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We're Not There Yet...

BY RABBI DAN LEVIN
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The Jewish calendar is filled with holidays that recall pivotal moments in our people's history.

Passover recalls the date the angel "passed over" our homes to strike the Egyptians. Purim recalls the date our people were spared from devastation. Shavuot recalls the date God gave us the gift of Torah in the wilderness.

But amazingly, there is one date in Jewish history that has no holiday – no ritual of remembrance whatsoever: the day our people arrived in the land of Israel.

It seems like a glaring omission. How could we not have a holiday that celebrates the culmination of our people's journey through

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the wilderness, the fulfillment of God's promise to Abraham?

The answer lies in what it means to be Jewish. The Torah is not a book about living in the Promised Land. The Torah is a book about how you make it through the wilderness.

Jewish tradition refers to *Shalshet HaKabbalah* – the chain of Jewish tradition. Like runners in a relay, each generation is handed the Torah, a baton to carry. It is our duty to use it well, to let it be the blueprint we use to build the world as it should be.

But then, it is necessary for us to pass the baton, to transmit the gift of Torah to the next generation, who will carry it forward after our generation has done what it can.

This is so much of what we seek to accomplish as a congregation. Having been given the gift of Torah and tradition by the generation before us, we do all we can to use it well. We

let it guide us to enrich our spiritual lives, to draw on its invaluable wisdom to maximize our experience of human life, and how together we can work to heal the fissures and fractures of our broken world.

And very carefully and diligently, we pass it on to our children, *L'Dor VaDor* – from generation

to generation – so that the next generation might discover how to experience even more goodness and holiness than our generation ever could.

There is a strong sense in our tradition that "we're not there yet." So much work remains for us to accomplish in order to fashion the world God dreamt we would build.

We celebrate the journey, not the arrival, because as we learn: "It is not up to us to complete the task, but neither are we free to desist from it." (Pirke Avot 2:16)

As Temple Beth El moves through its sixth decade since its founding in 1967, we see the passing of that baton every day. I love watching young mothers and fathers bring their children to our ELC and religious school, just as they were brought here as children by their parents. And I can't help but smile at board meetings, looking at four of our board members and officers who themselves grew up at Temple Beth El.

This spring we celebrate the unfolding of generations in our congregation and community. We give thanks for all that was given us by generations before us. And we renew our sacred commitment to ensure that the chain of Jewish tradition remains strong and unbroken for generations to come.



ON THE COVER Murray Brown and 7 of his 9 great grandchildren.
LEFT TO RIGHT Steven Brown, Hannah Siegel, Lucas Nadler, Sarah Siegel, Nora Nadler, Stella Nadler and the baby is Asher Kaplan

L'Dor VaDor – From Generation to Generation



BY **WENDY WALIN**
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In Hebrew, the phrase “L'Dor VaDor” encapsulates the timeless tradition of passing knowledge, traditions, and values from one generation to the next. At Temple Beth El, this concept lies at the heart of our community, serving as a guiding principle that shapes our identity and mission.

As we prepare to honor four generations of the Brown family at this year's Beth El Bash, we are reminded of the profound importance of this tradition. The Browns exemplify the essence of “L'Dor VaDor,” embodying the values of dedication and the enduring commitment to our Jewish heritage. Their legacy serves as a beacon of inspiration to all.

The English scientist, Sir Isaac Newton, wrote in a letter dated in 1675, “If I have seen further, it is by standing on the shoulders of giants.” Similarly, at Temple Beth El, we recognize that our community stands on the shoulders of those who came before us. It is their achievements, foresight, and legacies that have paved the way for our present success.

I am filled with heartfelt gratitude for the countless individuals – past and present – who have contributed to our collective growth and

success. Their dedication and vision have shaped our community into what it is today, instilling within us a sense of pride and responsibility to carry their legacy forward.

Looking ahead, we are inspired by the emergence of a new generation of leaders within our community. These young individuals, filled

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with passion and enthusiasm, represent the continuation of our sacred mission. They are the torchbearers of tomorrow, entrusted with the task of preserving our traditions and values for generations to come.

As we move forward into the future, let us embrace the spirit of “L'Dor VaDor,” recognizing our role as stewards of a rich and vibrant heritage. Together, we honor the past, celebrate the present, and lay the foundation for a future guided by the timeless principles of our faith.

Congratulations **Cantor Jake Harris!**

TEMPLE BETH EL'S NEWEST CANTOR

Jake Harris joined Temple Beth El as a cantorial soloist in the summer of 2021. After his first year of service to the Beth El community, Jake felt a yearning to complete his cantorial education and was encouraged by Cantor Lori Brock to pursue his studies.

Jake began the Cantorial Intern Program of the Cantors Assembly (CICA) in the summer of 2022. Through this program, Jake studied online with Cantor Luis Cattán of Sutton Place Synagogue in New York City, working diligently to master all aspects of the cantorial arts while continuing to serve our congregation as a cantorial soloist. Cantor Cattán mentored Jake throughout the process, and prepared him for the rigorous examinations. On February 9, 2024 after passing all of the requirements, Jake was granted full membership into

the Cantors Assembly, thereby completing his journey to become a Cantor.

Jake is thrilled to have reached this milestone, and our congregation is so very proud of his dedication and accomplishments. He thanks Cantor Luis Cattán as well as the clergy, staff, and leadership of Temple Beth El for supporting his efforts. Jake could not be more grateful to the wonderful membership of Temple Beth El, whose warmth and unwavering support sustained him throughout the process, enabling him to reach this day. Please join us in congratulating Cantor Jake!



