

CONGREGATION BETH AARON

DECEMBER 22-23

11 TEVET

VAYIGASH

Larry Rothwachs, Rabbi
Ben Zion Feld, Assistant Rabbi

Moishe B. Singer, President



SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Mincha/K. Shabbat:
4:00 p.m. MS
Latest Candles:
4:13 p.m.
Fast ends: 5:01 p.m.
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:
9:34 a.m.
Torah Tot's: 10:00 a.m.
Early Mincha:
1:45 p.m. BM
Mincha: 4:00 p.m. MS
Shkiah: 4:32 p.m.
Maariv: 5:13 p.m. MS
Havdalah: 5:22 p.m.
Parent-Child Learning:
6:15 p.m.

SCHEDULE: Week of DECEMBER 24

	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
	24	25	26	27	28	29
Earliest Tallit	6:18	6:19	6:19	6:20	6:20	6:20
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	6:08 SH 6:30 BM 7:15 BM 8:00 BM	6:09 SH 6:30 BM 7:15 BM 8:00 BM	6:09 SH 6:20 BM 7:05 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	4:20 MS	4:20 BM	4:20 BM	4:20 BM	4:20 BM	4:20 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

This week's announcements are sponsored by **Carmela & J.R. Rosenbaum**, commemorating the 24th yahrtzeit of Jack's father, Meir Rosenbaum, Meir ben Yaakov Yehuda, niftar 15 Tevet 5760.

The Fast of Asara Bi-Tevet is this Friday, December 22. Fast begins at 6:02 a.m. and ends at 5:01 p.m.

THE WEEK AHEAD

SHABBAT, DECEMBER 23

Halacha shiur: 7:35 a.m., Rabbi Duvie Nachbar
Nach shiur: 8:20 a.m., Rabbi Rothwachs
Daf Yomi shiur: 2:55 p.m., Bava Kama 51, Shuey Klavan. For questions, contact David Hes, dhes613@gmail.com.
Women's Parsha shiur: 2:55 p.m., Shulamis Hes, Lower Level
Shiur between Mincha and Maariv: Rabbi Rothwachs

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

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 11-12, Mollie Fisch. Zoom only. Click [HERE](#) to join.
Meeting ID: 874 9438 6720
passcode: Torah

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27

Tehillim Mechulak for women: 8:15 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

- Akiva Lewitan**, on his Bar Mitzvah. Mazal Tov also to Akiva's parents, Brooke & Aryeh Lewitan; to his sister, Rina; and to his grandmothers, Anita Jacobs and Phyllis Lewitan; as well as to the extended Jacobs and Lewitan families.
- Leah & David Raab**, former members who made aliyah, on the engagement of their granddaughter Eden Raab of Modiin to Gabi Tarshish of Raanana. Mazal Tov also to Eden's parents, Ayelet & Yitzhak Raab.
- Nomi & Mendy Schwartz**, on the engagement of their son Benjy to Esti Arnan of Los Angeles. Mazal Tov also to Benjy's grandparents, Debbie & Larry Gilbert; to Esti's parents, Leah & David Arnan; and to the entire Arnan family.
- Benyamin Silverberg**, on his Bar Mitzvah. Mazal Tov also to Benyamin's parents, Gabrielle & Avi Silverberg; to his siblings, Noah and Shaina; and to his grandparents, Dennis Stamm and Lynn & Dov Silverberg.
- Yacha & Moishe B. Singer**, on the engagement of their daughter Kayla-Rachel Michal Singer to Jesse Lerner of Edison, NJ. Mazal Tov as well to big brother Eli-L; to grandparents Miriam & Carl Singer and Renee (Kertesz) Ducker; and to Jesse's parents, Rachel & Mendy Lerner.
- Sandy & Eddie Steinberg**, on the marriage of their grandson Yitzy to Adina Neustadt of Edison, NJ. Mazal Tov also to Yitzy's parents, Dini & Rabbi Avraham Steinberg of Merion Station, PA, and to Adina's parents, Aviella & Rabbi Mordechai Neustadt.
- Aviva & Benjy Yablok**, on the upcoming marriage of their granddaughter Aliza Yablok of Passaic to Dovie Hirsch, also of Passaic. Mazal Tov also to Aliza's parents, Ronit & Ephraim Yablok; to Dovie's parents, Esther & Dovid Hirsch; and to the entire mishpacha.
- The Chevra Mishna Yomi**, who will finish Yevamot this Tuesday, December 26. Join them on Wednesday, December 27, when they start Ketubot.

MEN'S CLUB KIDDUSH

The Kiddush following the Main Minyan is sponsored by **Brooke & Aryeh Lewitan**, in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Akiva. It will be held on the Lower Level.

A new year has begun for the "Hashkama Kiddush Society." To rejoin or sign up for \$72 annually, please click [HERE](#). Help sponsor upcoming Men's Club Kiddushim. Visit www.bethaaron.org/kiddush.

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In-person office hours:
Fridays, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.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. Dedications are sent out to the membership via email. For information or to sign up, please go to www.bethaaron.org/parnashayom.

