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Consecrating Gratitude

BY RABBI DAN LEVIN
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When my children were little, we were blessed to receive many gifts for occasions like their bris and baby-namings and birthdays. I was always amazed how Aimee would remember who gave our children which outfits, and when we would see our friends, she would unfailingly dress the kids in the clothes our friends had given them.

This was how Aimee would show her gratitude for our friends' generosity. When my parents would give us a gift, they would always say, "Use this in the very best of health!" And so we learned that the way we show our appreciation for a gift was to use it well.

Our tradition teaches that the greatest gift each of us has been given is the gift of life itself, and our capacity for awareness and the meaning of our own existence. In the Mishna, Rabbi Akiva teaches: "How beloved is humanity to be created in the image of God; but how much more beloved is humanity that they were made aware they were created in the image of God." (Pirke Avot 3:14)

Because the gift of life is so holy and precious, we yearn to use it well. We admire people who make the most of their lives. We extol those whose motto is: Carpe Diem – seize the day! My daughter often justifies her life choices with "YOLO – You Only Live Once."

Thus we show God how much we appreciate the gift of life by learning to use it well.

How we make best use of the gift of life requires wisdom and understanding. Is it better to save for a rainy day, or seize an expensive opportunity? Should we inconvenience ourselves to travel to a family occasion or make sure we don't miss school or work? When should I stand up for a principle that matters, and when should I let something go for the sake of peace?

To make the most of the gift of life, we must expand our body of knowledge. We can, if we choose, push ourselves to pursue interests and avocations – sports, music, dance, or the arts. We grow our minds or hone our skills with deliberate training, hard work, and practice.



The same is true for our souls. To truly experience all that life has to offer, we need to hone our spiritual competence. We learn to appreciate beauty and cultivate awe and wonder. We open our hearts to grow our capacity for compassion and love. We learn to differentiate our fundamental principles and values from fleeting impulses or desires. These capacities, like every other talent or ability, require training, hard work, and practice.

Thus we show God how much we appreciate the gift of life by learning to use it well. We consecrate the gift of life by seeking to grow our understanding and wisdom from Torah and tradition and by following the commandment to teach that wisdom to our children.

The word “חנוכה-Chanukah” means dedication. Chanukah not only commemorates the rededication of the ancient Temple in Jerusalem, but celebrates the renewal of our dedication to seek God's light and to follow God's path.

And so Temple Beth El consecrates our newest religious school students on Chanukah because it is a celebration dedication - of our dedication to Torah and tradition, and to living lives of goodness and holiness.

And perhaps the best way we can embrace this season of Thanksgiving is by rededicating ourselves to the pursuit of Jewish wisdom and understanding – showing our thanks for the gift of life by carefully nurturing our own learning and teaching our children how best to use it well.

Everything is a Miracle



BY **WENDY WALIN**
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We often mark time by milestones or important events. I frequently mark time by thinking of holidays. Having celebrated the High Holy Days, I now look forward to Thanksgiving and Chanukah. Thanksgiving has always been my favorite American holiday and, as a child, Chanukah was definitely my favorite Jewish holiday.

Thanksgiving is about family and giving thanks. This year, I am also thinking of my temple family and all that I have to be thankful for. In Cheryl Richardson's book, "Take Time for Your Life," she writes about soulful connections. She believes that everyone

Community makes us whole and is an integral part of a high-quality life. Temple Beth El can be that community for you.

longs for this type of connection that touches your heart, and gives you a sense of connectedness and belonging. When we experience this, we often find our desire for community becomes more of a priority. She believes that community makes us whole and is an integral part of a high-quality life. Temple Beth El can be that community for you.

Chanukah is celebrated by lighting the menorah, getting chocolate gelt, spinning the



dreidel, and of course, getting presents. What kid wouldn't love that? We tell the story of Chanukah as having a one-day supply of oil, and the miracle of the oil lasting for eight days.

As we celebrate these two holidays within days of each other this year, I invite you to join me in thinking of the miracles in your life and all that you have to be thankful for. Albert Einstein said, "There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle."

I am choosing to live as though everything is a miracle. I am not talking about extraordinary events, but the simple things that make our lives miraculous. I am taking time to count my many blessings. I hope you'll do the same.



Each One, Reach One A Minute for a Mitzvah

All it takes is a minute every day to do a mitzvah.

How does it work?

Sign up to make a quick call every day to a designated member to check in and make sure they are okay. We will provide you with the member's phone number and next steps if you do not get an answer.

How can you receive a call from someone every day?

If you live alone and would like a fellow member of Temple Beth El to give you a quick call every day to make sure you are okay, you may register as a recipient.

Temple members may register at tbeboca.org/beth-el-circles to be either a caller or a recipient.

Contact Julie Guzy jguzy@tbeboca.org for information.

We look forward to seeing you in person!



BY **STEVE KAUFMAN**
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As the number of Covid-19 cases in our area continue to decline, the Temple will continue to offer more services and programs in person. If you are planning to attend a worship service, life-cycle event or other program in person, please take a moment to familiarize yourself with the following information and safety protocols.

This information is accurate as of October 18, 2021. Please check your email and the temple website tbeboca.org/update for the most recent information.

- Masks are required regardless of vaccination status while indoors.
- Capacity limitations are in effect. Pre-registration may be necessary if we see we are reaching the limit for a particular event. Please check the weekly email or the Temple website for the latest information.



- Physical distancing protocols will remain in place.
- Proof of vaccination is not required. However, we encourage attendance by only individuals who are fully vaccinated.
- Private, catered parties for life cycle events are allowed.
- Shabbat services are held in person every Friday night.

Thank you for your cooperation. We can't wait to see you in person again soon.



WELCOME

Celebrating New

Rosalie & Ted Ackerman

Nathalie Agajan and her children,
Orya, Eve and Adam

Ellen & Daniel Arkush and their child, Sarah

Stephanie & Matthew Baratz
and their child, Camila

Lisa Barenboim and her child, Madeline

Robin & Neil Baritz

Richard & Rachel Baroff and
their child, Harper

Ian & Jennifer Barr and their child, Brody

Holly Rosenthal & Stephen Bauman
and their children, Remy, Jack, Brittany,
Stephanie, Noah and Dylan

