

# CONGREGATION BETH AARON ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shabbat Parshat Vayechi

December 25-26, 2015

14 Tevet 5776

## SHABBAT TIMES

### Friday, December 25

Latest Candles: 4:15 p.m.  
Kabbalat Shabbat: 4:20 p.m.

### Shabbat, December 26

Hashkama Minyan: 7:30 a.m.  
Tefillah Shiur: 8:20 a.m.  
Main Minyan: 8:45 a.m.  
Youth Minyan: 9:15 a.m.  
Sof Zman Kriat Shema: 9:37 a.m.  
Early Mincha: 1:45 p.m.  
Daf Yomi: 3:00 p.m.

Women's Learning: 3:00 p.m., at the Markovitz home, 201 Grayson Place, Yehoshua, chapter 6

Meir Hirsch's shiur: 3:10 p.m.

Mincha: 4:10 p.m., followed by Rabbi Rothwachs' shiur, "Drafting a Healthcare Proxy: When, How, and Why"

Maariv: 5:15 p.m.

Havdalah: 5:24 p.m.

Sisterhood Book Club: 7:00 p.m., at the Frazer home, 286 Edgemont Terrace

Latest Candles on Friday, January 1:  
4:15 p.m.

This week's announcements are sponsored by Carmela & Jack Rosenbaum and family, to commemorate the 16th *yahrtzeit* of Jack's father, מאיר בן יעקב יהודה, *niftar 15 Tevet*.

This week's announcements are sponsored by Susan & Mark Wiesen, in honor of the *Bar Mitzvah* of Shmuel Yosef Moshe Hirschprung. *Mazal Tov* to Shmuel's mother, Dr. Goldie Wiseman, and Shmuel's grandmother, Mrs. Olga Wiseman.

This week's announcements are sponsored by Lamdeinu. For information on their new schedule of classes, go to [lamdeinu.org](http://lamdeinu.org). Study in depth; be inspired!

## SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 27

	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri
	27	28	29	30	31	1
Earliest Tallit	6:20	6:20	6:21	6:21	6:21	6:21
Shacharit	6:30 MS 7:15 MS 8:00 MS 8:45 MS	6:09 SH 6:20 BM 7:10 BM 8:00 BM	6:10 SH 6:30 BM 7:15 BM 8:00 BM	6:10 SH 6:30 BM 7:15 BM 8:00 BM	6:10 SH 6:20 BM 7:10 BM 8:00 BM	6:30 MS 7:15 MS 8:00 MS 8:45 MS
Mincha	1:00 BM					
Mincha/ Maariv	4:20 MS	4:20 BM	4:20 BM	4:20 BM	4:20 BM	4:20 MS
Maariv	8:00 BM 9:30 BM	8:00 BM 9:30 BM	8:00 BM 9:30 BM	8:00 BM 9:30 BM	8:00 BM 9:30 BM 10:00 SH	

KEY: MS = Main Shul BM = Beit Midrash SH = Social Hall LL = Lower Level



## BETH AARON 40TH ANNUAL DINNER:

Sunday, March 6, at 5:00 p.m.

Honorees:

Shifra & Larry Shafier

Service Awardees:

Yacha & Moishe B. Singer

Ad blanks are available in the lobby or online at [bethaaron.org/dinner](http://bethaaron.org/dinner)

## DECEMBER Calendar

### THIS WEEK'S PARSHA QUESTIONS

Printed copies are available in the lobby.

On Shabbat, the shul elevator will operate in Shabbat mode as follows:

Friday:

4:15-5:45 p.m.

Shabbat:

8:15 a.m.-Noon; 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.;

4:00-5:30 p.m.

Is the Eruv Up? Call the Eruv Hotline before Shabbat: 201-530-0222

Contact Beth Aaron at [office@bethaaron.org](mailto:office@bethaaron.org)

## MAZAL TOV TO

- **Devorah & Donny Goldstein**, on their recent marriage. *Mazal Tov* also to Devorah's parents, Cindy & Marc Bernstein, and to Donny's parents, Robin & Sammy Goldstein.

