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Kindling our Inner Light

BY RABBI DAN LEVIN
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In a famous story, the Talmud teaches that Rabbi Shimon and his son once had to flee from the Romans and hid together in a cave for twelve years. They spent their days and nights engrossed in study with each other. Eventually, the decree was annulled and they emerged from the cave.

They saw a farmer working his field. They became incensed: "Why spend your time focusing on material things instead of spiritual concerns!" The legend teaches that everywhere they looked was consumed by fire. God called out to them: "Did I release you from the cave to destroy My world? Get back to your cave!"

They spent another year in solitude and then emerged again. This time they saw a man just before Shabbat carrying two clusters of myrtle. "Why do you need two clusters?" they asked. "Aren't you being greedy?"

"No," the man replied. "Like two Shabbat candles, each cluster reminds me of the two commands for Shabbat – to remember Shabbat and to keep Shabbat." Seeing the man's simple piety, their minds were at ease.

I think of this famous story at this time of year. We are emerging from an extraordinarily contentious and



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And if that weren't enough, this period surrounding the election season has been fraught with strife and discord. We walk on egg-shells around each other, wondering

if it's safe to share our opinions or feelings. We wonder how people we know and respect can look at the world so differently from how we see it.

This is the darkest time of the year. And in it we are asked to remember dark times in our history, when – like Rabbi Shimon and the Maccabees before him – we hid in caves wondering about the future.

In moments when the world seems dark, what Chanukah teaches is that it is our obligation to kindle light.

Traditionally, one is asked to light Chanukah candles in the window facing the street. The Festival of Lights reminds us that when we kindle a light in our hearts, we use that light to illuminate the world.

When Shimon and his son came out into the world, they channeled their inner fire into an arrogant and judgmental rage that destroyed the world around them. God banished them for kindling fires of anger and conceited self-satisfaction. Instead, what God sought was for them to use their inner fire to light the world with wisdom, understanding, and love.

As we move through this difficult period, let Chanukah inspire us to kindle our inner light, to find hope, and inspiration, and passion to fuel us through this time. Temple Beth El's many different opportunities for engagement, learning, and renewal can sustain our inner light in this dark and difficult time.

But as we kindle that inner flame, let it not consume us with resentment and anger and anguish, but instead light for us a path toward reconciliation, healing, and peace.

SHABBAT CELEBRATION OF CHANUKAH

Kindle Your Inner Light

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 7:30PM

Facebook Live, YouTube
and Livestream at tbeboca.org/live

Join us virtually for this special musical celebration of Chanukah and Shabbat! Grab your menorah and tune in for an evening that will inspire you to kindle your inner light through music and prayer, virtual participation of many of our congregants through video, photos, a hilarious telling of the Chanukah story, menorah lighting and more!



Chanukah Under the Stars at Mizner Park
from years past.



Spark the Light

CHANUKAH RELAY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2020

4:00pm Staggered start Chanukah Relay Race

6:00pm Havdalah and Chanukah Lighting on Facebook Live!

Deadline to register or sponsor: Monday, November 30, 2020

Participation in the relay race is for Temple Beth El members.

Please register at tbeboca.org/chanukah2020

Help light the Temple Beth El Chanukiah by running a leg of our Spark the Light: Chanukah Relay! We will safely pass the torch from one family to another in this fun race, lighting up our community with the spirit of Chanukah!

Then we will join together at 6:00pm on Facebook Live to watch the final runner of the relay pass the torch to our clergy, outdoors at the Schaefer Family Campus.

How do I run in the Spark the Light Relay?

Sign up online at tbeboca.org/chanukah2020. Runners will be assigned, by family unit, to run a leg of the relay down the El Rio Trail, and will end at the Schaefer Family Campus where the lighting of the Chanukiah will be streamed on Facebook Live at 6pm. Starting time for participants will be staggered based on their location in the relay. Each family unit will have their own torch to run with that will not pass hands. All family units are asked to be masked and socially distanced.

- Congregants sign up as a family unit and choose to run 100yds, ¼ mile, ½ mile or mile
- \$10 fee for the first runner, \$5 every additional runner (includes 1 LED torch for each group and T-shirt for each runner)
- Younger families will not be assigned to city streets
- Lighting Ceremony will be live streamed for all to see via facebook live at 6pm.

Can I donate to help pass the torch from generation to generation?

Yes! Donate online

at tbeboca.org/chanukah2020

- Shamash - \$1,180
- Each Candle - \$360

Each Race Length

- 100 yd Dash - \$36
- ¼ mile - \$72
- ½ mile - \$118
- 1 mile - \$236

kindle your inner light on the 8 days of CHANUKAH

1

Thursday, December 10, 6:00pm Light the Candles

Join Ronni Graf, Early Learning Center Director on Facebook Live to light candles for the first night of Chanukah!

2

Friday, December 11, 7:30pm Shabbat Celebration of Chanukah:

Kindle Your Inner Light

Facebook Live, YouTube and Livestream at tbeboca.org/live
See previous page for details.

3

Saturday, December 12, 2020 Spark the Light Chanukah Relay

Help light the Temple Beth El Chanukah by running a leg of our Spark the Light Chanukah Relay!
See previous page for details.

4

Sunday, December 13 6:00pm Light the Candles

Join Rabbi Jessica and Cantor Lori in their homes to celebrate the fourth night of Chanukah on Temple Beth El's Facebook Page.

5

Monday, December 14 7:00pm Meditation and Candlelighting

Kindle your inner light during this brief meditation and candlelighting with Rabbi Amy Pessah on Temple Beth El's Facebook Page.

6

Tuesday, December 15 5:00pm Everything is Awesome!

Beth El Early Learning Center Facebook Page and tbeboca.org/live

"Everything is Awesome" as they say in Lego world. Our Lego friends (AKA Clergy!) will help us spread the light of Chanukah in this adorable skit for our youngest congregants.



7

Wednesday, December 16 6:00pm PJ Library Storytime

Join PJ Library online to celebrate the Festival of Lights, featuring a story read by Rabbi Greg!

7:30pm Brotherhood Vodka and Latkes

Join the Temple Beth El Brotherhood on Zoom to celebrate Chanukah with delicious latkes and a vodka tasting led by Rabbi Greg Weisman. See page 24 for details.

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Thursday, December 17 6:00pm Light the Candles

Join Rabbi Dan on Facebook live as we conclude this Chanukah season and come together to keeping the light going!