Sarah Becher

Marly Beer

Hinda & Joel Berger

Danielle & Michael Berro and
their children, Mia and Dylan

Tara Feld & Joseph Betesh
and their child, Zeke

David & Courtney Birnbaum and
their children, Ryan and Justin

Traci & Jamie Blitz and their child, Eva

Andrew & Sara Borah and their
children, Brielle and Isaac

Rebecca & Ross Borzykowski and
their children, Levi and Ezra

Alexis & Andrew Brownstein
and their child, Logan

Scott & Carly Buscemi and
their child, Andie

Maury Cartine

Blake Cohen and her child, Rylee

Bruce & Susan Cohen

Susan Cohen

Gerard & Amy Collins and their
children, Aiden and Liam

Tracy & Jared Comess and their
children, Emerson and Chloe

Harriet Cook

Edgar Castillo & Claudia Corrales
and their child, Allegra

Caitlin Davidson and her child, Clementine

Barbara Diamond

Brian & Lauren Eisenberg and their
children, Lily and Benjamin

Carol Ellis

Adam & Leslie Evans and their
children, Jack and Max

Lauren & Richard Feldman and
their children, Darren and Sloan

Hannah & Michael Fisher and their
children, Dustin, Jason and Zachary

Justin & Morgan Forer and their
children, Sterling and Sutton

Kandice & Jacob Freedman
and their child, Calvin

Mara & Seth Frey and their
children, Hayden and Arianna

Judy Friedman

Daniel Ganc & Gabriela Ferder Ganc and
their children, Eli, Raquel and Joshua

Jenn & Benjamin Gene and their
children, Sophia and Caleb

Sharon & Martin Gene

Norma Gittelman

Gary & Dale Glass

Jennifer Glassberg

Michael & Gabrielle Glasser and
their children, Kaidyn and Kylie

Jason Gold & Jodi Schoenhaus-Gold
and their children, Dylan and Ava

Jessica Goldberg and her
children, Eli and Molly

Scott & Zoe Goodman and
their child, Charlie

Dawn Miller & Jonathan Grayer
and their children, Annie, Sophie,
Benjamin and Charles

Madeline Grebow

Iris Greenberg

Marc & Jody Greenspon and their
children, Brian and Jacob

Diana & Jeff Grubman

Brett & Jessica Gubenko and their
children, Summer and Sadie

Lindsey & Meryl Harris and their
children, Jett and Parker

Melissa Cohn & William Harts

Adam & Rebecca Heller and their child, Noa

Julien Herpers

Sharon Hershkowitz

Ethel & Joshua Herskovic and their
children, Hannah and Shaan

Adam & Tracy Hurwitz and
their child, Lexie

Jaime Iraheta & Catalina Marin
and their child, Samantha

Diana & Jonathan Jacobs and their
children, Sebastian and Joshua

Cayla Kahn

Felisa Kahn and her children,
Parker and Madison

Paul & Jamie Kahn and their children,
Liam, Nicole and Jayden

Susan & Ronald Kalver

Laura & Jason Kaplan and their
children, Renly, Jacob and Levi

Jeffrie Stern & Herb Kaufman

Jacklyn & Wade Kellick and
their child, Kayleigh

Holly & Robert Kessler and their
children, Arielle, Jack and Max

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their child, Spencer

Samantha & Josh Klein and their
children, Alexis and Jordan

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their child, Charlotte

Donna Kofsky

Suzette & Steven Kolitch

Lori & Ken Konsker and their children,
Briella, Eliana and Harrison

Murray & Ellen Koppelman

Matt & Jennifer Korn and their
children, Chase and Dylan

Dorene Krackow

Ashley & Kenny Kraemer
and their child, Jonah

Laura & David Kreiger and their
children, Jonah and Ari

Richard & Jane Kruger

DeAnne Krulik and her child, Cammie

and Returning Members

June 1, 2021 through October 1, 2021

Garrett & Dana Kuczynski
and their child, Amelia

Josh & Danielle Kyser and their
children, Keira and Carson

Alejandro Labarca

Lenore Lenkin

Robert & Fran Lenter

Jillian & Michael Levine and their
children, Skylar and Lily

Brenda & Nathan Levine

Alyssa & Cory Lewkowitz
and their child, Jackson

Laura Liebesman, her father Leonard
and her children, Samuel and Daniel

David & Erica Lipman and their
children, Benjamin and Emma

Jeff Lipman

Lesli Litman, Kimberley Litman
and their mother, Josephine

Talia Litvin and her child, Avery

Justin & Lisa Lopatin and
their child, Arielle

Dave & Sarah Marks and their
children, Jake and Ben

Jenn & Adam Mayer and their child, Dylan

Joshua McCoy

Steven & Diane Michaels

Christine & Jonathan Midwall
and their child, Pierce

Marsha Morgan

Evan & Jaime Morris and their
children, Alyssa and Ryan

Irving Nadler

Anthony & Jessica Pacheco and their
children, Samuel and Amelia

Anatoliy & Darina Patek and
their child, Amelia

Lynn & Lewis Pell

Aaron Plante & Gabrielle Levine
and their child, Emma

Claire & Steven Platzek and their
children, Leah and Benjamin

Brian Podolsky

Melissa & Jonathan Randall and
their children, Adam and Allison

Todd & Jenya Reinglass and their
children, Noa, Lila and Nate

Tara Reiss and her children,
Ethan and Jack

Michael & Allison Remis and their
children, Ashley and Emily

Beth Richter

Kenneth & Jan Ricklin

Joshua & Jacquelyn Rieger and
their children, John and Emilia

Rui & Lori Rodrigues and
their child, Rebecca

Eric & Jill Rosen and their
children, Jack and Julie

Adam & Jenny Rothstein and their
children, Rachel and Jake

Howard Rudnick

Karen Rudolf and her
children, Noah and Ilana

Lois & Samuel Saidel

Johanna Salcedo-Black and
her child, Cassandra

Diane Schmier

Michelle Moore & Grant Schreier and
their children, Arthur and Nathan

Adam & Robin Schwartz
and their child, Sunny

Allison & Steven Segall and their
children, Brianna and Jaxon

Lee & Karen Shaffer

Sylvia Sheldon

Robert Sherman

Judy & Mark Shernicoff

Hal Sherry & Wendy Schatzman-
Sherry and their child, Samuel

Nadezda Musatova & Ilya Shnayder
and their child, Alexander

Barbara Slobin

Amy & Steve Stein

Jason & Tina Steinberg and their
children, Matthew, Zoe and Ethan

Sarah & Brent Stern and their
children, Chyler and Cade

Henrietta & Victor Stern

Angela Salmon & Scott Stone

Jennifer & Joshua Sussman and
their children, Ava and Jacob

Jordana Tobel and her
children, Ella and Adam

Jordan & Erica Tomalty and their
children, Sloan, Cole and Blake

Wesley & Jenn Tremayne
and their child, Quinn

Brian & Stephanie Trew
and their child, Levi

Jason & Rachel Trock and
their child, Miles

Marilyn & Herb Vichnin

Jill & Matthew Wahler and their
children, Benjamin and Ava

Terry Wait

Andrew & Monica Weinberg
and their children, Alexander,
Jonathan and Stephanie

Judith & Howard Weiner

Joanne Weiner

Amy & Jordan Weiss and their
children, Lily and Jacob

Mark Weitzner & Robyn Applebaum
and their child, Noah

Carole Weller

Summer Westerbur

Jacob & Lara Wiseman and their
children, Talia and Gabriel

Bella & Jerry Wyman

Mitchell & Randi Yanow and their
children, Joshua, Tyler, Noah and Jack

Daniel & Jennifer Zacka
and their child, Lily

Faye Merrie & Ira Zolin

Gesi Schilling & Ezequiel Zylberberg
and their children, Lowe and Sunny

For help getting involved, please contact Elinor Josephson,
Director of Engagement and Programming, at ejosephson@tbebo.org or 561-314-2833.