This past week's Parnas Hayom sponsors were:

- **Thursday, 9 Tevet: Sara & Izik Kohanim and family**, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Eliana Ahava Kohanim, Eliana Ahava bat Yitzchak Eliyahu

This week's Parnas Hayom sponsors are:

- **Sunday, 12 Tevet: Rise & Herb Eis**, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Herb's father, Samuel Eis, Shmuel Chaim ben Yaacov Asher
- **Sunday, 12 Tevet: Evie & Alden Leifer**, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Alden's father, Hy Leifer, Chaim ben Nachman Moshe
- **Monday, 13 Tevet: Meyer and Auerbach families**, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Tova Resnick Meyer, Tehilla Leah bat Tzvi Hirsch
- **Wednesday, 15 Tevet: Brooke & Aryeh Lewitan**, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Brooke's father, Ronald Jacobs, Yitzchok Baruch ben Shmuel
- **Thursday, 16 Tevet: Noreen & Neil Sonenberg**, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Neil's father, Louis Sonenberg, Mordechai Ari ben Tzvi

SHUL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to **Evie & Alden Leifer** for sponsoring this week's Tzurba Olami program, commemorating the eighth yahrtzeit of Alden's beloved father, Hy Leifer, Chaim ben Nachman Moshe.

Next 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. There will also be a regular Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat at 4:20 p.m. in the Main Shul.

On 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.

On 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. 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.

On 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 Motzaei Shabbat, January 13, at 7:30 p.m., **Panoply Game Night** is coming back! The cost is \$25, and sponsorships are available. For information, contact Moishe B. Singer, president@bethaaron.org, or Aliza Fischman, 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, or Aliza Fischman, 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.

Shabbat elevator service schedule:

Friday: 3:55 p.m. to 5:10 p.m.
Shabbat: 7:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
1:30 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.
2:50 p.m. to 5:30 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. Thank you in advance.

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.

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, chizzuk, and Tehillim in a different RCBC shul each week. The chizzuk 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 chizzuk 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.

Parent-Child Learning takes place this Motzaei Shabbat, December 23, at 6:15 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](#).

On 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](#).

YOUTH BIRTHDAY CLUB

The Beth Aaron Youth Birthday Club celebrates your child's birthday in Shabbat groups! Contribute \$36 to sponsor the weekly snack or order and pick up cupcakes from Butterflake. There will be a shout-out in the weekly announcements, and groups will sing "Happy Birthday" to your child. To sign up, click [HERE](#).

After you register, the Youth Department will be in touch.

ATTN. WOMEN OF BETH AARON:

The Google sheet for the Rosh Chodesh shiur speakers was deleted mistakenly.

if you signed up to give a Rosh Chodesh shiur and haven't yet been in touch with Shulamit Hes about it, please contact her at meshanemazal@gmail.com. Thank you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS SPONSORSHIPS

To sponsor our weekly Shabbat announcements, please send your dedication, along with your check for \$54, to the shul office, or email office@bethaaron.org.

COMMUNITY NEWS

From this Monday, December 25, to Thursday, December 28, at Yeshiva Ohr Simcha of Englewood, 101 West Forest Avenue, Englewood, the Business Halacha Institute is holding a morning program on "**Competition in Halacha**." The program begins at 9:30 a.m. and light refreshments will be served. On Monday, January 1, at 9:30 a.m., the culminating session will be held at Congregation Ohr Hatorah, 36 Rector Court, Bergenfield. For more information, contact Rabbi Yitzchok Weinberger, 484-620-6187.

This Monday, December 25, from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m., at Congregation Beth Aaron, there will be an **Aish HaTorah Discovery Seminar, "Hidden Codes of the Torah."** Learn about statistically tested and verified hidden words that seem to predict the future. Refreshments will be served. The cost is \$20 and registration by this Thursday, December 21, is required. Register at JLE.org. For more information, contact RabbiJesseShore@gmail.com.

This Tuesday, December 26, 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 Daniel Feldman** of Cong. Ohr Saadya and RIETS. The Jewish History shiur, from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., features **Dr. Ari Mermelstein**, Associate Professor of Second Temple Literature at Yeshiva University, who will discuss "Seder in the Wake of the Destruction of the Second Temple." 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

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, December 26**, at 12:00 p.m., the topic will be "**How to Complete a Halachic Living Will**," presented by Rabbi Dr. Shlomo Brody, Executive Director of Ematai, an organization dedicated to helping Jews navigate their healthcare journey with Jewish wisdom.

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

women only. For more information, e-mail BMTeaneck@gmail.com.

On Tuesdays, beginning December 26, from 7:45 to 9:15 p.m., in Bergenfield, there will be an 8-week **support group for women who have experienced the loss of a spouse, sibling, or parent**. The group will be facilitated by two trained professional bereavement counselors. For more information, contact Tsipi Gurell, 917-862-2405 or Tamar Stein, 917-572-1232.

On 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.

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.

YEAR-END PAYMENTS

Please consider supporting Beth Aaron in your year-end giving by fulfilling your outstanding pledges and charges before December 31. For payment to be used as a tax deduction for 2023, checks should be received by Friday, December 29; online payments can be made until 11:59 p.m., Sunday, December 31.

For questions about your balance, or if you wish to pay online and have forgotten your password, contact office@bethaaron.org. If you require consideration in meeting your obligations, email fac@bethaaron.org.

You can pay any charges through the PayPal Giving Fund, without paying an online fee. Beth Aaron will receive 100% of your donation, with no credit card expense for either party. 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). If you are making a donation through the PayPal Giving Fund, please DO NOT check the box that the gift is being made anonymously. We need to be able to credit your account.

Visit bethaaron.org/givingfund or more details or to pay shul obligations using this method.

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

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

Any questions? Contact David at 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

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.