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FIND WHERE YOU BEIONG NEW MEMBER WELCOME EVENT Sunday, September 8, 2019 **Schaefer Family Campus** 2:00pm-4:00pm Lite bites and something sweet, find where you belong at this meet and greet. Start with a special blessing on the Bima to welcome you to our Temple Beth El family. Learn about upcoming programs, social action initiatives, the new Steve Brown z"I* Volunteer Program, Brotherhood, Sisterhood and Parenthood, youth group for kids Kindergarten through 12th grade, and many ways each of you can get involved. Get your Chaverweb log-in Sign up for a Chavurah • Pick up your welcome gift you will love it! Register at tbeboca.org/special-events or contact Julie Guzy at jguzy@tbeboca.org or 561-391-8900. *of blessed memory Temple Beth E1 Schaefer Family Campus 333 SW 4th Avenue | Boca Raton, FL 33432 | 561 391 8900 tbeboca.org

Belonging

And Adonai God said: "It is not good for the human being to be alone. I will make a helper corresponding to him." (Genesis 2:18)

BY RABBI DAN LEVIN dlevin@tbeboca.org

From the beginning of time, it was all about relationship.

Think of an atom – the building block of everything that exists. The most simple atom is comprised of two pieces of energy that belong to each other. More complex atoms have more complex systems of belonging. Then atoms form bonds and join together into molecules, molecules join together to create compounds, compounds join

into the core of our humanity is the need to form relationships. The gift of Torah and Jewish tradition is how it teaches us to make those bonds of relationship holy.

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together to create ... everything.

The entire universe is built on bonds of relationship. Everything and everyone in our world is bound together in a cosmic web of interdependence. Nothing can exist if it does not belong to something else.

It is not good for us to be alone. Built



our holy days. The entire community is obligated to celebrate with bride and groom and to comfort those who mourn. When someone is ill, and has to be kept apart, it is a mitzvah to visit.

But instead of bringing us together, our modern world conspires to pull us further and further apart. So many of us work and live alone. We obsess over privacy. We are fixated on individuality. We idolize those who make it on their own. We stoically rebuff those who offer help.

But these societal pressures contradict everything we know about what makes for holiness. God wants us to be in relationship. We are designed to belong.



When we belong to a community it's like being plugged into an outlet. We derive power and energy from the bonds we share with people, and in turn we contribute our energy and spirit to the community.

When we belong to each other, we don't simply discover each other. In belonging we learn to discover ourselves.

This is what makes Temple Beth El a *Kehillah Kedosha* – a holy congregation. I am so excited that our new facilities will foster the creation of sacred community. At the Schaefer Family Campus you will find spaces throughout the building where we invite people to sit and congregate. The room that links our sanctuary and our chapel is the "Mishpacha Room" – the family room, for we want our congregation to be a family for everyone who belongs.

Our multi-purpose space on the Beck Family Campus is called "The Kehillah Center" because that is where we will come together as a community to play, to learn, to worship, and to celebrate.

Belonging is a benefit but also a responsibility. The more of our spirit and energy we invest in our community, the stronger we become together.

Your synagogue and your Jewish heritage belongs to you. You belong here. You belong with us.

ON THE COVER Members of our Adult Choirs, led by Michelle Auslander Cohen

A MESSAGE FROM THE TEMPLE PRESIDENT

Belonging Means "Everyone Knows Your Name"



BY
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I often think of the 1980's TV show "Cheers" which was set in a fictional bar located in Boston and was famous as a place "where everyone knows your name".

In each of the 275 episodes, the "Cheers'" characters helped each other navigate life and important family, work and school relationships.

The "Cheers" characters had many obvious personality flaws that, while exaggerated for TV, were common among all adults.

But at "Cheers," the characters and audience looked past the flaws to create an imaginary neighborhood society that felt like a second home for millions of viewers each week. However, unlike "Cheers" where engagement was one dimensional (after all it was just a 30-minute weekly sitcom about a bar), Temple Beth El provides numerous meaningful opportunities for belonging.

Beth El is a place for our children and teens to make lifelong friends and grow up in a physically safe and emotionally protective environment.

Many parents join parenthood groups which historically have been the basis for enduring congregant relationships.

On the other hand, if meditation, music or the arts are your thing, Beth El provides world class opportunities for learning and expression. And, if you want to help the poor, advocate for social action

or advance the cause of social justice, Beth El is your place. Other opportunities for adult education, spiritualty or religious expression abound.

I come to Beth El simply to have fun and make friends and have found that Beth El provides a caring environment with many great people who like me, "just wanna have fun".

I know that there is no shortcut to belonging to Beth El and no easy way to realize Beth El's benefits without spending time engaging with others.

Beth El is my own real-life version of "Cheers" – a place where I belong and where everyone knows my name.

Temple Beth El is similar - anyone can walk into the building but belonging requires effort.

At "Cheers" anyone from the street could walk into the bar, but belonging was different.

Belonging to "Cheers" didn't come cheap; it was based upon the proposition that deep and meaningful relationships require sustained effort, commitment and work.

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My Heart is in the East

SCHAEFER FAMILY CAMPUS OPEN HOUSES

For Prospective Members

The famous medieval poem, "My Heart is in the East" by Judah Halevi expresses the ageless longing of the Jewish people for the land of Israe With the exciting and dynamic resurgence in East Boca Raton, we are thrilled to welcome the community to our Schaefer Family Campus to experience this beautiful expression of Judaism for themselves.

Tours, schmooze and light bites Tuesday, August 27, 2019 6:30-8:00pm Invite your friends and neighbors to meet our clergy, tour the building, learn about the gorgeous Judaic art installations and experience what makes Temple Beth El unique. Tours start every few minutes in the first half hour, followed by schmoozing, lite bites and a special welcome gift for all.

Wednesday, August 28, 2019 Noon-1:30pm Registration required tbeboca.org/special-event

Welcome NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS

For help getting involved, please contact Elinor Josephson,
Director of Engagement and Programming, at ejosephson@tbeboca.org or 561-391-8900.