Celebrate Shabbat

COVID-19 UPDATE The Schaefer Family Campus is open for many Shabbat services and programs! The Beck Family Campus still has limited in-person programs to keep the campus safe for younger children who are ineligible to be vaccinated. Please carefully read The Chronicle, and check tbeboca.org and your emails for frequent updates as the situation continues to evolve. All services livestreamed at tbeboca.org/live

NOVEMBER 5, 2021
6:00PM

Commemorating Kristallnacht

The "Night of Broken Glass" that marked the beginning of the Holocaust will be remembered on this Shabbat. We will reflect on what a society needs to do to ensure that goodness can triumph over hate.

**EARLY
SERVICE**

NOVEMBER 12
7:30PM

Shabbat Service: Honoring our Veterans – VIRTUAL BETH EL ONLY – Livestream, Facebook and YouTube

On this Shabbat, we offer our gratitude and respect to those who served the cause of freedom in our nation's armed forces.

6:30PM **ZOOM for the Night of 50 Shabbat Blessings!**

Those who are sharing our Night of 50 Shabbats in each other's homes will first join together for Shabbat Blessings on Zoom! Register for Night of 50 Shabbats at tbeboca.org/nightof50 and you will receive the Zoom link.

See opposite page for details how to participate in a Shabbat dinner!

NOVEMBER 19
6:30PM

Virtual Tot Shabbat - B' Thankful!

Join us as we usher in Shabbat with the amazing techniques of Yoga Yeladim (children's yoga) with Miss Jenn. It will help you and your family relax and enjoy a peaceful and restful Shabbat. Go to tbeboca.org/live to livestream the service, or view on the Temple's Facebook page or YouTube channel!

7:30PM

Shabbat Service: Vayishlach

As we reflect on how Jacob grows to become "Yisrael" - "One who wrestles with God" - we pause to give thanks for how Torah and tradition help us to celebrate the gift of life.

NOVEMBER 26
7:30PM

Shabbat Service: Gratitude

In this week of Thanksgiving, we mark Shabbat with prayers of gratitude and thanks.

**EARLY
SERVICE**

DECEMBER 3
6:00PM

Shabbat Service Celebrating Chanukah BOHEMIAN MACCABEE RHAPSODY SERVICE FOLLOWED BY CHANUKAH PARTY!

"We will rock you" with the music of Queen retelling of the Chanukah story! On this holiday of dedication, we also celebrate the Consecration of our Kindergarten and First grade students. See p. 10 for more information.

DECEMBER 10
7:30PM

Vayigash – A Meditation on Forgiveness

In our Torah portion, Joseph reunites with his brothers and restores the bonds of his family. We reflect this evening on the power of forgiveness and how even when relationships fracture, there is still hope for reconciliation and renewal.



Night of 50 Shabbats

IN PERSON OR VIRTUAL
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2021 • 6:00PM
All hosts will follow appropriate COVID-19 safety protocols.

It's time to celebrate Shabbat all around the town. Your choice – you can be a host or a guest and share Shabbat dinner with other Temple Beth El members.

Sign up now! Here's how:

BE A HOST:

- How many guests can you accommodate?
- Are there members you are inviting?
- Will you be dining inside or outside?
- Hosts receive a special 'thank you' gift from the Temple, generously sponsored by Sisterhood and Brotherhood.



BE A GUEST:

- Is there a particular home you'd like to attend?
- Is there a person you'd like to attend with?
- Do you want to dine inside, outside or have no preference?

SHABBAT BLESSINGS ON ZOOM

Each host will receive a Zoom link for Shabbat blessings led by our clergy. Everyone will gather at their host's location and at 6:30pm participate in this interactive Zoom. For Early Learning Center families on a slightly different schedule, view a specially recorded Shabbat video from our clergy at a time that works for you!



DINNERS: It's Florida!! Embrace the outdoors and enjoy dinner in people's backyards/patios, or at a restaurant, park or clubhouse – wherever works best for you. As a host, you can cook, make it potluck, or order in.

There's NO FEE to participate in this event.

Register to be a HOST or GUEST at tbeboca.org/nightof50 or contact Debbie Eisenberg at deisenberg@tbeboca.org

Deadline: November 5, 2021

There will not be in-person Shabbat services this evening. There will be a VIRTUAL Shabbat evening service at 7:30pm for those who wish to participate or are observing Yahrzeit and saying Mourner's Kaddish.

DECEMBER 17

6:30PM

Virtual Tot Shabbat Winter White!

Winter White Tot Shabbat- It's almost winter! Wear white and join us as we celebrate one of our favorite seasons and Shabbat at our White Shabbat. Go to tbeboca.org/live to livestream the service, or view on the Temple's Facebook page or YouTube channel!

7:30

Shabbat Service: Vayechi – Living your legacy

In this final portion of the Book of Genesis, Jacob looks back on his life and the legacy he leaves. This Shabbat, we will explore ways that we can consider our legacies now, in the fullness of life, and live each day with our legacy in mind.

DECEMBER 24

6:00PM

Navigating the Larger Culture as a Minority.

As our Christian neighbors celebrate their holy season, how can we authentically share in our larger culture while preserving our Jewish identities?

EARLY SERVICE

DECEMBER 31

6:00PM

Welcoming the New Year with Love and Compassion

Bring 2021 to conclusion in the peace of community and Shabbat.

EARLY SERVICE

CHANUKAH

**LIVE AND IN PERSON,
IT'S OUR CHANUKAH CELEBRATION**

BOHEMIAN MACCABEE RHAPSODY

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2021

6:00pm Chanukah Shabbat
Service, K-1 Consecration & Bohemian
Maccabee Rhapsody, the Chanukah
story to the music of Queen!
In person and on Virtual Beth El

7:30pm Outdoor Chanukah Party
on the Lawn at the Schaefer Family
Campus with optional Dinner

Chanukah Shabbat Service, K-1 Consecration and "Bohemian Maccabee Rhapsody"

Together, we will celebrate our Bohemian Maccabee Rhapsody Chanukah and Consecration service in the Rabbi Merle E. Singer Sanctuary, or you can watch services live streamed on our big outdoor screen. Be sure to bring lawn chairs or blankets. There will be limited seating for those who require it.

Then picnic and party in our back yard – it's going to be a whole latke fun! Join us outdoors on the lawn for gelt, our giant lego menorah, fun photo station, dreidel games, crafts, and a DJ dance party.

OPTIONAL DINNER FOR MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS

Order your delicious, gourmet 'grab & go' hot meal. Meals will be individually boxed to enjoy outside in the back yard, picnic style.

\$18.00/Adults

\$15.00/Children ages 4-12 years old

Pre-purchase deadline is

Friday, November 19, 2021

Register for dinner at

tbeboca.org/chanukah2021.

