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## If You Will It, It Is No Dream BY RABBI DAN LEVIN dievin@tbebocg.org

May 14, 1948. That day of Israel's birth encapsulates so much of Israel itself. It marked the realization of a two-thousand year old dream to reestablish our home in the land of Israel. It prompted an existential threat from the new state's Arab residents and neighbors. It required delicate and strong diplomacy to placate allies. And the declaration itself needed to take place on Friday afternoon, hours before the mandate was officially terminated, because it could not take place on Shabbat.

As we celebrate the 70th anniversary of the birth of the State of Israel, we see that how Israel balances all these challenges is the story of Israel itself. For seventy years, Israel has repelled the aggression of her neighbors to secure her defense. For seventy years Israel has struggled to balance its own sense of self with the opinions and

is an extraordinary document. It promises that Israel "will be open for Jewish immigration and for the Ingathering of the Exiles; it will foster the development of the country for the benefit of all its inhabitants; it will be based on freedom, justice and peace as envisaged by the prophets of Israel; it will ensure complete equality of social and political rights to all its inhabitants irrespective of religion, race or sex; it will guarantee freedom of religion, conscience, language, education and culture; it will safeguard the Holy Places of all religions..." It is amazing how this tiny democracy, in so short a time, has done so much to realize those ambitions.

Think of what Israel has accomplished in just seventy years. It has built a citizen's army that is the most potent force in the Middle East and an intelligence service

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counsel of the U.S., and the family of nations. For seventy years Israel has wrestled with how to balance the needs of both its Jewish and Arab citizens, as well as the Palestinians who live within and alongside its borders. And for seventy years, Israel has been embroiled in a grand debate about what role Jewish religious tradition will play in the life of the Jewish state.

Israel's Declaration of Independence,

admired throughout the world. It has transformed its socialist economy into a thriving capitalist center of innovation and discovery. It boasts some of the finest universities in the world. It has revolutionized how we develop agriculture, how we practice medicine, how we conserve and recycle water, and how we communicate. From a few sand dunes. Tel Aviv has become a metropolis pulsing with culture and life. From



the ancient stones of Jerusalem has grown a vibrant and multi-cultural city.

And still Israel wrestles with the challenges it faced on its very first Shabbat. Israel struggles with how to integrate its Arab citizens into a state that is the product of our dreams, not theirs. Israel still grapples with how to manage its relationships with the United States, its neighbors, and the nations of the world. We still have been unable to forge a peace with the Palestinians with whom we share this land. And while Israel endeavors to safeguard the rights of those who practice the world's other great religions, it has yet to protect the diverse array of how Judaism itself is practiced.

In 1902, Herzl published Altneuland - Old New Land - a utopian vision of his dream for a Jewish state. In that book he wrote: "If you will it, it is no dream." We live in an age where dreams have come true. And we who live in this miraculous age bear a responsibility to ensure that the dreams that remain also come true for an Israel prosperous and free, an Israel at peace with its neighbors, and at peace with itself.

## Why do I support Israel?

BY MARK SUNSHINE TEMPLE BETH EL PRESIDENT msunshine@masunshine.com



It's a simple question: why do I support Israel?

Sometimes the most basic question is the hardest to answer, and this question raises conflicting emotions and thoughts.

I don't agree with everything Israel does in foreign policy. I am hurt by the Israeli ultra-orthodox failure to recognize the authenticity of secular and Reform Jews. I believe that women should be fully integrated into religious life, especially when visiting the Kotel (Western Wall.) And, I don't think that American security is helped by the Israeli settlement policy.

I support Israel because its existence ensures that my children and grandchildren will never fear for their lives merely because they are Jewish.

A quick internet search confirmed that while there is a lot written about why I shouldn't support Israel, there is very little about why I should support Israel. Even so, I know I will always support Israel.

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Israel wouldn't exist if it weren't for the systematic killing of European Jews during the last century. Israel was a safe haven for Jewish refugees who had nowhere else to go.

On May 31st Temple Beth El will host Ehud Barak, former Prime Minister and former Defense Minister. Mr. Barak wouldn't exist if there wasn't an Israel.

At least two sets of Prime Minister Barak's grandparents were denied their lives when they were murdered in pogroms and in death camps.

Prime Minister Barak fought for, and then led a nation, that categorically rejects the notion that it's okay to murder Jews. He fought to protect his family and his country. But he also fought to protect me and my family just in case sometime in the future we need to flee to the relative safety of a Jewish homeland.

So, why do I support Israel?

The answer is simple; Israel is the unambiguous statement that my family and I have a right to exist; that my life and my children's lives are as valuable and important as anyone else's; and never again will Jewish life be casually taken without a fight.

## **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.

Jessica and George Akirtava and their son, Nico Adva and Avi Amir and their children, Leigh, Shai and Yonatan Samara and Brendan Ballintine and their daughter, Kassia Laura Barak and her sons, Andrew and Joseph Blanche Brodie Keely and Jon Brown and their son, Elliot Dana and Max Bulbin Alexandra Cely and Juan Pinto and their son, Lorenzo Jaime and Matthew Cowan and their sons, Justin and Zachary

Marissa and Gabriel Cox and their sons, Daniel and Jonathan Sondra and Stanley Crain Monica and Craig Edelman and their son, Gabriel Paige and Daniel Eisner and their son, Carson Hannah and Michael Fisher and their sons, Dustin, Jason and Zachary Staci and Matthew Gaspin and their children, Ashton and Jordyn June and Dr. Ira Gelb Stacey and Adam Genn and their daughter, Hannah Heather and Alex Gerstel Dalia and Dr. Daniel Gutman and their children, Ariela and Jonathan Lindy and Jay Johnson and their children, Lake and Jack Shlomit and Seth Karasik and their son, Zachary Dr. Aya Brown Kav and Nimrod Kav and their children, Yali and Yuval Marci and David Kessler Helene and Dr. Morris Kirschner Steven Lazarus and his daughters, Maya and Leah Alisyn and Michael Marcus and their daughters, Mila and Olivia



## GOOD EVENING MR. PRIME MINISTER

## IN HONOR OF ISRAEL'S 70<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY an evening with former israeli prime minister EHUD BARAK

"MY COUNTRY, MY LIFE: FIGHTING FOR ISRAEL, SEARCHING FOR PEACE"

THURSDAY, MAY 31, 2018 6PM BENEFACTOR RECEPTION • 7PM AN EVENING WITH EHUD BARAK TEMPLE BETH EL OF BOCA RATON • SCHAEFER FAMILY CAMPUS



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Prime Minister Barak's visit is generously underwritten by Jay and Marilyn Weinberg, as part of Project Nuremberg. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Peace of Mind, a program that assists released Israeli combat soldiers with the difficult transition back into civilian life.

