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Use It Well

BY RABBI DAN LEVIN
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Each year, more than a million people visit the tiny rooms of the “Secret Annex” in Amsterdam, in which Anne Frank and her family hid for more than two years before their capture and deportation to Auschwitz.

But in 2018, a young Jewish employee at the Anne Frank House was asked to hide his Kippah when at work. The museum said they didn’t want him to “interfere” with the museum’s “independent position.”

In her remarkable book “People Love Dead Jews,” author Dara Horn remarks: “The museum finally relented after deliberating for four months, which seems like a rather long time for the Anne Frank House to ponder whether it was a good idea to force a Jew into hiding.”

“After all,” she writes, “Anne Frank had to hide her identity so much that she was forced to spend two years in a closet rather than breathe in public. And that closet, hiding place for a dead Jewish girl, is what millions of visitors want to see.”

A big part of Jewish life requires thinking about death. So much of the celebration of the High Holy Days focuses our attention on our fragility and mortality.

It’s as if God brings us right up to the edge of the abyss and then says: “Okay. Enough. Go have a bagel.”

On Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur, each year we confront the Unetaneh Tokef, the haunting litany: “Who shall live and who shall die, who shall see ripe age and who shall not, who by fire, and who by water...”

The idea of the High Holy Days is for us to come face to face with our mortality. The afternoon service on Yom Kippur reminds us of the generations of martyrs who sacrificed their lives so that in 5783, we who live today can experience the power of Jewish tradition and Jewish life. The last words we recite at the very end of Yom Kippur are also the last words tradition teaches us to say before we die.

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The celebration of the New Year reminds us that life is an extraordinary, holy, fragile, and precious gift — and then asks us: How are you choosing to use it?

As Jews we have been given a gift of immeasurable worth — Judaism.

We have a storehouse of wisdom amassed over centuries to guide us in how to make sense of life’s most difficult questions. We have a ritual tradition to guide us in how to build a robust inner spiritual life, to cultivate the spiritual goods of gratitude, wonder, and awareness. We have a moral code to teach us how to build for ourselves a compassionate, just, and holy society where God and we can live together as one.

The High Holy Days say to us: “Yes, life is fragile and mortality is real. But what matters are the gifts you have been given — of life, freedom, and all the wonders of our Jewish heritage. Use them — use them well!”

On Saturday night, September 17, come learn with Dara Horn who will be joining us at our commemoration of Selichot, the beginning of our High Holy Day celebration.

So in this New Year 5783, let us all make a commitment to come together and celebrate all the joy to be found in living a Jewish life.
A MESSAGE FROM THE TEMPLE PRESIDENT

Try Something New this Year

We are about to embark on the new year, 5783. The High Holy Days are often a time when our members feel the most connected to their Judaism and their synagogue. After all, we call them “the High Holy Days”. The name suggests that these days are the most special in the Jewish calendar.

One of the many wonderful aspects of Temple Beth El is that there is a myriad of opportunities to experience your Judaism throughout the year. We don’t all “do Jewish” the same. Some prefer our religious services while others may enjoy connecting with other congregants in fun and engaging activities. We provide programming for all ages to satisfy the variety of needs that our congregants have.

My husband, Steve, and I are members of a wine chavurah (a group of people who get together to share communal experiences). Our group began with a common love of fine wines. We morphed into gatherings with what have become the most wonderful group of friends, many of whom would have never known each other were it not for our wine chavurah. We meet at a different home each time we gather. Cantor Lori leads our celebration of Shabbat, Havdalah or just a motzi for an evening get together. Cantor Lori has facilitated the Jewish element of our group get-togethers making us feel connected not just from our love of wine but through our Judaism. Some of us have even travelled as a group to wineries around the country and we often attend temple events together. I mention this because it is an example of how our TBE community creates such wonderful relationships (and fun!)

As we enter the Jewish New Year, perhaps it’s time to think of something new or different that you’d like to experience with our Temple and our members. You can try something and then decide whether it’s for you. You could participate in a Sisterhood or Brotherhood event, attend or watch Beth El Talks this year, or join a TBE Circle or Chavurah. How about trying one new thing and then let me know how the experience was for you?

Wishing you L’Shana Tova.

BY WENDY WALIN
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WELCOME
Celebrating New and Returning Members

Welcome New and Returning Members who have joined between May 25, 2022 and July 27, 2022. Some members were included in our previous issue. Additional members not listed at the time of printing will be included in our next list! For help getting involved, please contact Elinor Josephson, Director of Engagement and Programming, at ejosephson@tbeboca.org or 561-391-8900.

Jules Balkin
Dorothy Bernstein
Diana & Richard Clyman and their children, Michael & Emma
Amy Lavine & Jill Cohen
Sarah Ann Gerlach & Joe Cohen
Richard & Emily Cohen
Arlene David
John & Allie DeMutiis and their children, Leo & Bradley
Gwen & Howard Dworkin and their children, Scott & Carly
Ann & Saul Factor
Barry Fallis
Glenn and Alyssa Freeman and their children, Aidan & Alexi
Judy Goldberg
Carly Gorodetzky & Alex Horowitz
Jonathan & Merav Gosselin and their children, Jordyn & Olyvia
Hillary & David Gottlieb
Alicia Groskin
Lisa & Seth Grossman and their child, Aiden
Philip & Crystal Hanaka and their children, Brooke & Madelyn
Benjamin & Stella Horowitz and their children, Brielle & Brayden
Scott & Melissa Hyman and their child, Annabelle
Theodore & Barbara Kalina
Stephen & Sandra Kay
Lori Weinstein & Michael Levine
Todd & Sarah Litinsky and their children, Jack & Savannah
Elisa Litz
Lenore Omesi & Dan Mandelbaum and their child, Lev
Christina & Stanley Meytin and their child, Jett
Elizabeth Miller
Melissa & Adam Mlodof and their children, Aidan & Brandon
Dina Moskowitz
Hallie Dunn & Matthew Peltz
Rabbi Elana Rabishaw
Elyse Rally
Pamela & Steven Rivkin
Suzanne & Elliott Rothberg
Risa & Ronald Rubin
Steven & Stephanie Schiff and their child, Ari
Douglas & Ellen Schulman and their child, Ashley
Sandra & Tadd Schwab
Dale Brown & Alan Serinsky
Reuven Shapiro & Michelle Fox and their child, Myles
Sandy Shrago
Scott & Linda Siemens and their child, Max
Ilysa Smiley and her child, Madyson
Gayle & Jon Stone
Gabi Tabib
Jackie & Andrew Vahab and their children, Avery & Jesse
Kathryn Wilson and her child, Morgan
Michael Wolf
All tickets will be requested online and all tickets will be electronic.

tbeboca.org/high-holy-days-2022/tickets

TICKETING  This year, like last year, High Holy Day tickets will not be mailed! When you register for tickets online, you will receive an email confirmation that includes a QR code. Please bring the QR code ticket with you on the day of services (either printed out, or saved to your phone). Your QR Code will be scanned at the door to check you in to services. If you have difficulties registering for tickets, please call 561-391-8900 and we will be happy to assist.