Melissa and Barak Amram and their child, Emma

Sue and Hank Aronberg

Heather and Koray Ata and their children, Ela and Sera

Stephania and Matthew Baratz and their child, Camila

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Rosita and Ralph Behr

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Jill and Jonathan Block and their child, Violet

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Amanda Brensel

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Danielle and Zachary Lessman and their child, Zoe

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Erica Lieberman and her children, Charlie, Oliver and Alexander

Emily and Jason MacInnes and their children, Ben, Willa and Elias

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Andrea McCrossen and her child, Tyler

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Jamie and Lane Mitnick and their child, Zoey

Tiffany and Chad Moreau and their child, Charlotte

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Karen and Eric Nodiff

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Irina and Damian Pilewski and their child. Ariela

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Stacie and Scott Poritz and their child, Hudson

Kelsey Golden and Sean Probber

Michelle and Brian Rebhun and their child, Henri

Linda and Jay Rosenkranz

Rebecca and Daniel Schaffer and their child, Eva

Heather and Brandon Shepherdson and their children, Dylan and Aria

Ruth and Jaider Sierra and their children, Evan and Milan

Jennifer and Joshua Somers and their child, Layla

Rachel and Jamie Spoto and their children, Emma and Addison

Phyllis Sykes and her child, Robert

Cara and Ryan Wagner and their child, Lila

Charley Scheim-Weinberg and Adam Weinberg and their children, Star and River

Lindsay and Matthew Weiner and their child, Dylan

Jessica and Brett Wishna and their child, Bryce

Rosa and Salomon Yaker

Lauren and Justin Yoskovitz and their child, Gavin

Christy and Jonathan Zaretsky and their child, Jacob





Mazel Tov to Cantor Lori on her marriage to George Brock! Cantor Lori Will now be known as Cantor Lori Brock.

Please email her a mazel tov at lbrock@tbeboca.org

Annual Meeting

We had great time at our Big Fat Greek Jewish Annual meeting. We celebrated the success of the past year, passed the budget and Board resolutions, welcomed our new 2019-2020 Board, enjoyed a festive Greek meal, and congratulated our award recipients – Elaine Krin, recipient of the Robin L. Eisenberg Jewish Learning and Living Award; Vinny Picataggio, recipient of the John Rogers Award for Exemplary Professional Service; and Art Siegel, recipient of the Joseph Q. Kline Lifetime Achievement in Volunteerism award. Our temple president, Mark Sunshine even told his very own Windex story, a la the Big Fat Greek Wedding movie. Be sure to ask him about it the next time you see him. Opa!















Are you looking to get more involved by volunteering your time or talent?

This August, Temple Beth El will introduce the Steve Brown z"l * Volunteer Program, in memory of one of the synagogue's most devoted volunteers.

Looking at the world around us, the need can be overwhelming, but our tradition teaches us that inaction is not an option. At Temple Beth El, we strive to bring people together as we engage in meaningful work, sharing the pride and warmth of our Jewish community.

Volunteer opportunities will include work within the Temple, the Early Learning Center, the Religious School and the community.

Stay tuned for details about how to sign up. For questions, contact Elinor Josephson, Director of Engagement and Programming, at ejosephson@tbeboca.org or 561-391-8900.

*of blessed memory



You belong with us!

Looking to meet other members who share your interests, passions, and life experiences? Want to build deeper relationships with individual members of this large and diverse congregation?

Let us help you find

JOIN KULANU CHAVUROT*

Member-Led Groups

your Kulanu Chavurah.

In these member-led groups, participants come together on a regular basis for shared learning, experiences, and conversation.
Groups may be organized by demographic, topic, or interest/affinity area.

Start a group, or join an existing group!

Any Temple member can participate – individuals, couples or families. Starting a group only takes three people – you and two other Temple members. We provide training on how to lead a group, helpful resources and ongoing support. With guidance from their Group Leader, each group will decide for themselves what they want to do and when they want to get together, and can attend Temple events or meet up in homes and other locations around town.

The possibilities are endless!

Are you an artist, or art lover? Let's start an Artist's Group! Do you love Jewish food and want to experience more of our heritage? Let's start a Jewish Cooking Club! Ever heard of Ask Big Questions Discussion Groups, or ROMEOs - Retired Old Men Eating Out? Are you interested in meeting other members of our Temple family who are passionate, interested and excited about something you're excited about? Let's work together to make it happen.

We look forward to helping you build friendships that last a lifetime.

If you are interested in joining Kulanu Chavurot, please contact Elinor Josephson, Director of Engagement and Programming at 561-391-8900 or ejosephson@tbeboca.org.

*Kulanu Chavurot is a Hebrew phrase that embodies the goal of our small group initiative — kulanu meaning "all of us" and chavurot meaning "groups of friends."

SOCIAL ACTION

Mitzvot of the Month

SUPPLY DRIVE!

This summer, the Temple will be doing two collections at both the Schaefer and Beck Family Campuses.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR THE GIVING TREE

Please help local children in need prepare to go back to school by supporting the Giving Tree's Back To School Program. Here's how you can help:



- Fill a student's school supply list. Email thegivingtreeboca@gmail.com to get a child and a list, purchase the items, and bring them back to the Temple.
- Donate **new** school supplies and backpacks
- Donate **new** school uniform tops polo shirts in solid colors, size child's 5 16 (girls and boys)
- No time to shop? Make a donation of \$75 to the Giving Tree, and volunteers will shop for the supplies and backpack for a specific child.

Collection bins will be available on both the Schaefer and Beck Family Campuses. All collections will go to the Giving Tree.

For more information contact thegivingtreeboca@gmail.com.



HURRICANE SUPPLIES FOR THE JACOBSON FAMILY FOOD PANTRY

The Jacobson Family Food Pantry at Ruth and Norman Rales

Jewish Family Services is creating hurricane supply kits for those in our community

who would benefit. Temple Beth El will be helping to source those kits with granola bars, cans of tuna, and cheese and cracker or peanut butter and cracker packages.

Please bring donations of those three items to either the Schaefer or Beck Family Campus.



Hurricane Home Matching Program

The Temple is encouraging member families who live in residences that are hurricane-ready (protective windows and secondary power sources), and are willing to share their residence with other congregants during a hurricane, to do so.