Chanukah Cooking Class

**WITH SPECIAL GUEST
"CANTOR IN THE KITCH" -
CANTOR LESLIE NIREN, WITH CANTOR LORI BROCK
AND RABBI JESSICA MATES
Wednesday, December 2, 2020
7:30 - 8:30pm
On Facebook Live and Livestream**



LEFT TO RIGHT
Cantor Lori Brock,
Rabbi Jessica Spitalnic Mates
and Cantor Leslie Niren

Before she went to cantorial school, Cantor Leslie Niren was a beloved staff member with strong family ties at Temple Beth El. At Temple Emanuel-El in Dallas, Texas, Cantor Niren has impacted so many with her voice and her spirit AND her culinary skills with her alternate persona "Cantor in the Kitch". For her second appearance with us, we are taking a healthier spin on the Chanukah classics.

See page 28 for Chanukah recipe inspiration.

behind the scenes

CHANUKAH SHABBAT

A BEAUTIFUL CHANUKAH SHABBAT SERVICE, INCLUDING GLORIOUS MUSIC AND
A SPECIAL VIDEO OF THE STORY OF CHANUKAH ON **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11 AT 7:30PM**



Special thanks to Art Siegel, who volunteered his time, creativity and expertise to create the "Story of Chanukah" video that will be shown during Chanukah Shabbat. Art first photographed each character in the Chanukah story (our clergy and congregants!) against a green screen. He added historical backgrounds, layered the characters, and edited it all together in painstaking detail, to tell the Chanukah story.

I Need a Miracle

BY RABBI JESSICA MATES
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If you are of a certain age you may remember plastic covered furniture. My grandparents had it on their blue velvet couches and when you would stand up from the couch, especially if you were in shorts, the plastic would leave a mark on your leg. I associate those couches with some of my happiest childhood memories at their house. In the same way, many Jewish holidays have elements that leave their metaphorical mark on us so that the message of the holiday stays with us. Here are some of the marks of Chanukah:

Antiochus, Antiochus, Antiochus, Antiochus, Antiochus

Whenever I teach kids about Chanukah, if they don't know the enemy Antiochus behind the story (they often confuse him with the Purim king Achaverosh), I ask them to say his name five times to commit it to memory. He's the reason we get the presents so we might as well know his name.

Who is he? The death of Alexander the Great of Greece in 323 BCE left three of his generals fighting to rule the Middle East, Ptolemy, Seleucus and Antigonos. The land of Israel was geographically caught between the Seleucids and Ptolemies. The Seleucid king, Antiochus III, first allowed us autonomy but then changed his mind, and wanted to force us to abandon our monotheism for Greek paganism. His son, Antiochus IV, continued this. Our people rebelled! Led by the Mattathias and his sons, who came to be known as the Maccabees, they fought this push to paganism.

Their victory led to the holiday of Chanukah.

TALMUDIC SPIN

The first spin related to Chanukah was not a dreidl, but a rewriting of the story. 600 years later Talmudic spin doctors added the story of the oil lasting eight days. Why? They were worried that as the Jewish people continued to live under foreign rule (that would continue until 1948 with the birth of the modern day State of Israel)



it was bad PR to have a major story about overthrowing a ruler so the Talmudic spin doctors added the story of the miracle of the oil to soften the story. The Chanukiah we light is a symbol of that Talmudic story (A menorah has only seven branches and echoes the biblical description of what was in the temple, the Chanukiah is especially for Chanukah, with candleholders for the eight nights of Chanukah and the *Shamash* or Helper Candle that lights the others.)

DREIDL SPIN IRONY

The dreidl game that we play at Chanukah is somewhat of an ironic addition to the holiday. It seems to be a 16th century European game tied up with the holiday season. Chanukah is a holiday that is about fighting assimilation as the Maccabees did, and yet our favorite Chanukah game co-opts another culture's holiday to teach the message of our own holiday. The sides of the dreidl have Hebrew letters that stand for "GREAT MIRACLE HAPPENED THERE". Unless you live in Israel where the dreidl's letters stand for "GREAT MIRACLE HAPPENED HERE".

Chanukah is a favorite holiday of so many. We no doubt have many marks in our memories of Chanukahs shared with family and friends. Whether together in person or in spirit this year, the more you understand the background of the holiday, the more you realize how much more than presents this holiday really is. *Chag Orim Sameach* – Happy Chanukah!



Giving to Others Kindles Your Light from Within

BY RABBI GREG WEISMAN
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A few years ago, a bright young professor at the Wharton School, Adam Grant, wrote a book called “Give and Take.” His work focuses on organizational psychology, how people interact and work with one another. What his work has shown is that those who are givers, who orient themselves towards finding opportunities to enhance the experience or the resources of others, are often the most successful and productive. But more importantly, they achieve that success by lifting up others, sharing their light with those around them.



November and December are often thought of as the giving season. The joyousness of the winter holidays like Thanksgiving and Chanukah remind us of those in our community who may not have the means to set their table or dress their homes with the abundance of others. So those who can find ways to help those who may need more, by donating food, delivering gifts, or helping to raise funds to support those in need.

These acts of tzedakah are core to this time of the year. But that is not only because there are so many around us who need assistance in fulfilling their desires for meaningful celebrations. It's also because the message of Chanukah, that the glimmer of the light of the menorah

continues unabated day after day, inspires us to find ways to brighten our own light and share it with the world. The brightness of a light needs someone else to see it in

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order for it to be impactful, and so the candles inspire us to find ways to impact our community through our acts of tzedakah.

We are taught by our tradition to seek to say one hundred blessings a day, find one hundred opportunities to bless and eat our food, to see a rainbow, to hear the crash of thunder, or to perform a mitzvah like lighting Shabbat candles. But for the mitzvah of tzedakah there is no blessing, no formula that we say to mark the moment in sanctification. Thinkers in our tradition have wondered “why not” for generations, but as Rabbi Harold Shulweis once taught, it is because “tzedakah is the blessing, it is intrinsic.”

Anyone can give it, even those who receive it. We are each eligible for the blessing of tzedakah, each able to brighten our light and the lives of those around us, whether by giving a few coins, a whole turkey, or a new hospital wing.

This year, as our community navigates the ever-changing landscape that the coronavirus pandemic has brought, we continue to look for new ways to support our long-standing tzedakah efforts like The Giving Tree and seek new opportunities to share the light and warmth of our blessings that giving tzedakah represents.

Whether at home or at work, at school or in the synagogue community, we each have what to give and what we need. As the story of Chanukah reminds us of how a small band can lean on each other to overcome adversity, we can band together what we have to share our light with the world- and make our own lights burn more brightly in the process.

See pages
10 and 11
for ways
to give!

3 WAYS TO GIVE



1 Giving Tree Holiday Project 2020

The Giving Tree has the mission to spread kindness, dignity, and hope to those in need within our local area. Each recipient of The Giving Tree donations is treated as if they are a member of our own family as we strive to support the needs of children, young adults, families and seniors among us who do not have access to some of the most basic necessities. The Giving Tree Holiday Project is one of Temple Beth El's oldest mitzvah projects, filling holiday wish lists for local children, teens and seniors in need for the past 30 years!