To order your High Holy Day tickets, visit tbeboca.org/high-holy-days-2022/tickets and click on the button that applies to you:

- **MEMBER ONLY TICKETS**

- **MEMBERS**
  If you are a Temple Beth El member and will only be ordering tickets for those listed on your account.

- **MEMBERS WITH GUESTS TICKETS**

- **MEMBERS WITH GUESTS**
  If you are a Temple Beth El member and would like to purchase additional tickets for non-members to attend with you. You will attend together at FAU.

- **NON-MEMBER TICKETS**

- **NON-MEMBERS**
  If you are not a Temple Beth El member and would like to purchase tickets for FAU.

On the online registration form, please indicate which services you, your family, and any guests plan on attending. You will also be able to donate to annual giving.

**TICKET DETAILS**  High Holy Day tickets are complimentary with your Temple Beth El membership for you and those listed on your account. Guest tickets are $150, and include both Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur. A ticket allows you to attend as many services for each holiday as you would like.

**Need Help?**

If you have trouble registering online, we will be happy to help you. Please contact Debbie Eisenberg at deisenberg@tbeboca.org or 561-314-0765 to help with ticketing or for general information regarding High Holy Day tickets.

If you are a Temple member and need assistance logging into ShulCloud, please contact Janice Odesnik, Database Manager at jodesnik@tbeboca.org or 561-314-2814.
Beth El Talks 5783
Making Meaning

Join us Yom Kippur Afternoon at 1:30pm for Beth El Talks, our community’s opportunity to draw inspiration from the stories and journeys of fellow Temple Beth El members. This year, our five remarkable participants will share their experience of how they chose to respond to challenges they each faced in their life’s journey by “making meaning”.

Lisa Jane and Kevin Romer had their first child, Mathew, in 1995, but soon after his birth, discovered their son had Tay-Sachs disease. They formed the Mathew Forbes Romer Foundation which is celebrating its 25th year, and has raised millions of dollars for research of treatments and cures for genetic diseases of the brain, the promotion of high quality education and genetic screening, and care through nursing school educational programs. Kevin and Lisa Jane have also served as president and secretary of the National Tay-Sachs and Allied Diseases Association, the oldest genetics organization in the country.

Debbie Ellman is a co-founder of Best Foot Forward, which offers programs for foster care youth to provide the opportunity for academic success. Through a community service project, Debbie became acquainted with kids in foster care, and asked herself if more could be done to help children in foster care achieve more and create a more positive experience in school. Debbie is certified as a Youth Mental Health First Aid Provider and is AVID certified. She is trained in both Trauma Informed Care and Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). She is a member of the Palm Beach County School District Wellness Promotion Task Force as well as a trained Palm Beach County Surrogate Parent.

Brian Goldfuss is a 16-year veteran of the Boynton Beach Police Department, currently serving as a road patrol officer and member of the Homeless Outreach Team. Brian also mentors and trains new police officers during their initial in-service field training, and is a member of the agency’s SWAT team. Brian was recognized as the department’s 2021 Officer of the Year for the remarkable work he has done providing resources and assistance to individuals experiencing homelessness in the City of Boynton Beach. He was also recognized as Officer of the Year by the Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce and the Boynton Masonic Lodge, and runner-up to Officer of the Year by the Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association.

Joshua Romero grew up with Temple Beth El and graduated with highest distinction from the University of North Carolina in 2021. Soon after graduation, Josh decided to train for one of the most demanding and grueling athletic events in the world – the Ironman Triathlon. After months of dedication and training, Josh completed the Lake Placid Ironman – a 2.4-mile open water swim, a 112-mile bike-ride, and a full 26.2-mile marathon run – in 14:45:50. Two days later, Josh began medical school at UNC on his way to joint MD/JD degrees.
Elul

As much as the High Holy Days loom large in the Jewish calendar, our personal preparation really begins on the first day of the Hebrew month of Elul, exactly a month before Rosh HaShanah. In that spirit, feel free to engage in Elul in the following ways throughout the month of Elul.

29 Words for 29 Days

Your clergy has curated a list of Hebrew terms to heighten your High Holy Days — look for a daily word by text, email and on social media and grow your spiritual vocabulary as you prepare for the Days of Awe.

Mysteries of the Machzor

3 Part Series with American Israeli liturgist & poet
Alden Solovy LIVE from Jerusalem.
Thursdays, September 1, 8 & 15
10:00am - 11:00am in person at Schaefer Family Campus or on Zoom
Registration required at tbeboca.org/elul

Alden Solovy will help us prepare for the High Holy Days with an exploration of treasures found in the Machzor, our High Holy Day prayer book. Each session will focus on one core prayer, and in conversation and exploration will help create a deeper understanding of the High Holy Day services. Rabbi Mates, Rabbi Rabishaw and Cantor Brock will supplement Solovy’s teachings.

Selichot
WITH AUTHOR DARA HORN

Award-winning author of People Love Dead Jews, a startling exploration of how Jewish history is exploited to flatter the living

at Selichot on Saturday, September 17, 2022
7:30pm

— AND —

Sunday, September 18, 2022
10:30am
Brotherhood and Sisterhood Breakfast with the Author
$36 per person includes a copy of People Love Dead Jews:
Reports from a Haunted Present, by Dara Horn.
See page 16 for more information

Sukkot Service honoring Chai and New Members FOLLOWED BY DINNER

Sunday, October 9, 2022
5:30pm Erev Sukkot Service
6:30pm dinner following service catered by Artisan Foods
Schaefer Family Campus

The traditional Hebrew greeting, bruchim ha-baim, literally means “blessings to those who come.” We are thrilled to recognize our Chai Members (those who have been part of our Temple Beth El family as members for 18 years, or more), and are so happy to welcome our New Members (those who have recently become part of our synagogue family) with a special blessing on the bima.

All are welcome to attend this special Sukkot Service.

