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This Weekend—December 14-16

Rabbi Tzvi Sinensky to speak this Shabbat at Keter Torah

He will speak following Mincha at 4:00pm
 Topic: *"May I Choose My Baby's Gender? Playing G-d in the Jewish Tradition."*

Dr. Danny Gordis will be Davar Scholar in Residence

Shabbat December 14-15th. *Topic for Shabbat is:*

WE STAND DIVIDED -- COMPETING VISIONS OF JEWISHNESS AND THE RIFT BETWEEN AMERICAN JEWS AND ISRAEL. This talk will be presented in 3 parts over the course of Shabbat. Friday night 4:15 mincha/maariv, Talk - part 1; Saturday morning 8:15am tefila Talk - part 2; Saturday afternoon 3:45pm mincha Talk - part 3.

Migdal Ohr in Israel Reunion Shabbaton in Teaneck and a Parlor meeting

Shabbat-Sunday night Dec 15th-16th

Meeting will be held **Sunday, December 16 | 6:45pm** the home of Yael and Joel Baron, 504 Winthrop Road, Teaneck, NJ. For more information, www.yaldeiohr.org or 212-397-3700.

RZA Program and Convention – Open to the Community

Sunday, December 16th | 10:00am–11:30am | Cong Keter Torah

Challenges of Long Distance Zionism. Rabbi Daniel Z. Feldman – Rosh Yeshiva at RIETS-YU; Immigration and Integration: Religious Zionist Education and Conversion in the IDF with Rabbi Chashi Freedman, Education Director at Nativ. Pre-registration requested: www.rza.org/dec16 Questions? Call 212.465.9234.

Nefesh B'Nefesh practical Aliyah workshop

Sunday, December 16th | NBN offices | 50 Eisenhower Drive, Paramus, NJ.

Nefesh B'Nefesh practical workshop about creating a realistic budget, maximizing your income and understanding your expenses. Retirees: 10-11:30am: This session will discuss budgeting on a fixed income and financial planning. General: 7:30-9:00pm: This session will also include an overview of the Israeli job market. Please register at www.nbn.org.il/dollarsandsense.

Project EZRAH Annual Dinner

Saturday night, December 15th | Cong. Ahavath Torah, 240 Broad Avenue, Englewood, NJ. *Honorees are:* Gloria & Harold Gellis, Robin & Mark Hoenig, Chana & Jordan Katz, VV & Shmiel Ramras, Dalia & Ed Stelzer, Rabbi Andrew & Dr. Sara Markowitz. To RSVP, go to www.ezrah.org and click on the Dinner Icon, or call 201-569-9047.

Yeshiva University —12th annual Medical Ethics Conference; *The ART of Parenthood: Exploring the Future of Fertility,* **Sunday, December 16 | 9:00am-1:00pm**

9am - 1pm, at Yeshiva University in Washington Heights, 500 West 185th St. Conference is sponsored by the Community Synagogue of Monsey in honor of Rabbi Moshe D. Tendler and will feature discussions on the topics of posthumous reproduction, oncofertility, artificial wombs and epigenetics. Visit www.yumedicaethics.com for more information.

Rabbi Michael Parnes of Lakewood NJ

Sunday December 16 | 9:15am at Heichal HaTorah, 70 Sterling Place. Shiur for men on *"Halacha and Hashkafa in the Parsha"*. Donuts & coffee will be provided.

Refa'enu Peer led support groups to meet

Tuesday, December 18 | 7:30pm | Paramus, NJ

Groups meet regularly on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month, with some exceptions, as noted on the website. Groups meet at 7:30pm in the Ben Porat Yosef Building at E. 243 Frisch Ct. in Paramus, NJ. Doors open at 7:10pm. Please make an effort to be on time (by 7:30pm) so as not to disrupt the flow of the groups. Groups are divided between a group for those with a disorder (depression, bipolar) as well as a group for their loved ones. Please check website to confirm meetings: <http://www.refaenu.org>. No reservations are required. For more information contact: dena@refaenu.org.

Blood Drive at Rinat

Wednesday, December 19th | 2:00-8:00pm

To schedule an appointment go to: www.tinyurl.com/GiveBloodNJBS and use Sponsor Code 66985. Remember to eat, drink and bring photo ID. Walk- ins welcome! For more information, call 800-933-2566.

Very important shul security event

Wednesday, December 19th | 7:00-9:00pm | Federation of Northern New Jersey – 50 Eisenhower Drive - Paramus.

This event is free and open to the entire Jewish community of Northern New Jersey. The Orthodox Union, the Jewish Federation of Northern New Jersey - Hudson County and CSS have teamed up with the Bergen County Prosecutors Office to present security resources, information and strategies for our shuls and communities. RSVP to Avi Heller at hellera@ou.org or to Debbie Gottlieb at debbieg@jfnnj.org or 201.820.3928

REGAVIM Presentation

Wednesday, December 19th | 8:30pm | Rinat Classroom G
 REGAVIM: A multi-media introduction to Regavim's efforts to preserve Israel's resources and protect Israeli sovereignty will take place at Cong Rinat Yisrael. Regavim is an Israeli NGO that has been singlehandedly waging the legal battle to preserve Israel's most precious resource: The land itself. For nearly a decade, Regavim has battled against the epidemic of illegal seizure of State land, the plunder of Israel's scarce resources, and the erosion of Israeli sovereignty, protecting the birthright of the Jewish People for this generation and the next.

Teaneck Baseball Registration is now open for Spring 2019!