This year, due to Covid, we will not have our usual Holiday Workshop gift wrapping, or Christmas Eve gift delivery at the Wayne Barton Center. Gifts must be delivered or shipped to the homes of individual Giving Tree captains, instead of being dropped off at the temple or the holiday workshop.

We will miss some of our annual traditions, but the holiday spirit of The Giving Tree is stronger than ever, just virtually!



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- Visit thegivingtreeboca.org and choose a wish.
- Donate online tbeboca.org/the-giving-tree and we will shop for you.
- Contact thegivingtreeboca@gmail.com for more information, or to organize a wish list fulfillment drive in your neighborhood

Please follow us on Facebook (facebook.com/TheGivingTreeBoca) and Instagram ([@thegivingtreetbe](https://instagram.com/thegivingtreetbe)) for updates. Thank you for your support and generosity in these difficult times.

2 Experience Feel-Good Shopping

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You shop. Amazon gives.

3 Someday is Today

Every three minutes someone in the US is diagnosed with a blood cancer and it changes the lives of millions of people every day. It touches everyone from patients facing a new diagnosis to those who are struggling to figure out how to afford their next round of treatment; from families caring for their loved ones to communities rallying together for a cure. This was the defining moment for me and my family when in 2005 when I was diagnosed with Leukemia without much hope of surviving. I was one of the lucky ones and since then I along with the Social Action Committee have embraced the goal of making a difference for all patients of blood cancers especially this year with the added pandemic struggle of our patients.

Temple Beth El's Social Action Committee is spreading the word about how easy it is to make a difference in this fight – and how important it is that we work together on behalf of all cancer patients within our community especially with the added terrifying Covid-19 pandemic. We are appealing to you to help Mike Blackman help so many cancer patients during this terrible pandemic year



by making a donation to support Mike Blackman and so many who are still on their journey to a cure.

Just look at our team photo of last year and make it your commitment to join!

Please go to tinyurl.com/ltn-tbe-2020 to make a donation. All proceeds go to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of South Palm Beach County. Your online donations will automatically register you for the walk.

You can also contact Mike Blackman at mblackman99@gmail.com or 561-364-1627 for any information regarding the event or for assistance from LLS.

Thank You to Everyone Who Participated in the High Holy Day Food Drive!

**PARTICIPATION WAS OUTSTANDING,
AND THE FOOD PANTRIES WERE BEYOND GRATEFUL.**

2,920

The total pounds of food collected at Schaefer Family Campus and donated to both Boca Helping Hands and Jacobson Food Pantry

330

The total pounds of food collected at Beck Family Campus and donated to Jacobson Food Pantry

3,250

The grand total pounds of food collected at both Beth El campuses



Both food pantries are very grateful and looking forward to our next drive.

Chanukah at Home WITH TEMPLE BETH EL



Celebrate Shabbat

Join us for Shabbat Evening Services

every Friday at 7:30pm, and

Torah Study on Saturdays at 9:30am.

Visit tbeboca.org/virtual for details, and links to view on Livestream, Facebook or YouTube.

November 20

We read parashat Toldot, and reflect on how we learn to love the differences in each other.

November 27

A Shabbat where we seek to inspire maintaining an attitude of gratitude during this season of Thanksgiving.

December 4

Looking Back Looking Forward, a Shabbat shared with Robert Watson. See *right*.

December 11

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December 18

As Chanukah comes to an end this Shabbat, we explore how to sustain the miracle.

December 25

Celebrate Shabbat with us as we learn and explore The tenth of Tevet!

Looking Back and Looking Forward

A Shabbat with
Dr. Robert Watson

Friday, December 4

during 7:30pm Shabbat Evening Services

A month after the Presidential election, we will turn to esteemed lecturer and historian, Dr. Robert Watson, for an analysis of the last 30 days. He will discuss moving forward with bipartisanship, civility, a renewal of international alliances, and what to expect from the winner of the 2020 Presidential election for the next four years.

Dr. Robert Watson is a historian, author, professor and political commentator who has published 40 books, hundreds of articles and is a frequent commentator on multiple news outlets. Watson is the recipient of many awards for his contributions to the study of the presidency,



election commentary, community service, civics programs, and efforts to combat anti-Semitism and incivility. Robert was born in Harrisburg, attended public schools in nearby Hershey, and was educated at Virginia Tech, where he

was a member of the football and track teams. He holds the title Distinguished Professor of American History and Director of Project Civitas at Lynn University in Boca.



What's Your Life Story?



BY
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It only took me six years to act on some helpful advice given to me by Rabbi Greg Weisman.

The book Rabbi Weisman told me to read is Steven Covey's "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People."

Of Dr. Covey's 7 habits, the two habits that I found the most impactful were the first two described in his book.

Stephen Covey wrote that we should begin with the end in mind and be proactive in making that end a reality.

As an example, Dr. Covey says that everyone should take the time to write the eulogy that they hope will be read at their funeral and then chart a proactive path to make this hoped-for outcome happen (of course, not the dying part – just the message part).

So, I did what Dr. Covey suggested. I wrote my eulogy.

I want to be remembered as nice, kind, honest, a good family man, and a defender of the weak and those needing help. I want people to say that I was a good person and was funny and fun to be with. I want to be remembered for never asking others to do what I would not do myself. I want to be thought of as trustworthy and a good friend.

And, of course, I want to be celebrated for being a tease and a good sport when teased back.

Why am I writing this?

During the High Holy Days, we heard a lot about the book of life.

We learned that on Rosh HaShanah, things are written in our book of life, and on Yom Kippur, that book is sealed for the year.

But, what is written in our book of life is not random...each of us has control. Which brings me back to the 7 Habits of Highly Successful People.

My eulogy, how people remember me, whether I made a difference and what sort of difference I made, well, that's my life story. I am the author of my life story. No one else. Just me.

I know as long as I am alive, it is never too late to write more into my book and even change the ending.

Stephen Covey wrote that we should begin with the end in mind and be proactive in making that end a reality.

And if that is true for me, it is true for you.

You are the author of your life story, your book of life. Everyone can decide what you want your life story to be, determine how you are going to make it happen, and then proactively work towards your goals.

If you would like to share your life story with me, please do not hesitate to reach out. It would be my honor to speak to you.



MAUSOLEUM MOSAICS DEDICATION

Temple Beth El is extremely grateful to the Runsdorf family for their incredibly generous donation of two beautiful mosaics for our Mausoleum, "The Matriarchs" and "The Patriarchs". Donated in honor of Paula Runsdorf, and in memory of Lawrence Runsdorf z"l (of blessed memory), the artwork is a lasting and fitting tribute to the matriarch and patriarch of the Runsdorf family.