Dinner Prices
$32/adult
$16/child (4-12 years old)
Early bird pricing through Tuesday, September 27
Children 3 years old and younger are complimentary

$37/adult
$20/child (4-12 years old) begins
Wednesday, September 28, 2022
Children 3 years old and younger are complimentary

Registration closes Tuesday, October 4
RSVP for dinner at tbeboca.org/sukkot
Sponsored by Sisterhood & Brotherhood

Chai Members
If you are one of our Chai Members, we would like to show our thanks. Please email a photo of yourself to Debbie Eisenberg at deisenberg@tbeboca.org by Tuesday, September 20 so we can recognize you in a special presentation! Make sure to include how you would like your name to be listed.

Simchat Torah

Sunday, October 16, 2022
5:30pm Simchat Torah Evening
Festival Service and Religious School New Student Consecration followed by a Special Oneg
Schaefer Family Campus

At this joyful Service, we will unroll the Torah for all to behold and consecrate our new students!
Dance your way from the sanctuary into this Special Oneg!
Sponsored by Sisterhood

Festival Morning Service
Monday, October 17, 2022
10:30am Schaefer Family Campus

Festival Morning Service and Yizkor
Monday, October 17, 2022
10:30am
Schaefer Family Campus
## SERVICE SCHEDULE

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A happy and healthy New Year to all from Debbie and Chas Averbook
L’Shanah Tova from Ann Lois Ballon and Brian Sinder
Wishing everyone L’Shanah Tova from Patty Beck
Happy New Year 5783 from Judith Beiner
L’Shanah Tova from Barbara Blakeslee
Betsy and David Blechman wishing you a Healthy and Happy New Year 5783
L’Shanah Tova from Marlene and Richard Bluestein
L’Shanah Tova from Evelyn & Bayla Swid to Gemma Swid Leonce and family
L’Shana Tova from Evelyn & Bayla Swid
The Brickel family hopes the New Year will bring you peace, good health, and joy!
L’Shanah Tova from Roberta Presser & Alex Bruner
Judith Chason wishes all a L’Shana Tova!
Wishing our Temple Beth El family a healthy and fulfilling 5783 from Robin Eisenberg and Andy Broido
L’Shanah Tova from Nancy-Jo & Alan Feinberg
L’Shana Tova from Sue and Steve Feldman
L’Shanah Tova from Aline Fisher
Our very warm wishes for a Happy and Healthy New Year! Sheryl and Marty Fromowitz and Family
L’Shanah Tova from Mark and Clarice Goldstein
L’Shanah Tova from Susan & Richard Goldstein
L’Shanah Tova from the Gottsegen family
L’Shana Tova from Lisa Swartz and Mitch Gross
Wishing our TBE family a healthy and happy New Year! Love, Herb and Debi Jackman
Blessings for health and shalom from The Kalmansons

L’Shanah Tova from the Kornitsky family
L’Shanah Tova from Margaret Kottler
L’Shanah Tova from the Lerner family!
Wishing you health and happiness in the New Year! Jan & Allen Lev
L’Shana Tova from Barbara and Jerry Lewin
L’Shanah Tova from Sarina and Jerry Lind
L’Shanah Tova from The Lowens
L’Shanah Tova to our Beth El family from the Manton family
L’Shanah Tova from Shelley & Larry Marcus!
L’Shana Tova from Pam Nadler and Mark Sickles
Shana Tova from Barbara Orville
A year of health and happiness and peace from Natalie Pelavin
Shana Tova from Andrea and Mark Platt
L’Shana Tova! From Margie and Maurice Plough
Wishing you a New Year filled with joy! Susan & Barry Podolsky
L’Shanah Tova from The Rassler Family
L’Shanah Tova from the Romer family!
L’Shana Tovah, Debbi, Larry, Ally, and Megan Rosenblum
L’Shana Tova from the Schloss family

L’Shanah Tova from the Schmier Family
L’Shana Tova from Sharyn & Bob Schneiderman
L’Shana Tova to the Beth El family from Hanita and Morry Schreiber
Wishes for a meaningful New Year of making a good difference in every way. With hope, Susan F. Schulz
L’Shana Tova, Love the Schwamm Family
Wishing you and your family a happy and healthy New Year. L’Shanah Tova from the Spitz family
L’Shanah Tova from Janet & Allan Sussberg
L’Shanah Tova to all from Wendy & Steve Walin
A sweet New Year with Love from The Weiner Family! Jill, Paul, Josh & Stephanie
L’Shanah Tova from the Zwick’s - Lisa, Andrew, Amanda & Ian
Living Your Best Jewish Life Through Tzedakah

BY DEREK HURWITCH, DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT
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In the Hebrew language, the word closest to philanthropy is tzedakah. Beyond mere financial transactions, philanthropy in the spirit of tzedakah builds trusting relationships and recognizes contributions of time, effort, and insight. Used interchangeably for charity, tzedakah is a form of social justice in which people provide resources and support for others who in turn allow the support into their lives for their betterment.

You have probably heard that tzedakah has two aspects: one with the hand and one with the heart. Judaism teaches the belief that donors benefit from tzedakah as much or more than the recipients do. While a recipient of tzedakah may receive material assistance, the one who gives receives the merit of sharing the Holy One’s work. In Hebrew, the word meaning “to give” is Natan. In Hebrew and English, Natan can be read forward and backward, so when we think about our generosity and tzedakah, we are blessed both with the opportunity “to give” and also with the opportunity “to receive.”

There are so many ways to make a difference at Temple Beth El. For the majority of our community, Annual Giving and Sustaining Membership are the most popular methods of support.

Although Temple Beth El relies heavily on both Sustaining Membership and Annual Giving, you might be surprised to find out that these popular methods of giving serve two very different purposes.

Sustaining Membership supports the Temple, while Annual Giving supports the Temple’s members.

There are so many ways to make a difference at Temple Beth El. For the majority of our community, Annual Giving and Sustaining Membership are the most popular methods of support.

Sustaining Members are a remarkable group of individuals and families who choose to support Temple Beth El through “enhanced congregational commitment.” Sustaining Membership provides a dependable base of revenue to sustain the programs, education, worship, clergy services and pastoral care upon which our community relies. A successful Sustaining Membership (in addition to the incredible commitment across all membership categories) ensure the ongoing strength and resiliency of Temple Beth El’s operations and mission.

Annual Giving refers to Temple Beth El’s Annual Appeal. The support of this annual campaign directly benefits Temple Beth El’s members by providing critical financial resources to help ensure that no family is turned away, that no child is denied a religious school education, and that in times of great need we are able to assist those who require our help... all in a moment’s notice.

