

happenings around town

October 28th and beyond

Motzei Shabbat, October 28th, 8pm—Prospective parents and students please join us at the Ma'ayanot Open House. Pre-registration at www.maayanot.org/openhouse.

Sunday, October 29th, 9am-4pm—Congregation Beth Aaron, the Annette Simmons Memorial Blood Drive will be held. Congregation Beth Aaron is located at 950 Queen Anne Road in Teaneck. Those 17 and older can donate blood; 16-year-olds may donate with parental permission. Reservations are requested, but walk-ins are welcome. To register, go to https://donor.cbsblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/56527. All donors receive a Target \$5 gift card. For more information, contact Shulamis Hes, MeshaneMazal@gmail.com.

Sunday, October 29th, 3-5:30pm—Early voting begins
October 28 through November 5th! It is critical to vote in
this local election, as game changing funding is on the
line this year. Please join us at Teach NJ's The Great Big
Vote at Votee Park on Sunday. It will be a day of fun and
food, but more importantly, an easy opportunity to show
your children the importance of voting. Early voting will be
next door at the Rodda Center for all Bergen County
residents.

Sunday, October 29th, 8pm-The Teaneck Community Rabbanim invite you to Get Involved: Engaging the Orthodox Community in Teaneck Civic Life with Karen Orgen and Yitz Stern. Located in the CBY Social Hall. Karen Lew Orgen is a 50 year Teaneck resident. She is a current Teaneck Councilwoman, past member of the Planning Board, and Life Member and former President of TVAC. Karen has also served as Co-president Congregation Shaare Tefillah. Yitz Stern has been a Teaneck resident since 1980. He served three terms on the Teaneck Township Council and has been a member of either the Zoning Board of Adjustment or the Planning Board in Teaneck continually since 1990. Yitz holds or has held various appointed positions in and around New Jersey including on the NJ State Commission on Holocaust Education and the NJ-Israel Commission.

Tuesday, October 31st—The Beit Midrash of Teaneck, located at JCT/Heichal HaTorah, 70 Sterling Place, Teaneck is open for its Fall Trimester, and welcomes the community, both men and women, to our weekly Tuesday shiurim on Parsha & Jewish History. This week's Parsha shiur (10:30-11:30am) will be delivered by R. Ari Zahtz of Congregation Bnei Yeshurun. Our Jewish History shiur (11:45-12:45) will feature Dr. David Berger, Dean of Bernard Revel School of Jewish History at Yeshiva University, giving a shiur entitled, "The Christian View of the Talmud, and the Vikkuach haRamban"

Rabbi Angel's Nach shiur - M/W @ 12:00 - is open to men and women.

Please write to BMTeaneck@gmail.com for further details

Tuesday, October 31st, 7:30pm—At BPY, a central part of our core mission is to develop and nurture a "love of Am Yisrael, Eretz Yisrael, and Medinat Yisrael." If there is ever a time to remind people of the importance of Jewish education, it is right now. Join us for the BPY Open House featuring an active, participatory component to support our brothers and sisters in Israel. Come experience BPY's outstanding education in a warm and nurturing environment. To register visit benporatyosef.org/openhouse2023 or contact Renee Klyman, Director of Admissions at admissions@benporatyosef.org.

Motzei Shabbat, November 11th, 8pm—Shaarei Orah, The Sephardic Congregation of Teaneck located at 1425 Essex Road in Teaneck welcomes author Daniel Gross, Motzei Shabbat, November 11th at 8pm. Mr. Gross will be discussing his new book, "A Banker's Journey: How Edmond J. Safra Built a Global Financial Empire." Daniel Gross is one of the most widely-read writers on finance, economics, and business history. Educated at Cornell University with an M.A. in American history from Harvard University, Gross is a bestselling author and worked as a reporter/columnist at The New Republic, Bloomberg News, The New York Times, Slate, and Newsweek.

Sunday, November 12th—Naaleh High School for Girls invites all 8th grade girls and their parents to our Open House. Doors open at 6:30PM. Program begins at 7:00 PM promptly at our school- 10-10 Norma Ave Fair Lawn, NJ. Come hear about how our students Aim Higher, Reach Higher, and Rise Higher. For more information or to register, check out our website-

<u>www.naalehhighschool.org/admissions</u> or reach out to Mrs. Shana Leben, Director of Admissions at <u>sleben@naalehhighschool.org</u>.

Preparations have begun for the 31st Annual Bergen County Chanukah Toy Drive. We know that it is challenging to focus on planning for future events at this difficult time, but it is our sincerest hope that come Chanukah time we will once again be able to put smiles on children's faces both here and in Israel. With that in mind, we are preparing for the 31st Bergen County Annual Chanukah Toy Drive. Please let us know if you can still host the toy drive this year and if there are any changes or additions that you'd like to add in terms of location drop off or volunteers. The Drive will officially start on Monday, November 13th and the official end date will be November 27th. You are, of course, invited to start the drive as early as you see fit for your institution and we encourage starting to advertise the week before the start date. *And while our official deadline will be November 27th (because some charities pick up as early as November 28th), we encourage you to keep the collection bins open until Chanukah. Since some organizations pick up later, we can accept extra donations after the official deadline and through Chanukah. As always, if your institution can make a few periodic drop-offs as the toys come in (as opposed to one big drop off at the end), it would be much appreciated so that we have enough toys for the early pick-ups. The central drop-off location will continue to be 95 Norfolk St. Bergenfield, NJ 07621 (side of the house/ garage entrance) and the phone contact when dropping off is the same as well; Joy Sklar, 551-404-0227 (Please let Joy know when you are dropping off, especially if rain is predicted). You will be receiving a flyer to use for advertising shortly and feel free to make your own as well! In order for us to streamline the process, including communication, for future years, please fill out this Google form for your institution. Many institutions have volunteers that are no longer involved and we want to be sure that we are contacting the right person. Go to docs.google.com/forms/d/ e/1FAlpQLSfO78GEK7vp1eVvVJ6DNalkP_TPN_PE28fb6ZYh7R 9Yp-3I0w/viewform?usp=sf_link to fill out the google form. Looking forward to working with you again!

Please sign up for a tour of RYNJ! Sign up at <u>RYNJ.org/tour</u> or email Debra Popowitz, Director of Admissions, at <u>welcome@rynj.org</u>.