

# CONGREGATION BETH AARON

DECEMBER 29-30

18 TEVET

VAYECHI

Larry Rothwachs, Rabbi  
Ben Zion Feld, Assistant Rabbi

Moishe B. Singer, President



## SCHEDULE: Week of DECEMBER 31

### SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Latest Candles:  
4:18 p.m.  
Mincha/K. Shabbat:  
4:20 p.m. MS  
Shacharit:  
7:15 a.m. BM  
8:00 a.m. LL masks  
8:00 a.m. SH  
8:45 a.m. MS  
9:15 a.m. BM  
Sof Zman Kriat Shema:  
9:39 a.m.  
Torah Tots: 10:00 a.m.  
Early Mincha:  
1:45 p.m. BM  
Mincha: 4:10 p.m. MS  
Shkiah: 4:36 p.m.  
Maariv: 5:18 p.m. MS  
Havdalah: 5:27 p.m.

	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
	31	1	2	3	4	5
Earliest Tallit	6:21	6:21	6:21	6:21	6:21	6:21
Shacharit	6:30 MS 7:15 MS 8:00 MS 8:45 BM	6:30 MS 7:15 MS 8:00 MS 8:45 BM	6:10 SH 6:30 BM 7:15 BM 8:00 BM	6:10 SH 6:30 BM 7:15 BM 8:00 BM	6:10 SH 6:20 BM 7:05 BM 8:00 BM	6:10 SH 6:30 BM 7:15 BM 8:00 BM
Mincha	1:00 BM	1:00 BM				
Mincha/Maariv	4:20 MS	4:20 MS	4:20 BM	4:20 BM	4:20 BM	4:30 MS
Maariv	8:00 BM	8:00 BM	8:00 BM 9:30 BM	8:00 BM 9:30 BM	8:00 BM 9:30 BM	

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

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### SHABBAT, DECEMBER 30

Halacha shiur: 7:35 a.m., Rabbi Duvie Nachbar  
Nach shiur: 8:20 a.m., Rabbi Rothwachs  
Daf Yomi shiur: 3:00 p.m., Bava Kama 58, Rabbi Mark Staum. For questions, contact David Hes, [dhes613@gmail.com](mailto:dhes613@gmail.com).  
Women's Parsha shiur: 3:00 p.m., Shulamis Hes, Social Hall  
Shiur between Mincha and Maariv: Rabbi Rothwachs, "Halachic Will or Health Care Proxy? An Halachic Overview"

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

Tzurba Olami: 8:50 a.m., Beit Midrash, with a light breakfast before learning, Rabbi Rothwachs  
Women's Learning: 4:00 p.m., Sefer Iyov, Chapter 12-13, Mollie Fisch. Zoom only. Click [HERE](#) to join.  
Meeting ID: 874 9438 6720  
passcode: Torah

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

Shelly Mermelstein z"l Semichat Chaver  
Program: 8:30 p.m., Rabbi Feld, Main Shul. Hilchot Aveilut, for men only

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

Tehillim Mechulak for women: 8:00 p.m., Lower Level, Aliza Fischman  
Masechet Sanhedrin shiur: 8:15 p.m., Main Shul, Rabbi Rothwachs

### WEEKDAY DAF YOMI

Monday-Thursday at 9:15 p.m.  
LL Book Room, with Rabbi Dovid Levy.  
Also on Zoom Meeting ID: 878 74906 117  
Passcode: 001400

### NIGHT SEDER FOR YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

Monday-Thursday at 9:00 p.m., Beit Midrash. In conjunction with YU, Masechet Gittin

### DAF HASHAVUA

In the Beit Midrash  
Tuesday and Thursday nights, at 8:55 p.m.  
Also on Zoom Meeting ID: 997 4153 396.  
Passcode: Daf

## MAZAL TOV TO

- Toby & Larry Feder**, on the engagement of their grandson Efraim Greenberg to Meirav Landsman of Holliswood, Queens. Mazal Tov also to Efraim's parents, Shira & David Greenberg of Bergenfield, and to Meirav's parents, Sheera & Keith Landsman.
- Shifra & Larry Shafier**, on the birth of a grandson, born to their children Tova & Dovi Shafier of Givat Hatachmoshet.
- Asher Shapiro**, on his Bar Mitzvah. Mazal Tov also to Asher's parents, Miriam & Menachem Shapiro, and to his siblings, Masha, Perl, and Adina.

## 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. Dedications are sent out to the membership via email. For information or to sign up, please go to [www.bethaaron.org/parnashayom](http://www.bethaaron.org/parnashayom).