## Construction Update

BY STEVE KAUFMAN

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR skaufman@tbeboca.org



We are now well under way with construction at both the Schaefer Family Campus and the Beck Family Campus.

Phase 2 of the Schaefer Family Campus renovation is in full swing. After we complete the demolition of the old lobby, chapel and clergy office areas, we can begin construction of the new grand lobby and covered drop off, the new chapel, the new adult learning room, restroom renovations, a new Sisterhood gift shop, and a portion of the new administrative offices. Phase 2 also includes a complete redecoration of the Atrium and Social Hall in the summer of 2018. We anticipate that Phase 2 of the Project will be complete in early 2019.

At the Beck Family Campus we have started an ambitious expansion plan. This project includes the following elements:

ABOVE RIGHT Schaefer Family Campus demolition BELOW Beck Family Campus clearing the land

• Construction of four new buildings located on the east side of the campus.

• Two of the buildings will be classroom buildings comprised of three new classrooms per building (six rooms total).





• One of the buildings will be comprised of a much-needed storage room and a lounge for teachers and teens.

• The fourth building, the largest of the new buildings at approximately 6,000 SF, will be a new multi-function space suitable for assemblies, indoor play, special holiday activities, family worship services (such as Tot Shabbat), parties, large group meetings, adult education and more. This new multi-purpose space will be located on the north-east section of the campus, immediately east of the lobby. This building also includes a catering kitchen to support party rentals.

• The project also includes modifications and expansions of the administrative office areas of the campus. We are also planning to paint the exterior of all existing buildings, and resurface and re-stripe the parking lot.

As both of these projects progress, we are doing our best to minimize the noise, dust and inconvenience to our members and guests. We appreciate your patience and cooperation during this challenging time. Continuing to remain fully operational with this level of construction activity at both sites is challenging, so please pardon our mess.

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Amanda and Patrick Mills and their daughter, Emmy Jennifer and Jacob Moffitt and their son, Max Lauren and Brenden Morris Michelle and Angel Perez and their son, Stefan Andrea and Daniel Platzek and their daughters, Brooklyn and Olivia Kellijean and Daniel Press and their son, Lionel Stella Quintero and her daughter, Victoria Susan and Eric Rahn Peggy and Dr. Sylvan Rankin Lindsay and Kenneth Rehns and their daughter, Ella Tara Reiss and her sons, Jack and Ethan Linda and Michael Schulman Jennifer and Adam Siegel and their children, Drew, Elise and Ryan Lisa and Jason Silverman and their daughter, Simcha Lola and Jordan Small and their son, Lincoln Elizabeth and Nolan Snoap and their son, Rowan Clifford Sterling Jaclyn and Zachary Tureff Leslie Viselman and her children, Rachel and Noah Sarah and Evan Waldman and their daughter, Naomi Rachel and Adam Wasch and their sons, Alexander, Charles and Samuel Lindsey and Timothy Webster and their daughter, Emma Sarita and Elan Zadok and their children, Laila and Nathan

## California Dreaming

### COME TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE TEMPLE BETH EL AT THE ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

Wednesday, May 23, 2018

Please help us honor our outstanding volunteers and professionals as we celebrate this past year with California inspired cuisine and wine tastings.

The *California Dreaming* menu will include avocado and tomato salad, shaved Brussels sprouts with kale topped with tomatoes, Marcona almonds and tossed in a Parmesan vinaigrette, grilled chicken breast with cremini mushroom white wine sauce, mini fish tacos and more! Vegetarian entrée available.

5:30pm Wine tasting6:00pm Dinner6:30pm Annual Meeting

#### Agenda for the Annual meeting includes:

- Confirm the slate for the 2018-2019 Board of Trustees
- Present the 2018-2019 Operating Budget
- Present the Joseph Q. Kline Lifetime Achievement in Volunteerism Award
- Present the John Rogers Award for Exemplary Professional Service to one of Temple Beth El's staff
- Present the Robin L. Eisenberg Learning and Living Award to one of our Early Learning Center or Religious School teachers

Adults: \$24.00 Children ages 5 -13: \$16 Under 5 free

Prices increase to \$27/\$18 after May 16, 2018

To RSVP for dinner and /or the Annual Meeting, please register online at **tbeboca.org/special-events** or call Julie Guzy at 561-391-8900.

#### SOCIAL ACTION

MAY/JUNE

### Food Donations

Donate non-perishable groceries for the Jacobson Family Food Pantry, and help families struggling to get by. Donations bins are located at both Schaefer and Beck Family Campuses.

#### lf you, a loved one, or a friend are hospitalized, please let us know.

As many of you know, our clergy are dedicated to visiting anyone from the Temple family if they are in the hospital. Recently, the local hospitals have said that they will no longer be informing us when someone from the Temple has been hospitalized. Please call the Temple at 561-391-8900 and a member of the clergy team will come visit!

## Temple Beth El in Action

When Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel returned from marching for civil rights in Selma, Alabama in March of 1965 he was asked by someone, 'Did you find much time to pray, when you were in Selma?' Rabbi Heschel responded, 'I prayed with my feet.' And he made the point that his marching, his protesting, his speaking out for Civil Rights was the way he was praying.

Our temple community did a lot of praying with our feet these past few months. We spoke out for an end to gun violence in Tallahassee, Boca Raton, Parkland and Washington, D.C. We built a home for an underprivileged family with Habitat for Humanity. We gleaned extra crops in the field so that the poor could have fresh vegetables. And we prepared and served Easter Dinner at the Wayne Barton Center to those who might otherwise not have a celebration.







## Lunch & Learn

Bring your own lunch. Drinks provided. Schaefer Family Campus

#### MAY

The Jewish Bookshelf with Rabbi Greg Weisman Tuesdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2018 12:00pm-1:00pm

They call us the People of the Book, but really we're the People of the Books. Torah, Talmud, Mishnah, Midrash, all of these books have guided our people for thousands of years. Join Rabbi Greg Weisman as he leads us on a journey through the Jewish textual tradition, from biblical times to today's modern questions.

#### JUNE

The Book of Ruth: In her time and in the time of #metoo with Rabbi Laurence Kotok and Rabbi Jessica Spitalnic Brockman Tuesdays, June 5, 12, 19, 26, 2018

#### 12:00pm-1:00pm

The book of Ruth is a book of love - between people, for land and for G-d. "Entreat me not to leave you, or to return from following after you. For wherever you go, I will go. Wherever you lodge, I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die, I will die; and there will I be buried." We will examine these famous words, but also the puzzling and troubling elements about the story.