Rabbi Dan recently led a dedication ceremony to offer our thanks, and to honor Paula and remember Lawrence as a husband and father who was loved so much. In addition to Paula, family members in attendance were their daughter Lisa and son Miles. Their son, Adam, was unable to attend. They spoke about how Lawrence is always with them and how they feel his presence everywhere around them.

Beth El Mausoleum is honored to have received this gift from people that have been and continue to be so committed to Temple Beth El.

Winding our Way Through the Pandemic



BY STEVE KAUFMAN
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TEMPLE OPERATIONS UPDATE

We continue to do our best to strike a balance between maintaining the safety of our Temple community, and honoring our commitment to be there for all of us during this trying time.

At the time The Chronicle went to print, the Temple is in Phase 2 of our four phase reopening plan. Every week the Covid-19 Task Force meets to evaluate the health metrics in our area to determine whether to move from one phase to the next, either forward or backward.

So long as we are in Phase 2, staff at the Schaefer Family Campus are able to work in person, but restrictions remain on how many individuals may be in the building on a given day. We recently held in-person Bar/Bat Mitzvah orientation for families of 6th graders, adhering to strict safety protocols and physical distancing. People were very happy to see one another, and to see the

beautiful sacred spaces where their upcoming simchas will be held. At the Beck Family Campus, all staff are working in person to support the full reopening of the Early Learning Center. The parents, teachers and

staff have shown incredible cooperation and dedication to providing a safe, loving and joyful learning environment for the students.

Lifecycle events, programs and worship services are allowed, but limited in number, and restricted in amount of people and their physical proximity to one another. Three in-person worship experiences were offered the week between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. For those who attended, it was highly meaningful to be back in the Merle E. Singer Sanctuary. However, attendance was far lower than we anticipated, giving us an indication that most of our members are still not ready to come back to Temple for in-person services.

In the coming weeks we hope to offer more in-person programs and services for smaller groups, with appropriate safety protocols, so that those who are comfortable coming to Temple will have the ability to do so. However, most programs and services will remain online in the near term.

I am often asked “When will the Temple reopen for Shabbat services?” or “When can we have Bar/Bat Mitzvah parties again?” I wish I could provide a specific date. The truth is that these decisions are made weekly, based on the most recent data, not on a specific timetable. We kindly ask for your patience and understanding, and we appreciate your continued participation in temple life, whether in-person or virtual. Please know that we are trying our best to do the right thing at every turn on this long and winding road.

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“The Matriarchs”

Sarah, wife of Abraham, was known to be a generous and welcoming figure. Shown is an open tent and a basket of bread representing Sarah’s welcoming of the stranger. Rebecca, wife of Isaac, was kind hearted. Shown is a well and a jug of water. When Abraham sent his servants to look for a bride for Isaac, on her own accord she drew water from her family’s well for Abraham’s thirsty servants and their camels. Leah, Jacob’s first wife is symbolized by the mandrake flowers that were gathered by Jacob’s and Leah’s first born, Reuven. Rachel, Jacob’s second wife, sister of Leah, was beautiful in body and spirit. Rachel was the tender of the sheep, as symbolized by the Shepherd’s staff. Rachel was Jacob’s first love, however, unlike Leah who was buried with her husband in Hebron, Rachel was buried on the way to Bethlehem, where her tomb is shown above.



“The Patriarchs”

Abraham is symbolized by the stars at the top of the image; it represents God’s promise to Abraham that his seeds will be as numerous as the stars and the grains of sand on the shore. Isaac is symbolized by the story of the “Binding”. At the bottom of the image one can see the ram caught in the bush that was eventually sacrificed instead of Isaac. Jacob is symbolized by an abstraction of a ladder climbing heavenward; representing his dream and covenant with God. The place where the dream took place is named Beth El.



INTRODUCING BETH EL Circles

Where people and interests intersect

Are you a movie maven? Maybe you are ready to tackle trivia games or do DIY decorating in your home. Well then, you have found the right place to be.

Beth El Circles is our small group initiative where you can find and connect with other members with similar interests, hobbies and passions.

Here are just a few of the Beth El Circles we are offering beginning December 1, with more to come in the new year. Only three to four members are needed to start a Circle, and good news — there is no maximum!

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**Do you want to join a Circle,
have an idea for a Circle you want
to start, or have some questions?**

**Contact Julie Guzy at
561-314-2918 or
JGuzy@tbeboca.org**

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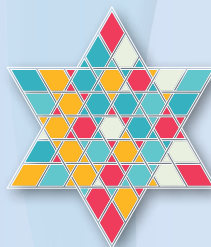
TRIVIA GAMES:

Do you know the name of every song title? Are you a history or sports buff? Not sure — that's okay too! Your pursuit of virtual trivia games is over. Join this Circle to share laughter, great conversation and the thrill of the challenge.



DIY DECORATING:

If you think it is time to take the lipstick off the pig and really redecorate, sign up to join other members for tips, tricks and ideas.



KACHOL-LAVAN:

Are you longing to talk in Hebrew? Connect with other Israeli members to catch up on news, share useful or fun info and reminisce about our homeland.



MOVIE TIME:

Break out the popcorn and jammies! It is time for movie night for the group. Watch the movie choice of the Circle for the month and follow it up with a discussion with other members...a perfect pairing!



TECH GRANDPARENTS:

Share tips with other grandparents on how to connect with grandkids during our time at home and with grandkids who live far away. Have an opportunity to kvell, share pictures and all those wonderful stories with each other.

COOK'S CORNER:

Remember when planning dinner sometimes meant making reservations? For now, let's get together to share our favorite recipes through email and friendly conversation via a virtual happy hour! We will focus on a different cooking topic each time.



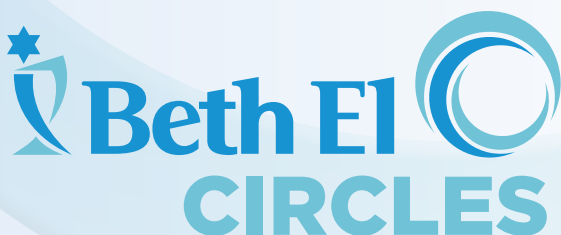


CIRCLE OF LIFE:

Got a little extra love in your heart? Maybe you are a teen and could also use some more community service hours. We will match you with one of our Temple members who could really use some TLC (Telephone and Laptop Communication). These members are alone and have gone through an especially hard time due to isolation because of Covid. Give them a call once a week, send a short email to say how you are doing, wish them a Shabbat Shalom. A little bit, goes a long way. Someday, hopefully soon – you can even meet in person.

Have you been isolated and having a hard time especially during Covid? Would you like to hear from another member to chat every so often? Let us know and we will match you with another member for some TLC. Someday, hopefully soon maybe you will even get to meet in person.

If you are interested, please contact Julie Guzy at 561-314-2918 or JGuzy@tbeboca.org.