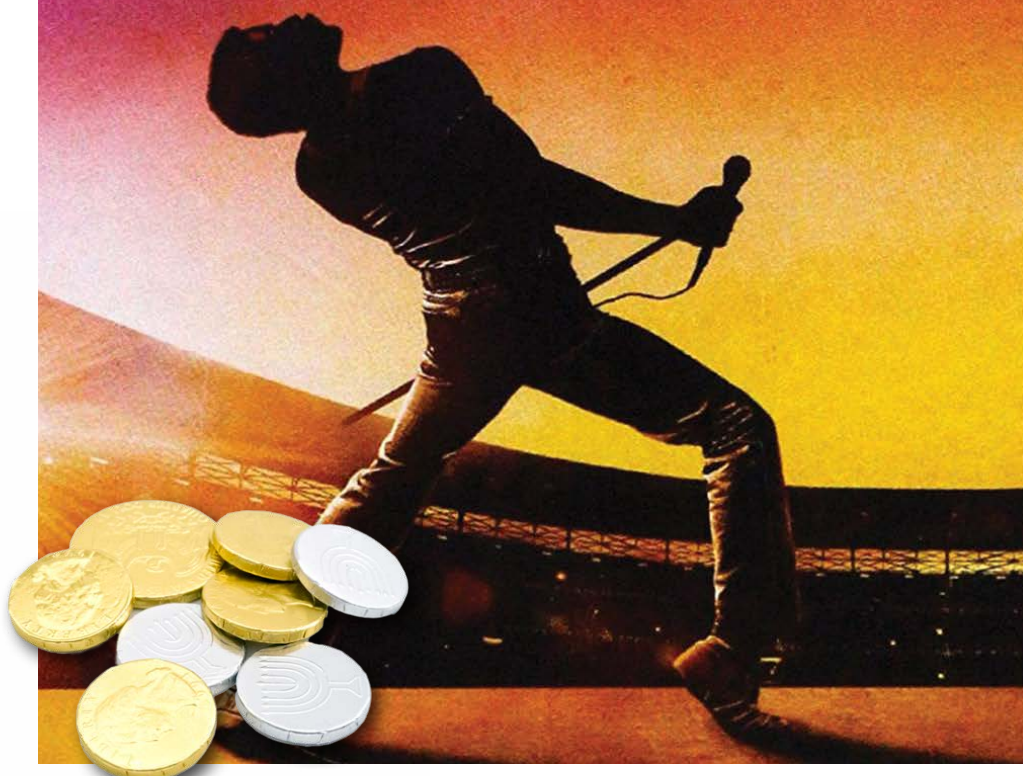
For questions or more information

please contact Julie Guzy at

JGuzy@tbeboca.org or at

561-314-2918.

*No refunds will be available
for this dinner.*



Chanukah
begins Sunday,
November
28, 2021 and
ends Monday,
December 6,
2021

Light the Chanukiah AT UPTOWN BOCA! WITH TEMPLE BETH EL

Tuesday, November 30, 2021

Uptown Boca – Glades Road, just east of 441
5:00pm-6:30pm

Join your clergy to light the Chanukiah at 5:30pm, and enjoy a sweet treat and great Chanukah music with your Temple Beth El community. Then stay to support one of the amazing restaurants for dinner!



Latke Sale

Beth El latkes taste better!

Buy latkes from Temple Beth El.
Proceeds benefit Sisterhood
and Beth El Early
Learning Center.
Purchase info

[tbeboca.org/
chanukah2021](http://tbeboca.org/chanukah2021)



Chanukah Ideas

BY HEATHER EREZ

Chanukah is always a fun time to get creative with your family. Here are 8 ideas to celebrate this year!



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1

LatkePalooza – A latke baking competition, each family member comes up with their own ingredients of what they think would taste good as a latke. Make enough for taste testing and then vote! A twist to this idea is for each person to choose a topping for everyone to try, a step up from the age old sour cream vs applesauce debate!

2

Upcycle items to create a Chanukiah! Find items around the house that can provide creative surfaces to either glue nuts to that will hold Chanukah candles or tea lights. You could decorate an old milk jug on its side with tea lights, or wrapping canned food with decorative labels with nuts and candles on top (then you can donate the food afterwards!). Just don't forget to create a shamash that will stand out from the others!

3

Listen to some Chanukah parodies (Google them!) and then write your own silly ones!

4

Celebrate with Temple Beth El on Friday night, December 3, at Bohemian Maccabee Rhapsody!

5

Go through your books to choose at least 8 to donate in honor of Chanukah.

6

Game Night with a "dreidel off", complete with a bracket! Play Chanukah Tic-Tac-Toe by using washi tape to create a tic-tac-toe board on a table. Instead of Xs and Os, place a donut holes in the Xs and gelt in the Os boxes. Bounce a ping pong ball onto the board and eat the treat it bounces on. Whoever eats their treats three in a row wins!

7

Decorate white T-shirts together with highlighters and then replace a lamp or two with a black lightbulb, put on some groovy Chanukah music after lighting candles for a glow in the dark dance party together.

8

Dress up yourselves and your table for a Fancy Schmancy Chanukah dinner. Speak with accents and use every manner you have for a posh and silly evening together. Pull out your good china, create Chanukah themed centerpieces and decorations to create the ambiance.

Chag Chanukah Sameach from the Religious School Team!

CHANUKAH

Consecration for Kindergarten and First Graders

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2021

You shall love Adonai your God with all your mind, with all your strength, with all your being. Set these words, which I command you this day, upon your heart. Teach them faithfully to your children; speak of them in your home and on your way, when you lie down and when you rise up. Deuteronomy 6:5-9

**"I love going to Temple Beth El religious school because my father went there too."
— Hunter Freedman**

**"I love being able to send my children to the same religious school I went to as a kid."
— Justin Freedman**

When we gather for services, we recite the Ve'ahavta together which include these words from Deuteronomy. At Temple Beth El we celebrate our newest learners at our Consecration service, where they are blessed by our clergy in front of our entire community at Shabbat. This year, we chose to celebrate on Chanukah, symbolizing the dedication of lifelong Jewish learning sparked in our children and their families as they begin their formal education at this young age. This mirrors the rededication to the Temple in the Chanukah story when the

Maccabees defended their rights to be Jewish and triumphed over King Antiochus.

We look forward to embracing our kindergarteners and 1st graders this year at our Consecration Chanukah Shabbat on Friday, December 3 at the Schaefer Family Campus.

**"I'm glad to be part of Temple Beth El and I love being Jewish. My favorite is Hinei Ma Tov because of the words. It's about how good and sweet it is to be all together."
— Shayna Rand**



**"Even though we have to rush to make pancakes on Sunday mornings to get to school by 8:50, Elijah is excited each week to finish breakfast to get to religious school. As soon as we pick him up, Elijah is ready to share the topic of the week and his new Hebrew words. He's so proud to be learning Hebrew."
—Rebecca and Seth Harlem**



The Mystical Meaning in the Festival of Lights

**RABBI DAN LEVIN
THURSDAY DECEMBER 2, 2021 – 7:00PM
on Virtual Beth El, YouTube, or Facebook Live**

Join Rabbi Dan Levin on the fifth night of Chanukah for an exploration of how Kabbalah and Jewish mystical tradition teaches us the deeper meanings to be found in the Festival of Light.