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### RETURN OF THE TRAVELING TORAH

Shavuot The celebration of the gift of Torah at Sinai!

#### **SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2018**

Have Torah, will travel. Choose House #1 or House #2 and feel the power of our ancient scripture as the Torah travels to you this Shavuuot.



Please sign up to bring either wine or cheesecake and join our rabbi as we gather around the Torah to read and understand the commandments. Then enjoy traditional cheesecake, wine and an in-depth study session on why Jews were chosen to carry the Torah.

## TORAH, WINE AND CHEESECAKE!

8:00-9:30pm At the home of Christy and Mark Sunshine (West Boca)



#### **TORAH, WINE AND CHEESECAKE!**

8:00-9:30pm At the home of Dr. Martin and Amy Segal (Parkside)

No fee. RSVP to bring either wine or cheesecake to one of the houses at **tbeboca.org/special-events** or call Nina Finkel in the clergy office 561 391-8900. Space is limited.

# Relebrate Sinabbait

#### MAY 4

**Tot Shabbat and Volunteer Recognition for Early Learning Center Families** 

#### **Beck Family Campus**

Pizza dinner at 6:00pm before the service and delicious ice cream social following. No charge for dinner, but please RSVP at tbeboca.org/early-learning-center

7:30pm Volunteer Recognition and Kulanu Chavurot Shabbat Schaefer Family Campus We love our volunteers! This special Shabbat will honor all of our volunteers and the members of all of our chavurot. (See opposite page.)

High School students who attended March for Our Lives will reflect on their experience.

#### MAY 11

7:30pm Shabbat Service Honoring our 3rd Graders Schaefer Family Campus Celebrate Shabbat with our future leaders! Our third graders will lead us in music and thoughtful personalized interpretations of our liturgy.

7:30pm Kabbalat Service: A Celebration of Womanhood Schaefer Family Campus A musical alternative service celebrating Jewish women, featuring music of female Jewish composers and writers in celebration of Mother's Day.

#### MAY 18

6:00pm Shabbat Service: Honoring our Confirmation Class, Graduating Seniors and Jules Wolfberg

Schaefer Family Campus Celebrate Shabbat and honor our confirmation class! We will also hear reflections from our graduating seniors and honor Jules Wolfberg, Assistant Director of Youth Education and Engagement.

#### **MAY 25**

7:30pm Shabbat Service Honoring our First Responders Schaefer Family Campus Join us as we begin the Memorial Day weekend to honor and celebrate what our First Responders give to our community.

#### JUNE 1

7:30pm Shabbat Evening Service: The Beat of the Drum! Schaefer Family Campus There is a rhythm to our prayer and the drum beats inspire us to find that rhythm in our worship. Following services, members are welcome to join in an inspiring drumming circle.

Shabbat Club – Drop your children (ages 2-10) off for a wonderful Shabbat experience including music with Mr. Noam while you enjoy our 7:30pm service in the sanctuary. Then join with your children for some drumming fun!

No fee but RSVP to Nina Finkel at nfinkel@tbeboca.org or 561-391-8900.

**SHABBAT** a time of rest and renewal, a time for pleasure and the growth of the spirit, a time to sing and celebrate with gratitude. Spend Friday evenings with us!

#### JUNE 8

7:30pm Shabbat Service: Finding Faith in Yourself Schaefer Family Campus

As we explore our weekly Torah portion, Shelach L'Cha, we read about Caleb and Joshua – the courageous scouts who found faith in themselves to believe we should enter the Holy Land. What do you have in common with Joshua and Caleb? Join us to discover that faith inside of you!

#### **JUNE 15**

6:00pm Shabbat at Six Schaefer Family Campus An hour long casual and reflective Shabbat experience

#### **JUNE 22**

7:30pm Shabbat Evening Service: Numbers in the Torah Schaefer Family Campus Numbers. There are more than just one, two, three in the Torah. Numbers, the fourth book of Torah, is unique in multiple ways. This night we will look at the themes in the Book of Numbers.

#### **JUNE 29**

6:30pm Splish Splash Shabbat Beck Family Campus Summer Fun Tot Shabbat Service followed water fun on our Splash Pad!

Start with pizza dinner at 6:00pm before the service. No charge for dinner, but please RSVP at **tbeboca.org/early**learning-center

7:30pm Shabbat Evening Service: Israel Update

Schaefer Family Campus As we celebrate Shabbat with our favorite Israeli melodies, Rabbi Levin will reflect upon the State of Israel after returning from our congregation's mission.



## Volunteer Recognition & Kulanu Chavurot Shabbat

Friday, May 4, 2018 6:00pm Shabbat Dinner 7:30pm Service and Bima blessing Schaefer Family Campus \$26/adult; \$12/children 4-12

## Prices increase after April 27 to \$28/adult;\$14/children

#### Hats off to all our volunteers!

We thank our hundreds of volunteers who have contributed their time and skills to help our Temple and the greater community. Join together for Shabbat dinner followed by Shabbat services, a Bima blessing and a special thank you gift.

#### New and Old Friends – Chaverim – have joined together for Kulanu Chavurot.

Tonight, celebrate these friendships with Shabbat dinner, Shabbat services and a Bima blessing. Don't' forget to stay for the Oneg to enjoy a schmooze and snack.

All are welcome for dinner and services. Register for dinner at **tbeboca.org/special-events** or call Rosalie Ratner at 561-391-8900.



ISRAE

TURNS

IN HONOR OF ISRAEL'S 70TH ANNIVERSARY, MEMBERS OF TEMPLE BETH EL SHARE THEIR MEMORIES, LOVE AND HOPES FOR THE JEWISH STATE

## The Birth of the Jewish State

#### Herzl's "The Jewish State" 1896

Theodor Herzl, an Austro-Hungarian journalist who covered the Dreyfus trial as a correspondent, publishes "Der Judenstaat," a German phrase meaning *The Jewish State*, in which he proposes the creation of a Jewish state as the solution to anti-Semitism.

1900

## 1880

1882-1903 First Aliyah

The First Aliyah brings an estimated 25,000-35,000 immigrants to Palestine, the majority of them fleeing anti-Jewish pogroms in Eastern Europe.

Herzl and party on their way to visit Palestine

1890

Balfour Declaration

November 2, 1917 Britain issues the Balfour Declaration, endorsing the establishment of a national home in Palestine for the Jewish people.

1910

## **ISRAEL WITH MY RABBI AND COMMUNITY** Reflections on 1y Recent Trip to Israel

#### BY PETER WOHLGEMUTH

I recently went on a Mission to Israel with the Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County. It was my fifth trip to Israel and my third community mission; therefore, sightseeing was secondary to developing deeper relationships with others in our wonderful Jewish community. I asked my wife, Ilene, why Rabbi Dan would go on a Federation Mission when he takes Temple Beth El almost every year, and Ilene said that Rabbi Dan "gets" the concept of community and wanted to introduce our new temple president, Mark Sunshine, to the rest of the community.