## CONDOLENCES TO

- **Alden Leifer**, on the passing of his father, Hy Leifer. *Shiva* will be observed through Wednesday, December 30, as follows:
  - Through Saturday night, December 26, at 69-11 167th Street, Hillcrest, NY.
  - Sunday, December 27, to Monday, December 28, at 2:00 p.m., at the Leifer home, 150 Chadwick Road. On Sunday, *Shacharit* will be at 8:45 a.m. and *Mincha/Maariv* at 4:20 p.m. On Monday, *Shacharit* will be at 7:05 a.m.
  - Monday evening, December 28, to Wednesday morning, December 30, at 8 Falcon Road, East Brunswick, NJ.

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

- **Rena & Menachem Schnaidman**, who live on Ogden Avenue.

## PARNAS HAYOM

Dedicate a day of learning at Beth Aaron on the occasion of a *yahrtzeit*, in the *zechut* of a *refuah shelaima*, or in honor of a *simcha*, a birthday or any other occasion. Each week's dedications are prominently displayed in the shul lobby and sent out to the membership via email. For more information, or to sign up, please go to [www.bethaaron.org/parnashayom](http://www.bethaaron.org/parnashayom).

This week's sponsors are:

- **15 Tevet**: Brooke & Aryeh Lewitan, in honor of the *yahrtzeit* of Brooke's father, Yitzchok Baruch ben Shmuel
- **19 Tevet**: Rani & Paul Lustiger, in honor of the *yahrtzeit* of Paul's father, Shmuel ben Aharon ha-Levi

## MEN'S CLUB KIDDUSH

*Kiddush* following the *Hashkama Minyan* is sponsored by the **Klavan and Sheffey Families**.

This week's Men's Club *Kiddush* following the Main *Minyan* is sponsored by:

*L'Chaim* Sponsors:

- **Carmela & Jack Rosenbaum and family**, in honor of the 16th *yahrtzeit* of Jack's father, Meir Rosenbaum, Meir ben Yakov Yehuda, and to wish "farewell" to the \$72 *L'Chaim* sponsorship
- **Alona & David Shapiro**, in memory of David's father, Howard Shapiro, Chaim Dov ben Yitzchok Eizik

*Mezonot* Sponsors:

- **Cindy & Marc Bernstein**, in honor of Devorah's marriage to Donny Goldstein
- **Rani & Paul Lustiger**, in honor of the *yahrtzeit* of Paul's father, Shmuel ben Aharon ha-Levi

Over the past year, the cost of Scotch and bourbon has increased significantly. As such, effective with the January 2, 2016, *Kiddush*, the *L'Chaim* sponsorship will increase to \$100. The *Mezonot* sponsorship will remain at \$54. *Kiddushim* cannot be successful without the support of the *kehilla*. If you are celebrating a *simcha*, commemorating a *yahrtzeit*, or simply want to say "thank you," consider sponsoring a *Kiddush*. Visit the [Kiddush website](#) to sponsor. For questions, contact Ari Gononsky at [kiddush@bethaaron.org](mailto:kiddush@bethaaron.org).

## SHUL ANNOUNCEMENTS

This *Shabbat* is **TEAM Shabbat**, sponsored by the Traditional End-of-Life Movement, which is dedicated to generating awareness, educating, and guiding the community on end-of-life matters. This *Shabbat* is dedicated to creating an enhanced understanding throughout the community of the *Torah* value of life, preparing for illness, making end-of-life decisions, and helping other Jews make traditional burial choices.

The next **Sisterhood Book Club selection** is *The Paris Architect* by Charles Belfoure. We will meet to discuss this book at 7:00 p.m., this *Motzaei Shabbat*, December 26, at the home of Rachel Frazer, 286 Edgemont Terrace. For more information, contact Diane Fogel, 201-837-0651, [difogel@aol.com](mailto:difogel@aol.com).