Welcome New and Returning Members



We are thankful for you! In November we welcomed more new members to our Temple Beth El community. They were invited to “drive up” to the Schaefer Family Campus to receive a welcome gift and to schmooze with the clergy, all from the safety of their cars. It was a great day to see everyone! For help getting involved, please contact Elinor Josephson, Director of Engagement and Programming, at ejosephson@tbeboca.org or 561-314-2833.

Lunch & Learn

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

Get the zoom link at tbeboca.org/virtual or view the livestream at tbeboca.org/live

HAFTARAH, CHANUKAH AND HISTORY WITH TEMPLE BETH EL CLERGY

Tuesdays November 10, 17, 24, December 1, 8 and 15
(NO CLASS December 22 and December 29)
12:00 – 1:00pm

“Furious they assailed us,” goes the third line of the Chanukah song Maoz Tsur. This class will delve into who is “they”, what changes to Judaism occurred during this time, how Jerusalem and the Second Temple and Jewish leadership was impacted, and what remains of those days in this time of Chanukah?

THE GREAT HEBREW POETS CHANUKAH GALA

Special Session
with Rachel Korazim
Tuesday, December 15, 2020
2:00pm

Join beloved Israeli teacher Rachel Korazim for a special Chanukah edition of her weekly class. Delve into the poetry of Israel, and the country that shapes its poets. This class is sponsored by Temple Beth El and an anonymous sponsor.



What are You Dedicated To?



HEATHER EREZ
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This year, I find myself feeling more passionate about what I am dedicated to. My health, ability to enjoy life, provide good education for my children, etc., are all things that I usually took for granted. I don't anymore.

Just as the Maccabees revolted against Antiochus and rededicated themselves to Judaism, I also find myself needing to think outside the box and find new ways to rekindle the light, showing my dedication to Judaism.

Here are some ways to show your dedication to Judaism

- Schedule different friends/family every night to light candles with over FaceTime or Zoom.
- Bake treats or purchase sufganiot (donuts) to deliver for others, anonymously!
- Find a Spotify playlist and have a Chanukah dance party with your family
- Use a blank t-shirt or sweatshirt and create your own Chanukah shirt with markers (do not wash with other clothes if you don't use fabric markers)

- Have a latke topping tasting contest.
- Eat dinner by candle or twinkle lights.
- Make your own chanukiah with Legos or other items in your home
- Light the Temple Beth El Chanukiah in our Spark the Light Chanukah Relay!
See page 4.



Create Your Own Chanukiah!

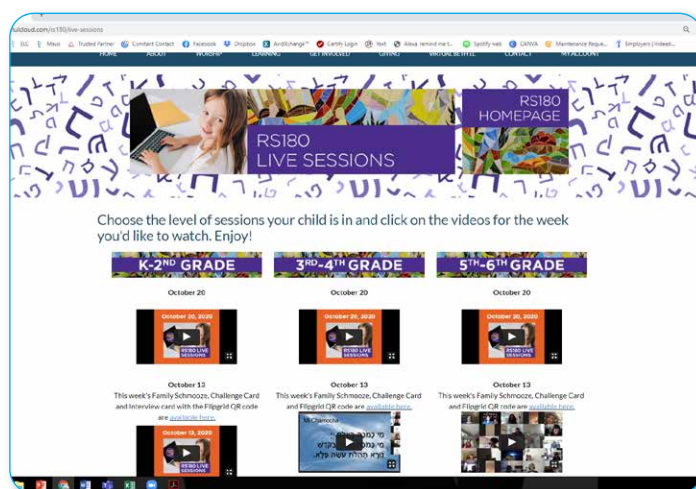
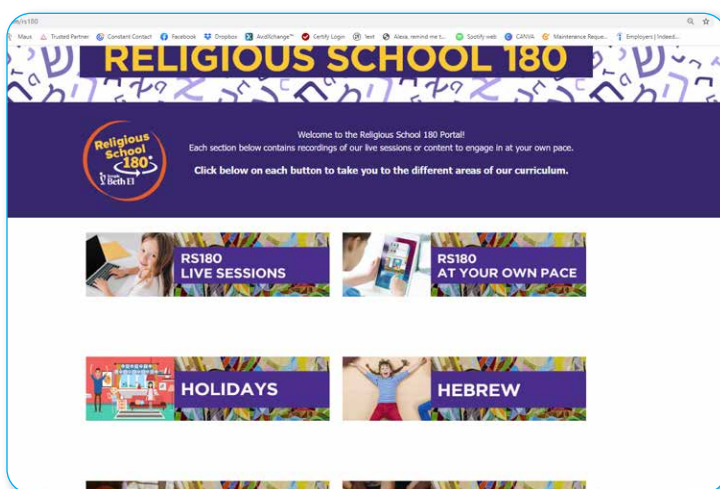


RS 180 is Going Strong!

We launched RS 180 this year to provide an innovative, engaging and values-based religious school curriculum, that is easily accessible for families dealing with the challenges of raising their children during this global health pandemic. Utilizing technology that children are comfortable interacting with, this is a fun, interactive way to learn Hebrew and Judaism, for tuition of only \$180 per child.

Each family can choose when and how they participate. In addition to their online classes, and some in-person, socially distanced youth group events, families will have access to a wide array of content, available on the RS 180 Portal on the Temple's website.

Please contact Heather Erez at herez@tbebo.ca.org if you are interested in learning more!



FOR KINDERGARTENERS THROUGH 6TH GRADE Live Sessions

- Weekly Live Sessions on Tuesdays led by Heather Erez and Clergy
Sessions cover three prongs, Prayer, Holidays and the following Jewish values:
 - Sukkat Shalom – Shelter of Peace
 - Ometz Lev – Inner Strength
 - G'vurah – Strength or Power For Good
 - K'hillah – Social Connectedness and Community
 - Chesed – Loving Kindness
- Weekly live sessions of Hebrew Through Movement on Thursdays that focuses on Modern Hebrew comprehension and discussion.
- One on one tutoring for students with approaching Bar/Bat Mitzvah dates.

All live sessions are recorded, edited and available on our RS180 portal for later viewing if students are unable to join a live session.

ON RS180 PORTAL

- Jewish Life Vocabulary Cartoons – Keeping the American Jewish Lexicon fresh through cartoons introducing phrases and the concepts behind them.
- Weekly Challenges – students can participate in a challenge to enhance the live sessions or as a standalone activity.
- Family Schmooze – families can have discussions that enhance the live sessions or as a standalone conversation starter.
- All Live Recordings
- Activities or videos to enhance holiday knowledge

FOR 7TH GRADE THROUGH 12TH GRADE

- Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class with Rabbi Jessica all classes and extra content for Mitzvah projects are recorded and available on the RS180 Portal
- Mini Courses with clergy – all classes and extra content are recorded and available on the RS180 Portal

FOR ALL GRADES

- In person Tribal Gatherings or Youth Group activities when possible. Socially distanced and masked in small groups.