I have known Rabbi Dan for over 20 years and have always considered him not only my Rabbi but also a friend. I have treated his family in my office (editor's note: Peter Wohlgemuth is an orthodontist in Boca Raton), golfed with him and studied with Rabbi Dan but was able to see him in a different light while in



Israel! Our Rabbi Dan is truly loved by the entire South Palm Beach County Jewish Community. He is respected as a peer by the Orthodox Rabbis and he was the spiritual leader to many on the trip; even those who are not temple members. He was always jumping in to participate and we all know he never passes up on an opportunity for a joke or laugh.

The pictures from the trip show the many personas of our Rabbi Dan: Whether leading a community service before Shabbat outside the Kotel, partaking in a little role playing or

Rabbi Dan with Ilene and Peter Wohlgemuth



spontaneously creating a special memory for friends celebrating a 37th anniversary; Rabbi Dan was always there with a smile on his face. As the famous basketball coach. John Wooden said: "The most powerful leadership tool is your own personal example".





1950

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1920

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State of Israel Established May 14, 1948

David Ben-Gurion proclaims the establishment of Israel in a ceremony in Tel Aviv on the day the British officially end their rule in Palestine. The following day, Israel is invaded by the armies of five Arab states, beginning the War of Independence.



## Shuli Asher

Shuli grew up in Bet-Shemesh, about 30 minutes from Jerusalem. She speaks different Arabic languages, and has always had a special love for the I.D.F (Israel Defense Force), so she decided to build a career in the army. She went to high school on an army base, where she studied accounting and gained experience in many different fields. After graduation, Shuli served in the army and learned skills that gave her tools for life.

Shuli moved to America 18 years ago, is currently a teacher at the Beth El Early Learning Center, and a proud mother of three children.

"God bless America! God bless Israel!"

What is the thing you love most about Israel? What I love the most about Israel are the holy places, especially the wailing wall.

- Israel is the only democratic country in the Middle East!
- Has the most humanitarian army with the best morals and values.
- The warmth of the people and how at the time of need we are all united!
- Visiting the Shuk (*market*) and eating street food like falafel and shawarma with hummus.

- Breathtaking places from Galilee to Eilat, Tel-Aviv the city that never stops!
- Floating in the Dead Sea, the lowest point in the world.
- A small country with "big minds "
- Because Israel is the home of many start ups.



What is something you wish would be different? I'm wishing for PEACE

As an Israeli American, what are your hopes for the next 70 years of Israel? I would like to see the Israeli citizens living with no fear from our neighbors. No more wars, and everybody living side by side in harmony.

What does Israel mean to you? Israel is where the Jewish heart lives and my heart with it. We the Jewish nation say "never again!" referring to the holocaust. Please, let us all remember how important it is for us all to have the Jewish state.

#### Six Day War June 5, 1967

In the course of the war, in which the Jewish state's survival is threatened by forces of five Arab armies, Israel vastly expands the territory under its control, seizing the Gaza Strip and the Sinai Peninsula from Egypt and the Golan Heights from Syria. Israel also reunifies Jerusalem after capturing the city's eastern half and the West Bank from Jordan. War Begins October 6, 1973 A coalition of Arab states launches a surprise attack on Israel on the holiest day of the Jewish calendar.

1970

**Yom Kippur** 

#### Camp David Accords September 17, 1978

Israel and Egypt sign the Camp David Accords after days of negotiations brokered by U.S. President Jimmy Carter. The agreement leads to awarding of the 1978 Nobel Peace Prize to Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and to the 1979 signing of Israel's first peace treaty with an Arab state.

1975

Israeli commandos mount a successful rescue operation at Entebbe Airport in Uganda, freeing over 100

hostages taken after the

hijacking of an Air France

flight from Tel Aviv to Paris.

Entebbe Rescue Operation July 4, 1976



1965

RIGHT Entebbe Rescue FAR RIGHT Ehud Barak (second from left) after storming the hijacked Sabena airliner that landed in Ben Gurion Airport, 1972



## Shachar Erez



Shachar Erez, a software engineer, was the first grandchild born on his kibbutz (his mom was the first baby born there!) and is married to our Director of Youth and Education, Heather Erez. Shachar and Heather met when she was teaching on a kibbutz in 1998. Shachar moved to the California in 2003.

What is the thing you love most about Israel? Food, friends, family. What is something you wish would be different? More tolerance and less racism. As an Israeli American, what are your hopes for the next 70 years of Israel? That it will still exist as a democracy. What does Israel mean to you? Home

## Yaniv Cohen

After finishing his service in the Israeli Army at 22, Yaniv came to Boca Raton, went to school full-time and started a business. He met Michelle Auslander Cohen in 2003 when she was singing at High Holy Day services.

#### What is the thing you love most about Israel? The music. What is something you wish



would be different? That people would learn how to get along even if they disagree. Israelis are terrible at that. As an Israeli American, what are your hopes for the next 70 years of Israel? That Israel will continue to advance in the same rapid way it has for the past 70 years. What does Israel mean to you? Home of any Jewish person regardless of their affiliation...and great food!!



#### Peres-Rabin-Arafat Nobel Peace Prize

October 14, 1994 The Norwegian Nobel Committee announces it will award the 1994 Peace Prize jointly to Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Rabin of Israel and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

#### Rabin Assassination

November 4, 1995 Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is assassinated in Tel Aviv by an Israeli ultranationalist following an address at a peace rally. Shimon Peres takes over as prime minister and calls for early elections.

## 1980

## 1985

#### **1989** Four-point peace initiative proposed by

Israel. Start of mass immigration of Jews from former Soviet Union.

## 1990

**1991** Israel attacked by Iraqi Scud missiles during Gulf war. Middle East peace conference convened in Madrid; Operation Solomon, airlifts Jews from Ethiopia.

## 1995

**1996** Jerusalem's 3000th anniversary as the capital of the Kingdom of Israel.

## Ora Meles

Ora was born in New Jersey to an Israeli father and a New Yorker mother. It was her father's dream to return home to Israel and in 1979 they made Aliyah. After completing her junior year in high school, she reluctantly moved back with her family to New Jersey, then returned to Israel after high school and joined the Israeli Army. At the end of her service Ora returned to the US to attend college. For the past 24 years, Ora has taught at Temple Beth El religious school as well as worked for the School District of Palm Beach County.