This Sunday, December 27, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., there will be a **blood drive** at the *shul*. For an appointment, email Josh Teplow, [givebloodtoday@gmail.com](mailto:givebloodtoday@gmail.com), with your name and phone number, as well as a time slot.

The Beth Aaron Sisterhood is pleased to invite the women of the community to a *shiur* this Monday, December 28, at 8:00 p.m., at the home of Rachelle Mandelbaum, 695 Palmer Avenue. Rochel Goldbaum, a noted lecturer from Ottawa, Canada, will speak on "**Holding Hands through Hardship: How to Help Others and Ourselves through Hard Times/Difficult Situations.**" We hope you can join us! To sponsor this program, contact Deena Fisher, [deenafisher100@gmail.com](mailto:deenafisher100@gmail.com).

Who has the best *cholent* in Beth Aaron? Find out at the Men's Club **Cholent Challenge & Ping Pong Contest** on Friday night, January 15. You can taste and vote anytime between 7:45 and 9:30 p.m. The *cholent* with the most votes will win a \$50 Amazon gift card. To enter your *cholent*, e-mail David Landsman, [davidlandsman1@gmail.com](mailto:davidlandsman1@gmail.com) or fill out the form at [www.bethaaron.org/event/cholentchallenge](http://www.bethaaron.org/event/cholentchallenge). The Challenge rules also can be found there. To

become a *Kugel* Sponsor for only \$50, e-mail [mensclub@bethaaron.org](mailto:mensclub@bethaaron.org). Do you think you can play ping pong better than Rabbi Rothwachs? Sign up for one of the 16 available slots at [www.bethaaron.org/event/cholentchallenge](http://www.bethaaron.org/event/cholentchallenge). Players must be 15 years of age or older.

To sponsor the Thursday night *Mishmar* program, please go to [www.bethaaron.org/event/mishmar](http://www.bethaaron.org/event/mishmar).

The *shul* is collecting **old tallitot to be given to the Hebrew Free Burial Association**. If you have one that you'd like to donate, please contact Izzy Salomon, [prismatix1@gmail.com](mailto:prismatix1@gmail.com), or Kal Staiman, [kstaiman@gmail.com](mailto:kstaiman@gmail.com).

Beth Aaron's "**Leave No Shekel Behind**" project invites those who return from Israel or Europe with loose *shekalim* or Euros to mail in or drop off the loose change at the Beth Aaron office. The funds will be exchanged into dollars, and a check for the resulting proceeds will be sent to Beit Yatir, Congregation Beth Aaron's sister town in Israel. (Donations in dollars also will be accepted.) While you probably will not miss the change, the consolidated sum of individual contributions will have a significant impact on various projects in Beit Yatir and is an appropriate way of showing our *achdut* with our brothers and sisters in Eretz Yisrael.

### LEAVING BOOKS IN THE LOBBY

We respectfully request that *seforim*, religious or other pamphlets, books, journals or magazines not be left on the table in the lobby. While we understand that our members may need to pare down their libraries, leaving these items in the *shul* often creates problems for Beth Aaron in terms of the disposal of *sheimot*. In addition, whether books are left singly, in stacks, or in boxes, the lobby does not look welcoming and attractive to those entering for services or programs. If you wish to donate *seforim* or books to the library, please send a note to [library@bethaaron.org](mailto:library@bethaaron.org) before leaving them on the table or in the office. Thank you for your cooperation.

### CONDOLENCE CARDS

Sisterhood condolence cards are available from the office for \$8 each or \$50 for 10. To order, please contact Judi at the office, [office@bethaaron.org](mailto:office@bethaaron.org), 201-836-6210.

