

9 Adar II 5779/March 16, 2019—Parshat Vayikra, Parshat Zachor

This Weekend—March 15-17th, 2019

Raizi Chechik to speak this Shabbat

This Shabbat | 5:15pm | Cong Keter Torah

Ms. Raizi Chechik, Head of School at Manhattan Day School, and Rabbi Dr. Jay Goldmintz, Tanakh and Philosophy teacher at Ma'ayanot, will speak on "Where Is God... In Our Curriculum? A Conversation on Cultivating Spirituality in Children and Adolescents." Following Mincha at 6:30pm, Ms. Chechik will speak on "The Scholar, the Printer and the Partisan: A History of the Vilna Shas."

Cong. Bnai Yeshurun Shabbat pre-Purim Shabbat Ora v'Simcha!

This Shabbat, March 15-16 | Join Yumi Lowy, members of the Yedidim Choir, and special guest Rabbi Yoni Levin; Festive tefillot throughout shabbat in the New Main Shul; Friday night tisch at 9:15 in the CBY Social Hall Seudah Shlishit at 5:45pm in the CBY Social Hall.

Cong Beth Sholom to host an author program with Ariel Burger

Sunday, March 17 | 7:30pm

Witness: Lessons from Elie Wiesel's Classroom

Ariel Burger - noted writer, teacher, artist and rabbi. He will share his experiences as a lifelong student of Elie Wiesel. This program is free and open to the community. Register here: <https://www.cbsteaneck.org/event/mm-program.html>

Genetics Lecture: David Fisher to speak

Sunday, March 17 | 7:00pm Cong Beth Aaron, as he discusses an online genealogy program, www.geni.com, and how to get started on your family tree. The class will cover popular genealogy websites such as Ancestry.com and 23andMe.com, finding information through census records and passenger ship manifests, the Kohein gene, whether DNA testing can determine Jewish status, forensic genealogy, and other related topics.

Jewish Center of Teaneck for our Third Annual Youth Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 17th | 9:00am-12:00pm | the Jewish Center of Teaneck gym. Gym entrance is on Broad St, closer to Cedar Lane. Please enter at the gym entrance. From carnival stations, to bouncy houses, to face painting and special raffles, this is a carnival not to be missed. The price of admission is \$5 per child for members, and \$10 per child for non-members.

Rally against anti-Semitism

Sunday, March 17 | 2:00pm Asphalt Green (1750 York Avenue at 91st Street, NYC).

The topic for this week's Shviti seder limud at Cong. Beth Aaron is:

"Examining the Mitzvah of Reading the Megillah." Rabbi Sason Gabay will lead the shiur and the chabura before the shiur. The program is held on Sunday mornings in the Beit Midrash, beginning at 9:00am. A light breakfast will be served at 8:45am. Each Sunday morning program typically will be independent from the previous and subsequent programs. For more information, please contact Mordy Ungar, 201-741-3920, m_ungar2@yahoo.com.

March 18th and beyond

The Beit Midrash of Teaneck (BMT), located at Heichal Hatorah,

70 Sterling Pl., Teaneck, provides an interactive Talmud Torah learning experience for men who are retired or have flexible schedules on Monday and Wednesday mornings between 9:15am and 12:45pm. This week, at 10am, Rabbi Ronen Dvash (Heichal HaTorah) will give a shiur on Gemara Brachot; at 11:00am,

Prof. Sarah Rindner (Touro) will discuss: "Fish and the Jewish People: SY Agnon's Mazal Dagim" (Monday), and "On the Shore of Eternity: Yehuda Amichai's Jerusalem Poems" (Wednesday); at 12:00, Rabbi Hayyim Angel (Yeshiva University) will give a shiur on Sefer Haggai. Source sheets are provided and can be obtained in advance by contacting BMTeaneck@gmail.com

Rebbetzin Leah Kohn to speak

Monday, March 18 | 10am | 1510 Jefferson Street, Teaneck

Topic: Purim—Learning how to open the gates of heaven by examining the prayers of Mordechai, Esther and the Jewish Children.

Rabbi Baruch Simon to speak

Tuesday, March 19 8:15pm | Cong Beth Aaron

Rabbi Simon will discuss "Leaping into Purim: Celebrating Purim in Adar Sheini."

Refa'enu Peer led support groups to meet

Tuesday, March 19 | 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.

Aid L'Shalom Fundraiser event

March 23 | 9:00pm | Ahavat Torah of Englewood

Come join us for a night filled with comedy, wine and zami dairy on. A fundraiser for aid L'Shalom, An organization that helps heal, provide comfort and support families in the battle against cancer. Please RSVP at www.aidshalom.com

Yeshivat He'Atid for a screening of the documentary Angst

Sunday, March 24 | 7:45pm | 1500 Queen Anne Road

Angst: This film includes interviews with children who publicly share their struggles, strategies and hopes for the future. Panel discussion to follow.

Skate-A-Thon

Vicky and Emma Dollman are running a Skate-A-Thon Sunday, night March 24th from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. All proceeds will go to Sharsheret. Register at www.Sharsheret.org/skate-a-thon. Cost is \$15 for skating and rentals if you register by March 20th; family maximum \$45, at the door it will be \$18 per person. Come out & support the girls in their effort to raise money for a wonderful cause. For information contact Skateathon2019@gmail.com

Ma'ayanot nutrition course with Gila Guzman

Monday, March 25, 8:00pm Faigy and Chesky Ort, 358 Floral

Court, New Milford, NJ. Meal Prep 102: Cooking Weeknight Dinner. Join Coach Gila as she simplifies weeknight dinner cooking for you. Bonus: She will share 30 family-friendly dinner ideas!