#### What is the thing you love most about Israel?

What I love most about Israel is my memories and experiences with my family. Almost every Saturday, all five of us would pile into the family station wagon and find ourselves headed to a new place to explore. Our parents' goal was to educate us about every inch of Israel.

#### What is something you wish would be differ-

ent? I vividly remember the 1979 peace treaty between Israel and Egypt. That was a time of great hope and optimism. It sounds trite, but I wish for peace. I hope Israel can find its way to exist in a peaceful world that embraces diversity.

#### As an Israeli American, what are your hopes for the next 70 years



of Israel? I hope that the well established strong relationship between Israel and the United States continues to thrive. I hope that every one of my students has the opportunity to enjoy the beauty that Israel has to offer.

What does Israel mean to you? While growing up in Israel and later serving in the army, I learned the value of family and friends, but most of all a healthy dose of chutzpah.

#### **Start-up Nation** September 7, 2009

The book, "Start Up Nation" chronicles Israel's groundbreaking success in the high tech. The bestseller examined how the tiny nation surrounded by enemies produced more start-ups than larger peaceful nations. Authors come to Temple Beth El that November.

#### 2018

70th Anniversary of the birth of the State of Israel. Former Israeli **Prime Minister Ehud** Barak come to Temple Beth El.

EL CELEB

## 2010





2000

### 2009

Benjamin Netanyahu is elected Prime Minister in national elections held in February, 2009, and forms a broad-based coalition government. The city of Tel Aviv celebrates its 100th anniversary.



## Lee and Izzy Rotter

Izzy, Lee, Laurie and Lavi Rotter moved from Jerusalem three years ago. Izzy is a property manager and Lee works for the Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County. Their daughter Laurie is in third grade and Lavi is in Kindergarten. They both attend Del Prado Elementary School.

What is the thing you love most about Israel? The food.

What is something you wish would be different? More unity.

As an Israeli American, what are your hopes for the next 70 years of Israel? Peace and prosperity.

What does Israel mean to you? Family and home.

## Israel, HaZamir and Lincoln Center!

On Sunday, March 18, 400 Jewish teens from all over the United States and Israel came together as one voice in

a concert in Lincoln Center, as HaZamir: International Jewish Teen Choir. HaZamir serves as a youth movement, with 31 chapters throughout the U.S. and 7 in Israel. The teens learn the same music all year, and come together for a Shabbaton and concert in the most prestigious venues in the world, such as Carnegie Hall or the Metropolitan Opera.



HaZamir embraces Jewish teens from all backgrounds, from Reform to Orthodox, Conservative to unaffiliated. This year, Beth El members Jake Goldberg, Gabby Lusskin and Rachel Ramos performed with HaZamir Boca Raton chapter, directed by our Cantorial Soloist, Michelle Auslander Cohen, and generously underwritten by Margie and Maurice Plough.

Through music and friendship, HaZamir gives these teens a strong connection to Israel. This year, HaZamir had the honor of hosting Michael Bitton, the mayor of Yerucham,



Israel. In his words, "It is the responsibility of both the US and Israel to ensure each other's survival. The challenges are great and what kept the previous generation connected is not necessarily the same as what will keep future generations connected. It takes deeply meaningful connections and similar interests and

this is what HaZamir is about; it is innovation and relevance for the future generations of our people".

For information about your teen auditioning for next year's HaZamir group, please contact Michelle Auslander Cohen **mcohen@tbeboca.org.** 

TOP Jake Goldberg and Gabby Lusskin BOTTOM Margie and Maurice Plough, Jr. with Cantorial Soloist Michelle Auslander Cohen



### Family Purim Cruise SPRING BREAK 2019

Join us for a Family Purim Cruise from Monday, March 18-Friday, March 22, 2019! Family fun, Purim Spiel at Sea, kids and teen activities and all your favorite people for five days on the *Mariner of the Seas!* Sign up early to receive a \$150 state room credit.

> Contact Heather Erez, Director of Youth Education & Engagement at herez@tbeboca.org or 561-391-8900 to learn more.



## Pre-Natal Seminar

presented by the Breastfeeding Center of Boca Raton

Tuesday, June 12, 2018 7:00 pm Beck Family Campus FREE and open to the public, geared towards parents in the latter half of pregnancy

Having a baby is the most wonderful thing that can happen to new parents. Yet, taking care a newborn, baby's feeding issues or finding other new parents for support can be stressful. The Breastfeeding Center of Boca Raton, in partnership with Temple Beth El, will present a pre-natal seminar, touching on issues of baby care, feeding, CPR, and post-natal support. Please RSVP at tbeboca.org/adult-education

#### Adult Designed to connect adults in their 40s and 50s Experiences

#### A TASTE OF WYNWOOD & LITTLE HAVANA

Private Food Tour for Temple Beth El Saturday, June 16, 2018 5:30pm Departure from Temple Beth El Schaefer Family Campus — Return 11:00pm \$85 per person including round trip transportation from Temple Beth El RSVP at tbeboca.org/adult-experiences or call Aileen

Spilka at 561-391-8900

#### LITTLE HAVANA

Begin with a historical tour of Little Havana, while marking the

end of Shabbat with Havdalah. Highlights include:

A stop at
a local cigar
shop/coffee
bar with a cigar
rolling demo

Learn
how to make
a mojito
and enjoy a

• Visit Futurama Art Gallery with an overview of the current artists exhibited while enjoying authentic Cuban finger foods & a glass of sangria

#### WYNWOOD





The evening continues with art, dinner and dessert in Wynwood. Arrive at Wynwood Walls and receive an overview of the Wynwood district. Follow your guide by foot where you will see various forms of street art & graffiti to a Beer Garten for samplings of beer and non-pork items. Enjoy dessert from a local food truck set up in a special tented area during the Wynwood art walk and free time to explore the art walk.



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

#### WOMEN OF WIT

Sunday, May 6, 2018 1:00pm Schaefer Family Campus Hosted by Sisterhood. Free to Temple Beth El members over 65.

Spend the afternoon laughing at this show exploring the lives of playwright Wendy Wasserstein and writers Nora Ephron and Erma Bombeck. Dessert and conversation with the performers will follow. RSVP at **tbeboca.org**/**senior-circle** or to Aileen Spilka at **aspilka@tbeboca.org** or 561-391-8900.

#### THE JEWS OF BRAZIL FROM THE 1500'S TO TODAY

with Dr. Sandra Lilienthal, followed by Brazilian pastries and coffee

Sunday, June 3, 2018 • 1:00pm Schaefer Family Campus No RSVP/No fee

Unlike many of the other South American countries, the Brazilian Jewish community did not experience anti-Semitism. We will learn about the original Jewish communities of the northern part of the country to today's communities in the south, looking at the different waves of Jewish immigration. What is happening today - are Jews still welcome? Do they feel safe? What does the future look like?