For those who could use the comfort and protection of a hurricane-ready home to ride out a storm (Heaven forbid!), the Temple would like to try to match you up with a home that can take you in as a storm passes.

As we make our way into hurricane season, we want to remind everyone to prepare yourselves and your homes.

For a helpful guide on hurricane preparedness, go to www.ready.gov/hurricanes.

For more information or to register for this Hurricane Home Matching Program, go to www.tbeboca.org/social-action







Bring your own lunch. Drinks provided.

JULY

WHERE WE WORSHIP: A LOOK AT SYNAGOGUE AND SPACE

Tuesdays, July 9, 16, 23 and 30 (No class July 2) 12:00-1:00pm Schaefer Family Campus Rabbi Jessica Mates

All the construction at Temple Beth El gives us an opportunity to reflect on how sacred space is created. We will look at the subtle and blatant aspects that have influenced the ways Jewish communities have worshipped for thousands of years, from ancient to modern times.

AUGUST

"TALMUD: OVERVIEW. **EVOLUTION AND** PLACE IN OUR LIVES TODAY"

Tuesdays, August 6, 13, 20 and 27 12:00-1:00pm **Schaefer Family Campus** Rabbi Greg Weisman

Talmud will be our topic as we delve into the influence it has had on the genesis and transformation of Judaism, from its earliest beginnings until today.





On-going social, educational and experiential programs for the senior population of Temple Beth El

BROADWAY WITH BENKOF

The Intersection of Jews and **Jewish Themes in the Shows We Love** Sunday, September 8, 2019 11:00am **Schaefer Family Campus**

Some of the best Broadway shows - from "Fiddler on the Roof," the Tony-winning "Dear Evan Hansen," and "The Band's Visit" (based on an Israeli film) have major Jewish themes and connections. David Benkof will discuss these awesome shows and participants will hear some of their most tuneful, stirring numbers. And warm up your voices, because we're going to sing!

David Benkof is a Jerusalem-based teacher whose (worldwide) Limmud sessions engage participants with a variety of Jewish cultural enrichment (fiction, poetry, musicals, films, jokes). He is also a Jewish historian, essayist, polyglot (English, French, Hebrew, German, Italian, and Russian, in that order), theater enthusiast, philanthropist, and trivia buff.

FOR YOUNG ADULTS AND FAMILIES

Take Me Out to the Ball Game!

Sunday, July 28, 2019 at 1:00pm Miami Marlins vs. Arizona Diamondbacks **Marlins Park**

\$15 per person includes a baseline reserved ticket. Children under 2 do not need a ticket.

Parking passes are available for \$10.

It's a beautiful day for a ball game! Join Temple Beth El's Young

Adults and Young Families to watch our hometown Miami Marlins take on the Arizona Diamondbacks.

Adults and kids are welcome!

RSVP by July 15 at

tbeboca.org/adult-programming

For more information, contact Rabbi Greg Weisman at 561-391-8900 or gweisman@tbeboca.org.



Velebrate Shabballoat

JULY 5 EARLY SERVICE

6:00pm Shabbat Service:

Jews in America

Schaefer Family Campus

This Shabbat we celebrate our freedom while contemplating how we, as Americans, juggle our Jewish identity.

JULY 12

7:30pm Shabbat Service: Jews in Arab Lands

Schaefer Family Campus

We will celebrate Shabbat with a festive Sephardic sound while learning about Jewish custom and practice in Arab nations.

JULY 19

7:30pm Shabbat Service:

"Shalom Ol' Chap!"

Schaefer Family Campus

Celebrate Shabbat with the British Invasion and learn about our Jewish neighbors across the sea. Followed by Tea and Crumpet Oneg!

JULY 26

7:30pm Shabbat Service:

Israel Report

Schaefer Family Campus

Rabbi Levin will share his thoughts on the rise of Nationalism and Patriotism upon returning from Israel and what it means for our future.

AUGUST 2 EARLY SERVICE

6:00pm Shabbat Service:

The Beat of the Drum!
Schaefer Family Campus

Join us for a rhythm filled service followed by a Drumming Circle with Pizza Oneg!

AUGUST 9

7:30 pm Shabbat Service:

Music from the Heart

Schaefer Family Campus

Celebrate Shabbat with the beautiful music of Michelle Auslander Cohen which will prepare us for Tisha B'Av with original, contemplative melodies.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

10:30am Welcome Back

Tot Shabbat

Beck Family Campus

Celebrate Shabbat with singing, dancing, praying and storytelling at this special Welcome Back Tot Shabbat geared towards children 5 and younger, followed by an Oneg in our beautiful breezeway.



AUGUST 16

7:30pm Shabbat Service: All You Need is Love! Schaefer Family Campus

Join us this Shabbat as it coincides with the holiday of Tu B'Av which celebrates love!

AUGUST 16

Back to School Shabbat Family Participation Service Beck Family Campus

6:30pm Pizza Dinner 6:30pm Shabbat Service 7:15pm Games and Oneg

Enjoy a casual pizza dinner and Shabbat service led by clergy and students! Afterwards, meet our religious school faculty as you play games and see what you can look forward to in religious school this year!

RSVP at tbeboca.org/worship or contact Brigitte in the school office blivingstone@tbeboca.org with any questions.

AUGUST 23

7:30pm Shabbat Service: Being a Good Jew Schaefer Family Campus

In this week's portion, Eikev, we discover what does God require of us. What does it mean to be a good Jew?

AUGUST 30

7:30pm Shabbat Service: The Holiness of Work Schaefer Family Campus

Join us in our celebration this Labor Day weekend as we examine the holiness of avodah.

> Do you love to sing?

> JOIN OUR ADULT CHOIR, SHIR SHALOM!

For more information, please contact Michelle Auslander Cohen at mcohen@tbeboca.org

Tisha B'Av

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11 10:30 AM BEIT MIDRASH, SCHAEFER FAMILY CAMPUS

As we commemorate the destruction of both the first and second temples in Jerusalem, we will be inspired by the teachings of Rabbi Amy Pessah as we elevate our souls on this lowest day of the Jewish year.