This past week's Parnas Hayom sponsors were:

- Tuesday, 14 Tevet: Rachel & Michael Cohen**, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Rachel's mother, Suzanne Corcos, Shoshana bat Yehuda
- Thursday, 16 Tevet: Debbie & Michael Ross**, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Debbie's father, Walter Rosenthal, Shimon ben Moshe

This week's Parnas Hayom sponsors are:

- Shabbat, 18 Tevet: Susie & Shaya Fenyes**, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Shaya's father, Sidney Fenyes, Pinchas ben Meir ha-Levi
- Monday, 20 Tevet: Evie & Alden Leifer**, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Alden's brother, Kevin Leifer, Kalman ben Chaim
- Wednesday, 22 Tevet: Marcia & Robert Trinz**, commemorating the sixth yahrtzeit of their dear son Moshe Trinz, Kalonymos Moshe ben Naftali Tsvi ha-Kohen

## WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

- Chaya Rochel & Shmaya Krinsky**, who live at 414 Claremont Avenue.

## CONGREGATION BETH AARON

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In-person office hours: Fridays, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

## MEN'S CLUB KIDDUSH

The Kiddush following the 7:15 a.m. Hashkama Minyan is sponsored by **Rani & Paul Lustiger**, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Paul's father, Samuel Lustiger, Shmuel ben Aharon ha-Levi.

The Kiddush following the 8:00 a.m. masked Minyan is sponsored by **Susie & Shaya Fenyes**, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Shaya's father, Sidney Fenyes, Pinchas ben Meir ha-Levi.

The Kiddush following the Main Minyan is sponsored by **Miriam & Menachem Shapiro** in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Asher.

A new year has begun for the "Hashkama Kiddush Society." To rejoin or sign up for \$72 annually, please click [HERE](#).

## SHUL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to **Evie & Alden Leifer** for sponsoring this week's Tzurba Olami program, commemorating the fourth yahrtzeit of Alden's beloved brother, Kevin Leifer, Kalman ben Chaim.

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 [teamshabbos.org](http://teamshabbos.org).

This Friday, December 29, at 4:20 p.m., there will be a special **ruach-filled Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat** in the Beit Midrash, led by Rabbi Larry Rothwachs. All are invited and encouraged to attend. The regular Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat will be held at 4:20 p.m. in the Main Shul.

This Motzaei Shabbat, December 30, there will

be an **Israeli whiskey tasting**, with David Goldberg. Taste some delicious Israeli whiskeys and learn about the Jewish history of the whiskey business. The cost is \$54 and you must be at least 21 years old to attend. Register [HERE](#). For questions, contact David Goldberg, [goldbergda@yahoo.com](mailto:goldbergda@yahoo.com).

This Monday, January 1, at 3:00 p.m., at the Jewish Center of Teaneck, 70 Sterling Place, there will be a **Community Kumzitz**, with music by Noah Solomon and C. Lanzbom. There is no charge for the event, which will be preceded by Mincha at 2:45 p.m. To RSVP for the afternoon of unity and song open to all ages, go to [www.teanecktogether.com](http://www.teanecktogether.com). Beth Aaron is a co-sponsor of the event.

Cooks are needed for this year's Men's Club **Cholent Cookoff** on Friday, January 5. To compete, click [HERE](#) to choose a time to cook your cholent on Thursday, January 4. Once all the time slots are filled, all competition slots are filled. We welcome everyone to come, taste, and judge on Friday, January 5, at 7:00 p.m. For more information, contact Peter Globus, [mensclub@bethaaron.org](mailto:mensclub@bethaaron.org).

Next Shabbat, January 6, the **Foundations Minyan**, in memory of Andy Dimond, z"l, will meet. The Foundations Minyan will be joining the Youth Minyan at 9:15 a.m. in the Beit Midrash for Shacharit and then will move to the Social Hall for the Torah reading and Musaf. The minyan will be followed by a special hot Kiddush. The Minyan will be led by Rabbi Larry Rothwachs and is open to everyone of all ages and backgrounds. The minyan offers an inspirational and dynamic tefillah experience, with insights into the Tefillot and Kriyat ha-Torah. For details and sponsorship opportunities, please see [Foundations Minyan](#).