Dr. Sandra Lilienthal received her Master's degree in Jewish Studies and her Doctorate in Jewish Education from Gratz College. She is part of the Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning faculty, an adjunct professor at Gratz College and is a frequent speaker at Jewish education conferences, synagogues and other Jewish organizations. Sandra has great enthusiasm for teaching Judaism as a living religion, and infusing true passion for it among those who study with her. She is a 2015 winner of the Covenant Award for Excellence.



Meet the chefs and enjoy the culinary delights of the best restaurants in Tel Aviv. Explore street food vendors, markets, wineries, cheesemakers, farms and ancient olive presses throughout the Israeli countryside. Learn about Israeli history, culture and spirituality through the richness of its many tastes and abundant treasures. See the Israel the way you've never seen it before.

For information and early booking details, contact Elinor Josephson, Director of Engagement and Programming at ejosephson@tbeboca.org or 561-391-8900

But it's the atmosphere that made me fall in love with eating Israeli-style. The best restaurants aren't hushed culinary temples but festive rooms full of people having fun."\*

\*Forbes Magazine, January 12, 2017, "Why Israel just Might have the World's Best Restaurant Scene."

#### EARLY LEARNING CENTER

## Selecting a Summer Camp

BY CINDY KORSHIN

BETH EL EARLY LEARNING CENTER DIRECTOR ckorshin@tbeboca.org



Selecting the right summer camp for your child is not an easy decision. There are many variables that might influence you including where your child's friends might be going, convenience and reputation.

What hours do you need? Some camps offer flexible schedules but your child may be moved from group to group with various counselors. Will your child be able to adapt?



What are the staffing ratios? The Beth El Early Learning Center maintains the same teacher/student ratios year round.

How experienced are the counselors? Experienced counselors, with years of education and training

are better equipped to mitigate behavioral challenges. Adult supervision by experienced teachers such as those at the Beth El Early Learning Center are trained to handle challenging behaviors, utilizing problem solving techniques and mitigating small problems before they escalate.

How does the camp handle discipline? Is the policy in alignment with your personal values? At the Beth El Early Learning Center, we believe children should be able to learn through experimentation and exploration, which also means learning from mistakes. Children should always be treated with respect and ideally learn



a more desirable way of behaving without a punitive approach.

How large or small is the camp? For some children, a large camp may be overwhelming. All of our activities involve walking from one area to another, but are easily navigated by young children. Some campuses are massive and children lose interest in participating in an activity by the time they reach their destination. Remember not all children tolerate the Florida hot sun very well and your child's temperament will play a role in their willingness to be outdoors.

What types of activities are planned? While some facilities and campuses look impressive, the actual activities being planned should be age appropriate. Remember, you are paying for the program, not the facility.

What about the transitions from camp to school? Many of our students make the transition from camp to school with minimal apprehension because they are so comfortable with our staff and the warmth they feel the minute they enter the building.

This year we are again offering the **Bridge to Kindergarten**, designed to reinforce and refine the skills learned during the Pre-K year. This is a great option for our Pre-K students. Students will

> participate in all themed activities including wild animal shows, dance parties, soccer, Kidokinetics, Hip-Hop, Olympic day, Water Day and much, much more! Children must be 5 years old to participate and have completed Pre-K. If you are interested please contact Cindy Korshin at **ckorshin@tbeboca.org** or Ronni Graf at **rgraf@tbeboca.org**.

#### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, May 4IcWeek of May 7-11SFriday, May 11MWednesday, May 16PThursday, May 17PMonday, May 21MMonday, May 28MMonday, June 4SMonday, June 25SFriday, June 29S

Ice Cream Social Shabbat/Volunteer Recognition at BFC Staff Appreciation Week Mother's Day Celebrations Parenthood Meeting/Graduation Set-up at Schaefer Family Campus Pre-K Graduation/Last Day of School, Early Learning Center Mini Camp begins Memorial Day - Camp and School Closed Session One Camp Begins Session 2 Camp begins Splish Splash Tot Shabbat

### There's a new place in West Boca for children's birthday parties

#### TEMPLE BETH EL BECK FAMILY CAMPUS OUTDOOR RECREATION AREA

#### Splash pad

Air-conditoned party room

**Basketball court** 

Playground

Covered pavilion with picnic tables

Designed for toddler-7 year olds

For more information or to tour the recreation area, contact Julie Guzy at Jguzy@tbeboca.org or 561-391-8900. Beck Family Campus, 9800 Yamato Road

#### Tot Shabbat at Beck Family Campus volunteer recognition and ice cream social tot shabbat

#### Friday, May 4, 2018 6:00pm Pizza Dinner 6:30pm Tot Shabbat

Join us for our last Tot Shabbat of the school year! We would like to honor all of our wonderful Parenthood volunteers and Kulanu Chavurot participants with a special blessing. Stay for a



delicious oneg after the service complete with wine and ice cream dessert bar.

#### SPLISH SPLASH TOT SHABBAT



#### Friday, June 29, 2018 6:00pm Pizza Dinner 6:30pm Tot Shabbat

Wear your bathing suit to this Tot Shabbat to celebrate summer! After the service we will go to the Big Backyard for Splash Pad and water slide fun. Wear your water shoes and come ready to get wet!! Children who aren't potty-trained must wear swim diapers.

No charge for dinner, but please RSVP at tbeboca.org/early-learning-center

## **GRADUATION** 2018

The Pre-Kindergarten Graduating Class of 2018 Cordially invites you to their

## **Graduation** Gala

Thursday, May 17, 2018 3 Sivan, 5778 at 6:00 PM Temple Beth El • Merle E. Singer Sanctuary Dinner Reception and DJ following the ceremony.

ELC families receive 4 tickets to the dinner reception. Limited additional tickets are available at \$5/person. Graduates and children under 5 are free.



The ceremony will be live-streamed at tbeboca.org/live-streaming-video

#### **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL**

## We are in it for the long haul

BY **HEATHER EREZ** DIRECTOR OF YOUTH EDUCATION AND ENGAGEMENT herez@tbeboca.org



**For sale:** A comprehensive Jewish education package for children grades K-12 in a safe and secure environment with passionate and knowledgeable faculty. Includes developmentally appropriate Judaic and Hebrew classes, nosh, retreats, free or highly subsidized youth group events, two consecration ceremonies, a B'nai Mitzvah celebration, confirmation, and graduation.

As a busy mom of two, the less I have to navigate, the better. I want to sign up for something and know everything is included. I don't like hidden costs or having to bring a credit card wherever I go.