B'Nai Mitzvah



Harrison Swartz



Zachary Ross

Harrison Swartz
Son of Marla and Jonathan Swartz
November 7, 2020 @ 9:00 am

Jacob Sosin
Son of Peter Sosin
November 7, 2020 @ 11:30 am

Zachary Ross
Son of Tammy and Mitchell Ross
November 14, 2020 @ 10:45 am

Rebecca Suzanne Campbell-Posner
Daughter of Dr. Deborah Posner
and Dr. Katharine Campbell
November 21, 2020 @ 9:00 am

Max Raines
Son of Nicole and Alan Raines
November 21, 2020 @ 11:30 am

Phoebe Housenbold
Daughter of Stacey and Jason Housenbold
November 28, 2020 @ 11:30 am

Sadie Kanter
Daughter of Faye and Douglas Kanter
December 5, 2020 @ 11:30 am

Willa Kanter
Daughter of Faye and Douglas Kanter
December 5, 2020 @ 11:30 am

Michael Lieberfarb
Son of Elizabeth Ciano and Marshall Lieberfarb
December 12, 2020 @ 11:30 am

Ryan Lieberfarb
Son of Elizabeth Ciano and Marshall Lieberfarb
December 12, 2020 @ 11:30 am

Eliana Cohen
Daughter of Michelle and Yaniv Cohen
December 19, 2020 @ 9:00 am



Rebecca Suzanne
Campbell-Posner



Max Raines



Phoebe
Housenbold



Sadie Kanter



Willa Kanter



Michael Lieberfarb



Ryan Lieberfarb



Eliana Cohen

Confirmation

In the Religious School, we are doing everything different! Even our confirmation class of 5780 had to realign their expectations while figuring out how to celebrate the culmination of their yearlong studies. Instead of being confirmed in May, as is our custom at Temple Beth El, this year they are showing their dedication to Judaism and our community right before Chanukah. Yes, situations beyond our control have led us to this point, but the message is still just as strong. As they reflect upon the past year and how their lives changed as they knew it, their

focus is still on the importance of connecting to Judaism and God as they celebrate their own dedication to our faith. Please join me in a hearty Mazel Tov to Confirmation Class of 5780 as they celebrate together on Sunday, December 6 on the temple's livestream channel. tbeboca.org/live



Gratefulness



BY **RONNI GRAF**
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LEARNING CENTER
DIRECTOR
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When I think about “Rekindling My Inner Light,” what comes to mind is focusing on the things that we are grateful for that give us happiness and joy. At the top of my list is my family, whom I adore. I am blessed with a wonderful husband, children, parents, siblings, and extended relatives who love and support each other unconditionally.

I also consider myself one of the lucky few whose chosen profession, early childhood education, brings light into my life. For the first time in many years, I was able to experience life without the light of coming to school each day when we were forced to shut our doors due to the coronavirus. During that time, I realized how important young children are in helping to rekindle my inner light on a daily basis.

How grateful I am to the Board of Trustees and our incredible Early Learning Center Team that we were able to open our doors and welcome our students back on August 31st for the 2020-21 school year. While some things may look a little different, the most important

things remain the same. The joy of children’s laughter once again filling our beautiful campus, the looks of curiosity and wonder on their faces when they discover something new, even the tears that need to be soothed by hugs and kind words, once again help to rekindle our lights each and every day.

At our Early Learning Center, we also recognize the importance of teaching our students how to rekindle their light. How to care for themselves while caring for others at the same time. Our daily curriculum includes

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yoga, mindfulness breathing techniques, and the practice of Conscious Discipline to help our very young children learn the foundations of self-care that will live with them throughout their lifetimes.

As you and your family light your menorah this year, my wish for you is to recognize the joy in your life that helps you rekindle your inner light. Chag Chanukah Sameach!





Virtual Tot Shabbat

B'Thankful Shabbat
with Miss Jen from Kidding Around Yoga

November 13, 2020 at 6:30pm

B' Thankful and join us virtually, as we usher in Shabbat with the amazing techniques of Yoga Yeladim (Children's Yoga.) Let the soothing positions of Yoga help you and your family relax and enjoy a peaceful and restful Shabbat!

Winter White Tot Shabbat

December 18, 2020 at 6:30pm

It's almost winter! Wear white and join us as we celebrate one of our favorite seasons and Shabbat at our White Shabbat.

important dates

Thursday, November 19 at 7:30pm

Pre-K Parent Workshop – The Kindergarten Dilemma with Heidi Cherwony

Wednesday, November 25- Friday, November 27

School Closed for Thanksgiving

**Monday, November 30 –
Sunday, December 13**

ELC Virtual Scholastic Book Fair

scholastic.com/bf/betheearlylearningcenter

Tuesday, December 8

Chanukah Parties for Childcare Classes

Wednesday, December 9

Chanukah Shows/Parties for 2 and 4 year-old Classes

Thursday, December 10

Chanukah Shows/Parties for 3 year-old Classes

Monday, December 21

Winter Break Begins for Early Childhood Students

Thursday, December 24

Noon Dismissal/Begin Winter Break for Childcare Students

Monday, December 28 – Friday, January 1

School Closed for Winter Break

Parenthood

Wednesday, November 18 at 7:30pm

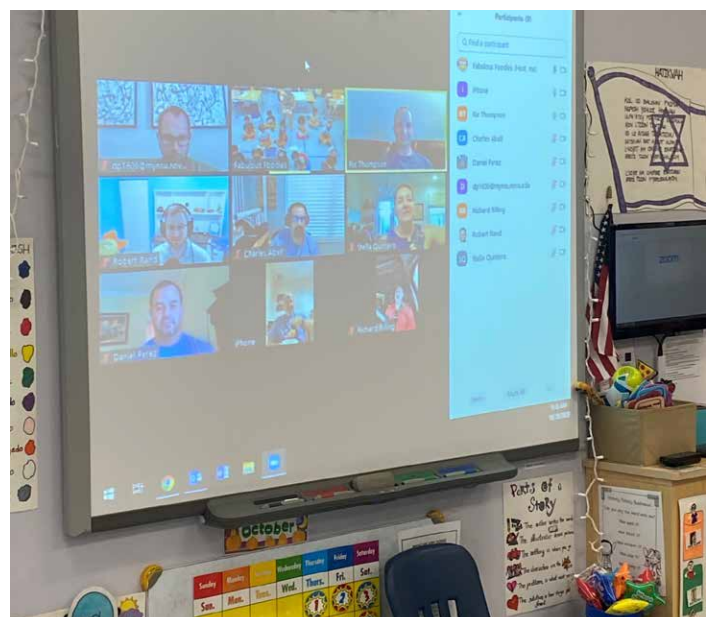
Parenthood Meeting via Zoom

Thursday, December 3

Guys Night Out – Save the date!