Rabbi Amy Pessah:
A Jewish educator for
over 30 years, Rabbi
Pessah's focus is the
study and practice
of Jewish mysticism,
mindfulness,
meditation, and music.





Shabbat Club

Drop your children (ages 2-10) off for a wonderful Shabbat experience. While you enjoy services, they can enjoy Shabbat with their friends and our fabulous Early Learning Center teachers.

FREE but you must register! tbeboca.org/worship



As humans, we need to belong – to one another, to friends and families, to our culture and country, to our world. Belonging is fundamental to our sense of happiness and well-being. We reached out to four of our families, and asked them to describe what makes them feel like they belong at Temple Beth El and what advice they would give to others who would like to strengthen their connection.

Mara and Michael Shapiro, Jenna, Scott and Daniel

I think of Temple Beth El as a warm, welcoming place; a second home. I am especially appreciative for the connection now as an empty nester when I no longer have the weekly routine of dropping my kids off for religious school, Bar/Bat Mitzvah lessons and youth engagement.

Sisterhood and Temple events give me the opportunity to catch up with friends and familiar faces that I used to see on a regular basis.

Knowing that Beth El is always there in the good times; when my kids were becoming Bar/Bat Mitzvah and our daughter's recent

engagement, is, of course, wonderful. However, when I truly needed the Temple in the aftermath of my mother's tragic, unexpected passing, I was incredibly grateful. Everyone was very supportive and caring when my family most needed it.

I can see where some people at my stage of life might think to drop their Temple membership now that the kids have grown up and moved on, but in reality, this might be the best time to become more involved and form a deeper connection with all that Temple Beth El offers.

— Mara Shapiro



Rachel and Craig Rubinstein, Emma and Jack

There is an atmosphere of warmth and welcoming created by the congregants and clergy at Temple Beth El that is palpable and not readily found at other synagogues. Our family has been involved in numerous ways, including sitting on various committees for both the congregation at large and the religious school, singing in both youth and adult choirs, and attending services and social action activities.

As the saying goes, "you've gotta be in it to win it." There are many different opportunities at TBE to get involved. Come to services, volunteer your time and skills, join a chavurah. There is a place for everyone. You will get out so much more than what you invest.

Walking onto the temple campus, there is a mixture of emotions; pride, nostalgia, and excitement. Now, more than ever, it is critical that we do everything within our power to strengthen and perpetuate our Judaism, not only to prepare our children for their future leadership, but to honor and preserve the legacy of those upon whose shoulders we stand.

— Craig Rubenstein

Larry and Edie Gise

Edie and I have been members since 2014, and the clergy, staff and the entire membership have become our family. When we enter the temple campus, a sense of serenity envelops us.

I have been a proud member of the social action and religious action committees, as well as a coordinator of Family Promise working with homeless families. In addition, I have been an usher at Friday night services as part of my involvement with the Brotherhood, and Edie sings in the choir. I would say to all members of the congregation that getting involved is so rewarding. Older members have so many wonderful programs such as Lunch and Learn and younger families have the best education for their children. As the children continue to learn and be involved with their Jewish heritage, Temple Beth El will help maintain a focus on spirituality.

Edie and I thank GOD every day for Temple Beth El.

- Larry Gise





Michelle Bonder, Kevin Trembley

Michelle grew up at Temple Beth El. I was not raised Jewish. When we decided to marry, there was only one choice of venue: Temple Beth El. We met with Rabbi Dan and talked for some time. At the end of the meeting, I left feeling like I was being accepted into a family. We now have two young children who are continuing the traditions Michelle's family started a generation ago at Beth El. Beth El has always met us where we are, welcomed our family to participate as much as we choose and share our laughter and tears throughout our journey.

When we walk in the doors at either campus, we feel like we are walking into our second home. We love the staff!! Everyone is dedicated and thoroughly seems to enjoy their involvement here. When we watch our children run through the same halls and sidewalks that Michelle learned and played in as a child, we know there is no other place we could raise our family.

Aside from committing to raise our family here and commuting from West Boynton Beach, we both sit on the Parenthood Board at the ELC; we share the Secretary and Treasurer positions. Michelle is a member of the Tribal Council for our Religious School. Michelle is

honored to be a part of the Special Needs Initiative Task Force. As parents of a child with special needs, this initiative is very close to our hearts and we are so proud of Beth El for making this happen. Michelle first discovered her love for singing at Beth El as a child. She is humbled to sing in the Temple's new vocal ensemble, Shir Chadash, with five other talented congregants and friends. We participate in as many events as we can and enjoy every minute.

Advice we would give to people new to our town or congregation, or even to some of your friends who are not as connected, so that they feel that they belong?

We would tell them that we are just like you: our plates are full; we are full-time parents to young children and full-time professionals. Just pick one event on the calendar that interests you and allow yourself that hour or so to connect. Let it grow naturally from there and it will be the best choice you make all year. This is a family and a village. Each person wants to see the next person succeed. We are champions for our temple and our community.

— Kevin Trembley

GIVING 2018-2019

We gratefully acknowledge our members who helped us in 2018-2019/5779 to continue to dream bigger and strive to serve more members of the community in meaningful ways. We celebrate great joys and comfort each other in moments of deep sorrow. We learn and pray together. We work towards the task of tikkun olam. We find meaning in our Judaism. We are Temple Beth El.

Our Sustaining Members contributed above and beyond the standard congregational commitment to provide a sustainable base of revenue, and ensure that Temple Beth El is open to all who may need the embrace of our community, or the guidance of a caring rabbi and a holy tradition.

Our Annual Giving Donors contributed to ensure we could provide scholarships so that anyone who wants to worship or obtain a Jewish education at our temple is able to do so.

Our Beth El Bash Sponsors and Gift from the Heart Givers helped us establish the Susan and Barry Podolsky Special Needs Fund to meet the diverse academic and behavioral needs of our students from Preschool through 12th Grade, in addition to supporting our scholarship program.

Our Beth El Lasting Legacy Society members participated in the Create a Jewish Legacy program to ensure Temple Beth El will always be here for our children, grandchildren and many generations to come.