Should you have any questions about giving opportunities at Temple Beth El, please contact Derek Hurwitch at 561-701-6217 or dhurwitch@tbeboca.org
The Arts Can Be a Gateway to Judaism

BY CANTOR LORI BROCK
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What connects you to your Judaism – what inspires you? For me it is hands-down, the arts! I literally get the chills when I hear our Hebrew text set to exquisite music, am mesmerized when I see great art. My mind is filled with Jewish thought when I read a great book and to hear the Jewish author speak, raises the literature to a new level. I lose myself when I watch a great film and it influences how I pray, think and live my life Jewishly.

The arts can be the gateway to Judaism for so many people and my dream, along with my rabbinic partner in this endeavor, Rabbi Jessica Mates, is to fill our synagogue with Jewish culture through music, art, film, authors and more! You can look forward to traveling art exhibits, concerts, guest musicians such as Elana Arian, Gay Men’s Chorus of South Florida, Hued Songs on our bima, thought-provoking films and with top notch speakers, authors such as Dara Horn and Bret Stephens, interesting classes and programs lead by authors, musicians and more!

We are so excited to expand our cultural series this year thanks to our members who have joined Friends of Music and the Arts along with our wonderful co-chairs, Carol Niren and Marilynn Yentis. We are blessed to have members who have stepped forward to support the arts at Temple Beth El by joining in this initiative. Benefits of being a Friend of Music and Arts includes special receptions and opportunities to meet the artists. If you would like to join us in our passion for the arts, please contact me at lbrock@tbeboca.org, Rabbi Mates at jmates@tbeboca.org, Derek Hurwitch at dhurwitch@tbeboca.org or just call the temple – we’d love to speak to you!

Wishing you a Shana Tova filled with good health, happiness and a year filled with Jewish culture!
Beth El Introduces Business Networking!

IT’S NOT WHAT YOU KNOW, IT’S WHO YOU KNOW.

Networking in business is one of the most important things you can do to increase your business and overall success.

Now, you can network in your own backyard, right here at Temple Beth El, as Beth El Circles partners with Brotherhood and Sisterhood to offer a Business Networking Program, packed with opportunities to learn and connect.

There are two branches to Beth El’s Business Networking Program:

The Business Networking Circle, led by fellow member Brad Berkowitz, meets monthly on Zoom and offers a personalized approach to networking.

Each month, business people and professionals have the opportunity to meet, share ideas and help generate leads. Beth El Circles are for Temple Beth El members only.

The Business Leadership Panel, brings business owners and executives together to share the keys to their success. Last year, Brotherhood got the ball rolling with two fantastic events, an in person panel discussion with four industry leaders, and a networking night out. Watch for more great events this year with the combined forces of Brotherhood, Sisterhood and the Business Networking Circle.

For more information, contact Mike Sirowitz at 561-391-8900 or msirowitz@tbeboca.org. To join the Business Networking Circle, sign up at tbeboca.org/circles.

BROTHERHOOD, SISTERHOOD AND THE BUSINESS NETWORKING CIRCLE ARE EXCITED TO PRESENT

The 2nd Annual Entrepreneur’s Panel

for all Temple members

Tuesday, November 1, 2022 • 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Schaefer Family Campus

Celebrate and learn from the challenges and accomplishments of four major entrepreneurs in our community who have created and grown enterprises that have solved real problems and made the world a better place.

The program will include a Q&A, followed by Meet and Greet, Networking and refreshments.

Open to all Temple Beth El Members

More information and registration at tbeboca.org/business-panel

About Brad Berkowitz, leader of the Beth El Business Networking Circle

Temple Beth El member Brad Berkowitz strongly believes that networking is the key to his ongoing success, and wants to ensure that other members of Temple Beth El have that same opportunity. Berkowitz draws from a 35-year career that ranges from Wall Street to NFL player representative, to television host, to his current career as an investment advisor. Berkowitz has modeled the Beth El Business Networking Circle on a larger free weekly Zoom networking call he created two years ago for business owners and entrepreneurs who share their stories of success.
Get Connected!

Community, fun and friendships are waiting for you in Beth El Circles and Kulanu Chavurot.

Beth El Circles
Are you a movie maven? Maybe you are ready to tackle trivia or make a beeline to the beach. Well then, you have found the right place! Beth El Circles are small groups where you can connect with other members with shared interests, hobbies and passions. Some Beth El Circles meet in person, some on Zoom and some are even hybrid! Join the fun now! There are over 30 Beth El Circles to choose from, with more coming. Find the Beth El Circle that interests you and sign up. For more information about Beth El Circles, visit tbeboca.org/circles or contact Julie Guzy at 561-391-8900 or jguzy@tbeboca.org.

Kulanu Chavurot
Life is better when we do it together - join a Chavurah! Kulanu Chavurot are small groups of members in similar life stages who are matched by staff. Groups can go anywhere and do anything. Sit together for Shabbat Services, hit up happy hour, plan a game night or social action project, celebrate a holiday, check out a new restaurant – it's up to you!

For more information about Kulanu Chavurot, visit tbeboca.org/small-groups or contact Rachael Rand at 561-391-8900 or rrand@tbeboca.org.
TEMPLE BETH EL OF BOCA RATON PRESENTS

THE ANTI-SEMITISM SERIES

Dara Horn
Award-winning author of People Love Dead Jews, a startling exploration of how Jewish history is exploited to flatter the living.

at Selichot on Saturday, September 17, 2022
7:30pm

— AND —
Sunday, September 18, 2022
10:30am
Brotherhood and Sisterhood Breakfast with the Author
$36 per person includes a copy of People Love Dead Jews: Reports from a Haunted Present, by Dara Horn.

Jonathan Greenblatt
Chief Executive Officer, Anti-Defamation League

Wednesday, October 26, 2022
7:00pm
$36 Priority Seating Includes a copy of It Could Happen Here: Why American Is Tipping From Hate to the Unthinkable- And How We Can Stop It, by Jonathan Greenblatt
$10 General Admission
FREE to Students

David Friedman
Former U.S. Ambassador to Israel and member of the team responsible for the Abraham Accords

Thursday, December 1, 2022
7:00pm
$36 Priority Seating Includes a copy of Sledgehammer: How Breaking with the Past Brought Peace to the Middle East, by David Friedman
$10 General Admission
FREE to Students
Jonathan Greenblatt is CEO of ADL (the Anti-Defamation League), the world’s leading anti-hate organization with a distinguished record of fighting antisemitism and advocating for just and fair treatment to all. In his book, “It Could Happen Here,” Greenblatt sounds the alarm that antisemitism is gathering momentum in the United States, and that confrontation on a more catastrophic scale could be just around the corner. Greenblatt joined ADL in 2015 after serving in the White House as Director of the Office of Social Innovation and Civic Participation. Before that, he cofounded Ethos Brands, the company that launched Ethos Water, founded All for Good and served as a senior executive at realtor.com.