Sanctuary and Chapel Refurbishment Update



BY **STEVE KAUFMAN**
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This summer, we will refurbish the Rabbi Merle E. Singer Sanctuary using the funds raised at the 2023 Beth El Bash. While the refurbishment takes place, all lifecycle events and worship services will be held in the Beck Family Chapel at the Schaefer Family Campus from late May 2024 until mid-September 2024.

This project will bring a fresh, modern look and feel to our largest spiritual space, while also creating a better worship experience for our members and guests. Many thanks to Art Siegel for his tremendous effort chairing our Sanctuary Refurbishment Task Force, and to all those who contributed at last year's Beth El Bash. The project scope in the sanctuary includes:

- New seats
- New carpeting
- T-Coil hearing impaired assistance system

- New fabric on the moveable partition walls
- Enhancement to the band/choir area
- Modifications to the bima layout
- Additional enhancements to A/V and lighting equipment

Additionally, we are constructing a permanent, fixed bima in the Chapel. The existing bima, dedicated by Wes and Maddi Finch, is flexible, moveable and modular which was our original intent when the Chapel was constructed. We have learned over the past few years that for a number of reasons a permanent bima would better serve the congregation both aesthetically and functionally. We are planning to remove the existing Chapel bima and build a new one before the end of May 2024.



Congratulations

Robin Eisenberg!

**TEMPLE BETH EL'S DIRECTOR OF JEWISH
LEARNING AND LIVING EMERITA**

Robin, who spent most of her career at Temple Beth El, received an award from ARJE – Association of Reform Jewish Educators – for 50 years of outstanding service to the Jewish community. We are grateful for Robin's years of service at Temple Beth El, and wish her a deserved Mazel Tov on this wonderful accomplishment. Robin is a treasured member of Temple Beth El and an active volunteer with The Giving Tree.



THE SPIRIT OF TEMPLE BETH EL HAS ALWAYS BEEN

family

from Generation to Generation LDor VaDor

Perhaps no family better exemplifies the spirit of our congregation than our honorees for this year's Beth El Bash. With four generations of active members, the **Brown-Sabath-Nadler-Siegel** clan represents the best of our congregation and Temple community.

In 1980, Dana and Steve z"l Brown came to Boca Raton. Over the years, they not only grew a successful business, but raised their children Susie, Andrew, and Jordan in the warm embrace of their Temple Family.

Dana and Steve soon brought their extended family to join them. Their parents Bunny and Allen Sabath, and Carol z"l and Murray Brown joined their children in supporting Temple Beth El.

Three years later, Steve's sister Pam Nadler made Temple Beth El her family's spiritual home, with her children Evan and Amy. Later Pam introduced Temple Beth El to her husband Mark Sickles.

And now we kvell seeing the youngest generation grow – as Sarah and Hannah Siegel; Steven and Jacob Brown; Nora, Stella and Lucas Nadler; and Asher Caplan draw on their Temple Beth El roots as they begin their own Jewish journeys.

ABOVE Dana and Steve z"l Brown
RIGHT Brown, Siegel and Sabath Families

z"l - Of blessed memory

We spoke with Susie (Brown) Siegel and Andrew Brown to reflect on their memories of growing up at Temple Beth El, and what it means to them to see their children growing up here now.

LDor VaDor

Andrew Dad (Steve Brown z"l) was a big believer in Jewish community, and believed TBE to be the center of Boca's Jewish community. He knew just how many people - many of whom were not even congregants - came to rely on the temple as a source of community, strength and faith. While he served in many TBE leadership roles, his main focus over the years was membership - including his time as Membership VP.

Susie I don't think I truly realized how involved my parents were until I became a parent. My dad served on the Board, my mom was very involved with Sisterhood, they were both very involved with membership, just to name a few. As I started volunteering, I would hear about their experiences and realize how special it was that we shared so many of the same interests. After serving on the membership committee for the last 10 years, this year I took the same role as my dad had, and am now the VP of Membership! It's an incredible honor and I love that we have this shared connection.

Memories

Susie My parents were members before I was born. I was named on the bima and attended preschool when it was at the Schaefer Family Campus. My earliest memory is attending religious school and youth group events. I am not sure if I always felt as a kid that going



to temple was so fun, but looking back, I have so many special memories with my friends at religious school and especially at special temple events.

Andrew Temple Beth El always felt like a home away from home for me. I had a group of friends at temple (different from my school friends) and looked forward to BOFTY events, Sunday/Tuesday evening religious school, being a TA on Sundays, confirmation, etc. My earliest memory was in Ms. Mimy's classroom as





a 2/3-year-old. It is a daily happy reminder when I drop Jacob off at school at the Beck Family Campus, and see Ms. Mimy (40 years working at Temple Beth El), and the new generation of Browns going through Beth El early learning and religious school education.

The Next Generation

Susie When choosing where to raise our children, we wanted a temple that focused on community, being welcoming, and where the girls, Micha and I could be part of a larger Jewish family. Having been raised at Beth El, there was a sense of belonging as life-stages were happening. Micha was raised with a more religious background, and was accepted and embraced by Rabbi Dan from the first time we met. All these factors created a family we wanted our girls to be a part of, and could not think of a better place to see our girls flourish religiously and personally.

Andrew To be frank, it was never really a discussion but more of a goal that we would move back to Boca in part so we could raise our kids at Temple Beth El. Both the Early Learning Center and Religious School have been first class institutions

for decades. We are blessed that we get to raise our children here.

