

# שבת שלום

## ***Building On Our Legacy***

June 10-11, 2016

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*Parashat Bamidbar*

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## **Shabbat Shalom**

**Beth El-Norwalk**



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### **Service Times**

- \* Monday-Friday: 8:00AM
- \* Friday Shabbat Evening: 6:30PM
- \* Shabbat Morning: 9:30AM
- \* Sunday Morning services can be scheduled by request.  
Please speak to Rabbi Paskind at least a week in advance.
- \* Major Secular Holidays: 9:00AM

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## WEEKLY TORAH

Parashat Bamidbar, or “in the desert,” begins with God commanding Moses to take a census of the entire Israelite community. The commandment is given on the first day of the second month of the second year after the Israelites’ departure from Egypt. All males over the age of twenty are counted, and it is reported that there is a total of 603,550. This number excludes 22,000 Levites, who are exclusively responsible for all services of the sanctuary and are to camp around the sanctuary at all times. After counting all firstborn Israelite males over the age of one month, Moses is instructed to compare their number of 22,273 with the total of 22,000 Levites and to charge a redemption tax for the additional 273. It is to be paid to Aaron and his sons for service to the sanctuary. Moses also lists and counts the Kohathites separately from the Levites since the Kohathites are responsible for lifting and carrying sacred objects of the sanctuary. They are not to be present when the sanctuary is either dismantled or set up.

*From: A Torah Commentary for Our Times by Harvey J. Fields*

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**Friday, June 10,** 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 8:08pm Candle Lighting

**Saturday, June 11, Erev Shavuot,** 9:30am Shabbat Service, 6:30pm Tikkun begins, 9:08 Candle Lighting, *See Shavuot Section for schedule details*

**Sunday, June 12, Shavuot,** 9:30am Shavuot Service, 9:09pm Candle Lighting

**Monday, June 13, Shavuot, Office Closed,** 9:30am Shavuot Service, with Yizkor

**Wednesday, June 15,** 7:30pm Calendar Meeting

**Friday, June 17,** 6:30pm Shabbat Under the Stars Service (Brachfeld/Levy Residence), 8:11pm Candle Lighting

**Saturday, June 18,** 9:30am Shabbat Service

**Join us for morning minyan Monday-Friday at 8:00am, unless otherwise posted.**

## BIMAH OFFICERS AND SHABBAT GREETERS

**Shabbat Morning Bimah Officer, 6/11** – David Rossen

**Shabbat Morning Greeters, 6/11** – Harry Morgenthaler

**Shabbat Morning Bimah Officer, 6/18** – Ellen Wasserman

**Shabbat Morning Greeters, 6/18** – Andy Meyers

## LIFE CYCLE

Condolences to Marvin Rosenbaum on the death of his brother-in-law Milton Rothstein.

## TODAH RABBAH

Thank you to Leon Berkowitz, Eric & Michelle Fanwick, Arthur & Ellen Gerstein and Joel & Ellen Wasserman for hosting Share-A-Shabbat on Friday, June 3.

Thank you to Ron & Judy Wilkins for sponsoring the kiddush in honor of their 15<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and Liora’s 9<sup>th</sup> birthday. Mazal Tov and Happy Birthday!

Thank you to Stuart Garrelick and Leona Lepofsky for sponsoring the oneg in honor of their birthdays. Happy Birthday!

## SHAVUOT IS HERE!



**Saturday, June 11 - Tikkun Leil Shavuot Night of Study and Community Dinner** - Begins at 6:30pm and goes into the night!

### Teachers and Topics Include:

*Rabbi Paskind:* Peeking into our new Siddur

*David Loewenberg:* The History and Laws of Torah Reading

*Riva Silverman:* What's Hiding in Genesis?!

*Dr. Josh Hurwitz:* Medical and Jewish Perspectives on Modern Fertility Treatments

### Schedule for Erev Shavuot

6:30pm 1<sup>st</sup> Study Session and Kids Shavuot Activity

7:15pm Dinner

8:15pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Study Session and Dessert for Kids

9:00pm Erev Shavuot Service, followed by Dessert for Adults

9:45pm ...The Learning Continues

### Shavuot Morning Services

Sunday and Monday, 9:30am (Monday includes Yizkor)

## UPCOMING BETH EL EVENTS



### Friday, June 17 - Shabbat Under The Stars

*Honoring our High School graduates & our Beth El volunteers*

6:30pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service at Sandy Levy & Joe Brachfeld's home.

## WILTON IS WELCOMING IN SHABBAT!

### Friday, June 24, 5:30pm-7:00pm - Wilton Library

Come for a nosh, conversation, music and a craft for kids.

Leave with a little gift; our way of saying thank you. This event is open to all congregants and the Jewish community. If you have friends looking for a preschool, Hebrew school, some place to spend the holidays, please invite them. It is the perfect setting for people to connect on a truly personal note. This event is free to attend, however we are looking for sponsors. You can be a sponsor for as little as \$18. Please let the Office know. For more details, please contact your event chairs, Alison Sherman and Jessica Rutherford.



### July 7, 7:30pm – Rosh Chodesh Book Club

*The Golem and the Jinni*, by Helen Wecker

## COMING SOON...

EVERY Wednesday in August –

### WATERMELON WEDNESDAY!

Open to Nitzan families and anyone with kids age 5 & under.

Music & watermelon – stay tuned for details!



## NITZAN NURSERY SCHOOL

Thank you to everyone who donated BOXTOPS. They earned \$110 this year! Please keep them coming during summer.

## BULLETIN DEADLINE

The deadline for the August bulletin is **July 11**. To ensure inclusion in the upcoming bulletin, please email [bulletins@congbethel.org](mailto:bulletins@congbethel.org) by the deadline.

## COMMUNITY



See Bulletin Board for Details

### **July 25, 9:00am – Life Line Screening (Beth El Norwalk)**

Protect your health by being screened! Through ultrasound we evaluate the carotid arteries for buildup of fatty plaque, which is the leading cause of stroke. Call 1-888-653-6441 to register.

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Once you sign-up (or login), you just need to choose Congregation Beth El of Norwalk as the charitable organization you wish to support and click select.

## JEWISH SENIOR SERVICES



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**June 21, 5:00pm-7:00pm** - Monthly Educational Series for families and caregivers that are facing challenges providing care for loved ones with memory loss. *THIS EVENT WILL BE HELD AT THE NEW HARRY AND JEANETTE WEINBERG CAMPUS* at 4200 Park Avenue (main entrance). The topic is Long Term Planning.

## SPONSOR A KIDDUSH OR ONEG

Sponsoring a Kiddush just got easier! Celebrate a simcha: a birthday, special event or special event. \$180 covers the cost of a regular Shabbat Kiddush. To sponsor the Friday night Oneg, \$36 covers all. Celebrate with the community!

## FOOD CERTIFICATES

**Food Cards** - Don't forget to buy your Food Cards from Harry! To order, call him at the synagogue, 203.838.2710 or home, 203.846.2646.