As the United States Ambassador to Israel from March 2017 until January 2021, Ambassador David Friedman successfully guided unprecedented diplomatic advancements in the US-Israel relationship, including moving the United States Embassy to Jerusalem and recognizing Israeli sovereignty over the Golan Heights. He also is among a small group of American officials responsible for the “Abraham Accords” -- peace and normalization agreements between Israel and the UAE, Bahrain, Sudan and Morocco -- for which he was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize in 2021.

Ambassador Friedman was recognized in each of the past five years by the Jerusalem Post as one of the 50 most influential Jews in the world, coming in first in 2020. He also was named one of the 20 Most Impactful Persons of the Past Decade by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

Ambassador Friedman is the Founder of The Friedman Center for Peace through Strength which works to build upon the Ambassador’s achievements in strengthening the US-Israel relationship.

On February 8, 2022, HarperCollins published Ambassador Friedman’s memoir, Sledgehammer: How Breaking with the Past Brought Peace to the Middle East. In its first week, Sledgehammer broke sales records for a book on the State of Israel.
A Modern Day Exploration of God
Rabbi Amy Pessah
Tuesdays, October 25, November 1, November 8 and November 15, 2022
7:00pm
Schaefer Family Campus

Many of us were taught that God is something outside of ourselves, a Being who is all-powerful, all-knowing, and all good. Often times, as we mature and grow, the God of our childhood understanding no longer works for us. Rabbi Amy Grossblatt Pessah will share new ways to understand the Divine by using Rabbi Toba Spitzer’s new book, God is Here: Reimagining the Divine. Together, we will learn new ways to make sense of the ineffable Holy One, through the exploration of metaphors and hands-on experiences.

Register at tbeboca.org/exploration.

Lunch & Learn

There will be no Lunch & Learn in September

OCTOBER
Responsa: No Wine During Kiddush & other Jewish responses in Jewish Decisions
Rabbi Elana Rabishaw
Tuesdays, October 11, 18, 25
(No class October 4)
12:00 – 1:00pm
Virtual Beth El – Zoom and Livestream

Join Rabbi Elana Rabishaw for a three-part series exploring Responsa, the rabbis’ most contemporary way of guiding how to live according to our Jewish values- by answering questions presented to them. First, we will learn about Responsa Literature, and then we will explore multiple questions and answers, including what the rabbis have to say about drinking wine during the American prohibition!

Register at tbeboca.org/exploration.

Adult Retreat
STUDY WITH RABBI DAN LEVIN AT PGA NATIONAL RESORT

Friday, October 28 – Sunday October 30, 2022
PGA National Resort – Palm Beach Gardens

Join Rabbi Dan Levin for a special weekend filled with friends, fun, laughter and learning – with powerful lessons that will deepen your own spirituality.

The question we all face is how to weave Jewish wisdom and tradition into the lives we lead today? The early Hasidic masters faced the same question in a different time and place, and the wisdom they created offers powerful lessons for our own modern spiritual lives.

Combine incredible learning and spirituality with the amazing amenities of the PGA National Resort, where luxury is always the standard. PGA National boasts championship golf courses, state-of-the-art premier tennis and pickleball courts, fitness center, spa and pool area.

For more information or questions contact Elinor Josephson at 561-314-2833 or ejosephson@tbeboca.org

Register at tbeboca.org/adult-retreat
PGA National Resort – $309/night plus $30 parking/resort use fee
Temple Beth El Administrative fee – $250/per person includes dinner Friday and Saturday nights.
Our tradition recognizes the importance of community members having a voice in their leaders. This year, the Reform movement and Reform congregations across Florida are encouraging all of their members to exercise their right to vote, and working to ensure that all voters have that opportunity.

As our nation prepares for this fall’s election, Temple Beth El and the entire Reform movement is encouraging everyone who is eligible to cast their vote on (or before!) Election Day, November 8.

As engaged members of our community, there are several things we can do to prepare:

**REGISTER TO VOTE** If you are not registered in Florida, or not sure if you are, go to [pbcelections.org](http://pbcelections.org) (Palm Beach County) or [browardsoe.org](http://browardsoe.org) (Broward County) to register or confirm your registration. You must be registered by October 10 to vote in this November’s election.

**VOTE-BY-MAIL** To be sure that you have the chance to vote, even if you can’t get to a polling place in person for Early Voting or on Election Day, you can sign up for a vote-by-mail ballot. The State of Florida allows all registered voters to choose this option. Even if you are sent a vote-by-mail ballot, you can still vote in person if you choose to by returning the vote-by-mail ballot at the polling place. To make sure you have requested your vote-by-mail ballot, go to [pbcelections.org](http://pbcelections.org) or [browardsoe.org](http://browardsoe.org).

Join Temple Beth El as we return to the Deep South for our second Civil Rights Journey. As a community we have been exploring how race and racial inequity have influenced our nation, and this is an eye-opening experience on our history and the unique role that Americans Jews can and do play.

Trip highlights include the Martin Luther King Center, Ebenezer Baptist Church, the Edmund Pettus Bridge, the National Human and Civil Rights Museum, the Equal Justice Initiative, Freedom Park and the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute.

The trip begins in Atlanta on Saturday evening, February 25, 2023 and concludes with time to return home on Tuesday, February 28, 2023.

Cost will be $1200-$1500 per person, double occupancy, plus airfare, depending on the number of participants.

For more information and to register for the informational meeting, visit [tbeboca.org/social-action](http://tbeboca.org/social-action).

Contact Rabbi Greg Weisman at gweisman@tbeboca.org or 561-391-8900 with any questions.
Celebrate Shabbat

Visit tbeboca.org/shabbat for a detailed service schedule. Or view online at tbeboca.org/live or on the Temple’s Facebook or YouTube channels.

Welcome Back Blue Jeans Shabbat

September 2, 6:00pm
Schaefer Family Campus
Join us as we come together for our popular Blue Jean Shabbat service filled with lively music and inspiring words as we celebrate our first Shabbat of Elul, the month preceding our Holy Days.