Find something that speaks to you, and help create a brighter future for our Jewish community. Contact Leslie Viselman, Director of Development at lyiselman@tbeboca.org or 561-391-8900, to learn how you can make an impact with your gift of tzedakah.

Thank you to our Sustaining Members

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general information

MEMBER TICKETS

You must request tickets for each member of your family. Tickets will be mailed in the beginning of September.

ONLINE TICKET REQUEST AND ANNUAL GIVING

You may request your tickets by mailing in the forms on pages 26-28 or online at **tbeboca.org/high-holy-days-2019**

SERVICE LOCATIONS

Members may choose to celebrate services either at the Student Union/Kaye Auditorium at Florida Atlantic University (FAU) or at Temple Beth El Schaefer Family Campus.

- If you are a member and are bringing a guest to Congregational Worship Services, you must attend services with them at FAU.
- There will be a community Yizkor service free and open to the public on Yom Kippur afternoon at 3:30pm in the Chapel at Temple Beth El.
- Rabbi Dan Levin, Rabbi Jessica Spitalnic Mates and Rabbi Greg Weisman will rotate between services at Temple Beth El and FAU. Check tbeboca.org/high-holy-days-2019 for details.

FAU PARKING

Convenient parking has been secured in nearby lots on the FAU campus. Details will be included with your High Holy Day tickets.

PURCHASE CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP GUEST TICKETS

We welcome your family and friends to High Holy Day services. Guest tickets are \$180 per person for both holidays, or \$90 per person for each holiday. Due to space considerations, guest tickets are for FAU services only, except for Rosh HaShanah Evening, Second Day Rosh HaShanah, and Yom Kippur afternoon when we celebrate together at Temple Beth El.

PURCHASE FAMILY PARTICIPATION GUEST TICKETS

Adult tickets are \$180, and student tickets are \$90 for children ages 8-12, and can be used at both Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur Family Participation services. Children younger than 5 should attend the Young Children's

Service. Family Participation Guest ticket holders are also welcome to worship with us for Rosh HaShanah Evening, Second Day Rosh HaShanah and Yizkor/Ne'ilah at Temple Beth El, and Yom Kippur Evening Service and Congregational Morning Worship Service at FAU.

RECIPROCITY REQUESTS

For Temple Beth El members who will be attending services out of our area, please fill out the Reciprocity Request and we will make the request for tickets on your behalf. You must contact the out-of-town synagogue to arrange pick-up. Reciprocity can also be requested online at **tbeboca.org/high-holy-days-2019**

3 ways to pray



congregational worship

Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur Evening Services 8:00pm

TICKETS ARE REQUIRED

See complete service schedule on page 29.

Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur Congregational Morning Worship Services 10:00am

CHOOSE YOUR SERVICE STYLE, BOTH WITH TEMPLE BETH EL CLERGY:

>> AT TEMPLE BETH EL

At Temple Beth El: Traditional, majestic High Holy Day service in Beth El style.

>> AT FAU

At FAU Kaye Auditorium: A traditional High Holy Day service with the addition of contemporary musical instrumentation and settings, and thought-provoking ideas from our rabbi that will give the High Holy Days new relevance.

Tickets are not required on second day Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur Yizkor Services.

2 family participation

TICKETS ARE REQUIRED.

FOR YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN AGES 8 THROUGH EARLY TEENS TO WORSHIP TOGETHER ON **ROSH HASHANAH AND YOM KIPPUR AFTERNOON**

Rosh HaShanah Monday, September 30, 2019 at 2:00pm TEMPLE BETH EL SINGER SANCTUARY

Yom Kippur Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at 2:00pm **FAU KAYE AUDITORIUM**

Share the High Holy Days together as a family, with familyfriendly liturgy and a festive, participatory environment. The service is designed for families with children ages 8 through early teens, and will be a meaningful High Holy Day experience for all.

Guest tickets for Family Participation Services are available for purchase for the combination of Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur together.

3 young children

FOR YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN **AGES 8 AND UNDER**

Rosh HaShanah Monday, September 30, 2019 2:00pm FAU KAYE AUDITORIUM

Yom Kippur Wednesday, October 9, 2019 2:00pm

TEMPLE BETH EL SINGER SANCTUARY

Tickets are not required but registration is requested at tbeboca.org/services-young-children

Bring your young children ages 8 and under to this afternoon service designed especially for them and filled with music, story and our famous High Holy Day skits. Open to the public-bring your friends and neighbors!

Members must request tickets no later than Friday, August 30, 2019. Tickets will be provided when at least one-third of your 2019-2020 Congregational Commitment has been paid and will be mailed in the beginning of September.

Selichot

WITH AWARD WINNING COMPOSER AND PERFORMER. NOAH ARONSON



Saturday, September 21, 2019 **Schaefer Family Campus** 7:30pm Wine and Cheese Pre-Oneg 8:00pm Program **Dessert reception following**

Join your clergy, professional choir and instrumentalists as Noah Aronson inspires us through music and words of introspection and illumination. The musical selections for Selichot will help us summon our higher selves as we prepare for the sacred work of the High Holy Days. We commit to practices of self-awareness so that we can connect with Divine love.

Tashlich

Monday, September 30, 2019 at 4:00pm

Temple Beth El Schaefer Family Campus and walk to a nearby stream.

Cast away your sins via this meaningful and ancient Jewish custom.

Shabbat Shuva

THE SABBATH OF REPENTANCE

Friday, October 4, 2019 at 6:00pm at Temple Beth El Schaefer Family Campus Our glorious adult choir will enhance this Shabbat.

Kever Avot

HONORING OUR PARENTS AND LOVED ONES

Kever Avot is the tradition of visiting the graves of our parents and loved ones between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. We invite you to join with us as we pray together. support one another, and honor the memory of those who have passed.

Sunday, October 6, 2019 Beth El Mausoleum at 12:45pm

Those with loved ones laid to rest in the Boca Municipal Cemetery will walk over to visit following the service.

Eternal Light Memorial Gardens, Boynton Beach at 12:45pm

(meet at the central Mausoleum Chapel)

Community Yizkor

Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at 3:30pm **Temple Beth El Schaefer Family Campus**

The community is welcome to say Yizkor at this afternoon service. Seating is limited.

