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Shabbat Parsha Terumah

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***This week's Shabbos sheet is sponsored by
Harold & Maneva Ruth Edelman
in memory of Maneva's brother Gene Ruppe.***

IN THE WEEK AHEAD

Saturday, February 29

Open Beit Midrash	8:30 a.m.
Shacharit.....	9:00 a.m.
Torah Class with Rebbe Howie	10:15 a.m.
Torah Class with Rebbe Leon	10:30 a.m.
Daven & Learn with Rebbe Donald	10:30 a.m.
Torah with Rabbi Moshe.....	10:45 a.m.
Torah Tot Shabbat	10:50 a.m.
Kiddush	11:15 a.m.

Breakfast table Sponsored by

Joshua & Anna Priluck in honor of the 1st birthday of Ariella Adara Priluck

Cake Sponsored by

Faige & Yaakov Jeidel in honor of the 3rd birthday of Lea Jeidel

Insights into the Weekly Torah Portion.....	4:55 p.m.
Teen-led Children's Activity	5:35 p.m.
Mincha/Seudah Shlishit	5:40 p.m.
Havdalah.....	6:57 p.m.
Dor L'dor: Inter-generational Learning	7:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 1

Shacharit.....	9:00 a.m.
Works of the Maimonidies	9:45 a.m.
JYE BI.....	10:00 a.m.
JYE BI Jr/PJ Library	10:15 a.m.
Mincha/Daf Yomi/Ma'ariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	6:00 p.m.

Monday - Friday

Laws of Shabbos	6:45 a.m.
Shacharit.....	7:00 a.m.
Nach Yomi: Daily Prophets	7:40 a.m.
<i>Lights of Teshuva</i> with Rabbi Moshe	8:00 a.m.
Mincha/Daf Yomi/Ma'ariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 3

Tasty Torah with Rabbi Yoni	7:00 p.m.
Men's Pick-up Basketball @ JCC	8:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 5

<i>Character Development</i> with Rabbi Ari	9:30 a.m.
Master Chef: Beth Israel Teens Edition	7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 6

Mincha/Candle Lighting.....	6:04 p.m.
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**Note* No Tasty Torah on the First Monday of the month.*



Celebrate



Mazel Tov to Those Celebrating Next Week

Birthdays (English)

Ariella Priluck	March 2
Lea Jeidel	March 2
Adam Goldberg	March 3
Meir Wheeler	March 3
Alex Grossman	March 3
Rabbi Yoni Dreyer	March 5
Amy Reynolds	March 5

Birthdays (Hebrew)

Ann Pitman-Kogan	4 Adar
Jenna Gerber	4 Adar
Amy Reynolds	4 Adar
Lea Jeidel	4 Adar
Nancy Wolf	5 Adar
Rabbi Yoni Dreyer	8 Adar

Celebrating a special simcha?

Contact Bette Kozlen or the office to be a part of the next Simcha Kiddush.



... Harold & Maneva Ruth Edelman for sponsoring this week's Shabbos sheet in memory of Maneva's brother Gene Ruppe.

... Sid Zacharia, Ethan Cohen, and Alex Shyken for providing this week's parsha questions.

...Sarah Abrahamson and Rachel Wheeler for heading the Women's Rosh Chodesh Meeting.

...Gary Nachman for allowing Nate Shapiro & Matt Cohen to use his property to test security glass.

...Beth Cohen, Brad Berman, Eli Lopez, & Zoe Berman for shopping, preparing, and cleaning up last week's Seudah Shlishit.

Big Todah Rabah to Rabbi Yoni Dreyer for checking community mezuzot and helping us fulfill mitzvot.



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7th-12th graders

For More information- Rabbi Yoni (402) 401-8184



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PURIM IN THE JUNGLE **MEGILLA READING**

MONDAY, MARCH 9TH

8:00 P.M. MEGILLA & ICE CREAM AT BETH ISRAEL

TUESDAY, MARCH 10TH

6:40 A.M. SHACHARIT & MEGILLA AT BETH ISRAEL

11:00 A.M. MEGILLA AT ROSE BLUMKIN JEWISH HOME

1:00 P.M. MEGILLA AT STERLING RIDGE

PURIM PARTY

\$10 PER PERSON \$36 FOR FAMILY OF 4 OR MORE

TUESDAY, MARCH 10TH

5:45 P.M. MINCHA

6:00 P.M. MEGILLAH READING

6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. FACE PAINTING AND BALLOON MAGIC

6:30 P.M. PURIM SEUDAH

7:00 P.M. PURIM SPIEL

8:30 P.M. WINE & SECRETS OF THE TORAH WITH RABBI ARI

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THURSDAY, MARCH 12

7:30 P.M. PLAY AT PURIM

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*You shall make a menorah of pure gold,
hammered out shall the menorah be made.
(Exodus 25:31)*

God commanded Moshe to make a menorah by fashioning it out of a single bar of gold. Moshe could not visualize the menorah, and so God showed him a vision of a menorah of fire. However, Moshe still found it difficult to make. God then told him to throw the bar of gold into the fire, give it one blow with the hammer, and a finished menorah would emerge! Moshe threw the gold into the fire, hit it with the hammer and prayed to Hashem. Immediately, the complete menorah emerged from the fire. There is an obvious difficulty with this: if God knew that Moshe was not going to be able to actually make the menorah by himself, why did He show him the heavenly vision first?