FREE OUTDOOR CONCERT

For Members Only
Tickets Required

Thanks to the generosity of Fran and Art Siegel

LIVE on the LAWN with DAN NICHOLS and friends

FEATURING DAN NICHOLS
and our Cantorial Team:
Lori Brock,
Michelle Auslander Cohen
and Jake Harris



SCHAEFER FAMILY CAMPUS BACK LAWN DECEMBER 19 | 3:00 PM

Join us on the back lawn for a fun afternoon of folk,
rock and pop Jewish and Secular music.

Bring your lawn chair or blanket, limited seating will be available.

FREE

TICKETS ARE REQUIRED. TEMPLE BETH EL MEMBERS ONLY.

Register: tbeboca.org/concert

ABOUT DAN NICHOLS

Dan has toured congregations and Jewish summer camps across North America for over 20 years and is thrilled to return to Temple Beth El. He has been featured at conferences and conventions of nearly every major Jewish movement, including the URJ Biennial, NFTY Convention, BBYO International, Limmud and the Wexner Heritage Program. Dan has performed live in Israel at the historic fortress of Masada and in the studio for the groundbreaking XM Radio presentation of Radio Hanukkah.

Giving Tree Holiday Project

The Giving Tree is gearing up to fill over 2000 holiday wishes for kids, teens and seniors in our local community. Started at Temple Beth El over 30 years ago, the annual project makes the holidays a little brighter for those among us whose lives are filled with many basic resource insecurities. We have updated logistics to make gift giving easier than ever, and greatly appreciate your support!



We need your help to fill wish lists. Here are ways to make this happen:

- **Pick a wish list(s) from one of our virtual trees.** Visit our website and pick a wish list The Giving Tree - Pick a Wish List or you can email thegivingtreeboca@gmail.com
- Scan this QR code to choose a wish from the online wish list.
- **Prefer not to shop?** Visit tbeboca.org/giving/the-giving-tree to donate now and we will shop for you:
- **Organize a wish fulfillment drive at your place of work, your community or other social group.** If interested, contact us for more information thegivingtreeboca@gmail.com
- Follow and like our posts on Instagram @TheGivingTreeTBE
- Follow and like our posts on Facebook: [facebook.com/The GivingTreeBoca](https://facebook.com/TheGivingTreeBoca)
- Spread the word to your network of friends and family



Thank you for your support and generosity, together as a community we will make holiday wishes come true!

With Love & Gratitude,

Judy Gordon, Leslie Steinberg, Linda Berger, and Myra Singer

Racial Equity Newsletter Discussion Group

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2021

7:00 – 8:30 PM

Zoom – Register in Advance

The third issue of *Equality*, Temple Beth El's Racial Equity Newsletter, has just been released. Join the leaders of our Racial Equity Leadership Team to discuss the articles, podcasts, and other content, which this month focuses on the advantages and disadvantages that racial identities present. The discussion group will be led by fellow Temple Beth El members.

Register at tbeboca.org/events/category/social-action.

If you are interested in being added to the distribution list for *Equality*, or have any other questions, please contact Rabbi Greg Weisman at gweisman@tbeboca.org.



Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

**VIRTUAL LIGHT THE NIGHT
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2021
6:00-7:00PM • ZOOM**

This year's Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Light the Night is going VIRTUAL and will now be on Zoom.

Please go to tbeboca.org/event/leukemia-lymphoma-society-light-the-night-walk/ to register for the event and to make a donation. All proceeds go to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of South Palm Beach County.

For more information, please contact Mike Blackman at mblackman99@gmail.com or 561-364-1627.

VIRTUAL Lunch & Learn

Virtual Beth El –
Zoom, Livestream or YouTube

NOVEMBER

Dr. Robert Watson

**Holocaust, Statehood and
Anti-Semitism: Looking Back to
Understand Today**

Tuesdays,

November 2, 9, 16 and 30

(NO CLASS November 23)

12:00pm-1:00pm

Beloved lecturer and Lynn University Professor Dr. Robert Watson will discuss the story of statehood for Israel, his book on the final days of the Holocaust, an assessment of the historic roots and the resurgence of Anti-Semitism and hate today in his unique and engaging style. If you have never learned with Dr. Watson, this is a NOT TO BE MISSED series.



DECEMBER

Mike Hollander

Jewish Journey Lectures

Tuesdays, December 7, 14 & 21

(NO CLASS December 21 and 28)

12:00pm – 1:00pm

Jewish Educator and Tour Guide Mike Hollander has led Temple Beth El all around Israel. Now, in the legacy of Chanukah, Mike will guide us through sites where Jews have battled for survival – sometimes succeeding and sometimes not.



The Spiritual Power of **Chanting**

IN PERSON Tuesdays, November 16, 30

VIRTUAL Tuesday, December 7

7:30-8:30pm

Schaefer Family Campus and on Virtual Beth El

Join Rabbi Amy Grossblatt Pessah and Cantorial Soloist Michelle Auslander Cohen to explore the power of music and chant. During this three-part series, we will discuss how music helps us connect to our souls in a way that words just can't. We will learn several chants, practice them, and allow the power of the chant to unite us in community. Chanting will be in both English and Hebrew. Our Hebrew chants will be simple while opening the door to the sacred language in which we pray. No musical experience or prior knowledge of Hebrew is required.



Adult B'nai Mitzvah

Whether you were b'nai mitzvah when you were young or never did this before, become part of the Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class of 5782! You will delve into Jewish learning and prepare to lead our congregation in our Adult B'nai Mitzvah Service on Shavuot, Sunday, June 5, 2022.

Fee is \$360 and familiarity with the Hebrew letters is preferred.