### WEEKLY SHIURIM

- *Daf Yomi*: For *Daf Yomi shiurim* and resources in Teaneck, go to [www.teaneckshuls.org/daf/](http://www.teaneckshuls.org/daf/).
- *Daf Yomi shiur* by Rabbi Rothwachs / Rabbi Daniel Feldman / Rabbi Mark Staum: Monday-Thursday evenings, at 9:45 p.m.
- Tanya *shiur* by Rabbi Moshe Rosenberg: Tuesday evenings at 9:00 p.m.
- Rabbi Rothwachs' *Sanhedrin* shiur: Wednesday evenings at 8:30 p.m.
- *Mishmar* Program: Thursday evenings from 9:00 to 10:00 p.m.
- *Morning Mishna Chabura*: Monday, Thursday: 6:55 a.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday: 7:00 a.m.

### LOST & FOUND

Found:

- *Mishneh Torah*, 2-volume set

To claim these *seforim*, please contact the *shul* office, [office@bethaaron.org](mailto:office@bethaaron.org), 201-836-6210.

## SUPPORTING BETH AARON

With only a few days left in the calendar year, we hope you will consider supporting Congregation Beth Aaron in your year-end giving by fulfilling your outstanding pledges and charges before December 31. Payments can be made by logging into your account online before 11:59 p.m. this Thursday, December 31. If you are mailing in or dropping off checks and envelopes, please be sure to do so by Wednesday, December 30, to ensure that credit is given for 2015.

If you are unsure of your outstanding balance, please contact the shul office, [office@bethaaron.org](mailto:office@bethaaron.org), 201-836-6210. You also can view your account online at [www.bethaaron.org](http://www.bethaaron.org). If you think that the billed balance is in error or have forgotten your account password, please contact the *shul* office.

If you require help in meeting your outstanding obligations, please email [fac@bethaaron.org](mailto:fac@bethaaron.org).

Please help ensure the continued success of Congregation Beth Aaron. Only through our combined efforts will our *shul* be able to thrive and grow.

## BETH AARON YOUTH

**Parent-Child Learning will take place next on *Motzaei Shabbat*, January 2, at 6:10 p.m.** Parents and children are encouraged to come and learn. Bring your own materials to learn, or take out a book from our Youth Library. Ices or ice cream will be served each week. Each week, there also will be a raffle for great prizes and a door prize for every child who attends. Children are welcome to sign up to say a *Dvar Torah*. Sponsorships are available starting at \$36 (ice cream party) or \$125 (pizza party). To sponsor or to sign up to say a *Dvar Torah*, please go to [www.bethaaron.org/event/pcl5776](http://www.bethaaron.org/event/pcl5776) or email [bethaaronyouth@yahoo.com](mailto:bethaaronyouth@yahoo.com).

Groups for nursery-2nd grade begin *Shabbat* mornings at 9:30 a.m. and continue until the end of the davening in the Main *Minyan*.

Davening for 3rd-5th graders (Jr. Congregation) begins at 9:30 a.m. At 10:10 a.m., all 3rd-5th graders are invited for *parsha*, *Kiddush*, and games until the end of davening in the Main *Minyan*.

Those interesting in taking part in "*Banim Mitpalelim*," enabling broader participation of boys between the ages of 7-12 in leading the conclusion of davening on *Shabbat* mornings, may sign up using the [online form](#) or by contacting Mark Staum, Menachem Kravetz or Jason David, directly.

For more information about youth programs, please contact Beth Aaron Youth Directors Erica and Jason David, 732-618-9473, [youth@bethaaron.org](mailto:youth@bethaaron.org).

## BETH AARON JR. HIGH

For more information about events for 6th to 8th graders, please contact Erica and Jason David, [youth@bethaaron.org](mailto:youth@bethaaron.org)

## NCSY

All high school teens are invited to join Teaneck NCSY this Friday night, December 25, from 9:30 to 11:00 p.m., at the Lebovitz home, 441 West Englewood Avenue, for a ***Shabbat Oneg!*** Come to hang out with friends, shmooze with awesome advisors, and enhance your *Shabbat* experience!