The Future

Susie My hope for TBE is to see the community that we've created continue to grow and provide the same feelings and sense of belonging that my family has had through four generations. TBE is a place like no other, from early childhood all the way to educational programs that my grandparents would enjoy. I have never known or been a part of a community like this, and hope that every Jewish person can find their "TBE" that is more than a place to pray or for education, but a place to be their home as if it were their own.

Andrew The Beck Family Campus was likely the best strategic decision Temple Beth El has made in the past two decades, and has obviously strengthened and grown our congregation. I hope in the future our membership remains in numbers, but also in participation and involvement of our congregants. It would take just one generation for TBE to wither, as many other temples have. It is critical that we focus on ensuring the next generation, particularly our ELC and religious school families, are incorporated into temple leadership and community.

Being honored at the Beth El Bash is a tremendous honor and we are grateful. However, there are many families here with multiple generations. Our focus is showcasing how Temple Beth El exemplifies L'Dor VaDor, - raising children who are eager in their adulthood to not only raise their children Jewish, but do so at Temple Beth El.

ABOVE Nadler Family
LEFT Dana Brown and grandchildren



Join us
as we honor
four generations of the
Brown-Sabath-Nadler-Siegel
family at Temple Beth El
with an epic evening of
soul & celebration



To purchase a Bash ticket
or honor the Brown family
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tbeboca.org/bash2024



PASSOVER

SECOND NIGHT SEDER

WITH RABBI DAN LEVIN
AND CANTOR LORI BROCK

TUESDAY APRIL 23, 2024

5:30PM

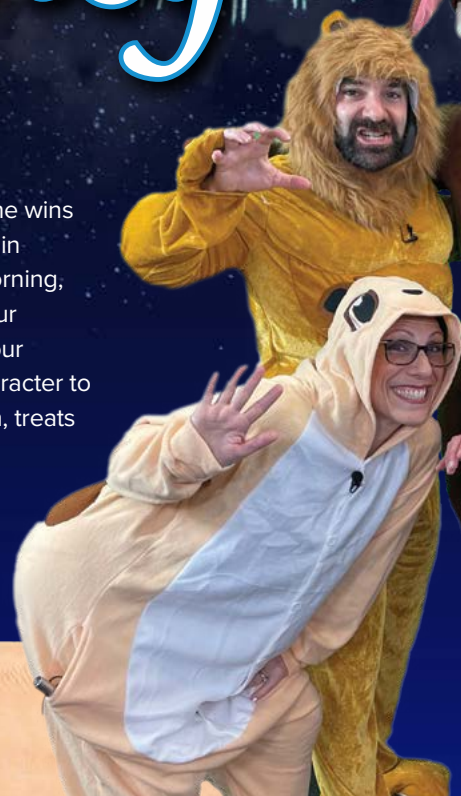
SCHAEFER FAMILY CAMPUS

A Very Disney

**FEATURING YOUR FAVORITE
DISNEY MELODIES AND CHARACTERS!**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24
10:30AM
SCHAEFER FAMILY CAMPUS**
Register at
tbeboca.org/purim-2024

Meet our newest Disney Princess Esther as she wins the heart of Achashverosh to save the day! Join your clergy and congregants for a magical morning, including a side-splitting spiel and shaking your groggers to the Megillah! We welcome all of our members to dress as your favorite Disney character to join in our Parade, followed by Hamantaschen, treats and fun for the whole family.



MEMBERS

Adults: \$95, Children ages 4-10: \$55,
Children ages 3 and under: \$25.

GUESTS

Adult \$110, Children ages 4-10: \$60
Children ages 3 and under: \$35

Prices increase \$10 on April 9.

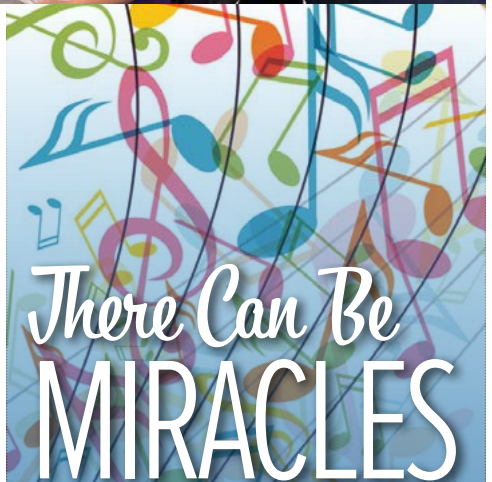
RSVP at tbeboca.org/passover-2024 by April 16.

Join Rabbi Dan and Cantor Lori for a second night Seder filled with fun for all ages. We will join together with interactive schtick and song as we retell the Passover story and enjoy a wonderful meal filled with holiday favorites catered by Artisan Foods.