On Motzaei Shabbat, January 6, at 7:30 p.m., the **Sisterhood Book Club** will discuss *Nesting Dolls*, by Alina Adams. This will be a hybrid

meeting, both in-person at the home of Rachel Frazer, 286 Edgemont Place, and on Zoom at <https://ehmchealth.zoom.us/j/83798956113> Meeting ID: 837 9895 6113

On Sunday, January 7, at 7:30 p.m., Sisterhood will hold a hands-on **Sourdough Baking Workshop**, with Sarah Leitner of the Sourdough Institute at Spice and Zest. During this hands-on workshop for women only, participants will learn to bake sourdough from scratch so that they can begin baking at home. Participants will learn about sourdough starter, feeding and maintaining the starter, and the full process of baking sourdough bread. Details of the location will be announced shortly. The cost is \$45, with sponsorships available. To register, click [HERE](#).

On Shabbat, January 13, at 3:15 p.m., Joy Sperber will offer the **women's Rosh Chodesh Shevat shiur**.

On Motzaei Shabbat, January 13, at 7:30 p.m., **Panopoly Game Night** is back! The cost is \$25, and sponsorships are available. For information, contact Moishe B. Singer, [president@bethaaron.org](mailto:president@bethaaron.org), or Aliza Fischman, [vpp@bethaaron.org](mailto:vpp@bethaaron.org). Sign up [HERE](#).

On Motzaei Shabbat, February 3, at 7:30 p.m., at Bowler City, 85 Midtown Bridge Street, Hackensack, Beth Aaron is holding a **Bowling Night**. The cost is \$36, which includes a pizza dinner. Sponsorships are available. For questions, please contact Steven Gellerstein, [sgellerstein@yahoo.com](mailto:sgellerstein@yahoo.com), or Aliza Fischman, [vpp@bethaaron.org](mailto:vpp@bethaaron.org). Register [HERE](#).

Save the date! **Beth Aaron's 52nd Anniversary Celebration** will be held on Sunday, March 10, at 5:00 p.m., at Congregation Ahavath Torah, 240 Broad Avenue, Englewood. Join us! RSVP at [bethaaron.org/dinner](http://bethaaron.org/dinner).

### Shabbat elevator service schedule:

Friday: 4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
Shabbat: 7:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.  
1:30 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.  
2:55 p.m. to 5:35 p.m.

**Is the Eruv Up?** Call the Eruv Hotline before Shabbat: 201-530-0222

### Teaneck Keylim Mikvah self-service hours:

Sunday-Thursday: 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Friday: 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**Teaneck Mikvah** usage is by appointment only. The appointment system closes 2 hours before opening on Friday. For an appointment, go to <https://www.teaneckmikvah.com/Appointment/>

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Annual Dinner Committee is looking for **volunteers to work on the Dinner and a possible raffle**.

To volunteer for this and other projects, contact Moishe B. Singer, [president@bethaaron.org](mailto:president@bethaaron.org). Thank you in advance.

### TEANECK UNITES FOR ISRAEL

Next Sunday, January 7, at 5:30 p.m., at the Jewish Center of Teaneck, 70 Sterling Place, there will be a program -- "Teaneck Unites for Israel: An Evening of Achdut, Tefillah, Music, and Inspiration" -- to mark the three-month anniversary of the war in Israel. The evening of tefillah, chizuk, and uplifting music is appropriate for both adults and children. Beth Aaron is a co-sponsor of the event.

### COMMUNAL TEHILLIM STUDY

Each night from Motzaei Shabbat through Wednesday, a different RCBC rabbi will teach a perek of Tehillim live for approximately ten minutes. The recording will be posted on WhatsApp only (no longer via Zoom). Click [HERE](#) for the WhatsApp link.

On Thursday nights, there will be an in-person gathering for Maariv, chizuk, and Tehillim in a different RCBC shul each week. The chizuk will be given by a different RCBC rabbi each week, usually not by the rabbi of that shul. Maariv will begin at 8:00 p.m., the chizuk at 8:10 p.m., and Tehillim at 8:20 p.m.

## YOUTH DEPARTMENT

The **Youth Minyan** will begin at 9:15 a.m. in the Beit Midrash.

**Youth groups** will begin at 9:30 a.m. on the Lower Level and end at the conclusion of the Main Minyan. Parents, please pick up children from groups before going to Kiddush.

The **Torah Tots** program begins at 10:00 a.m. in the Mommy and Me room on the Lower Level. Please note that only children under the age of three, along with a parent or other responsible adult, are allowed. Please do not leave unaccompanied children, and please do not bring older siblings into the room. The program will be facilitated by a group leader, but parents must remain in the room with their children.