Zoom class dates – 7:00 - 8:00pm Wednesdays

November 3, 10, 17, 2021

December 1, 8, 15, 2021

January 12, 19, 26, 2022

February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2022

March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2022

April 6, 2022

**In person Class Dates at Schaefer Family Campus - 7:00 - 8:30pm
Wednesdays**

April 27, 2022

May 4, 11, 18 25, 2022

June 1, 2022

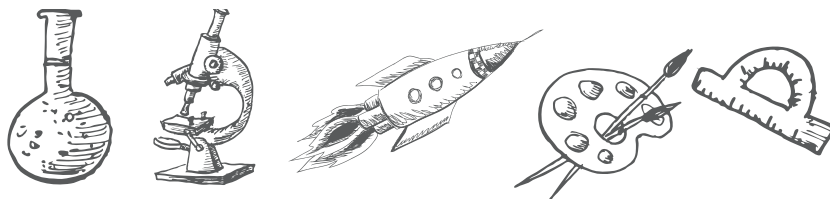
Shavuot and Adult B'nai Mitzvah Service June 5, 2022
followed by Oneg celebrating our Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class of 5782

For questions or to register, contact Rabbi Jessica Spitalnic Mates at
jmates@theboca.org or 561-414-1005

S.T.E.A.M. Room – Coming Soon



BY **RONNI GRAF**
BETH EL EARLY
LEARNING CENTER
DIRECTOR
rgraf@tbeboca.org



SCIENCE | TECHNOLOGY | ENGINEERING | ART | MATH

“The future belongs to a different kind of person with a different kind of mind: designers, inventors, teachers, storytellers: creative and empathic ‘right-brain’ thinkers whose abilities mark the fault line between who gets ahead and who doesn’t.” –DANIEL PINK

In recent years, “S.T.E.M.” (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) has been the buzzword in education. It has grown nationally as an educational approach to prepare youth for 21st century careers. A growing body of research shows that exposure to quality, hands-on STEM curricula for children up to age 5 is a key predictor of later school success, setting them on a path to develop a love of scientific inquiry. In addition to developing enhanced inquiry skills, science instruction improves abilities in subjects outside of STEM, including literacy, language-learning, math, and executive functioning.

We are building a dedicated S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) Room, that will open by the end of 2021! We are very grateful for the generous donation from Rona and Sandy Steinberg in memory of their mother, Beverly Steinberg, that is making this dream a reality for our students.

A more recent development is the incorporation of art into the STEM curriculum for very young children, also known as S.T.E.A.M. With the addition of “art,” the potential to stimulate the creativity of youth, preparing them for jobs where innovation and invention is key, is multiplied. At the Beth El Early Learning Center, we strive to continuously be on the cutting edge. While STEM has long been a part of our classroom curriculum, we are very proud to announce that we are creating a dedicated S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) Room, that will open by the end of 2021! We are



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The inclusion of the “art” component into STEM makes it more fun to learn, and more approachable to kids. With STEAM, students have opportunities to explore, investigate, pursue their curiosities and draw conclusions about how things work, how to build or develop and how to improve their designs.

The STEAM Room will create a hands-on space where children will engage with materials in a very individualized way based on their needs and learning style. We will strive to create everyday experiences for our children that prepare them to be excellent problem-solvers, creative collaborators, and thoughtful risk-takers setting them on a path for life-long success.

Tot Shabbats

Join Rabbi Greg and Cantor Michelle and your Early Learning Center families as we welcome in Shabbat.

Virtual B-Thankful Tot Shabbat

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19 • 6:30PM



B' Thankful Virtual Tot Shabbat with our very own Wellness Specialist Miss Jenn. Join us as we usher in Shabbat with the amazing techniques of Yoga Yeladim (Children's Yoga) which will help you and your family relax and enjoy a peaceful and restful Shabbat! Go to tbeboca.org/live to livestream the service, or view on the Temple's Facebook page or YouTube channel!

Virtual Winter White Tot Shabbat

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17 • 6:30PM

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

Go to tbeboca.org/live to livestream the service, or view on the Temple's Facebook page or YouTube channel!



ELC Important Dates

Wednesday, November 17

Parenthood Meeting – 9:30am

Wednesday, November 17

Parenthood Guys Night Out

Monday-Tuesday, November 22-23

Thanksgiving Celebrations for Students

Wednesday-Friday, November 24-26

Thanksgiving Break – No SCHOOL

Sunday, November 28

First Chanukah Candle

Monday – Friday, November 29 – December 3

Scholastic Book Fair

Tuesday, November 30

Chanukah Celebrations – 4-year old classes

Wednesday, December 1

Chanukah Celebrations – 2-year old classes

Thursday, December 2

Chanukah Celebrations – 3-year old classes

Friday, December 3

Chanukah Celebrations – Childcare and
Turning Twos

Monday, December 13

Parent-Teacher Conferences – NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, December 15

Parenthood Meeting – 7:30pm

Friday, December 24 –

Friday, December 31

Winter Break – NO SCHOOL

Tribal Gatherings



MARISSA MARX
YOUTH ENGAGEMENT
COORDINATOR K-5
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Hi! I'm Marissa Marx and I am the Youth Engagement Coordinator for Kindergarten – 5th Grade at the Temple Beth El.

We hit the ground running this fall with engagement opportunities for our Tribes! So far we've had a Backyard Bash, complete with an 18-foot water slide and water balloons! Our Reuben Tribe got to hold a snake, see a tarantula up close and pet a bunny. Tribes Judah and Dan built edible Sukkot and made candy Sushi in the Sukkah!

We'll have even more fun to close out the semester as we play BINGO, build circuit board Chanukiot, and bake sufganiyot (donuts). Messy and fun will collide on wacky art day and we'll



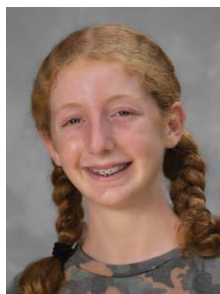
round off the year with a scavenger hunt in our Winter WONDERland, which includes sledding. Yep, you read that right... sledding!

Can't wait to see your kids at our Tribal Gatherings!

Check your
Tuesday email or
[tbeboca.org/events/
religious-school](https://tbeboca.org/events/religious-school)
for the full schedule
of Religious School
classes and tribal
gatherings.



B'nai Mitzvah



Lily Kupferman



Isabelle Shapiro



Hayden Shapiro



Everett Kulik



Ronan Kulik



Nina White



Joel Nilson



Sophie Leidner



Ayden Sherman



Brandon Sherman



Benjamin Harris



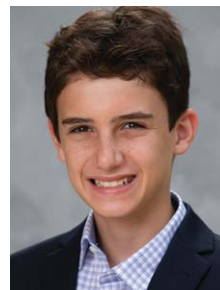
Sophia Harris



Charlie Goodman



Mya Wolfberg



Jake Altschuler



Dylan Gold

Lily Kupferman
Daughter of Todd and Lori Kupferman
November 6, 2021 @ 10:45am

Isabelle Shapiro
Daughter of Lauren Shapiro and Brett Shapiro
November, 13, 2021 @ 10:45am

Hayden Shapiro
Son of Lauren Shapiro and Brett Shapiro
November, 13, 2021 @ 10:45am

Everett Kulik
Son of Alex and Jennifer Kulik
Son of Meredith Serota and Jason Wolf
November 20, 2021 @ 9:00am

Ronan Kulik
Son of Alex and Jennifer Kulik
Son of Meredith Serota and Jason Wolf
November 20, 2021 @ 9:00 am

Nina White
Daughter of Joel White and Heidi Boncher
November 20, 2021 @ 11:30am

Joel Nilson
Son of Erik and Lottie Nilson
November 27, 2021 @ 10:45am

Sophie Leidner
Daughter of Gregory and Allison Leidner
November 27, 2021 @ 6:00pm