Sponsored by Sisterhood

SEVENTH DAY OF PASSOVER FESTIVAL MORNING SERVICE

Monday, April 29 • 10:30am
Schaefer Family Campus



There Can Be MIRACLES

SONGS OF REBELLION,
HOPE AND FREEDOM

Concert featuring the Musical
Ensembles of Temple Beth El

Sunday, April 14, 2024

3:00pm

Schaefer Family Campus

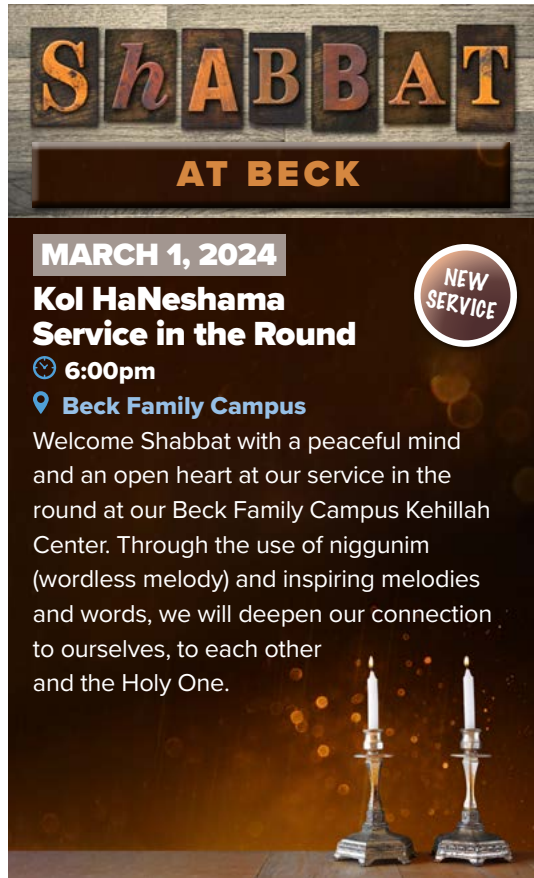
FREE but registration is required at
tbeboca.org/concert

Join us for an afternoon filled with spirit and song, as we prepare ourselves for Passover, and reflect on what it means to be free. Am Yisrael – Our People have always had hope through dark times and relied on music to express our experiences. Making music together is a celebration that unites all generations with one voice. The music ensembles of Temple Beth El will showcase their incredible talent with music ranging from Broadway, to pop, to rock and more. It will be an incredible afternoon!

*This concert is generously underwritten
by Margie and Maurice Plough.*

LOOKING BACK... LOOKING FORWARD

In these months we will reflect upon the chain of Jewish tradition from generation to generation. In March, the Jewish calendar guides us to look backward through the lens of memory, and in April to look forward with hope and anticipation for a future redeemed.



ShABBAT
AT BECK

MARCH 1, 2024
Kol HaNeshama Service in the Round
🕒 6:00pm
📍 Beck Family Campus

Welcome Shabbat with a peaceful mind and an open heart at our service in the round at our Beck Family Campus Kehillah Center. Through the use of niggunim (wordless melody) and inspiring melodies and words, we will deepen our connection to ourselves, to each other and the Holy One.

NEW SERVICE

MARCH 1, 2024
Shabbat at Six
🕒 6:00pm
📍 Schaefer Family Campus

We are inspired this week by our Torah Portion, Ki Tisa to explore the idea, what does it take to do the right thing? How do we access and act on the courage of our convictions?

EARLY SERVICE

MARCH 2, 2024
Shabbat Minyan
🕒 10:45am
📍 Schaefer Family Campus

Elevate your spirituality with our Shabbat Morning Minyan led by Rabbi Elana Rabishaw and Cantor Jake Harris. Experience a unique synergy between Judaic wisdom and ethereal melodies, both ancient and modern.

MARCH 8, 2024
Shabbat Family Dinner

🕒 6:30pm
📍 Beck Family Campus

For our members with children in the grades K-12, join us for an intimate Shabbat experience at the Beck Family Campus with delicious food, good friends, songs and activities for children. Make sure to bring your Shabbat candles and candlestick holders so we can bring in Shabbat together!

Adults: \$25, Children Under 12: \$15 through Wednesday, February 28.

Adults: \$30, Children Under 12: \$20 as of Thursday, February 29.

Shabbat Service: Vayakheil

🕒 7:30pm
📍 Schaefer Family Campus

What moves us to serve our community? Our Torah Portion this week, Vayakheil, directs us to answer this question and find meaning in service.

MARCH 15, 2024
Purim Tot Shabbat

🕒 6:00pm
📍 Beck Family Campus

Get out those groggers - it's time for Purim Tot Shabbat! Join us for a yummy pizza dinner and a family-friendly Purim Spiel led by our fantastic clergy! Afterwards, will all head out to the Big Backyard for some carnival fun. Don't forget to dress as your favorite Purim character. We can't wait to celebrate with you!

Birthday Blessings Pekude

🕒 7:30pm
📍 Schaefer Family Campus

Join us this Shabbat as we bless our March birthdays and celebrate Shabbat and its blessings.

{March and April}

MARCH 22, 2024

Pride Shabbat

🕒 7:30pm

📍 Schaefer Family Campus

This evening wear rainbow colors to honor the movement for LGBTQ+ equality and inclusion and join us for a festive service with the members of Beth El Pride.



MARCH 29, 2024

Sisterhood Shabbat

🕒 7:30pm

📍 Schaefer Family Campus

When Women Are Inspired, They Can Change the World. Calling all women to take time for yourself, connect with each other, and celebrate what it means to be a woman in this incredible community.

Orly Erez-Likhovski, leader of the Israeli Religious Action Center will also be joining us to share the incredible work of her organization. It will be a beautiful Shabbat to recharge, reinvigorate, and refresh.



APRIL 5, 2024

Shabbat at Six

🕒 6:00pm

📍 Schaefer Family Campus

This evening is our Celebration of Jewish Peoplehood! From Esther's commitment to her people at Purim, to Moses' commitment to his people in the Exodus, this Shabbat we will focus on what we owe to the Jewish people and what they owe us.



APRIL 12, 2024

Big Backyard Tot Shabbat/Unplugged

🕒 6:00pm

📍 Beck Family Campus

For the first time in the history of Temple Beth El, Shabbat Unplugged and Tot shabbat will be united to create an unforgettable family shabbat experience in the big backyard at the Beck Family Campus!



