program in the shul open to all members of the community. The **Shivti** seder limud is held on Sunday mornings in the Beit Midrash, following the 8:00 a.m. minyan. A light breakfast is served at 8:45 a.m. Upcoming topics will include examination of various aspects of Kiddush and Havdalah, learning the topics from their original sources to practical halacha. This week's shiur on Sunday, December 23, will be given by Rav **Aryeh Lebowitz**, *Mara di-Atra* of Beit Haknesess of North Woodmere and Senior Magid Shiur. During the seder, in preparation for Rav Lebowitz's shiur, there will be a chaburah led by Rabbi Gabay going through the sources as well as the option to learn with a chevruta. Seder will begin at 9:00 a.m. Each Sunday morning program typically will be independent from the previous and subsequent programs. Registration at www.bethaaron.org/form/Shivti.html is suggested, but not required. Thank you to our kickoff month sponsors, Yaffa & Mordy Ungar and Rani & Paul Lustiger, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Paul's father, Shmuel ben Aharon ha-Levi. For more information, please contact Mordy Ungar, 201-741-3920, m_ungar2@yahoo.com.

The next meeting of the *shul* **Board of Directors** will be held on Sunday, December 30, at 8:00 p.m., in the *shul*.

The next book to be discussed by the **Sisterhood Book Club** will be *Paris in the Present Tense*, by Mark Helprin. The group will meet at 7:00 p.m. on *Motzaei Shabbat*, January 5, at the Prince home, 518 West Englewood Avenue. For more information, please contact Diane Fogel, diffogel2@aol.com.

Tzippy Staum will offer the next Women's *Rosh Chodesh shiur* on Tuesday, January 8, at the Rothwachs home, 288 Schley Place.

CANCELLED: The Escape Room event on *Motzaei Shabbat*, January 12, has been cancelled due to a building collapse in Hackensack. We apologize and hope to reschedule shortly.

Join Beth Aaron's own Origami Master Artist, Yaacov Metzger, on Sunday, January 13, at 10:00 a.m., as he continues his series of workshops with **Origami Calendars.** We will look at the different types of calendars available, including hexagonal pen holders and duo-colored compass rose stars, and make our own dodecahedron desktop 2019 calendars! Adults and children welcome. Please note that children ages 6-10 require parental participation. Register at https://www.bethaaron.org/event/CalendarOrigami.html.

Beth Aaron is a co-sponsor of the **Second Annual MLK Jr. Community Lecture**, to be held on Sunday, January 13, at 8:00 p.m., at the Jewish Center of Teaneck, 70 Sterling Place. The guest speaker will be Gurbir Grewal, the Attorney General of New Jersey.

Congratulations to *Cholent* Cookoff winner **David Landsman** and Ping Pong champion **Nati Sulimanoff**. Thank you to chefs **Michael Belgrade**, **Steven Hoenig**, and **Moishe B. Singer** for competing; to **Jason David** for organizing the Ping Pong tournament; and to **Moishe B. Singer** and **David Landsman** for organizing the Cookoff.

Sisterhood can arrange for **bags of candy for smachot** at a cost of \$1 per bag. Two weeks' notice is appreciated. To order the bags, please contact Lisa Breen, 201-966-8958.

MEN'S CLUB KIDDUSH

There will not be a Men's Club *Kiddush* following the Main *Minyan* this *Shabbat*, December 22, because of a rental.

If you are celebrating a *simcha*, commemorating a *yahrtzeit*, or simply want to say "thank you," consider sponsoring an upcoming *Kiddush* following either the *Hashkama Minyan* or the Main *Minyan*. To become a sponsor, please go to www.bethaaron.org/kiddush. For questions, contact Ari Gononsky at kiddush@bethaaron.org.

TALKING IN SHUL: SEASON 2:

All members of the community, both adults and teens, are welcome to participate in these open forums regarding contemporary issues that affect members of our community. These thought-provoking discussions, led and moderated by Rabbi Rothwachs, will aim to enable participants to more effectively consider and internalize other points of view.

Friday, December 28, at 7:30 p.m.

"All Smiles: Exhibiting Healthy Self-Expression in the Age of the Selfie"

Friday, January 11, at 7:45 p.m.