Ayden Sherman
Son of Brett Sherman and Crystal Romero-Sherman
November 27, 2021 @ 6:00pm

Brandon Sherman
Son of Brett Sherman and Crystal Romero-Sherman
November 27, 2021 @ 6:00pm

Benjamin Harris
Son of Terrence and Erika Harris
December 4, 2021 @ 5:30pm

Sophia Harris
Daughter of Terrence and Erika Harris
December 4, 2021 @ 5:30pm

Charlie Goodman
Son of Judd and Jennifer Goodman
December 11, 2021 @ 11:30am

Mya Wolfberg
Daughter of Jay and Jules Wolfberg
December 18, 2021 @ 11:30am

Jake Altschuler
Son of Michael and Geffen Altschuler
December 18, 2021 @ 5:30pm

Dylan Gold
Son of Jason and Jodi Gold
December 23, 2021 @ 10:45am

A Message from Sisterhood



BY LISA WOLFE SWARTZ AND
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PLANTING A JEWISH GARDEN

with Rabbi Michael Birnholz
Thursday, November 18,
2021

7:00- 8:30pm

Register for the Zoom link at
tbeoca.org/sisterhood

Rabbi Michael Birnholz, the guest lecturer from our October Lunch and Learn series, will be zooming from his gardens at his temple in Vero Beach. He has amazing themed gardens, "Chicken Soup" "Passover" and "Honey Bees" and he will talk about planting a "Jewish Garden". Each participant will pick up a bag containing potting soil, mini pots, and seeds, plus some surprises, and then plant along with the Rabbi.



Hello from Sisterhood! We had a wonderful late summer season that included greeting the ELC parents as they dropped their little ones off for the first Friday of school. Each family was given a handmade Shabbat-themed packet that included a warm note of welcome penned by Rabbi Jessica. One of Sisterhood's goals is to plan more events with the ELC Parenthood Committee. You love our latkes, which, together, we will be selling as usual with pickup at Beck Family Campus. So please stay tuned for more details!

Several members of the Board of Sisterhood gathered to decorate the Sukkah on the Bima. We all agreed that it was a beautiful job, and the Sangria and snacks that we had before-hand only increased our creativity!

The Dynamic Spiritual Duo of Rabbi Amy and Amy Appel returned at the end of September to lead us in a soulful evening of yoga and meditation. We had a great turnout of enthusiastic women.

Lillith Salon zoomed to discuss the Summer Issue with a lively discussion on October 4th. The next meeting will be on December 10th and let's hope it can be in person. On Thursday, October 21 from 7-8:30, Paula Shoyer, "The Kosher Baker" returned on Zoom to teach us how to make Chocolate Quinoa Cake and White Bean & Leek Stew. Delicious!

Behind the scenes, Sisterhood is busy planning exciting events, so watch your



Decorating the Sukkah is a longstanding Sisterhood tradition.

email inboxes for announcements and sign-up notices.

You don't have to be a member of Sisterhood to participate in our events: but we warmly invite you to join us! Join Sisterhood and learn all about us at tbeoca.org/sisterhood



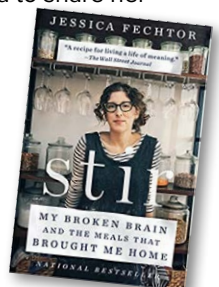
STIR: MY BROKEN BRAIN AND THE MEALS THAT BROUGHT ME HOME

With author, Jessica Fechter

Thursday, December 2, 2021 • 7:00pm

Register for the Zoom link at tbeoca.org/sisterhood

Jessica Fechter will join us on Zoom from California to share her national best-seller, "Stir: My Broken Brain and the Meals That Brought Me Home", the inspiring story of how, at age 28, she used cooking as therapy to overcome a brain aneurysm. This special evening will be highlighted by the lighting of the Chanukah candles, and each participant will receive a signed bookplate with the recipe of Jessica's Curried Sweet Potato Latkes, as a treat to commemorate the event.



SISTERHOOD HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Happy Holidays! Love, the
Averbrook Family

Happy Holidays from our homes to
yours! Ann Lois Ballon and Brian Sindel

Happy Holidays from Ricki &
Milton Barbarosh and Family

Wishing everyone a very happy and
healthy New Year! Patty Beck and Family

Happy Holidays from Judith Beiner

Happy Holidays! Betsy and
David Blechman and family

Blessings throughout the year.
Marlene and Richard Bluestein

Happy Holidays to our Beth El
family from Marianne Bobick

May you discover new possibilities, new
gifts you have to share, and a renewed
commitment to your faith.
Shana Tova from Annie and Bernie Brickel

Happy Holidays! Cantor Lori
and George Brock

Wishing our Temple Beth El family a
happy and healthy New Year! Robin
Eisenberg and Andy Broido

Holiday Greetings! Dr. Merrill, Irene,
Jennifer & Melissa Epstein

Happy Holidays!
Nancy-Jo & Alan Feinberg

Happy Holidays! Sue and Steve Feldman

Chag Sameach! Aline Fisher

Wishing good health and happiness.
Jonathan and Lisa Franklin

Our very Warm Wishes For Happy
and Healthy Holidays! Sheryl And
Marty Fromowitz and Family

Happy Holidays to my Temple Beth El
family from Clarice and Mark Goldstein

We wish happiness to all
during the Holidays! Love from
Richard & Susan Goldstein

Here's to a sweet, healthy and prosperous
New Year. Martha and Dave Goodkin

Happy Holidays! Ken and Glenda Gordon

Wishing our TBE family, a Chag
Sameach with health and shalom!
Herb & Debi Jackman

Prayers for a GOOD year for us all.
Love Bobbi and Jack Kalmanson

Happy Holidays! The Klasfeld Family

Very Happy Holidays! The Kornitsky Family

Chag Sameach! Margaret Kottler

Chag Sameach! Mel & Joan Kramer

Happy and Healthy Holidays! Love,
Sherry, Ken, Rachel, Hannah & Josh Lerner

Holiday Greetings. Sarina & Jerry Lind

Wishing the TBE family a great
year filled with good health and
happiness. Steve and EJ Manton

Happy Holidays! Shelley and Larry Marcus

Happy and Safe Holiday Wishes
from the Mayerchak Family

Chag Sameach! Lisa Swartz
and Mitch Gross

Happy & Healthy Holidays to our family
and friends. Barbara & Harvey Morris

Happy Holidays! Pam Nadler
and Mark Sickles

Chag Sameach! Barbara Orville

Shana Tovah and Happy
Holidays to our TBE Family! The
Paroulek-Bergbauer Family

Happy Holidays! Andrea and Mark Platt

Happy Holidays! Margie and
Maurice Plough Jr.