APRIL 12, 2024

Shabbat Service: Caring for Each other

🕒 7:30pm

📍 Schaefer Family Campus

In our Torah portion this week, Tazria, we are reminded of our duty to care for each other. We will also celebrate our April birthdays with a special blessing.

APRIL 19, 2024

Shabbat Service Celebrating Camp Jenny

🕒 7:30pm

📍 Schaefer Family Campus

This evening we celebrate teen leadership as we will be joined on the bima by our teens who will be leaders at Camp Jenny this year.

APRIL 26, 2024

Shabbat Service: Chol HaMoed Passover

🕒 7:30pm

📍 Schaefer Family Campus

On this Shabbat during Passover, we examine the idea of finding strength in our struggle.

STANDING UP FOR OUR FUTURE



AN EVENING WITH **TED DEUTCH** CEO, AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 7, 2024 | 7:00pm

Schaefer Family Campus

\$10 per person

Free for students

Register at tbebo.ca.org/ted

Since the October 7th Hamas attack on Israel, AJC CEO Ted Deutch has been on national news and speaking to government leaders around the world standing up for the Jewish people. Addressing the safety and security of the State of Israel and the rise of antisemitism here in the US, Ted is one of our community's best spokespeople.

Join us for an honest conversation about what is happening in our towns, on college campuses, in the halls of governments, and in Israel. Learn how we all can work together to protect the future of the Jewish people.



ABOUT TED DEUTCH AND AJC

Ted Deutch, a lifelong Jewish and pro-Israel activist, assumed the role of CEO of the American Jewish Committee (AJC) on October 1, 2022. He joined AJC following more than 12 years of service in the United States House of Representatives, representing Broward and Palm Beach Counties in Florida.

American Jewish Committee (AJC) is a global advocacy organization for the Jewish people. They stand up for the Jewish people, the State of Israel, and the democratic values that unite us all.

Mussar and Movement

March 14 • *Simplicity – Histapkut*

April 4 • *Honor – Kavod*

May 2 • *Faith – Emunah*



6:30pm-8:30pm • Schaefer Family Campus

register at tbeboca.org/mussar

Join Rabbi Amy Grossblatt Pessah and yoga teacher/member Amy Appel for yoga with a twist. The class will intertwine yoga with the study of Mussar — a Jewish spiritual practice that gives guidance on how to live a meaningful and purposeful life. Each monthly class will focus on a different human attribute and how to work on achieving it in mind, body and spirit.

*Please bring a mat.

Rosh Chodesh Women's Group

One Sunday morning per month • 9:15-10:45am

Please check the website for location and dates.

Register at tbeboca.org/rosh-chodesh

March 10 – Adar II

Cultivating Play and Rest:

Letting Go of Exhaustion as a Status Symbol and Productivity as Self-Worth

April 14 – Nisan

Cultivating Calm and Stillness: Letting Go of Anxiety as a Lifestyle

Mind, Body, Spirit — it's all about balance! Take a little time to focus on yourself, to breathe and to bond with other incredible women in our community. We will use Brene Brown's Book, *The Gifts of Imperfection*, as an anchor for meaningful and interactive discussions framed with Jewish Wisdom. This program will be led by Cantorial Soloist Michelle Auslander Cohen and Rabbi Amy Grossblatt Pessah. Coffee and refreshments will be available.

Essential Kabbalah

WITH RABBI AMY PESSAH

Tuesdays, March 5, 12 and 19

7:00pm

Schaefer Family Campus

Register at tbeboca.org/kabbalah

Join Rabbi Amy Grossblatt Pessah as she continues to guide us through Dr. Daniel Matt's book, *Essential Kabbalah*. Together, we will explore mystical teachings from Kabbalists throughout the ages.

Completion of Temple Beth El's Introduction to Kabbalah class or previous study of Kabbalah are required for enrollment.

Lunch & Learn

**Israel and US -
Before and After October 7**
WITH RABBI LAURENCE A. KOTOK

Tuesdays, March 5, 12, 19 and 26,
12:00pm – 1:00pm

Schaefer Family Campus and Zoom

Look at Israel's history, challenges and the state of world Jewry before and after the creation of the state, and since the war with Hamas broke out on October 7, 2023.

**The Prophets –
Ancient Voices for Our
Troubled Times**

WITH RABBI DAN LEVIN

Tuesdays, April 2, 9, 16

12:00pm – 1:00pm

Schaefer Family Campus and Zoom

Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel's extraordinary work *The Prophets* will be the lens through which we look at these remarkable brave leaders whose voices echo from biblical times to us today. What was prophecy, and can we cultivate prophetic voices to speak to the difficult issues of today?

Wise Living

TAUGHT BY RABBI DAN LEVIN
OR RABBI AMY PESSAH

Wednesdays Evenings in April and May

Forming a new cohort for spring 2024

Wise Living creates small cohorts — one for men and one for women — to spend seven weeks exploring the wisdom we have gathered from our life's experience, and considering how we can live more deliberately in this next phase of our lives. Utilizing Jewish spiritual practice, guided study and small-group dialogue, Wise Living offers deep engagement and exploration of the spiritual meaning and purposes of life.