Director of Development, Natalie Sopinsky of Rescuers Without

Borders, the main U.S. charity for Emergency Medical needs in Israel will speak on **March 27 at 8pm** home of Roza & Norman Chideckel, 318 Warwick Ave. about the work being done to help our sisters and brothers living in Judea and Samaria.

GEMILAT CHESED CORNER

Pasta Gragger/Food Drive

Yeshivat Noam 7th graders, Maytal Nelson, Eitan Vogel, Tiferet Milgram and Ariel Kryzman are running a pasta gragger drive at our shul on Purim. Please bring pasta boxes to shul with you for megillah to use as graggers and then drop them in the lobby drop-box when you are done. This is a great way to do two mitzvot in one! The pasta boxes will be donated to Tomchei Shabbos and the Jewish Federation's food drive.

Rinat Yisrael Blood Drive

Wednesday, March 27 2:00-8:00pm | Classrooms

Please bring photo id and eat before donating blood. Appointments encouraged at www.tinyurl.com/GiveBloodNJBS. Use Group Code 66985 or text 917-699-9073

Hachnasat Orchim Opportunity: A group of visiting Israelis from the

Hinam Center for Social Tolerance (<https://jewishstandard.timesofisrael.com/promoting-tolerance/>) are visiting from **March 25 (Monday) till March 29 (Friday)**. We are looking for several homes that can each host two people for that period. It involves just beds for the night and coffee in am, as they leave in the morning and return at night. Please email David Jacobowitz at djacobow@gmail.com.

Shearit HaPlate of Bergen County, Inc. is once again coordinating a community-wide **post-Purim collection of leftover mishloach manot** food, to be distributed to people in need. Food may be deposited directly inside the PODS located at 1212 Kensington Road in Teaneck from **March 21st until Friday March 29th**. Food must be in its original packaging, with kosher certification visible. Please do not leave items such as fresh fruit, loose hamentaschen, baked goods, candy no longer in the original package, or foods requiring refrigeration. For more information about the project, donation opportunities to help defray costs, or additional collection locations, please visit our website at www.shpbc.org, or contact Josh Klavan, ijklavan@gmail.com, (917) 593-9290, or Yoni Lieber, yliieber1@gmail.com, (201) 362-3845. Purim Sameach!

Hidden in Plain Sight Presentation—save the date!

Thursday, April 4th | 8:00pm (doors open at 7:45 pm) | Ben Porat Yosef, 243 Frisch Ct, Paramus. Please join us for an interactive evening presented by the Bergen County Prevention Coalition. The Hidden In Plain Sight program is appropriate for both high school and middle school parents and we encourage everyone to attend.

Yad Leah MEGA North Jersey Clothing Drive for Israel

Sunday, April 7th at several locations:

Get a head start on Pesach, clean your closets and donate your clothing to needy families in Israel. Boys, Girls, Mens and Womens clothing in EXCELLENT condition is desperately needed. Also collecting gently-used linens, towels, tablecloths, handbags, backpacks, shoes and all outerwear. **Suggested Donation: \$36** to help defray shipping and distribution Ahavath Torah, 240 Broad Ave, Englewood, NJ: 9:00am-3:00pm; Teaneck Jewish Center/Heichal HaTorah, 70 Sterling Place, 9:00am-3:00pm; Beth Abraham, 396 New Bridge Road, Bergenfield, NJ: 9:00am- 3:00pm. Questions? info@yadleah.org or 973-955-0861, www.yadleah.org

Nitzanei Noam Summer program for 2-3 year olds

Nitzanei Noam, located in Bnai Yeshurun, Teaneck, is accepting applications for its 2-3 year old summer program. Experienced head counselor, fun junior counselors, outdoor climbing and play area, outdoor water play, dynamic daily programming and learning, music, yoga and more. Hours are 9:00am-3:00pm with early drop off and late pick up available. For more information visit www.yeshivatnoam.org, call Morah Joyce Buckman at 201-836-6871, or email her at jbuckman@yeshivatnoam.org.

Annual Yom Hashoah commemoration

Wednesday, May 1st | 7:30pm | Teaneck High School

auditorium. The keynote speaker this year is Toby Levy, a child survivor whose family was hidden by righteous gentiles. For up-to-date information on the event, visit

www.teaneckyomhashoa.org. The Holocaust Commemoration Committee is currently seeking Holocaust survivors as well as Second and Third Generations to participate in the candle lighting portion of our program. For more information and for potential participation, contact Jeanette Malca at 201-248-4648 or at: jmalca44@gmail.com.

Rabbi Steven Pruzansky will be leading a **Congregation Bnai Yeshurun Jewish Heritage Trip to Latvia, Lithuania and Belarus from May 13-20**. 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 <http://heritageseminars.org/eventsarchive/congregation-bnei-yeshurun-seminar/>. Registration is now underway.

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 | 2:30pm—Early pack—(Adults only), or 5:45pm Regular packing

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

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 projectyechi@gmail.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. candscooper@gmail.com. **Bergenfield Drop off:** Meredith Yager, 65 Lee Place 201-321-4301 Meredithyager@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.