From our house to yours! Wishing
everyone a wonderful holiday.
Susan and Barry Podolsky

Happy Holidays and many
blessings! The Pollay Family

Happy Holidays with Health, Happiness
and Love. Ellie Rassler and Family

Sweet New Year! Linda & Norm Rose

Shana Tovah, Debby, Larry, Ally,
and Megan Rosenblum

Happy Holidays from the Schloss Family

Chag Sameach! The Schneider Family

Happy Holidays, Hanita
and Morry Schreiber

Wishing all of our friends and family
a very happy and healthy new year!
Love, The Schwamm Family

Happy Holidays! Mara and
Michael Shapiro

Happy Holidays! Rabbi
Merle & Myra Singer

Chag Sameach to all. Donna
and Barry Slotnick

Healthy and happy wishes for an
enjoyable holiday! Susan and Mark Sosin

Happy Holidays! Allan & Janet Sussberg

The Tolces Family wishes
everyone Happy Holidays!

Wishing everyone in our TBE family a
Happy Holiday! Wendy & Steve Walin

Blessed Holidays! The Weber Family

Happy Holidays from Jill and
Paul Weiner and family

Happy Holidays! The Zwicks- Lisa,
Andrew, Amanda and Ian



A Message from Brotherhood

BY **CARLOS ROMERO
AND KEVIN ROMER**
BROTHERHOOD
CO-PRESIDENTS
brotherhood@tbebo.org

When you look at a fully populated lit Chanukah menorah, you see a bright, powerful glow filling the room. As you look closer, you observe that this source of illumination is comprised of an array of individual candles, adjacent to each other, standing upright and proud.

The symbolism of the individual candles is equally appropriate for the Brotherhood. With over 100 members, each one stands proud with so much to offer. Combined together, we shine a bright light in our Temple and community. During the Pandemic we brought bikes and safety training to 100 children at the Wayne Barton Study Center. We have provided funding through the Rabbi's discretionary fund for temple families devastated by the pandemic. We are raising funds to finalize the Project Rampart Perimeter Security for the Temple campus, and are gathering supplies and funding for the families that are coping with national disasters.

Our recently launched Networking series, will help "brothers" share life experiences, connections, and good times at the December 5, Latkes and Vodka Event. Our annual Golf and Dinner Reception, celebrates the important work we perform, the members of our team, and most importantly, honored Drs.

Andrea and Robert Colton, who rise like the Shamash as leaders of our community!

We wish you a very happy and healthy Chanukah and holiday season.



Brotherhood Vodka, Latkes & Schmoozing

Sunday, December 5

7:00pm

Schaefer Family Campus Courtyard

Register at tbebo.org/brotherhood.

Brotherhood Member: \$25 Non-Member: \$30

Last year we met virtually from our own individual homes. While the event was a success, we all missed being together. Now, as we ever so slowly emerge from the pandemic, please join the Temple Beth El Brotherhood IN PERSON to celebrate Chanukah with some delicious latkes accompanied by a vodka tasting led by Rabbi Greg Weisman. While eating, drinking and schmoozing, we will continue the networking series we began in October with interesting holiday-themed topics to discuss.



BROTHERHOOD GOLF

TOURNAMENT
HONORING
DRS. ROBERT &
ANDREA COLTON

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021
BOCA RIO GOLF CLUB

Proceeds from the event benefit Temple Beth El's Rabbi's Discretionary Fund to help support those in our community affected by the pandemic, and Temple Beth El's Project Rampart which will enhance security at the Schaefer Family Campus.



**JOIN THE TEMPLE BETH EL BROTHERHOOD
AT OUR MOST SUCCESSFUL
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THIS PREMIUM EVENT INCLUDES:**

- 18 Holes of Golf on the exclusive Boca Rio Golf Course
- Gourmet Lunch
- Cocktails and Awards Dinner
- Silent Auction & Raffles
- Golf Competitions - Hole in One Contests, Putting Competition, Longest Drive Contest, Closest to the Pin Contest and the return of the Golf Cannon

Registration is open to the entire community with participation and sponsorship opportunities for golfers and non-golfers.

Individual Golfer including Cocktails and Awards Dinner
\$450

Foursome Package
(Includes Half Page Ad and Tee Sign) **\$2,250**

Cocktail and Awards Dinner **\$125**

Register now at **TBEBrotherhoodGolf.com**

For more information
about the event or to discuss sponsorship opportunities,
contact Jonathan Levin, Golf Committee Chair
at **brotherhood@tbeboca.org** or 917-847-9911.

Annual Giving

The Way Forward

Through September 24, 2021

Temple Beth El's Annual Appeal is Our Most Significant Fundraiser. Your support – at any level – makes a difference.

We thank those who have already participated. We invite you to make a donation at tbeoca.org/annual-giving/ or scan the QR code to give.



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Patty Beck
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Marilyn & Jay Weinberg

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Dawn Miller & Jonathan Grayer

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Leslie & Michael Baron
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Ner Tamid: Eternal Light

Rani Garfinkle
Sharon & Martin Gene
Fran Weinberg

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Maxine Arno
Max Baran
Marjorie Berg
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Janice Levites & Alan Glazer
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Austine & Gary Heldman
Brigitte & Bruce Himelstein
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Judith Beiner
Marianne Bobick
Paul Brody
Jan & Rick Chavis
Shirley & Warren Deutsch
Judi Donoff
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Marilyn & David Gotterer
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Bernice Weiss
Enid & Robert Winikoff
Caron Shutan & Jay Yospe

Simcha: Joy

Rebekah Acosta
Debbie & Chas Averbook
Joan Bader
Linda & William Berger
Joel White & Heidi Boncher
Linda Cherry
Stephanie & Richard Chestnov

Terri & Stephen Chetek
Joy & Roy Cohen
Roberta & Alan Feldscher
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Jim & Rebecca Spooner
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Janet & Allan Sussberg
Michelle & Mike Tannenbaum
Gail Weisbaum
Dennis & Linda Weiss
Marilyn & Hubert Vulkan

Bracha: Blessing Level II

Liliana Abramson
Claudette & Allan Afrow
Amy & Eliot Appel
Hope & Jeff Barton
Bethann & Jack Baskies
Stan Bass
Judy & Mike Blackman
Betsy & David Blechman
Amy & Robert Brand
Annie & Bernie Brickel
George Brown
Dorothy Bucksbaum
Anne Chervony
Connie & Roy Cohen
Elaine Colker
Nancy Colman
Rita & Rich Diamond

Helene & Jay Eichler
 Marlene Faust
 Sue & Steve Feldman
 Susan Feldman
 Karen Feller
 Susan Cohen-Fischer & Steven Fischer
 Lisa & Jonathan Franklin
 Carol & David Gart
 Lisa & Ira Gerstein
 Gregory Gertsen
 Eric & Steph Ginnis
 Judith Gottlieb
 Bruce & Debra Green
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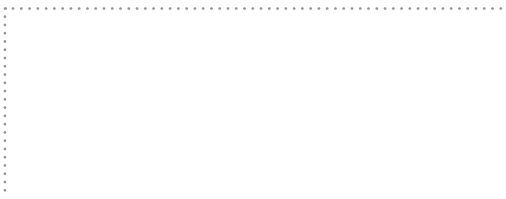
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