Beth El Talks

STORIES FROM OUR COMMUNITY

Yom Kippur Afternoon Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at 1:30pm **Temple Beth El Schaefer Family Campus**

Come hear the reflections of members of our community, each who will share their personal thoughts and wisdom from his or her own life's journey.

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High Holy Day Tot & Youth Program

AT TEMPLE BETH EL ONLY. We look after your children while you enjoy the congregational worship service.

Return these forms or request online at www.tbeboca.org/high-holy-days-2019 by August 30, 2019.

This enriching, hands-on program will start at 10:00am and finish simultaneously with morning worship on the first day of Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur.

This program is not meant to replace the High Holy Days Young Children's Service, but it is an additional experience that will allow parents to attend morning worship services.

Reservations must be received by August 30, 2019. Walk-ins are not accepted, due to staffing requirements.

TOT PROGRAM 18 months through Pre-K

Staffed by teachers from our Early Learning Center, children will experience High Holy Days with activities that are appropriate for them. Contact Beth El Learning Center with any questions, 561-391-9091.

YOUTH PROGRAM Kindergarten through 2nd Grade

Staffed by teachers from our Religious School, children will participate in art projects, stories, song sessions, snacks and Tefillah. Contact the Religious School office with questions at 561-391-8900.

For your children while you are at Congregational Worship at Temple Beth El.

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Families with older children may request tickets for the Family Participation Service.

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Service Times

	DATE	TIME	TEMPLE BETH EL	FAU
I	Sunday, September 29	8:00pm	Rosh HaShanah Evening Service	No service at FAU. Attend evening services at Temple Beth El.
ZZ	Monday, September 30	10:00am	Rosh HaShanah Congregational Morning Worship Service	Rosh HaShanah Congregational Morning Worship Service Parking details included with ticket. Shuttle buses available.
ASH		10:00am	Rosh HaShanah Tot and Youth Program A High Holy Day experience for children while parents are in the Congregational Morning Worship Service. Registration required. (See page 28)	
ROSH HASHANA		2:00pm	Family Participation Service Recommended for families with children ages 8 through early teens as a family alternative to the Congregational Morning Worship Service.	Young Children's Service For children (ages 8 and under) to attend with parents or grandparents.
NO S		4:00pm	Tashlich Temple Beth El Schaefer Family Campus and walk to a nearby stream.	
	Tuesday, October 1	10:00am	Second Day Rosh HaShanah Morning Worship Service	No service at FAU Attend morning services at Temple Beth El.

		TIME	TEMPLE BETH EL	FAU
		8:00pm	Yom Kippur Evening Service (Kol Nidre)	Yom Kippur Evening Service (Kol Nidre) Parking details included with ticket.
\simeq	Wednesday, October 9	10:00am	Yom Kippur Congregational Morning Worship Service	Yom Kippur Congregational Morning Worship Service Parking details included with tickets. Shuttle buses available.
YOM KIPPUR		10:00am	Yom Kippur Tot and Youth Program A High Holy Day experience for children while parents are in the Congregational Morning Worship Service. Registration required. (See page 28)	
\overline{X}		12:30pm <i>NEW</i>	Yom Kippur Study Session In the Beit Midrash	Attend Yom Kippur Study Session at Temple Beth El in the Beit Midrash
$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty}$		1:30pm NEW TIME	Beth El Talks In the Chapel	Attend Beth El Talks at Temple Beth El.
\rightarrow		2:00pm	Young Children's Service For children (ages 8 and under) to attend with parents or grandparents.	Family Participation Service Recommended for families with children ages 8 through early teens as a family alternative to the Congregational Morning Worship Service.
		3:30pm NEW TIME	Community Yizkor in the Chapel (limited seating, no tickets required)	No service at FAU. Attend Yizkor at Temple Beth El.
		3:45pm	Yom Kippur Afternoon Service, Yizkor and Ne'ilah in the Sanctuary	No service at FAU. Attend Yizkor and Ne'ilah at Temple Beth El.



What is a **Sustaining Member?**

Members who contribute higher than the regular annual congregational commitment to ensure the ongoing strength and resiliency of the temple and its mission.

Where are the additional funds used?

Contributions provide the synagogue with a dependable base of revenue to sustain the programs, education, worship, clergy services and pastoral care upon which our community relies. These funds will help ensure that no family is turned away, that no child is denied a religious school education, and that in times of great need we may assist those who require our help.

Why become a **Sustaining Member?**

Temple Beth El has thrived for over half a century thanks to loyal support from our Sustaining Members who help protect the future of our synagogue for our children and our children's children.

Who can become a **Sustaining Member?**

You can!

Sustaining **Member Levels**

Patron: \$3,350 • Pillar: \$3,950 • Guardian: \$4,800

Founder: \$6,600 • Benefactor: \$8,900 • Grand Benefactor: \$12,000

Benefits

By taking the step to make this gracious commitment, you will be the recipient of many additional benefits and perks based on your level of Sustaining Membership. All Sustaining Members will be listed on the new Digital Recognition Wall at the Schaefer Family Campus, and will receive an invitation to a special donor recognition event.

Additional benefits include

- complimentary tribute cards*
- cantorial concerts tickets
- Blue Jeans Shabbat tickets
- guest High Holy Day Tickets at FAU, depending on your level of commitment View tbeboca.org/sustaining-member for full details.

How do I become a **Sustaining Member?**

If you are not already a member of Temple Beth El, register as a Sustaining Member at tbeboca.org/tbe-membership-form. If you are already a member of Temple Beth El and would like to become a Sustaining Member, contact Leslie Viselman, Director of Development at lviselman@tbeboca.org or 561-314-2836.

We hope you will join us...as together we are capable of infinite possibilities.

^{*}A tribute card is an acknowledgment Temple Beth El mails to a recipient of your choice in honor, memory or celebration of a person or event. Does not include High Holy Day Tribute Booklet.