Next Motzaei Shabbat, January 6, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., the Youth Department will host a **Game Show Night** with Yosef Brukner. Pizza will be served, and prizes will be awarded. The event, for those in Grades 4 to 8, is \$5 per child. Register [HERE](#).

**Parent-Child Learning** will next take place on Motzaei Shabbat, January 13, at 6:30 p.m., on the Lower Level. Join us for Torah, food, raffles, prizes, and fun! Thank you to the **Gruber and Silverberg families**, who have joined the Pizza Society. Add your name to the Pizza Society sponsors by clicking [HERE](#).

### SEFORIM SALE

More than 200 seforim have been listed for sale to benefit **Brothers for Life**, which helps Israeli soldiers in need of rehabilitation. The list of the books, all in good-to-excellent condition, can be found [HERE](#). After the purchase price is agreed on, send an email to [books@bethaaron.org](mailto:books@bethaaron.org), and we will remove the sefer from the inventory of seforim available. Your donation should be made at [www.brothersforlife.com](http://www.brothersforlife.com), for the price agreed on, or more if you choose. If the purchase price for all seforim is less than \$18, we encourage you to make a donation of \$18. When making the donation, click the button indicating you are a making a dedication and list Beth Aaron Seforim Sale as the dedication description. For questions, please contact Mordy Ungar, [m\\_ungar2@yahoo.com](mailto:m_ungar2@yahoo.com).

### A WARM HUG FROM US

Help provide the displaced families in Israel with blankets and/or coats for winter. Warm blankets are \$40-50, and coats are \$50-60. Donations in any amount are helpful, and your contribution will help the Israeli economy. Donate to the **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund (RDF)**. Enter amount on "RDF Israel" line and write "Blanket" in the comment section.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

This Sunday, December 31, at 6:30 p.m., at Congregation Keter Torah, 600 Roemer Avenue, there will be a **Kumsitz with Simcha Leiner**, in support of Sderot and other Southern communities and their needs. There is no charge for the event, but donations are encouraged. For more information, go to [www.ketertorah.org](http://www.ketertorah.org).

On Monday, January 1, at 8:15 p.m., at Congregation Bnai Yeshurun, Bikur Cholim of Bergen County presents **Rav Moshe Tzvi Weinberg**, discussing "אין עוד מלבדו: The Wondrous Power of Radical Simple Faith." Registration is requested [HERE](#); walk-ins are welcome. For information on Bikur Cholim of Bergen County, call 201-579-3066 or visit [www.bikurcholimbergencounty.org](http://www.bikurcholimbergencounty.org).

This Tuesday, January 2, the **Beit Midrash of Teaneck**, located at JCT/Heichal HaTorah, 70 Sterling Place, will offer its weekly shiurim for men and women. This week's parsha shiur, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., will be delivered by **Rabbi Zev Goldberg** of the Bais Midrash of Bergenfield (BMOB). The Jewish History shiur, from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., features **Dr. Ari Mermelstein**, of Associate Professor of Second Temple Literature at Yeshiva University, discussing, "Did the Wise Son Own a Haggadah? Talmud Torah as an Alternative to Sippur Yetziat Mitzrayim on Seder Night." Rabbi Angel's Melakhim Aleph shiur on Mondays and Wednesdays at noon is open to men and women, while Rav Chaim Marcus' shiur, "Introducing Character Development through Torah," on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m., is for women only. For more information, e-mail [BMTeaneck@gmail.com](mailto:BMTeaneck@gmail.com).

### OU SPIRIT PARTNERS WITH BETH AARON



The weekly SPIRIT (Stimulating Program Initiative for Retirees that Inspires Thought) program focuses on timely topics that are of interest to those in the +60 demographic. SPIRIT attracts Retirees, Not-yet-Retirees, Baby Boomers, Empty Nesters, Sandwich Generation Parents, and Seniors.

This **Tuesday, January 2**, at 12:00 p.m., the topic will be "Power Up! Let's Get Moving," with Talia Molotsky, a Certified Personal Trainer.

Click [HERE](#) for the Zoom link and live, online participation and/or to receive the recording following the program.

For questions, contact Moishe B. Singer, [president@bethaaron.org](mailto:president@bethaaron.org).

This Wednesday, January 3, at 7:30 p.m., at Shaarei Orah, The Sephardic Congregation of Teaneck, 1425 Essex Road, **Rabbi Yaakov Rahimi** will speak on "Eretz Yisrael Today." The talk will be followed by a communal Tehillim for Tzahal and Klal Yisrael and Maariv. For more information, contact Shalom Shushan, 914-334-8127.