"Frum a Distance: When Family and Friends Leave Orthodoxy" Friday, February 1, at 8:00 p.m.

"If My Memory Serves Me Correctly: The Limitations of Human Memory and Why it Matters"

BETH AARON ANNUAL DINNER

The Beth Aaron Journal Dinner Committee is excited to announce the honorees for this year's 43rd Annual Dinner, to take place on Sunday, March 3, at Congregation Ahavath Torah in Englewood.

- Lorraine & Rabbi Sam Vogel: Guests of Honor
- Elissa & Joel Richter: Shelly Leffel Service Award
- Rachel, Aliza and Talia Sperber: Eitan Shapiro Young Leadership Award

We look forward to celebrating with all of you on March 3. To place an ad and make reservations, go to <u>Bethaaron.org/dinner.</u>

WEEKLY SHIURIM AT CONGREGATION BETH AARON

- Daf Yomi: For Daf Yomi shiurim and resources in Teaneck, go to www.teaneckshuls.org/daf/.
- Daf Yomi shiur: Monday-Thursday evenings, at 9:45 p.m.
- Daf ha-Shavua: Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:55 p.m. Sunday morning chazara shiur at 7:55 a.m. on the previous week's daf. Shiurim will be given by Rabbi Larry Rothwachs, Rabbi Yair Hindin, and David Schnaidman.
- Tanya shiur by Rabbi Moshe Rosenberg: Tuesdays at 9:00 p.m.
- Rabbi Rothwachs' Sanhedrin shiur: Wednesdays, at 8:30 p.m.
- Morning Mishna Chabura: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 7:00 a.m.; Monday, Thursday: 6:55 a.m.

BETH AARON YOUTH and JUNIOR HIGH

The 5th and 6th grade Boys *Mishna* Group will meet this *Shabbat*, December 22, at 3:35 p.m., in the Book Room. The group is learning *Masechet Pesachim* with Rabbi Rothwachs and meets weekly on *Shabbat* afternoons, 30 minutes before *Mincha*.

Parent-Child Learning next will be held Motzaei Shabbat, December 29, at 6:15 p.m. Additional dates are January 5 and 26, as well as February 2 and 16. Parents and children are encouraged to come and learn. Bring your own materials to learn, or take out a book from our Youth Library. Children are welcome to sign up to say a Dvar Torah. To sign up to say a Dvar Torah, please go to www.bethaaron. org/event/pcl5779 or contact youth@bethaaron.org. Thank you to the Ausubel, Bogner, Brusowankin, Chaitovsky (Tamar & Avi-Gil), David, Dimond, Dubin, Fisher, Gilbert, Giles, Gordon, Gruber, Gur-Aryeh, Heidings, Himelstein, Hoenig, Honikman, Isaacs (Judah & Tzvia), Kaplan (Barry & Emily), Klavan, Knapp, Korn, Lauer, Lazar, Lewitan, Nussbaum, Rotenberg, Segal (Eric & Olga), Shapiro (Miriam & Menachem), Shapiro (Stephanie & Jerry), Sheffey, Silverberg, Singer, Stein, Waxman, Wechter, Weisinger, Wolff, and Zell families who have joined the Parent-Child Learning Society. To sponsor a session or to join the Society, please go to www.bethaaron.org/event/pcl5779.

The Beth Aaron and Young Israel of Teaneck Youth Departments present a "Make Your Own Pizza" party and game show for all 3rd to 5th graders on Sunday, January 13, from 2:00 to 3:15 p.m., at EJ's Place, 1448 Queen Anne Road. The cost is \$12. Please register by Wednesday, January 9, at www.tinyurl.com/youthpizzaparty.

For more information about youth programs, contact Youth Directors Erica and Jason David, 732-618-9473, youth@bethaaron.org.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Shabbat, December 21-22, at Congregation Rinat Yisrael, 389 West Englewood Avenue, **Professor Adam Ferziger** will be the Scholar-in-Residence. At a 7:30 p.m. *Oneg* on Friday night, he will discuss "Female Clergy and Male Space: The Ritualization of the Orthodox Rabbi," and his *Shabbat* morning *drasha* will be "Jerusalem and Babylon in the 21st Century: The Relationship between Israeli and American Judaisms." Following *Mincha* on *Shabbat*, the topic

will be "Love and Death: Reform Marriage and Reform Burial in Contemporary *Halakhah*."