Wednesday, December 16 at 9:30am

Parenthood Meeting via Zoom



SISTERHOOD UPDATE



BY **KAREN SCHLOSS**
AND **LISA FRANKLIN**
SISTERHOOD CO-PRESIDENTS
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Hello TBE! It has been a while since we have seen each other in person. We have loved seeing many of you at all the various Zoom events we have hosted since, well, you know. We really haven't stopped. If anything, we have been trying to create meaningful events that keep us all connected. We are so proud of our Board and our Sisters! They have been so positive and engaged. Thank you! As we march onward into "Winter," we are continuing our programming and fundraising efforts. Now more than ever our Temple and our Community need us. We have tried to offer no cost or low cost Zoom events. We appreciate everyone who has sponsored events to keep the price down.

Much gratitude and love to Rabbi Jessica for being our guide and encouraging us to move forward in these times. Her passion, focus and never-ending ideas for programming and keeping us all connected is unrivaled.

Our first fundraiser of this year is LATKES!

They are a huge hit every year! Latkes can be ordered online and will be available for pick-up through car-line at the Beck Family Campus Mondays-Fridays, December 3-17 between 10:00-11:00 am and 5:00-6:00pm. They sold out last year, don't wait to order!

We are so excited! We updated our Tribute cards! They are gorgeous. The cover is the Trilogy of Tapestries from the lobby of Temple Beth El Schaefer Family Campus. The cards are available to purchase and are sent out by Glenda Gordon for you to honor a loved one, a birth, mitzvah or birthday (any event really). These donations help support various and important projects in our Temple.

Karen and Lisa were part of a District WRJ Presidents Zoom. WRJ has a great calendar of events to peruse as well, and it's included in part of your dues. wrjsoutheast.org. We loved feeling connected to our fellow Sisters and hear what each of their Sisterhoods have been up to. We are hoping to incorporate some of their ideas into our programming in the coming year. We have also invited them to our events!

Please open your emails from Sisterhood on Sundays, and scroll through all of our offerings! We are planning some combined events with Brotherhood which are sure to be fun and appropriately Social Distanced!

We miss seeing everyone in person, and we hope we will be able to progress to the next phase sooner rather than later! Hope everyone is well! Please reach out if you need anything!

Order latkes at tbeboca.org



New Tribute Cards for Sale

Sisterhood has new Tribute cards to reflect the tapestries that are hanging in our entrance hall. These cards are available for purchase for \$18 per card or 10 for \$180. This is a great way to honor a loved one. The money will be used to support various projects in our Temple. For further information and to purchase a card, email Glenda Gordon at glendashopper46@gmail.com or call Glenda at 561-302-3507.



BROTHERHOOD UPDATE



BY CARLOS ROMERO
BROTHERHOOD
PRESIDENT
info@tbebrotherhood.org

Connectedness. This year the world had no choice but to learn new ways to stay connected with family, friends and the community. Our temple community was quick to adopt the new technologies powering our lives in the pandemic year of 2020. Brotherhood adapted as well to the changing world. We adopted Zoom meetings for our monthly conversations. We also leveraged the internet to help grow our weekly poker get together. It has been a huge success and if you want to join us, please reach out to Dr. Andrew Zwick at bocadoc1@gmail.com.

Recently, we held a great conversation (over Zoom) with New York Yankee, Ron Blomberg. He shared many stories of his fascinating life growing up Jewish and playing professional baseball. A major upcoming event which has been great fun and fostered many new connections in the past, is the annual Brotherhood Golf Tournament. Each year we honor a leader from within our community and our honorees this year are Drs. Andrea and Rob Colton. The event brings together many people who would not normally know

about the work your Brotherhood does in the community.

Reach out to us at info@tbebrotherhood.org to make suggestions for future programs. Better yet, join our monthly board meetings which are held the first Thursday of each month at 6:30pm on Zoom. Check your email each Sunday morning for links to all our great programs and events!

SAVE
THE
DATE

Annual Brotherhood Golf Outing

Monday, March 1, 2021
At Boca Rio Golf Club

Honoring
Drs. Andrea & Robert Colton



Brotherhood Vodka and Latkes A Virtual Chanukah Celebration

Wednesday, December 16, 2020

7:30pm

\$30 per person

Zoom Event

We had scotch in the sukkah, and now it's time for Vodka and Latkes! Join the Temple Beth El Brotherhood in celebrating Chanukah with some delicious latkes accompanied by a vodka tasting led by Rabbi Greg Weisman. Catch up on Zoom with the Brothers, and raise a glass to toast the bravery of the Maccabees!

Register at tbeboca.org/virtual.



Thank You for Being a Chai-Line to Healing

*A Lifeline for those in our
community who need it most*

2020-2021 Annual Giving Campaign

As Jews, we are no strangers to the question, “Why is this year different than any other?”

In the spirit of creative licensing, let us amend the question to, “Why is this year’s Annual Give different than any other?”

History has shown that the collective strength and resilience of our Temple Beth El family is resounding. Whether challenged with traditional annual appeals or immense capital campaigns, our Temple family has answered the call for over 50 years. We have never faltered. We are stronger, together.

A HISTORY OF GENEROSITY – NOW BECKONING ITS GREATEST CALL!

This year, an invisible and unpredictable virus casts its shadow over us. Instead of letting this enemy pull us apart and isolate us, Temple Beth El has been able to maintain community, togetherness and a sense of belonging in an otherwise isolated world. Why? Because Temple Beth El is where we belong!

We need your continued support to ensure that Temple Beth El can be there for everyone who needs us, regardless of the challenges they face from this unforeseen pandemic.

CHAI-LINE TO HEALING was chosen as the name for this year’s Annual Appeal because we are calling on everyone in our Temple Beth El family to be a “life-line” for those who need it most. No gift is too small. Every gift made will be impactful.

Your gift will make the difference between community and isolation for those who need us most. Your gift will help ensure that we can reach out to every single member, from newborns to the elderly, to offer a lifeline for physical and spiritual safety.

BE A LIFE-LINE TO...

- A senior congregant on a fixed income forced to choose between paying for food or medicine, will never lose her spiritual connection to the Temple.
- A single mother of two boys recovering from domestic abuse, will not only be able to stay connected to her Temple family, but will receive the assistance to celebrate her childrens’ b’nai mitzvah.
- Our members facing job loss diminished income, and a massive downturn in business will not lose their family connection to the Temple or have to worry about their children’s religious education

If you have not yet made your commitment to the Chai-Line to healing, please consider doing so today!

For our members and friends who have already become life-lines to those who need it most, we thank you for your generosity! Please give online at tbeboca.org/annual-giving-donate

If you have any questions, please contact Derek Hurwitch, Development Director at 561-701-6217 or dhurwitch@tbeboca.org.