For more information, visit tbeboca.org/wise-living

Learning is Multi-Generational



BY **RONNI GRAF**
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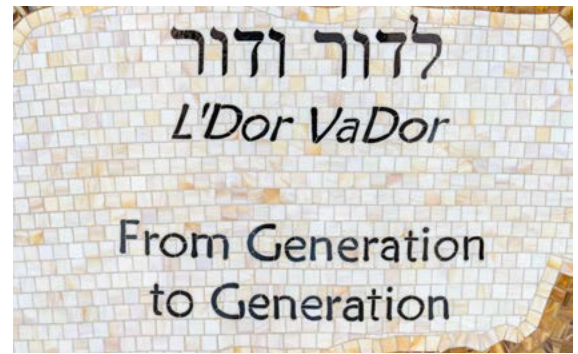
When a child and their family step foot into the Beth El Early Learning Center at the Beck Family Campus, the first thing they see is our beautiful Welcome Center decorated with a mosaic depicting Jewish life cycle events. The mosaic greets visitors with the words, “L’Dor VaDor – From Generation to Generation.” Those words define who we are, what we believe, and what we strive to instill in our students. This approach not only fosters a sense of continuity and connection within our community, but imparts valuable lessons about heritage, tradition, and the importance of intergenerational relationships.

Learning for very young children must be grounded in concrete learning experiences, so how do we “teach” the concept of “L’Dor VaDor?”

We teach Jewish values with a focus on those that emphasize respect, kindness, and the importance of family.

We incorporate holiday celebrations into the curriculum that involve both our preschool students and their families.

We include traditional Jewish music and dance into our daily curriculum, showcasing our rich cultural heritage.



We invite our students’ grandparents to come and celebrate with their grandchildren at special “Grandparent Shabbat” events. This multigenerational event helps reinforce the sense of belonging within the Jewish community for our young students.

Looking ahead to our next school year, we are planning some additional experiences

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Family Fun Day



Tot Shabbat

Purim Tot Shabbat

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Important Dates

Friday, March 1

Grandparents' Shabbat – 2-year-old classes – 10:00am

Friday, March 8

Grandparents' Shabbat – 3-year-old classes – 10:00am

Friday, March 15

Purim Celebration and Parade – Students Only

Monday – Friday, March 18-22

Early Childhood Spring Break – NO SCHOOL/CHILDCARE IN SESSION

Saturday, March 30

Mitzvah Day – 10:00am

Tuesday, April 16

Passover Seder
4-year-old classes – 10:00am

Wednesday, April 17

Passover Seder
2-year-old classes
10:00am

Thursday, April 18

Passover Seder – 4-year-old classes – 10:00am

Monday, April 22

Erev Passover – NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, April 23

1st day of Passover – NO SCHOOL

Monday, April 29

Parent-Teacher Conferences – NO SCHOOL

Parenthood

Wednesday, March 13

Parenthood Meeting – 7:30pm

Thursday, March 28

Guys' Night Out

Wednesday, April 17

Parenthood Meeting – 7:30pm



Finding Your People



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It's always easier to do things when you are with friends. Religious School is no different. Temple Beth El is proud to focus on creating an environment that fosters community. I have always said that young adults aren't engaged in their Judaism because they learned the Ve'ahavta prayer, it's usually because they had good experiences with their peers, teachers and clergy.

We strive to balance the need to reach all our curricular benchmarks in Religious School classes with the added bonus of creating community between the students in the class. Our clergy come into classrooms to get to know the students in smaller groups, and we use the Morning Meeting exercise from the Responsive Classroom philosophy to further the relationships.

Additionally, we put many resources into our Tribal Gatherings and Teen events whose goals are ONLY to create community. It may seem trivial to prioritize the baking event, tie dye, or glow in the dark parties, but really, this is an imperative part of your child's synagogue experience. This is where they get to meet and socialize with their peers and experience the staff and building in a purely social way. Parent Tribe was created for the same reason, attending events, even with all of our busy schedules, is the best way to ensure that when you are at Temple

Beth El events, you see familiar faces and feel that you belong. This is how community is made which translates into knowing that your Jewish connections are a safe space when times get tough.

Jewish Peoplehood is imperative these days in our world. Temple Beth El's Religious School and Engagement programming is here to assist in creating these strong bonds between students and families. I hope to see you at some of our events this spring.

POP UP RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Sunday, March 31, 9:30am-11:30am

Cypress Pavilion at the Burt Aaronson South County Regional Park; first right when entering from Yamato

****Please note that there are no Religious School classes on either campus on this date.*** For all current Religious School families AND rising Kindergarten students! Join us for a fun day at the park as we start our Passover learning together as a community.

FAMILY BINGO

Sunday, April 14 at 5pm-7pm

Dinner and BINGO for the whole family! RSVP early, this event does fill up! \$36 per family

tbeboca.org/family-bingo

March/April Tribal Gatherings



March 2

Tribal Gathering for Simeon (5th Grade)
Silent Disco

March 9

Tribal Gathering for Benjamin (3rd Grade) and Reuben (4th Grade)
Movie Night

April 7

Tribal Gathering for Ephraim (2nd Grade)
Minute to Win It

April 28

Tribal Gathering for Kindergarten and Menashe (1st Grade)
Splash into Summer

A Reflection on our time at Give Kids The World Village

BY MACKIE KATZ-SCHEAR

TEEN PARTICIPANTS:

Eden Erez
Ayden and Brandon Sherman
Hannah Tekel
Sydney Butler
Hailey Kupferman
Mackie Katz-Schear
Jordana Shapiro
Mya Wolfberg
Ella White
Asher Grossman
Staff: Ross Glinkenhouse and Rabbi
Elana Rabishaw