When I speak to preschool parents about religious school, I'm not just talking kindergarten. I am talking about the entire synagogue community that includes a Jewish education package for their child that lasts until college. We are in it for the long haul.

#### Streamlining

We are streamlining our program so that families can make the best use of their time. For instance, instead of adding another night of Hebrew school for the B'nai Mitzvah Chanting Class, we integrated it into our Sunday morning program at the Beck Family Campus. We have refined our curriculum and

Eden and Noam, Heather's kids



FOR SALE

A comprehensive Jewish education package for children grades K-12 in a safe and secure environment with passionate and knowledgeable faculty.

eliminated repetition so that students could take a deeper dive into each subject.

#### **Tuition Structure**

Most noticeably for parents

of religious school students, there is a new tuition structure. What was previously known as a Bat/Bar Mitzvah fee is now integrated into our tuition. Families will no longer receive an additional \$1800 bill in the 6th or 7th grade. This year, to catch up and get everyone on the same rate moving forward, tuition will look higher than normal for 4th-7th grade. If a family has paid anything toward their Bat/Bar Mitzvah fee in the past, their account will be credited that amount in this year's tuition.

#### **Community and Belonging**

We are working on multiple ways to increase fluidity between formal and informal education at temple; to create community and the feeling of belonging for our students so they want to come to religious school to have fun while learning. In the coming months we will be reaching out to parents and students for input on what aspects of Jewish life most speak to you and your child, and how we can best play a role that is meaningful and relevant.

I look forward to the continued partnership and encourage you to check out our FAQ page in the Religious School section of the website to learn more about the transitions we are making.

### Register for 2018-2019 religious school at tbeboca.org/religious-school

THE 2018 CONFIRMATION CLASS OF TEMPLE BETH EL INVITES YOU TO SHARE IN ITS

Confirmation Service,

SUNDAY, MAY 20, 2018 6 SIVAN 5778 1:30 PM RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SERVICES TEMPLE BETH EL OF BOCA RATON SCHAEFER FAMILY CAMPUS

HAROLD BERGNER ELLA BERGNER RYAN DUDAK GABBY ENGELMAN SARAH GERSTEIN JACOB GOLDBERG MADISON GOTTSEGEN JACOB LICHTENSTEIN SAMUEL GRAF

**JACOB HARRIS RAYNA HOFFMAN BRANDON KARP RYAN KARP** JASON KAT7 SYDNEY LEVY **REBECCA LOPATUKHIN** 

BRANDON OKEN JILL OPPENHEIM CALEB PINA MADALEINE RUBIN **BENJAMIN SCHILLER** DANIELLE SEGEL RYAN TOLCES JESALYN TRINKOFSKY

Sisterhood compiles and presents each student with his or her own book of best wishes. These messages are a wonderful, convenient way to acknowledge this simcha. Proceeds from Uniongrams benefit the WRJ Y.E.S Fund (Youth, Education and Special Projects.)

### ) UNIONGRAMS to Members of the 2018 Confirmation Class! \$36 for the whole class

Your name as you wish it to appear

Phone #

Message

Purchase Uniongrams online at www.tbebocaorg/sisterhood or send a check for \$36 payable to Temple Beth El to 333 SW 4th Avenue, Boca Raton, FL 33432, Attn: Sisterhood Uniongrams

Email

## Youth Engagement Fostering Relationships through shared Jewish Experiences

### important religious school dates

**3**<sup>rd</sup> **Grade Shabbat Service, Dinner, and Consecration** Friday, May 11, 2018 Schaefer Family Campus Dinner, 5:45pm Rehearsal at 6:30pm Service at 7:30pm

**No Religious School** Sunday, May 13, 2018, Mother's Day

#### Confirmation Dinner and Shabbat Service Honoring our Senior Class of 2018

Friday, May 18, 2018 Schaefer Family Campus Service at 6:00 pm Dinner at 7:30pm

**Confirmation Rehearsal** Saturday, May 19, 2018 Schaefer Family Campus 1:00pm- 9:00pm

### Confirmation Service and Reception

Sunday, May 20, 2018 Schaefer Family Campus Service, 1:30pm Reception immediately following service

#### Last Day of Religious School Celebration

Sunday, May 20, 2018 Schaefer Family Campus Beck Family Campus 9:30am-12:00pm,

## Parents Invited to join at 11:30am!

Parents are invited to visit their children's classrooms and enjoy some cheesecake in celebration of Shavuot.

#### CLUB CHAVERIM (GRADES 4-5) JR. BOFTY (GRADES 6-8) AND BOFTY (GRADES 9-12) Club Med – Grades 4-12

**Saturday, May 5, 2018** 8:00am – 6:30PM \$60 per person

BOFTY Banquet - Grades 8-12 Monday, May 21, 2018 6:00-8:00PM \$35 per person Maggiano's of Boca Raton

**BOFTY Dinner** Tuesday, May 1, 2018

### FOR ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!

High School Senior Dinner – Class of 2018 Tuesday May 15, 2018 6:00pm-8:00pm \$35 per person The Melting Pot Boca Raton

High School Senior Shabbat Service - honoring the Class of 2018 Friday May 18, 2018 6:00pm

Please contact Jwolfberg@ tbeboca.org to RSVP and participate



AMANDA CHARSON Assistant Director of Youth Education and Engagement (grades K-6) acharson@tbeboca.org



JULES WOLFBERG Assistant Director of Youth Education and Engagement (grades 7-12) jwolfberg@tbeboca.org



TOP L'taken students visit Washington D.C. ABOVE outside U.S. Rep. Ted Deutch's office at the Rayburn House Office Building LEFT 8th grade retreat

## B'Nai Mitzvah

**Evan Goldman** Son of Joy and Jason Goldman 5/5/2018 9:00AM

Mollie Weinstein Daughter of Alison and Jeffery Weinstein 5/5/2018 5:30 PM

Amanda & Bradley Shapiro Children of Elizabeth and Steven Shapiro 5/12/2018 9:00AM

**Reese Marcus** Daughter of Robyn and Andy Marcus 5/12/2018 11:30AM

**Emma Forstot** Daughter of Stacy and Jason Forstot 5/26/2018 9:00AM

**Annie Mintz** Daughter of Chris and Stephen Mintz 5/26/2018 11:30AM

**Lyndsey Roth** Daughter of Sandy and Larry Roth 5/26/2018 6:00PM

Jesse Malnik Son of Nancy and Al Malnik 5/31/2018 10:30AM

Zachary Bennett Son of Andrea and Todd Bennett 6/2/2018 9:00AM

#### **CELEBRATING IN ISRAEL**

Benjamin Zapson Son of Jill and Dan Zapson 7/19/2018

J**acob Rispler** Son of Jill and Greg Rispler 6/14/2018

Nate Levy Son of Rebecca Elman and Andrew Levy 6/7/2018



Mollie Weinstein



Amanda Shapiro



Bradley Shapiro



**Reese Marcus** 



Emma Forstot



Zachary Bennett



Benjamin Zapson



Jacob Rispler



Nate Levy

#### SISTERHOOD UPDATE

#### upcoming events

Please look for Sisterhood weekly newsletters and Temple Beth El emails for further details and registration info!