This *Shabbat*, December 22, following the 4:05 p.m. *Mincha* at Congregation Keter Torah, 600 Roemer Avenue, **Rabbi Jesse Horn** will speak on "A Tale of Two Princes: *Chumash*'s Surprising Parallels Between Yosef and Moshe's Lives."

This Sunday, December 23, at 9:15 a.m., at Heichal Hatorah, 70 Sterling Place, **Rabbi Michael Parnes** will be giving a *halacha/hashkafa shiur* for men on "Endangering Oneself to Save the Life of Another." Donuts and coffee will be provided.

This Sunday, December 23, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at Congregation Netivot Shalom, 811 Palisade Avenue, there will be a **Blood Drive**. You can schedule an appointment online at https://donor.cbsblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/48952, and walk-ins are welcome. For more information, please contact Doni Moskovits, daniel.moskovits@gmail.com.

This Sunday, December 23, at 7:00 p.m., at Maayanot, 1650 Palisade Avenue, the school will present the **Ma'ayanot Musical**, **"Freaky Friday,"** for girls and women only. The cost is \$10 at the door, with all profits going to Camp Simcha.

This Tuesday, December 25, at 8:45 a.m., at Congregation Rinat Yisrael, 389 West Englewood Avenue, **Rabbi Daniel Wolf** will discuss "Get Zikkui: Effecting a Divorce in the Husband's Place."

This Tuesday, December 25, at 9:00 a.m., at Congregation Bnai Yeshurun, 641 West Englewood Avenue, **Rabbi Moshe Benovitz** will speak on "Comfort at What Cost? Amazon Prime in an Age of Growth and Redemption." Breakfast will be served following the 8:00 a.m. *minyan*.

This Tuesday, December 25, at 10:00 a.m., at Congregation Rinat Yisrael, 389 West Englewood Avenue, **Amitai Ben Dovid** will offer a *shiur* on *tarfut* and *shechita*. The program is sponsored by the *Daf Yomi* groups in Teaneck/Bergenfield who recently began *Masechet Chulin*. The cost is \$10.

This Tuesday, December 25, at 8:00 p.m., at Yeshiva Ohr Simcha, 101 West Forest Avenue, Englewood, *Dayan* Rabbi Chaim Kohn will discuss "Business and *Halacha* in the 21st Century." For more information, contact Rabbi Yitzchok Weinberger, yeshivaoh@aol.com, 484-620-6187.

On *Motzaei Shabbat*, December 29, at 8:30 p.m., at the Baron home, 504 Winthrop Road, the AMIT Hindy Weinstock Geula Chapter will hold a **Monte Carlo Night**. For more information or to make a reservation, go to www.amitchildren.org/Teaneck or contact Genene Kaye, genenek@amitchildren.org.

On Sunday, December 30, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Ma'ayanot will hold its **Annual Day of Big Ideas**. Keynote speaker Rabbi Dr. Ari Berman, President of Yeshiva University, will discuss "Who is My 'Brother': A Halakhic Look at a Medieval Christian Dilemma." There will be additional lectures by Ma'ayanot faculty. Both men and women are welcome to attend.

Monday, December 31, is the Early Bird registration deadline for **Camp Kef**, a non-profit Orthodox day camp for children ages 2.5 to 9 years, operated by and located at Ben Porat Yosef in Paramus. Register at https://mytads.com/a/bpycampkef.

On Tuesday, January 1, at 9:00 a.m., at Congregation Bnai Yeshurun, 641 West Englewood Avenue, **Rabbi Aryeh Lebowitz** will speak on

"Segulot and Superstitions." Breakfast will be served following the 8:00 a.m. minyan.

On Tuesday, January 1, following the 9:00 a.m. minyan at Yeshivat Noam, 70 West Century Road, Paramus, men and boys middle school age and up can learn knotting skills and make a pair of army certified (green dry-fit) Tzizit for an Israeli soldier. Father-son pairs are encouraged though not required; high school/college-aged boys are welcome. Donuts and coffee will be served. The cost is \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Sign up at https://form.jotform. com/83526865686171.