Over Martin Luther King weekend, Rabbi Elana and Ross Glinkenhouse took 10 other teenagers and I to Orlando to volunteer at Give Kids the World Village. Give Kids the World is an organization that fulfills kids wishes from other organizations such as Make a Wish and Dream Factory. Going into the trip, I had no idea of what we would be doing or where we would be going. Now, after the trip, I can say everything at the Village exceeded what I had imagined. When we drove into the Village early in the morning, I was blown away by how nice everything was. From the vibrant

lights hanging from all the walls to the architecture and bright colors on the buildings. Before the first shift in the Village, I knew absolutely nothing about what we would be doing, but the staff and other volunteers were so helpful and understanding. After the first shift, we went on a tour of the village and when I say everything was so meticulously thought out, I really mean it because they had a wheelchair accessible carousel and pool as well as many other rides and attractions. They even had a mini golf place, an arcade, and a movie theater. The thought behind everything that was built here was so pure and honestly very humbling. Especially after learning about stories from guests who stayed here from our sweet tour guide who was a former wish kid and now volunteers at the Village on a regular basis. The last two shifts were even more eye opening since we were actually serving food to the guests. Seeing their faces light up when we talked to them and complemented them really made me feel special.

To learn more about Give Kids the world please go to gktw.org



BISY AND BOFTY BOCA RATON TAKE OVER:

GRADES 8 – 12 • April 13-14 Come spend the

night at Temple Beth El's Beck Family Campus planned by teens from BISY (Congregation

B'nai Israel) and BOFTY (our youth group here). This is open to any Jewish teen in the area.



SILENT DISCO AND GLOW

PARTY: GRADES 5 – 7

Saturday March 2

Bust out your dance moves with a glow in the dark theme night.

You'll get two channels of music

to choose to dance to, one channel to a movie on the screen, Glow 9 Square in the air. There is something for everyone to do.



CIT PROGRAM

SUMMER 2024:

Not sure what you are doing



this summer? Come and be a Counselor in Training at the Early Learning Center's Summer Camp. Come for 3, 6, or 9 weeks! Service hours only, and can average about 80 hours a session. Learn more at tbeboca.org/cit24

ISRAEL AND BOCA TEEN MASH UP: Temple Beth El of Boca Raton will be hosting 15 teens from our sister city Zichron Yaakov in Israel March 25-31. During the week our teens will have multiple opportunities to engage and spend time with their Israeli peers such as enjoying a day in Miami and attending a Florida Panthers game.



BOWLING AT PENNY LANES:

GRADES 5 – 7

Sunday, April 21

Come out and bowl your afternoon away and get your fill of bread before Passover!

Visit tbeboca.org/teens for all opportunities or email Ross Glinkenhouse at rglinkenhouse@tbeboca.org

B'nai Mitzvah



Emma Lipman



Ava Schnall



Max Kessler



Braeden Blinder

Emma Lipman
Daughter of David and Erica Lipman
March 2, 2024 @ 9:00am

Ava Schnall
Daughter of David and Julie Schnall
March 2, 2024 @ 11:30am

Max Kessler
Son of Robert and Holly Kessler
March 9, 2024 @ 9:00am

Braeden Blinder
Son of Roger and Lauren Blinder
March 9, 2024 @ 11:30am



Sophia Bernstein



Lia Braunshweiger



Madison Harris



Anna Toha

Sophia Bernstein
Daughter of John and Rachel Bernstein
March 16, 2024 @ 11:30am

Lia Braunshweiger
Daughter of Adam Potash and Rachael Braunshweiger
March 16, 2024 @ 5:00pm

Madison Harris
Daughter of Felisa and Jeff Harris
March 23, 2024 @ 9:00am

Anna Toha
Daughter of Dawn Levine
March 23, 2024 @ 5:30pm



Jordan Klein



Stella Gross



Rachel Thaw



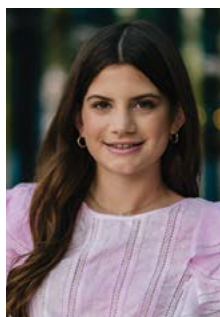
Olivia Rosenthal

Jordan Klein
Son of Josh and Samantha Klein
March 30, 2024 @ 10:45am

Stella Gross
Daughter of Alan and Lauren Gross
March 30, 2024 @ 5:30pm

Rachel Thaw
Daughter of Benjamin and Jennifer Thaw
April 13, 2024 @ 9:00am

Olivia Rosenthal
Daughter of Matthew and Amy Rosenthal
April 13, 2024 @ 11:30am



Samantha Spodak



Aitan Kandel



Jordan Rosenberg



Jake Rothstein

Samantha Spodak
Daughter of Lori and Brett Spodak
April 20, 2024 @ 9:00am

Aitan Kandel
Son of Ari and Leslie Kandel
April 20, 2024 @ 11:30am

Jordan Rosenberg
Son of Daniel and Lindy Rosenberg
April 20, 2024 @ 2:00pm

Jake Rothstein
Son of Adam and Jenny Rothstein
April 20, 2024 @ 5:30pm

Gleaning

Saturday, April 6, 2024 • 8:30am – 11:30am
Delray Beach

Gleaning is helping to collect unharvested crops to be donated to help our community's hungry and poor. Join Temple Beth El for this hands-on opportunity to support those in need. We are going to be out in the fields bending and lifting, so those who want to participate need to be able to do so comfortably, lifting as much as 30 pounds. Children ages 5 and up can participate in this mitzvah with their parents!



More information about the exact location will be shared with those who register.