When you get into your car and you turn on the G.P.S. the first instruction is: ENTER YOUR DESTINATION. In order to get anywhere in life, you need to have a goal; a vision of where you are heading. You have to first know what you want, before it can happen. Similarly, you can't pray and expect heavenly assistance if you don't have a clear vision of what you are looking for. Therefore, God had to show Moshe a vision of what he was supposed to accomplish, and only then could Moshe pray for heavenly assistance in the making of the menorah.(1)

The Alter of Kelm explains how righteous people of previous generations became such great people. It was because they knew the power of setting goals, and had visions of what they aspired to reach. The evil inclination is able to persuade someone to sin by placing immoral fantasies in his mind. The only way to fight him is by using his own weapon against him - one needs to use the imagination to envision greatness.(2) A person can learn mussar but still retain his flaws. In order to really change, one needs to envision the great person he would like to be. When the great sage Rebbe Akiva Eiger was asked how he became who he was, he replied that he strove to become like the Rashba (a great Rabbi who lived hundreds of years before him), and therefore he was able to become Rebbe Eiger. A person should always aim higher - shoot for the sky, for if you fall you will land amongst the stars!

Notes:

- 1) Sfas Emes
- 2) Mivchtav M'Eliyahu

Parsha Terumah

Source: By Rabbi Aron Tendler
www.torah.org

1st Aliya: A list of raw materials necessary for building the Mishkan was presented to the Bnai Yisroel: gold, silver, copper, wool dyed sky-blue, dark red, and crimson, linen, goats wool, ram skins, acacia wood, oil, spices, incense, and precious stones. The Ark is described in detail.

2nd Aliya: The cover of the Ark and the Cherubim are detailed. The weight of the cover alone, without the Cherubim, is between 150 lb. and 2500 lb. of pure gold! The Shulchan – Table and the Showbread are described.

3rd & 4th Aliyot: The Menorah and her utensils are described. Her weight was 1 Talent = 3000 Shekels = 150 lb. of pure gold. The basic structure of the Mishkan, consisting of beams, decorative materials and leather coverings, is outlined.

5th Aliya: The Paroches- dividing partition separating the Holy of Holies from the rest of the Mishkan is described.

6th & 7th Aliyot: The ramped, copper, Mizbeach is described. The outer enclosure surrounding the entire Mishkan is described.

Parsha Questions

This weeks questions written by Sid Zacharia, Ethan Cohen, Alex Shyken

1. How many times does the word Terumah appear in this parsha?
2. Why did Hashem need a lot of materials from B'nai Israel?
3. How many curtains were in the Mishkan?
4. What was the Menorah in the Mishkan made out of?
5. Besides the Menorah, what other item was made out of one piece of solid gold?

Reminder: We encourage all of our families that receive subsidies to Friedel Jewish Academy to apply for funding from the Jewish Federation of Omaha. Information about scholarships and grants can be found at JewishOmaha.org.

The application deadline for JFO Scholarships is
Monday, March 2, 2020.

You can find information regarding changes to Beth Israel's subsidy for the 2020-2021 school year, at OrthodoxOmaha.org under Membership.



WELCOME TO BETH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE

We are delighted to welcome you to Beth Israel Synagogue. A passage from Deuteronomy 30:11-14 inspired the art work in the sanctuary. "For this commandment that I command you today - it is not hidden from you and it is not distant. It is not in heaven, [for you] to say, 'Who can go to the heaven and take it for us so that we can listen to it and perform it?' Nor is it across the seas, [for you] to say, 'Who can cross to the other side of the sea for us and take it for us, so that we can listen to it and perform it?' Rather, the matter is very near to you - in your mouth and your heart - to perform it." Mitzvot are obtainable.

- ◆ The focal point of the sanctuary is the Menorah Window, which frames the Ark and is shaped in the form of the six branched candelabrum. To the right, brilliantly colored windows have forms that reflect the heavens, while the left side depicts the seas.
- ◆ The message is completed in a frieze, the horizontal painting on wood mounted on the wall. The background of the frieze symbolically and abstractly represents the relationship between G-d and the people of Israel through the Covenant. The perochet, or curtain over the Ark, completes the symbolic composition, with an expression that intertwines the Torah and the letter Aleph, the first letter of the Hebrew alphabet, of the Ten Commandments, and of G-d's name in Hebrew.
- ◆ As is traditional, the sanctuary has 12 windows, representing the 12 tribes of Israel. These windows contain the name of each tribe in flowing, organic letters. The windows are located above the continued frieze, which includes two central texts of the revelation at Sinai - "If you will keep my Covenant, you shall be precious to me," and "You shall be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation." This composition expresses the unity of Israel as the people stood together at Sinai and accepted the Torah.

Beth Israel Synagogue strives to perpetuate the legacy of Torah Judaism in the modern world. Beth Israel welcomes all persons of the Jewish faith to join and accepts the diversity of practice and thought among its members.

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