Shabbat Service In the Midst of Elul

September 9, 7:30pm
Schaefer Family Campus
Midway through Elul, we reflect on the power of this Hebrew month that precedes the High Holy Days, a time of introspection and preparation for teshuva, repentance.
New Year’s Tot Shabbat
September 16, 6:00pm
Beck Family Campus
Get ready to celebrate the start of the year 5783 at our New Year’s Tot Shabbat! At 6:00pm, join us for a delicious pizza dinner in our Breezeway, followed by a family fun Shabbat service in the Kehillah Center. Then it’s time to celebrate at our New Year’s dance party! We will wish each other a sweet year with a special oneg treat including apples and honey. Registration required at tbeboca.org/tot-shabbat

Shabbat Service – Moving to Selichot
September 16, 7:30pm
Schaefer Family Campus
On this Shabbat that concludes with Selichot, we read Parashat Ki Tavo, which reminds us of our obligation to express gratitude for the gifts we have received. Even as we are in the depth examining our deeds of the past year, we should remind ourselves of our blessings as well.

Shabbat: Nitzavim
September 23, 7:30pm
Schaefer Family Campus
On this Shabbat before Rosh HaShanah, we read the words of Nitzavim, the Torah Portion where we are called together as one people – who do we want to be in this new year?

Shabbat Shuva
September 30, 7:30pm
Schaefer Family Campus
On this Shabbat between Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur, the Shabbat of Return, we continue our journey towards repentance and forgiveness.
Celebrate Shabbat

Visit tbeboca.org/shabbat for a detailed service schedule. Or view online at tbeboca.org/live or on the Temple’s Facebook or YouTube channels.

Shabbat Celebrating Community and Commitment
October 7, 6:00pm
Schaefer Family Campus
Between Yom Kippur and Sukkot we read from Parashat Ha’azinu, Moses’ final poetic speech to the Israelites. Inspired by his message, we enter the New Year in the spirit of community and commitment.

Sukkot Tot Shabbat
October 14, 6:00pm
Beck Family Campus
Join us for a yummy pizza dinner and a fun, festive Tot Shabbat service. Afterward, we will all head out to the sukkah and shake our lulavim to get into the spirit of Sukkot!
Registration is required at tbeboca.org/tot-shabbat

Shabbat Chol Ha-Moed Sukkot
October 14, 7:30pm
Schaefer Family Campus
Come wave lulav and etrog! On this Shabbat of Chol Ha-Moed Sukkot, during the week of Sukkot, all will be invited to wave lulav and etrog in gratitude of the blessings we have received in the sukkah on our bimah!
Shabbat Noach and Pink Shabbat

October 28, 7:30pm
Schaefer Family Campus

In this final Shabbat of October, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we will celebrate the Boca Raton Community Wide Pink Shabbat with Sharsheret, supporting Jewish people diagnosed with breast cancer and ovarian cancer along with their families.

Shabbat Bereisheet and Parkinson’s Awareness

October 21, 7:30pm
Shabbat Schaefer Family Campus

We begin the Torah with the opening words of Bereisheet – in the beginning. As we retell the story of creation, we will renew ourselves in the spirit of healing and celebrate Parkinson’s Awareness Shabbat.
Living Your Best Jewish Life Through the Eyes of a Child

Young children are like sponges, waiting to soak up all of life’s experiences. As Jewish educators, it is our responsibility to expose our youngest members to all of what makes Judaism so magical and provide them opportunities to create meaningful connections. As both an educator and a mother of two young children, I treasure seeing the moments when a child feels the spirit of a lively Tot Shabbat service with their classmates, or being awarded the “Mitzvah Mensch” for being kind to a friend on the playground, or even being moved to reach for a friend’s hand when they sing “Shalom Chaverim” at the end of their school day. These moments are when they are living their best Jewish lives as members of our Beth El community.

Children find comfort and love through their family, friends and community members. The community that we strive to build at the Early Learning Center, is one that has Jewish values at its core. This is exhibited when our teachers greet our students and families each morning with kind words and express their excitement that they have arrived for the day. That warm feeling of being part of a Jewish classroom community is how strong bonds are formed, amongst both the students and their teachers.

The concept of Tikkun Olam, repairing the world, is shown when our student’s participate in giving back to the community by contributing to their classroom Tzedakah collections each Shabbat. Additionally, our children help to repair our world by speaking kindly to one another and respecting their peers feeling and emotions, Gemilut Hasadim.

When our students live their best Jewish lives, they are proud to show their parents and family members. This can be done when the teachers invite the child’s family in for a special birthday celebration in the classroom and the child can be featured as Shabbat Imma or Abba. The children highlight their knowledge of the Shabbat prayers and traditions, their parents kvell (burst with pride), and feel connected to their child’s school community.

Creating strong and sustainable relationships with our ELC families is the way to enhance the bond between the child’s home community and school community. To our young students, their Jewish selves are being built each day in the classrooms and we, as the educators, are so fortunate to watch them develop.
Important Dates

**Monday, September 5**  
Labor Day – no school

**Monday, September 26 – Tuesday, September 27**  
Rosh HaShanah – no school

**Tuesday, October 4**  
Erev Yom Kippur – noon dismissal

**Wednesday, October 5**  
Yom Kippur – no school

**Monday, October 10 –**  
Sukkot Holiday Program – school in session

**Monday, October 10 – Friday, October 14**  
Speech Screening with Melissa Centofanti

**Monday, October 10 – Friday, October 14**  
Occupational Therapy Screening with Tammi Stein

**Tuesday, October 11 – Thursday, October 13**  
Sukkot Splash Spectacular

**Monday, October 17**  
Simchat Torah Holiday Program – school in session

**Tuesday, October 18 – Thursday, October 20**  
School Portraits

**Wednesday, October 26**  
Pink Walk for Breast Cancer Awareness

Parenthood

**Wednesday, September 14**  
Parenthood Meeting, 7:30pm

**Thursday, September 22**  
Girls’ Night Out

**Wednesday, October 19**  
Parenthood Meeting, 7:30pm

**Thursday, October 27**  
Parenthood Guys’ Night Out

Tot Shabbat

**Friday, September 16**  
New Year’s Tot Shabbat and Pizza Dinner, 6:00pm

**Friday, October 14**  
Sukkot Tot Shabbat and Pizza Dinner, 6:00pm
Wow Moments

Aha moments are ones that I cherish as a Jewish educator:
- When the meaning of a Hebrew phrase is figured out.
- When students learn that value talked about is rooted in a Torah story they recognize.
- When it’s realized that cheesecake and blintzes are actually an important part of a Jewish holiday.
- When a B’nai Mitzvah student discovers they mastered their whole service at rehearsal.
- When seeing the Kotel (western wall) in person for the first time.
- When a parent compares their child’s ELC graduation picture to their confirmation picture on our bima.