Join Teaneck NCSY for **Latte and Learn** this Thursday night, December 31, at Lazy Bean Café, 1404 Queen Anne Road, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Come grab a drink and chill and learn together with friends and advisors in a relaxed environment. See you there!

Join Teaneck NCSY for **Monster Mini Golf and Arcades** on *Motzaei Shabbat*, January 2, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at Monster Mini Golf, 49 East Midland Avenue, Paramus. Pizza will be served. The cost is \$12. Come have a fun night with your friends and amazing advisors! Please note that transportation will not be provided.

For more information about NCSY and NCSY events, contact Reuven Lebovitz, [ncsy@bethaaron.org](mailto:ncsy@bethaaron.org).

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CareOne needs volunteers for a *minyan*.** On Friday evening, *Mincha* will be at 4:15 p.m. On *Shabbat*, *Shacharit* will be at 9:00 a.m., *Mincha* at 4:09 p.m., and *Maariv* at 5:19 p.m.

On *Motzaei Shabbat*, January 2, at 8:00 p.m., at Congregation Rinat Yisrael, 389 West Englewood Avenue, there will be an **Israeli Film Festival** featuring four films from the Maale Film School. Admission is \$7 in advance at [www.rinat.org/filmfestival](http://www.rinat.org/filmfestival) or at the door. The featured films include *House 103*, *Addes*, *Sister of Mine*, and *Singing Through our Tears*.

On Sunday, January 3, at 5:00 p.m., at the Teaneck Marriott at Glenpointe, 100 Frank W. Burr Boulevard, Do Wonders, a local charity that donates wigs to women and young ladies with cancer, will hold its annual **Night of Wonders Benefit Concert**. Among the honorees is **Tiferet Fischman**, who will receive the Young Leadership Award. For more information, go to [www.DoWondersCharity.org](http://www.DoWondersCharity.org) or contact them at [DoWondersCharity@gmail.com](mailto:DoWondersCharity@gmail.com), 201-837-6770.

On *Motzaei Shabbat*, January 9, at 8:45 p.m., at the Jewish Center of Teaneck, 70 Sterling Place, there will be a **concert in support of Sharsheret**, with **Yehuda Green** and the **Maccabeats**. Chaim Kiss will be the musical host. Ticket prices are \$25, \$35, and \$50; VIP seats are available. To reserve a ticket, go to [jewishtickets.com](http://jewishtickets.com) or call 201-833-2341 or 718-854-6902.

On Sunday, January 10, at Congregation Beth Abraham, 396 New Bridge Road, Bergenfield, there will be a **Yom Iyun**, sponsored by TorahWeb.org. At 8:00 p.m., **Rav Mayer Twersky** will speak on "*Mesorah* and the Role of the Jewish Woman." At 8:50 p.m., **Rav Herschel Schachter** will speak on "The Proper Way to Ask and Answer Halachic Questions."

On Sunday, January 31, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., at the Jewish Federation of Northern New Jersey, 50 Eisenhower Drive, Paramus, there will be an **Israel Advocacy Session for teens**. The program includes dinner. **Community service hours** are available by helping Federation make calls for Super Sunday from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. or 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. To register either for the program or to make calls, contact Stephanie Hauser, [stephanieh@jfnnj.org](mailto:stephanieh@jfnnj.org), 201-820-3901.

## COMMUNITY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

The **Amud Yomi shiur** meets weeknights at 9:30 p.m. at Congregation Rinat Yisrael, 389 West Englewood Avenue. For more information, please contact Mordechai Ungar, 201-741-3920, [m\\_ungar@yahoo.com](mailto:m_ungar@yahoo.com).