### General Meeting & "Women of Wit"

Schaefer Family Campus Sunday, May 6, 2018

Board Meeting Beck Family Campus Thursday, May 10, 2018

#### Confirmation

Sunday, May 20, 2018 Schafer Family Campus

#### **Lilith Salon**

Monday, June 4, 2018 Home of Jan Lev

#### So much more to come

See you this summer!



BY AIMEE LEVIN AND JILL WEINER SISTERHOOD CO-PRESIDENTS sisterhood@tbeboca.org www.tbeboca.org/sisterhood

It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of another Sisterhood year, which was chock-full of programs, discussions and events of all kinds. There just isn't enough time!

Lord & Taylor Night Out was a lively night of beauty and fashion tips, light bites and sips, lots of shopping, raffles, and all for a great cause.

On March 27th, 150+ women gathered at Temple Beth El for the annual Women's Seder. A delicious dinner was followed by an interactive Seder, as we celebrated an inspirational evening for women. Spiritual seeker, Amy Grossblatt Pessah, and past Temple Beth El president, Patty Beck inspired everyone, speaking about the search for

## A SHOW WITH A SWEET ENDING

Sisterhood's last event of the year Sunday, May 6, 2018 1:00pm **Schaefer Family campus** \$18/members \$22/non-members Free to Temple Beth El members over 65 Come see "Women of Wit," a show exploring the lives of playwright Wendy Wasserstein and writers Nora Ephron and Erma Bombeck, Dessert and conversation with the performers will follow. Brooke Lukes, Lois Solomon, chairs. Watch your sisterhood emails for

details.

spirituality and equality. The Women's Seder is a tradition that reminds us each year of the strength of women, what it means to be Jewish women, and how being a Jewish woman comes with such honor and responsibility.

Sisterhood also had a fun, Israeli-themed evening event for the first time, and everyone seemed to want the tradition to continue.

As we wind down another busy year, we are so grateful for our many wonderful Sisterhood members, potential new members and guests who have attended our programs, onegs, brunches, discussions and who have volunteered time and time again. We hope to see you at Sisterhood's upcoming events. Be on the lookout for summer

#### **BROTHERHOOD UPDATE**

#### upcoming events

#### **Mother's Day Brunch**

Sunday, May 13, 2018 11:00 am to 2:00 pm Schaefer Family Campus

#### Brotherhood Business Networking in June

Special Guest Speaker Alan Veingrad, AIPAC National Fellows Manager and former Super Bowl XXVII winner with the Dallas Cowboys Uncle Tai's, Boca Center



BY ANDREW H. ZWICK AND ALAN S. KLASFELD BROTHERHOOD CO-PRESIDENTS info@tbebrotherhood.org www.tbeboca.org/brotherhood

We are coming to the end of our year for Brotherhood and we are extremely proud of our accomplishments. We have set a record for fundraising with the amazing success of this year's Brotherhood Golf Tournament and our 2nd Annual Bike Ride in Memory of Steve Brown z"l. The money we raise funds numerous charities and Temple Beth El activities. Alan and I offer our sincerest gratitude to all members and non-members who have come out and participated in Brotherhood events and donated time, sweat, tears and money to the cause.

This is also the last song and dance for the current Brotherhood Board. For the last three years Alan and I, as well as Marc Jaro, Louie Datz, Seth Robert

and Justin Jacobs have strived to build Brotherhood as an organization that represents in the most positive way the spirit of Temple Beth El. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve. This summer a new Brotherhood Board will be named, and we are still looking for new faces and fresh ideas to contribute to the future of Brotherhood. If any Brotherhood member is interested in taking a more active role in leadership we can assure them that it is time well spent with the best group of guys. We have found our time as Co-Presidents to be the best we have had at Temple Beth El, and we highly encourage anyone interested to share in this experience by offering your time and intelligence to the cause.

For those interested in learning more about brotherhood or participating in our events or leadership please contact us at **info@tbebrotherhood.org**.

#### AROUND TEMPLE BETH EL

SECOND NIGHT SEDER Acting out the story of Passover makes the Seder so much fun. Thanks to our special guests, Moses, Pharoah and God.













#### PASSOVER AT THE EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Our babies enjoyed being baby Moses in a basket!





#### FAMILY HAVDALAH

The Big Backyard at the Beck Family Campus is a spectacular place for Havdalah, which includes songs, games and s'mores.



#### POP UP RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Instead of regular classes the first Sunday in April, we "popped up" Religious School in Morikami Park.









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## **Our Congregation Mourns**

Emil Acks, father of Dina and Aaron Rosenblatt, grandfather of Josh and Jesse Rosenblatt

Steven Baer, father of Melissa and Jeff Baer, grandfather of Spencer and Zachary Baer

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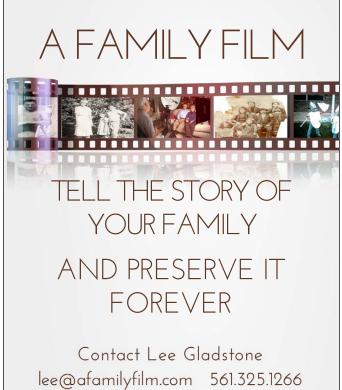
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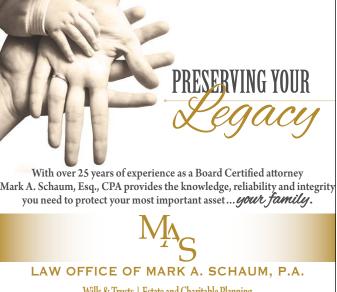
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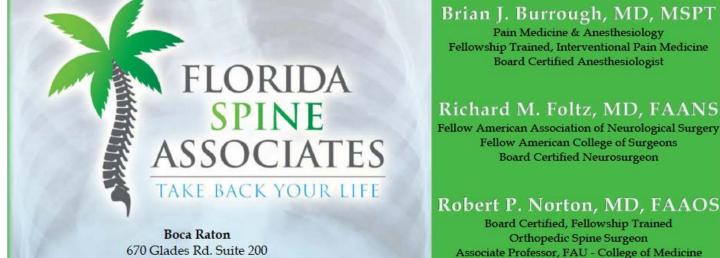


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