Thank You to Our Annual Giving Donors

As of September 30, 2020

This year's Annual Appeal is more important than ever, with many in our congregation ravaged by the economic downturn caused by the pandemic. We thank everyone who has donated in the past, and encourage everyone to please give generously this year so that we may continue to provide the help that is so desperately needed.

Melissa & Charles Abell	Judith Chason	Lynda & Michael Frost	Robin Hirsch
Liliana Abramson	Linda Cherry	Dana & Ronen Gabbay	Marcia Hoffman
Rebekah Acosta	Barry Chesler	Louise & David Galpern	Taryn Hoffman
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 M Rita & Tully Schuster
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 L Susan & L David Schwartzfarb
 Murray Seltzer
 Roberta & Lorrie Shafer
 Diane & Lawrence Sharnak
 Jill & Douglas I Sherman
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Our Congregation Mourns

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Sandra Blackman, sister-in-law of Michael and Judy Blackman

Judy Boris, mother of David and Carin Boris, grandmother of Jaime and Danielle Boris

Marc Cohen, cousin of Elinor and Jay Josephson

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Eileen Eisenberg, mother of Michael Eisenberg and Frances Karp-Eisenberg

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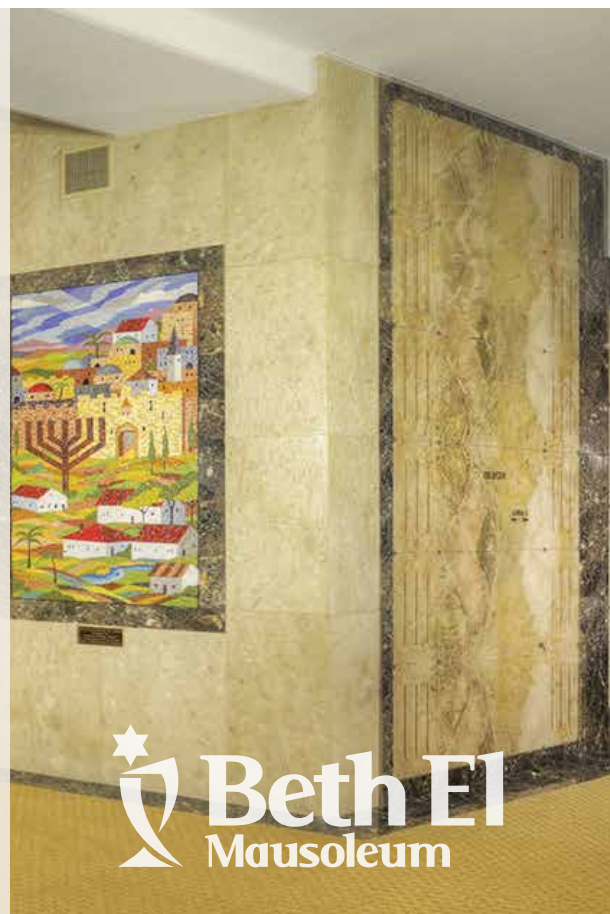
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Spicy Carrot, Parsnip and Potato Latkes

Adapted from Martha Rose Shulman at cooking.nytimes.com

These latkes have an Indian flavor twist. There is heat from the chiles and spice from the nigella seeds.

INGREDIENTS

- 3 cups, tightly packed, mixed grated carrots and parsnips (about 1 pound)
- 3 cups grated potatoes (use a starchy potato like Idaho or Yukon gold)
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste
- 2 serrano chiles or 1 jalapeño, minced (seeded if desired)
- ½ cup chopped cilantro
- 1 tablespoon nigella seeds
- ¼ cup chopped chives
- ¼ cup all-purpose flour or cornstarch
- 2 eggs, beaten
- About ¼ cup canola, grape seed or rice bran oil

DIRECTIONS

Preheat the oven to 300 degrees. Place a rack on a rimmed sheet pan.

In a large bowl combine the carrots and parsnips, potatoes, baking powder, salt and pepper, chiles, cilantro, nigella seeds, chives, and flour or cornstarch. Mix to combine. Add the eggs and mix.

Heat 2 to 3 tablespoons of oil in a heavy skillet over medium-high heat. Try to get as much water out of the mixture as you can. (You can squeeze it in your hands or on the back of a spoon. Once the oil is hot, add tablespoons of the latke mixture to the pan. Press down with the back of the spatula to flatten. Do not overcrowd the pan. Depending on the size of your pan, you might be able to fry anywhere from 3 to 5 latkes at a time. Cook on one side until golden brown, about 3 minutes. Using a spatula, flip the latkes over. Cook on the other side until golden brown, another 2 to 3 minutes. Transfer the latkes to the rack in the sheet pan and place in the oven to keep warm. Repeat with the rest of the mixture.

The mixture will keep accumulating water. Keep squeezing it out as you work.

Serve the latkes hot. Top them with low-fat sour cream, Greek yogurt or crème fraîche, or any topping of you like such as salsa, chutney or yogurt blended with cilantro, mint, and garlic.

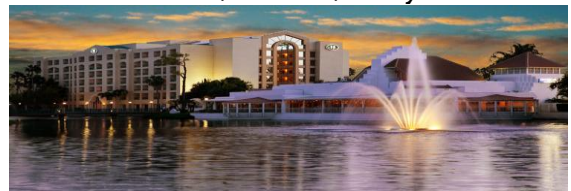
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Dr. Norton is a world-leading expert in minimally invasive spine surgery and in office treatment of vertebral compression fractures with the kyphoplasty procedure. Dr Norton spends time when not seeing patients, teaching other surgeons cutting-edge minimally invasive surgical techniques. He recently even wrote a book chapter for a major spine textbook on how to do the kyphoplasty procedure in the office.

Throughout his career, Dr. Norton has had a strong interest in academic medicine and has been actively involved in teaching and research. He has authored multiple publications on a variety of topics related to spine surgery in numerous peer-reviewed journals and textbooks. He has received several research grants and has presented his research at both national and international conferences.

Compression fractures of the spine occur most often in people with osteoporosis, after a fall, after a forceful cough or sneeze, or simply from bending over to tie shoes. Fortunately, he can treat patients with an easy solution called a Kyphoplasty, performed in my office in about 10-minutes. After numbing the area, he will simply place a small needle into the broken bone under x-ray guidance. He can then inject a small amount of bone "glue" to stabilize the broken bone. This is a permanent fix and serves to get rid of the pain from the broken bone and prevent further collapse of the bone so you don't become deformed and hunched over. The pain is gone immediately and you can walk out of the office with just a Band-Aid! Skilled in the most advanced surgical techniques and emerging technologies, Dr. Robert Norton offers expertise in all aspects of spine care. His expertise and excellent surgical outcomes have earned him the nickname, "Miracle Worker."

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