On Sundays, from January 7 to March 10, from 10:00 to 11:15 a.m. or from 6:00 to 7:15 p.m., Tikvah is offering a **live online parent-child seminar on the weekly parasha**, focusing on the Book of Exodus, inspired by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks' "Covenant & Conversation" series. The deadline to apply for parents/grandparents and children in 6th, 7th, or 8th grades is this Sunday, December 31. Click [HERE](#) to apply.

On Wednesday, January 10, at Congregation Keter Torah, 600 Roemer Avenue, **Torah Accademy of Bergen County will hold its Annual Dinner**. RSVP at [www.tabc.org/dinner2024](http://www.tabc.org/dinner2024).

**Luggage 4 Israel/Chaverim Bergen County**, One University Plaza, Suite 117, Hackensack, collects essential supplies for Israel. Their hours are from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Mondays and Thursdays (closed New Years Day). To purchase needed items, visit their registry link [HERE](#). Volunteers also are needed to pack supplies and do other tasks. For updated volunteer opportunities and supply needs, join their WhatsApp group [HERE](#). If you are flying to Israel and can take duffel bags with supplies for displaced families (baggage fees will be paid for), please complete [THIS FORM](#). For questions, please contact [luggage4israel@gmail.com](mailto:luggage4israel@gmail.com).

### YEAR-END PAYMENTS

Please support Beth Aaron in your year-end giving by paying outstanding pledges and charges before December 31. For payment to be used as a tax deduction for 2023, checks must be received by this Friday, December 29; online payments can be made until 11:59 p.m., this Sunday, December 31. For questions about your balance, or if you wish to pay online and have forgotten your password, contact [office@bethaaron.org](mailto:office@bethaaron.org). If you require consideration in meeting your obligations, email [fac@bethaaron.org](mailto:fac@bethaaron.org).

You can pay charges through the PayPal Giving Fund, with no fee. The Fund can be used for one-time donations and payments only. Donations made through the Fund will be posted to members' accounts the month after they are given, as PayPal will transfer the money to us once a month (in the month after the donation is made). DO NOT check the box that the gift is being made anonymously. Visit [bethaaron.org/givingfund](http://bethaaron.org/givingfund) for more details.



Beth Aaron Mens Club invites you to an

## Israeli Whiskey

### Tasting

with David Goldberg

Taste some delicious Israeli whiskeys and learn about the Jewish history of the whiskey business.

📅 December 30, 2023 @ 7:30 p.m.

📍 Beth Aaron Social Hall  
950 Queen Anne Road, Teaneck

💰 \$54

[www.bethaaron.org/event/whiskey23](http://www.bethaaron.org/event/whiskey23)

*You must be at least 21 years of age to attend.*

*Any questions? Contact David at [goldbergda@yahoo.com](mailto:goldbergda@yahoo.com)*



BETH AARON  
SISTERHOOD PRESENTS

## SOURDOUGH WORKSHOP

With Sarah Leitner

Creator of The Sourdough Institute  
@spiceandzest

During this hands-on workshop, women will learn to bake sourdough from scratch. Keeping it simple and to the point, by the time the class is over, participants will be able to immediately begin baking at home. We'll learn all about a sourdough starter, feeding and maintaining the starter, and the full process of baking sourdough bread.

**Sunday, January 7**  
**7:30 - 9:30 PM (APPROX)**  
**LOCATION TO BE  
ANNOUNCED**

**\$45  
per  
person**

Sponsorship opportunities available



BETH AARON'S MEN'S CLUB

## CHOLENT COOKOFF

ENTER  
TODAY!

To enter, choose a cooking time slot at  
<https://tinyurl.com/CBACHolent2024>

Once all time slots are filled, all  
competition slots are filled. We  
welcome everyone to come, taste,  
and judge!

For more info:  
Peter Globus  
[mensclub@bethaaron.org](mailto:mensclub@bethaaron.org)

Friday Night

January 5, 2024

7:00 p.m.



## CONGREGATION BETH AARON Foundations Minyan

*In memory of Andy Dimond z"l*

An interactive minyan

An inspirational and dynamic tefillah  
experience, including insights in  
to the prayers and Torah reading.

Welcome to learners of all backgrounds and ages.

January 6th, 2024

Led by Rabbi Larry Rothwachs



Beginning with Shacharit at 9:15 AM  
Gala hot Kiddish to follow davening

Congregation Beth Aaron Social Hall  
950 Queen Anne Road, Teaneck, NJ



Please contact David Fisher  
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For more information or to sponsor a kiddish to follow services.