Eyes pop open a bit wider at these moments, when the dots connect and our Jewish roots and culture start to make more sense. Even as adults, we continue to hear the Torah read weekly, our clergy finding relevance differently every time they talk about the same verses, depending on our age and experiences.

My heart swells with pride when I see others having their wow moment. We strive to create space for these moments to occur for every participant. Whether it be at a parents-only event with Parent Tribe, teen trips, Tribal Gatherings on Sundays or in one of our 3rd grade classrooms, each one is unique and special, and bonds that person even closer to their Temple Beth El community.

Take note of the wow moments when you participate in one of our programs or when listening to a student. I am sure they will inspire you as much as they do me. Shana Tova.

TRIBAL GATHERINGS

Kids – Gather together with your tribe for some FUN! Go to tbeboca.org/religious-school for details and to register.

Sunday, September 11
Bugging Out with Tribe Benjamin
(2nd grade)
12:00pm – 2:00pm

Sunday, September 18
Kidokinetcs with Tribes Kindergarten and Ephraim (K and 1st grade)
12:00pm – 2:00pm

Sunday, October 9
Sukkah Palooza with Tribe Simeon
(4th grade)
12:00pm – 2:00pm

Sunday, October 16
Sushi in the Sukkah with Tribe Judah
(5th grade)
12:00pm – 2:00pm

Sunday, October 23
Scavenger Hunt with Tribe Ephraim
(1st grade)
12:00pm – 2:00pm

Sunday, October 30
Big/Little Program with Tribes Kindergarten and Tribe Judah
(5th grade)
12:00pm – 2:00pm
Teen Council Meetings
September 6, 20 | 5:00-6:00pm
October 18 | 5:00-6:00pm
Beck Family Campus.
Open to any Temple Beth El Teen
Teen Events: Grades 9-12
Selichot Overnight
September 17-18 | 6:00pm – 8:00am
Schaefer Family Campus

Middle School Events:
Grades 6-8
Trivia Night:
October 15 | 6:00-8:15pm
Beck Family Campus

Teen Book Club: Grades 8-10
Check the website to find out what book we are reading.
September 3 | 10:00am – 12:00pm
October 1 | 10:00am – 12:00pm

Beth El Rocks: Teen Band
Meets alternating Tuesday nights.
College Caravan
October 19-21
Details coming soon!

For more information on the new Teen Pass and other opportunities for teen learning and fun, visit tbeboca.org/teen-engagement.
For questions, contact Ross Glinkenhouse, Teen Engagement Specialist at rglinkenhouse@tbeboca.org.
Follow us on Instagram at @beth_el_teens!

B’nai Mitzvah

Riley Marcus
Son of Andy and Robyn Marcus
September 3, 2022 @ 10:45am
Amelia Markelis
Daughter of Pablo and Bess Markelis
September 3, 2022 @ 6:00pm
Pierce Seguin
Son of Nancy Seguin
September 10, 2022 @ 9:00am
Harrison Kshonz
Son of Joshua and Jamie Kshonz
September 10, 2022 @ 11:30am
Stephanie Weinberg
Daughter of Andrew and Monica Weinberg
September 17, 2022 @ 9:00am
Shayna Harris
Daughter of Robert and Claudia Harris
October 22, 2022 | 6:00pm
Shaan Herskovic
Son of Joshua and Ethel Herskovic
October 29, 2022 @ 11:30am

Beyachad Teen
8TH GRADE THROUGH 12TH GRADE

Parents and teens join together for conversations over dinner. Our fall semester class will focus on leading intentional lives and will be facilitated by Rabbi Elana Rabishaw, Rabbi Dan Levin and Heather Erez. Meeting one Friday evening and 3 Sunday evenings at the Schaefer Family Campus. See tbeboca.org/religious-school for dates and times or contact Heather Erez at herez@tbeboca.org

B’nai Mitzvah
Sisterhood Update

Over 60 of us had a fabulous time welcoming Rabbi Elana Rabishaw at our recent Happy Hour at Crazy Uncle Mike’s. Here are some photos of the fun!

And now, as the High Holy Days approach, many people who helped support our first Honey from the Heart fundraiser are being thanked by their friends and families for their thoughtfulness in sending honey in time for Rosh HaShanah. We appreciate all who participated! And a big shout out to Jill Wiener, who spearheaded this successful event.

We also thank Debi Jackman and Evelyn Swid for their dedication to collecting Holiday Greetings (featured on page 11 in this edition of The Chronicle) This is one more fundraiser that allows Sisterhood to continue our good work. We send Shiva meals, host the onegs, and help fund programs within our Early Learning Center, Religious School, and our Temple.

As the Jewish New Year begins, we are thankful for all our devoted members and their involvement. If you haven’t yet, now is the time to renew your annual Sisterhood membership, at tbeboca.org/sisterhood. Please consider joining - we have so many fun things coming up: Sip n’ Shop; Sisterhood Luncheon; Bingorita; and so much more. Plus, you can participate in some lively discussions with the Lilith Salon, but you must be a member of Sisterhood to participate.

Don’t forget to stop by our Gift Shop, managed by Sisterhood member Clarice Goldstein, after Friday night services and shop our wonderful items or just stroll and schmooze! We look forward to seeing you there.

College Outreach 2022

It’s that time of year! Kids go away to college, and we are here to give them a little piece of home. Sisterhood will send holiday packages to your college student for Rosh HaShanah, Chanukah, Purim and Passover. We wish them a Happy Birthday with a fun e-card, too! This service is open to all Temple Beth El members with college students. There is no charge, but donations are always welcome. Register online at tbeboca.org/sisterhood
BROTHERHOOD

Brotherhood Update

As we celebrate the Jewish New Year, the Brotherhood is excited to start another great year of programming. Our programs span major themes including Social, Cultural/Spiritual, Philanthropic, and Networking/Entrepreneurship, each of which contribute to the essence of what it means to be Jewish and lead a fulfilling and enriched life.