This Sunday, December 27, Yeshiva University's **Kollel Yom Rishon**, weekly free learning for men, will be held in Glueck 307 (515 West 185th Street, corner of Amsterdam Avenue), and its **Midreshet Yom Rishon**, weekly free learning for women, will be held in the Schottenstein Center (on West 185th Street, between Audubon and St. Nicholas Avenues). Both programs are open to participants of all ages, backgrounds, and learning levels, and no registration is required. **Kollel Yom Rishon** will feature **Rabbi Zev Reichman** and **Rabbi Etan Schnall**, and **Midreshet Yom Rishon** will feature **Rabbi Mordechai Becher** and **Rabbi Moshe Taragin**. The first *shiur* starts at 9:30 a.m., the second at 10:30 a.m. For information or to download *mar'ei mekomot*, visit [www.kollelyomrishon.org](http://www.kollelyomrishon.org) or [www.midreshetyomrishon.org](http://www.midreshetyomrishon.org) or call 212-960-0041

On Monday nights, at 7:00 p.m., at Heichal HaTorah, 70 Sterling Place, **Junior High boys** are invited to a **Night Seder Program**. For more information, visit [www.heichalhatorah.org/nightseder](http://www.heichalhatorah.org/nightseder) or contact the *Yeshiva*, 201-335-0633, [ras@heichalhatorah.org](mailto:ras@heichalhatorah.org).

On Tuesday nights, at 8:30 p.m., at Congregation Bnai Yeshurun, 641 West Englewood Avenue, **Rav Meir Goldwicht** offers a *Parshat ha-Shavua shiur* in Hebrew.

Congregation Keter Torah, 600 Roemer Avenue, presents **Torah in the AM**: Tuesdays and Thursday, 9:00-9:45 a.m. -- *Chavura* on close reading of *Sefer Bereishit*; 9:45-10:45 a.m. -- *Gemara Sanhedrin* with Rabbi Menahem Meier; Tuesdays, 11:00-noon -- Rabbi Baum on *Tehillim* for specific events; Thursdays, 10:45-11:45 a.m. -- Rambam with Rabbi Meier.

On Thursdays, December 31, and January 7, at 12:15 p.m., at Ma'ayanot, 1650 Palisade Avenue, **Rabbi Jay Goldmintz** will present a *shiur* on "The Meaning of Praying and Praying with Meaning: An Exploration of *Tefilla* and the *Siddur*." Both men and women are welcome. For more information, please contact Pam Ennis, 201-833-4307, ext. 265.

On Thursday nights, at the Jewish Center of Teaneck, 70 Sterling Place, Heichal HaTorah offers an open **Thursday Night Seder Program**. At 8:15 p.m., men may learn *Chassidut* with Rav Moshe Tzvi Weinberg or *Minchat Chinuch* with Rav Aryeh Westreich. At 9:15 p.m., they may learn *Iyun* in *Shulchan Aruch* with Rav Pesach Skulnick or *Iyun* on the *Parsha* with Rav Jason Finkelstein. *Maariv* will be held at 8:00, 9:00, and 10:00 p.m. *Chulent* and *kugel* will be served. For more information, contact Rav Aryeh Stechler, 201-335-0633, [ras@heichalhatorah.org](mailto:ras@heichalhatorah.org).

### HOW TO SET UP A PAYMENT PLAN

If you are interested in setting up a payment plan to automatically pay your membership, Building Fund, *eruv*, and *mikveh* obligations to Congregation Beth Aaron, just follow these easy steps:

1. Login to the Beth Aaron website, [www.bethaaron.org](http://www.bethaaron.org). If you don't know your password, click on the "forgot your password" link at the bottom of the box and follow the instructions that will be emailed to you.
2. Once you are logged on, click on **My Account**
3. Under the list of transactions billed to your account click **Submit A Payment »**
3. Check or uncheck the items you would like to pay.
4. Find where the page says "Pay this amount" and choose the number of payments you would like to make. You can set up the payment plan on a weekly, bi-weekly or monthly basis.

Pay this amount    
  **Starting**

5. Click "continue to payment" and select whether you will pay the convenience fee.
6. Log into Paypal to complete setting up the plan. (If you don't have a PayPal account, you will need to create one.)

It's that simple!



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