On Motzaei Shabbat, February 23, at Congregation Keter Torah, 600 Roemer Avenue, Bonei Olam will hold an event. Full details will follow

From Monday, May 13, to Monday, May 20, Rabbi Steven Pruzansky will lead a Congregation Bnai Yeshurun Jewish Heritage Trip to Latvia, Lithuania, and Belarus. The group will explore Riga, Dvinsk, Boisk, Vilna, Kovno, Radin, and Volozhin, among other places. Shabbat will be celebrated in Vilna. The resident historian will be Rav Avraham Krieger, founder of Shem Olam. About ten spots remain, and all members of the community are invited to join. Those interested should contact Rabbi Pruzansky, Rabbi@Bnaiyeshurun. org, or go to http://heritageseminars.org/eventsarchive/ congregation-bnei-yeshurun-seminar/.

Every other Wednesday, at 8:00 p.m., a free Family Support Group for loved ones of those suffering from addiction and substance **abuse** meets. For location details and more information, please email time2TalkAddiction@gmail.com.

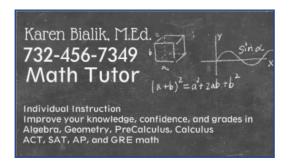
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The Book of Yehoshua Complex Questions of Women's Mitzvah Obligations Parashah & Haftarah Pointers Feb. 6: Rosh Chodesh Adar I, Tefillah & Torah for women only

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COMMUNITY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

This Sunday, December 23, Yeshiva University's Kollel Yom Rishon, weekly free learning for men, will be held in Glueck 307 (515 West 185th Street, corner of Amsterdam Avenue), and its *Midreshet* Yom Rishon, weekly free learning for women, will be held in the Schottenstein Center (560 West 185th Street, between Audubon and St. Nicholas Avenues). Both are open to participants of all ages, backgrounds, and learning levels, with no registration. This week, Kollel Yom Rishon will feature Rabbi Ezra Schwartz and Rabbi Yona Reiss, and Midreshet Yom Rishon will feature Rabbi Michael Taubes and Miriam Borenstein. The first shiur starts at 9:30 a.m., the second at 10:30 a.m. For information or to download mar'ei mekomot, visit www.kollelyomrishon.org or www.midreshetyomrishon.org or call 212-960-0041.

The **Beit Midrash of Teaneck (BMT)** provides an interactive **Talmud** Torah learning experience for male retirees. Located at Yeshivat Heichal Hatorah/Jewish Center of Teaneck, 70 Sterling Place, the program meets on Monday and Wednesday mornings between 9:15 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. Doors open at 9:15 a.m. for source preparation in a Seder setting. This week, at 10:00 a.m., Rabbi Ronen Dvash of Heichal HaTorah will give a shiur on Gemara Brachot. At 11:00 a.m., Dr. Daniel Rynhold of Yeshiva University will discuss the philosophical method of Rav Soloveitchik and his approach to science and naturalism, and, at Noon, Rabbi Hayyim Angel of Yeshiva University will give a shiur on Sefer Nechemia. Source sheets will be available and can be obtained in advance by contacting BMTeaneck@gmail. com. BMT welcomes all men and is free of charge. You can attend as many sessions during the day as you like. For more information, contact David Jacobowitz, djacobow@gmail.com.

Congregation Keter Torah, 600 Roemer Avenue, presents *Torah* in the AM on Tuesdays and Thursdays: 9:05 a.m. -- Chavura studying sefer Bamidbar: 9:45 a.m. -- Gemara Makkot, chapter 2, with Rabbi Menachem Meier; Thursdays: 10:45 a.m. -- Halakha and thought in Rambam's Mishneh Torah, with Rabbi Menachem Meier.

On Mondays, at 10:00 a.m., at 1510 Jefferson Street, Rebbetzin Leah Kohn offers a shiur on "Women in Tanach."

On Wednesdays, at 11:00 a.m., at the Jacoby home, 271 Briarcliffe Road, Chani Juravel offers a women's chabura on the topic "Bereishit -- A Study in Relationships." Each class is \$10.

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