Behind the programs are people that unite to create a special brotherhood within the broader temple community. With 180 Brotherhood members of all age groups and phases of life, we have the opportunity to touch so many lives with our programs. The key to mobilizing this population is that we are empowering leaders throughout the organization. Please see the new leadership team on the left including the addition of new positions to increase engagement, improve the quality and effectiveness of our programs, and committees to work on key areas. For each of our programs we also have leads/co-leads that bring incredible passion and creativity to making each event very memorable.

Speaking of memorable programs, we have several of them in September and October as summarized below. Join us for our New Year kick-off combined with the pro football season kickoff. While there may be the mis-conception that Brotherhood events are for brotherhood members only, we are just as proud of how many of our programs benefit the entire temple community including our co-sponsoring with the Sisterhood the arrival of our new Rabbi Rabishaw and Jewish Author Dara Horn and our next Entrepreneurship Panel featuring talent from across the temple!

Wishing everyone a Shana Tova full of health and happiness.

Co-Presidents
Kevin Romer, Jon Levin
Past President
Carlos Romero
Vice President
Joe Gudema
Treasurer
Gary Berg
Programming Chair
Mitch Gross
Engagement and Communications Chair
Mark Jaro
Temple Liaison
Mike Sirowitz

COMMITTEES:
Golf
Jon Levin
Networking/Entrepreneurship
Co-Chairs
Paul Weiner and Brad Berkowitz

upcoming events

Brotherhood Yearly Kickoff
Thursday, September 15, 2022

Breakfast with Author Dara Horn and Rabbi Rabishaw
Sunday, September 18, 2022 (See page 16.)

Entrepreneurship Panel
Tuesday, November 1, 2022

Brotherhood Annual Golf Outing
HONORING BRUCE MOLDOW
Monday, January 22, 2023
Boca Rio Golf Course
Our Congregation Mourns

Nolan Berman*, father of Lisa and George Ponczek, grandfather of Ryan, Sarah and Brandon Ponczek
Harold Cohen, father of Lori Cohen-Vogel, grandfather of Matthew and Adam Vogel
Selma Drucker*, beloved member
Martin Gutter*, husband of Joan Baras
Jacob Marwill Geller, son of Maxine Kornitzer
Sondra Homer-Warner, mother of Paul and Cindy-Jo Homer, grandmother of Kevin Homer, great-grandmother of Sage Homer
Dawn Jonas, beloved family of Harold, Ariella, Jonathan, Kristen and Sachi Jonas
Evan Katz, father of Jeffrey and Suzanne Katz, grandfather of Jason Katz
Melvin Kerness, father of Karen and Steven Levine, grandfather of Jenna Levine
Karen Kornhaber, mother of Ari and Beth Kornhaber, grandmother of Blake, Remi and Katie Kornhaber
Irene Marcus, grandmother of Samantha and Ron Barhai and great-grandmother of Corey and Cooper Barhai
Barbara Morris, loving member of the Kupferman family, grandmother of Hailey and Lily Kupferman
Milton Plotsker, father of Pam Korman, grandfather of Nathan Korman
Wendy Rubin, mother of Daniel and Alison Rubin, grandmother of Justin Rubin
Israel Tully Schuster*, husband of Rita Schuster father of Michael and Laurie Schuster, Ronald and Gabrielle Schuster and Tammy Schuster and Dean Bogart, grandfather of Brandon, Jessica and Jared Schuster, Joshua and Jacob Schuster and Cydnee and Brett Benes
Mark Sosin*, husband of Susan Sosin, father of Peter Sosin and Lee and Michelle Sosin, grandfather of Joseph and Jacob Sosin and Rachel, Daniel and Brooke Sosin
Bradley Stern, son of Adele Loeb
Alfred Taule*, father of Howard Taule, Marc Taule and Jennifer and Marc Bell
Janice Tilchen*, mother of Melanie Tilchen Alexander and Jaime Alexander, grandmother of Jonathon and Madelyn Alexander
Janice Wallach*, beloved member
Mickey Weinberger, grandfather of Alexis and Andrew Brownstein, grandfather of Logan Brownstein
Abbe Wolf*, wife of Michael Wolf, sister of Mitchell and Rabbi Jessica Mates, Dawn Mazer and Robert Picow, Gwen and Howard Dvorkin and Ales and Paula Mates
Mike Yuil, brother of Jennifer Yuil-Steinberg and Michael Steinberg, uncle of Edward and Chloe Yuil Steinberg
Fannie Zablow, mother of Perle Zablow Gass, grandmother of Sydney Gass
* Laid to rest in the Beth El Mausoleum

Mazel Tov To

Rebecca and Eric Baum on the birth of their son Theodore Solomon Baum, big sister Elizabeth, big brother Maxwell
Danielle and Spencer Greenblatt on the birth of their son Max Spencer Greenblatt
Dana and Garrett Kuczynski on the birth of their son Asher Jude Kuczynski, big sister Amelia
Tamara and David Mishkel on the birth of their daughter Rebecca Isabel Mishkel, big brothers Jonah and Ezra, big sister Aviva
Elizabeth and Scott Paskal on the birth of their son Cooper Lev Paskal, big brother Hudson
Lisa and Ken Rosenthal on the birth of their grandson Ryder Sebastian Rosenthal
Stacey and George Luck on the engagement of their daughter Carly Luck to Daniel Friedman
Brooke and David Lukes on the engagement of their son Joshua Lukes to Samantha Klein
Dr. Jane Skelton on the engagement of her daughter Diana Shirisky to Thomas Bennett
Rebecca and Alan Klasfeld on the marriage of their son Robert Klasfeld to Danielle Motola
Heidi Lein on the marriage of her son Austin Pepper to Robyn Deroche
Joe Cohen and Sarah Gerlach on their marriage
Tara Jackerson and Lee Feldman on their marriage
Dedications

May 16 - July 15, 2022

Thank you to all those who donate to the synagogue in honor or memory of a loved one or on a special occasion. We are grateful for your ongoing support.

Amy S. Klein Shapiro Memorial Educational Fund
in memory of:
Stanley Lederman by Penny and David Klein

Anna Beitscher Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund
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Patty Beck's special 75th birthday by Barbara and Norton Sterneck
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Barry Sterneck by Elmor and Jay Josephson
Barry Sterneck by Vicki Lasadose
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Barry Sterneck by Linda and Robert Schmier
Barry Sterneck by Marey and Barry Schulz
Barry Sterneck by Debra and Pierce Schultz, Brooke and Max Adelstein, and Skylar Schultz
Barry Sterneck by Bette and Thomas Sherman

Barry Sterneck by Wendy and Steve Walin

Disaster Relief Fund
Nicole and Brian Mark
Laetitia Laurent
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