SISTERHOOD UPDATE



BY KAREN SCHLOSS AND LISA FRANKLIN SISTERHOOD CO-PRESIDENTS sisterhood@tbeboca.org www.tbeboca.org/sisterhood

We are very excited to be your Sisterhood Co-Presidents for 2019-2021. Our families have been an active part of Temple Beth El for many years, and celebrated our children's B'nai Mitzvah and Confirmations here. We have belonged to Sisterhood since joining Beth El, and have served in the past as Vice Presidents of Membership and Programming. We look forward to our newest endeavor. Our hearts belong to Sisterhood.

Sisterhood is defined by inclusion and belonging, both for our Sisterhood members, our temple, and our community. Sisterhood embraces women of all ages, and our programs are thoughtfully crafted to be meaningful. Our diverse programming highlights the strength of Jewish women. We have a very inspiring and fun year of events planned. These are exciting times for Sisterhood. Our new gift shop will be a highlight of the renovated Schaefer campus filled with fabulous merchandise. Please stop by to shop and say "hello!"

upcoming events

Summer Event

Tuesday, July 23, 2019 • 6:00pm Flower Arranging Party at Field of **Flowers**

This will be a fun event of socializing and creating beautiful floral arrangements. Limited space, please RSVP by July 12.

\$45/pp (Sisterhood members only)

Sisterhood Book Club

Thursday, August 22, 2019 • 6:00pm **Beck Family Campus** We are so excited for our Book club event. New York Times bestselling author, Martha Hall Kelly will be discussing her book, "Lilac Girls" with us via Skype. Grab a copy of "Lilac Girls" for your summer read and join us for a potluck dinner and book discussion with the author!

We thank our past Co-Presidents, Aimee Levin and Jill Weiner for their leadership and guidance. This 2019-2021 term has an amazing group of women serving on our board! Sisterhood is the place to be, and we want you to join us as often as your schedule allows. Our goals are to fill your hearts with love, inspire you, and give you a sense of belonging. We look forward to seeing familiar faces and welcoming new ones.

Thank you so much for this honor! Karen and Lisa

BROTHERHOOD UPDATE



BY CARLOS ROMERO BROTHERHOOD PRESIDENT info@tbebrotherhood.org www.tbeboca.org/brotherhood

Wow, it is summer already! Your Brotherhood has been winding down a very successful year here at Temple Beth El. We have worked hard to create programs, facilitate introductions and engage more of you in what we are doing. The Brotherhood runs because of the commitment of some special people. I want to acknowledge the terrific efforts this past year of Marc Jaro, my chief nudger as well as Alan Klasfeld, Paul Weiner, Guy Fronstin, Brad Berkowitz, Adam Runsdorf, Louis Datz, Larry Hotz, Andrew Lieberman, Charles Abell, Andrew Zwick and Jon Levin. They help make the Brotherhood run.

The idea behind Brotherhood is to create a community of men to which we all feel a sense of belonging. Towards that end, we are

looking to host a Fall kickoff event designed to engage more of you. The program will be structured to help you meet other Temple members who share your same interests.

We are looking to create Brotherhood sub-communities—fishermen, poker players, book readers, bridge players, bourbon drinkers and more! We want the men of our community to view us as a resource. We all belong to this special community and we have an opportunity to bring people together. If there is an activity or interest that you would like us to address, feel free to reach out to me at info@tbebrotherhood.org or call me at 561-350-7156. Have a wonderful summer!

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

ENROLL IN RELIGIOUS SCHOOL BY JULY 15 TO AVOID THE \$200 LATE FEE

Community of Students

BY HEATHER EREZ
DIRECTOR OF YOUTH EDUCATION AND ENGAGEMENT
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MELISSA ABELL Assistant Director of Youth Education and Engagement (grades 7-12)



Assistant Director of Youth Education and Engagement (grades K-6)

We all want to belong. Studies show that when children are part of a community where they feel safe to explore, inquire and grow friendships, they are able to engage more deeply with the content they are being taught.

Our goal is for each child to know they belong in our community and are missed when they aren't there. Whether they had a baby naming on the Bima at Temple Beth El, or recently joined the school, we want them to feel welcomed, and that we are truly excited to see them.

In our classrooms, our faculty work with intentionality to create community. When students step out of the classroom, they know they are part of the school Tribe, inspired by the 12 Tribes of Israel. Students keep their Tribe name for all 12 years, and so their Tribe becomes part of their Temple Beth El identity.

Even the name of our new learning opportunity, Beyachad, means "together" in Hebrew. This option brings family units together twice a month to engage with Jewish content as they connect with our clergy and educators, each other, and their tribe. This ultimately will lead to a feeling of belonging to Temple Beth El, to each other and to their own Judaism.

For all of our religious school families, our Tribal Council parents will work to create fun, casual gettogethers. From after religious school playground meet-ups, to Dunkin' Donuts bagel breakfasts while the kids are in religious school, there will be lots of opportunities to connect and find a sense of belonging for members of the tribe!

Important Dates

BEYACHAD AT THE SCHAFER FAMILY CAMPUS

BEYACHAD HAVDALAH

Saturday, August 17, 2019 at 4:00pm Schaefer Family Campus

BEYACHAD CLASS

Sunday, August 25, 2019 at 9:00am Schaefer Family Campus

KIDS LEARNING AT THE BECK FAMILY CAMPUS FIRST DAY OF RELIGIOUS SCHOOL!

August 18, 2019 at 9:00am Beck Family Campus Enrichment 11:30am-12:30pm for those enrolled Hebrew for 4th-6th 11:30-12:30

FIRST MIDDLE SCHOOL NIGHT

Tuesday, August 20, 2019 Beck Family Campus 6:00pm Dinner and Youth Group 7:00pm-8:30pm Classes

FIRST HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT

Tuesday, August 27, 2019 Beck Family Campus 6:00pm Dinner and BOFTY 7:00pm-8:30pm Classes

YOUTH GROUP

Tribe Simeon (1st Grade) Youth Group Sunday, August 25, 2019 after religious school Pick up at 2pm at the Beck Family Campus Lunch provided.