TBO is open for Teaneck girls and boys in grades Pre-K through

8th grade. Register now and you will receive 2018 rates (until Dec. 15). Register at www.tbo.siplay.com. Any questions, please email Sue at suefeuer@gmail.com

Nitzanei Noam is expanding to a second location, located in Congregation Shomrei Torah in Fair Lawn and enrolling infants to 4 year olds for the 2019-2020 school year. For more information please join us on Tuesday night, December 18th at 8pm at Shomrei Torah located at 19-10 Morlot Avenue or call the Director, Morah Joyce Buckman at 201-836-6871.

Maayanot's 10th Annual Day of Big Ideas

Sunday, December 30 | 9:30am - 12:30pm

Come hear fascinating lectures given by Ma'ayanot faculty. Keynote address will be delivered by Rabbi Dr. Ari Berman, President of Yeshiva University on the topic: *Who is my 'Brother': A Halkhic Look at a Medieval Christian Dilemma*.

Bonei Olam Fundraiser—Save the Date!

Motzei Shabbat February 23 | Keter Torah

Details to follow.

Ben Porat Yosef's Camp Kef

Register Online at <http://mytads.co/a/bpycampkef>

Early bird discount until December 31. For details, call 201-845-5007 x37 or email campkef@benporatyosef.org

If you have unwanted seforim, **The Seforim Guy** will pick them up free of charge! New or old, we distribute them at discounted prices and make sure they are used for Limud HaTorah. Email us your name, address, and ideal pickup time at info@theseforimguy.com or reach us via call / text at (201) 207-9968. Same day pickup available.

She'arit ha-Plate of Bergen County looking for new location

She'arit ha-Plate is a volunteer, non-profit organization that collects excess kosher food from restaurants and smachot and distributes it discretely to people who can use it, is looking for a new site. We currently occupy a garage attached to a single-family home in Teaneck, an arrangement that has worked very well for many years, but the home will soon be put on the market and we will need to move. We are therefore **looking for a new site in the Teaneck area**. If you potentially have available space or know of others who might have space available for our operation, please contact Daniel Chazin, DChazin@aol.com, 201-835-5338.

We welcome any family member with a loved one suffering from **addiction and substance abuse issues to our local support group**, which meets every other Wednesday evening in Teaneck. The group is free of charge and is facilitated by clinicians specializing in addiction. For more information and the time/location of the meeting, please email:

Time2TalkAddiction@gmail.com. For more information about CCSA, please visit our website: www.Time2TalkAddiction.org.

Rabbi Steven Pruzansky will be leading a **Congregation Bnai Yeshurun Jewish Heritage Trip to Latvia, Lithuania and Belarus from May 13-20, 2019**. We will be exploring 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. There are about ten spots left, and we invite members of the community to join. Those interested should contact Rabbi Pruzansky at Rabbi@BnaiYeshurun.org or log onto [\[yeshurun-seminar/\]\(http://yeshurun-seminar/\). Registration is now underway.](http://heritageseminars.org/eventsarchive/congregation-bnei-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

Ongoing/Miscellaneous

Bikur Cholim Bergen County (BCBC) is a volunteer run 501(c)3 organization which provides support, facilities, and services to ease the burden of families during crises. Bikur Cholim Bergen County can be reached at 201-579-3066 or visit their website at www.bikurcholimbergencounty.org for a full list of services.

Tomchei Shabbos of Bergen County

Volunteers needed to pack | Wednesdays | 6:00pm

Please only reply if you are willing and able to make a serious commitment. Contact Sara Walzman at

sdwalzman@yahoo.com

Chesed Opportunities Bar and Bat Mitzvah boys and girls!

For information how to commemorate your Simcha with a chesed project thru partnering with Tomchei Shabbos, contact Andrea Fields at 973-371-1771x411 or

AJBier@aol.com

Medical Equipment Gemach

The Rinat Chaim Gemach lends and delivers medical equipment throughout Bergen County. For more information or to contact the Gemach visit our website

www.rinatchaimgemach.com. email

info@rinatchaimgemach.com

Teaneck Simcha Gemach has folding tables, cocktail tables, chairs and coat racks (w/ hangers) available for loan. Contact teanecksimcha@yahoo.com.

Project YECHI Tablecloth Gemach

Project Yechi helps to provide financial support for families fighting illness. Please email Chayemf@aol.com for details.

Down the Aisle Gemach Formerly known as: Chatan and Kallah Gemach

Setting up a home can be daunting and expensive. Help couples by donating new or unopened gifts. We accept household, Judaica, linens, gift-ware, engagement and wedding gifts that perhaps are not your taste but others would enjoy as they start their new lives together. **Teaneck Drop off:** Carrie Cooper, 1060 Windsor Road 201-801-9028. candscoper@gmail.com. **Bergenfield Drop off:** Meredith Yager, 65 Lee Place 201-321-4301 Meredithyager@gmail.com

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Bat Mitzvah Dress Gemach

Do you have a gorgeous Bat Mitzvah dress that no longer fits, hanging in your closet? Teaneck Bat Mitzvah Gown/Dress Gemach now accepting dresses in excellent condition.

Current styles only please. Happy to pick up or you can drop off. Come take a look at our great selection! For more info email the Gemach at bmdressgmach@gmail.com

Toiletry Collection Drive - Ongoing collection of full size shampoo, conditioner, body wash and bar soap that is distributed on a regular basis to community members in need. This is a year-round collection and very much needed. Drop off at the Stone residence - 578 Grenville Avenue, Teaneck - purple collection box located at the right side door. Questions? Please contact Gila - gr5thkid@msn.com.