Free but RSVP required at tbeboca.org/school-event-calendar

Welcome Stephanie Trew Assistant Director Youth Education and Engagement (grades K-6)

Stephanie Trew is an educator whose true calling is working with children of all ages. She grew up in Coral Springs and attended Temple Beth Orr, where she became a Bat Mitzvah, was confirmed, and went to Hebrew High School. After graduating from Florida Atlantic University, Stephanie went on to teach in Broward and Palm Beach Counties for eleven years. Her favorite parts of teaching were developing a caring and genuine relationship with her students and their

families, and working with students to meet their individual needs. Stephanie is also a 95 hour certified children's yoga teacher. She loves incorporating yoga and mindfulness into children's daily lives.

Stephanie and her husband Brian, a musician and private music instructor, live in Deerfield Beach with their rescue dog, Annie. In her free time, Stephanie loves to practice yoga, cook, and listen to live music with family and friends.

BACK TO SCHOOL SHABBAT

A Special Family Participation Shabbat to Welcome Religious School Families!

Friday, August 16, 2019 6:00-6:30pm - dinner 6:30-7:15pm - services 7:15-8:00pm - games Beck Family Campus

Following dinner and student led services, meet the Temple Beth El faculty as you play games with your tribe, and see what you can look forward to in religious school this year!

New and prospective families are welcome to attend, so invite your friends and neighbors to experience what Temple Beth El is all about.

No Fee but RSVP online at tbeboca.org/worship



B'nai Mitzvah



Kara Pina



Connor Burke



Jack Cole



Aidan Donnelly



Dylan Rogers



Ella Levine

Kara Pina Daughter of Dana and Philip Pina 8/17/2019 @ 9:00am

Connor Burke Son of Lysa Long-Burke 8/17/2019 @11:30am Jack Cole Son of Beverly and Robert Cole 8/24/2019 @ 9:00am

Aidan Donnelly Son of Marni and Ardsley Donnelly 8/24/2019 @ 11:30am Dylan Rogers Daughter of Wendy Rogers 8/31/19 @ 9:00am

Ella Levine Daughter of Betsey Silverfine and Russell Levine 8/31/2019 @ 11:30am

EARLY LEARNING CENTER

First Days of School

BY RONNI GRAF

BETH EL EARLY LEARNING CENTER DIRECTOR rgraf@tbeboca.org



Each new school year is met with a combination of excitement and joy and a little anxiety and fear. Parents are always concerned if their child will adjust, cry, or be happy. Parents wonder if they will make friends, find a community, a home.

The Beth El Early Learning Center staff are very sensitive to these concerns and will go above and beyond to mitigate these fears.

Our new Family Meet and Greet scheduled for Saturday August 10, is the perfect

Please consider joining our Parenthood organization... Become as involved as you want and be prepared to make lifelong friends along the way.

MOMMY & ME FALL 2019-20

For babies 12-18 months 13 Tuesdays September 3 to December 10 (no classes on 10/1, 10/8, 12/7) \$325

For babies 18-24 months 14 Thursdays September 5 to December 12 (no class on 11/28) \$350

opportunity to enjoy brunch in an intimate and relaxed setting and make some new friends. Tot Shabbat will follow immediately and then you will be able to visit in your child's new classroom. It is our hope that your child will feel more familiar and comfortable when the time comes to drop off on Monday morning.

Staff will reach out to you, whether it be a phone call, message or a brief chat at pick up. We want you to know we understand and respect your questions and concerns.

Please consider joining our Parenthood organization. Our intention is to provide the best program possible in a warm and engaging



PJ Library Summer Ice Cream Series

Wednesday, July 31, 2019 5:30-7:00pm Brendy's Yogurt and Ice Cream 9010 Lakeridge Blvd., Boca Raton Free

Join Temple Beth El, PJ Library and Rabbi Greg Weisman for an afternoon of delicious ice cream, crafts and a great PJ Library story. Cool off with yummy treats and great

community. The ELC would not be nearly as successful as it has been without the love and support from our parents. Their creativity, and willingness to go above and beyond for our school book fair, Family Fun Day, holiday parties, staff appreciation week and our beautiful graduation celebration has made our school stand apart from others. Become as involved as you want and be prepared to make lifelong friends along the way.

Always remember that our clergy is accessible and available to embrace you and help you feel connected to our greater community.

Our doors are always open. Never hesitate to stop by for a chat or a quick hello.

We are truly a village!

friends!

Important Dates

Thursday, August 8, 2019
Parent Orientation Night

Saturday, August 10, 2019

9:30am New Family Meet and Greet10:30am Welcome Back Tot Shabbat11:15am-12:30pm Student ClassroomVisiting

Monday, August 12, 2019 First Day of School

Wednesday, August 21, 2019 7:00pm Parenthood Meeting





WELCOME BACK TOT SHABBAT AND EARLY LEARNING CENTER STUDENT OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, August 10, 2019 • 9:30am-10:30am Beck Family Campus

New Family Meet and Greet

We would like to officially welcome you and your child to our early learning center with a special new family breakfast. Come to schmooze, connect, and make new friends. Sponsored by Parenthood.

TOT SHABBAT

10:30am-11:00am

Celebrate Shabbat with singing, dancing, praying, and storytelling at this special Welcome Back Tot Shabbat geared toward children 5 and younger. Join us immediately following for an Oneg in our beautiful Breezeway.

CLASSROOM VISITING

11:15am-12:30pm - New This Year!

Bring your child to visit their new classroom, meet their teachers, see old friends, and make some new ones. This opportunity to spend time in their new space is designed to help ease your child's transition into school on their first day the following week.

Please RSVP at tbeboca.org/early-learning-center



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SFC=Schaefer Family Campus BFC=Beck Family Campus OOT=Out of Temple

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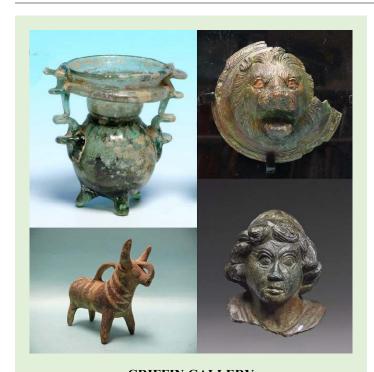


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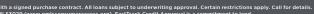
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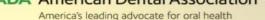
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