RSVP at tbeboca.org/social-action or to Rabbi Greg Weisman at gweisman@tbeboca.org.

Can You Help with a Mitzvah?

Join the Chaverim Team to make calls to fellow congregants to wish them a Happy Passover. A friendly call before the holiday can make such a difference. With your help, we will continue being a community, a family and a truly, caring congregation.

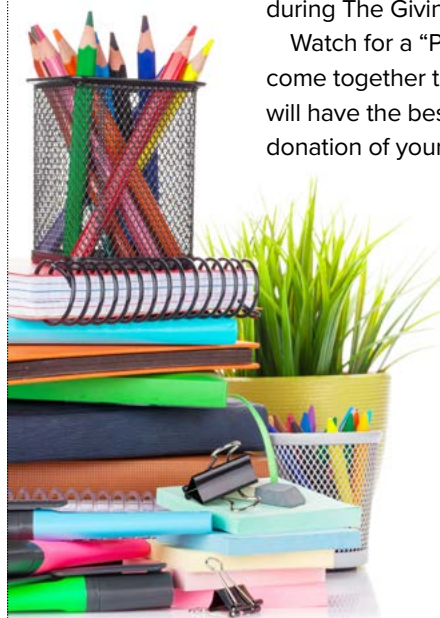
We'll send you the list of households to call, along with a helpful script. If you can assist us with this meaningful mitzvah, please RSVP by Monday, April 1, 2024 to Julie Guzy at jguzy@tbeboca.org.

The Giving Tree is Collecting School Supplies!

Drop off at either the Schaefer or Beck Family Campus
March 1–15, 2024

Chaired by Lizzie Paskal, the Giving Tree is collecting school supplies for the Beth El Learning Center Mitzvah Day taking place on Saturday, March 30, 2024. ELC children and families will pack pencil cases which will be used during The Giving Tree Summer Back to School Backpack Drive.

Watch for a "Pack the Bag" event, coming this summer. All will be invited to come together to fill backpacks for so many students in our community who will have the best chances for a successful school year due to the generous donation of your time!



Supplies Needed for each pencil case

- 1 zippered pencil pouch
- 4 sharpened pencils
- 4 pens (2 blue and 2 black)
- 1 blunt tip scissor
- 2 glue sticks OR 1 glue bottle
- 2 pink erasers
- 1 box of colored pencils OR 1 box of markers
- 1 box of crayons
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 2 highlighters
- Optional if available: Post it notes, pencil cap erasers, expo markers, headphones

Questions? Email thegivingtreeboca@gmail.com

Sisterhood Update



BY LISA WOLFE SWARTZ AND
SUSAN JUSTER GOLDSTEIN
SISTERHOOD CO-PRESIDENTS
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Sisterhood members love to celebrate, and what better opportunity than the BETH EL BASH? We hope to see most of our members, decked out in their evening best! Ask to sit with other Sisterhood women for a truly special evening. We are so pleased to be able to honor the Brown family, all four industrious generations.

The Browns were integral to the success of our recent Sisterhood Luncheon. They volunteered the use of their gorgeous show room at Interiors by Brown, where we set up a lovely charcuterie board supplemented by the Brown's own appetizers and wine. Because of that memorable evening we were able to collect enough gift cards to ensure a lot of happy winners at The Challah Wall.

Now Sisterhood is looking forward to the future. Our new advisors (thank you to Elinor Josephson, Cantor Michelle, & Ronni Graf for stepping up) give us access to their varied specialties. Here is a quick glance at some of the programs we are actively planning for March & April:

- A Sisterhood Purim Mixer – March 13
- Sisterhood Shabbat – March 29
- The Sisterhood Passover Experience – April 25
- Paddleboarding, led by Lisa Swartz - TBD

Were you involved in Sisterhood at your previous temple? We would like to hear from you, and find you an active role as we build a stronger, more inclusive Sisterhood. Please shoot an email to susanjuster@yahoo.com and we will be in touch.

Purim Mixer

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

Schaefer Family Campus

6:45pm General Board meeting open to all

7:00pm

\$18 open to all female Temple Beth El members

Register at tbeboca.org/sisterhood-purim-2024

by Friday, March 8

Chairs: Randi Jaro and Lisa Swartz

Hamentaschen, wine, cheese and sisters – what could be better? Enjoy a fun girls night out, and get lucky with a 50/50 raffle. After all Purim is the holiday of lots.*

Questions? Contact Aileen Spilka at Aspilka@tbeboca.org or 561-314-2656

**Having found out that Mordecai is Jewish, Haman plans to kill not just Mordecai but the entire Jewish minority in the empire. Obtaining Ahasuerus' permission and funds to execute this plan, he casts lots ("purim") to choose the date on which to do this—the 14th of the month of Adar.*



SISTERHOOD AT NEW MEMBER MEET AND GREET LEFT TO RIGHT:
Dori Barenholtz, Randi Jaro, Clarice Goldstein, Debbi Rosenblum, Carol Niren

Women's Passover Experience

Soldier On – The Courage to Make Our Lives A Blessing

An Interview with author, Bracha Horovitz

Thursday, April 25, 2024

Schaefer Family Campus

7:00pm

\$25/member, \$36/guest

Register by Friday, April 19 at

tbeboca.org/sisterhood-passover-2024

Soldier On is a true story about what it means to become a woman, and how hardships can forge strong character and lead to a purposeful life. Bracha Horovitz will tell her story: growing up as the State of Israel was just becoming a country, serving in the IDF, participating in the Miss Israel beauty pageant, and getting married and raising a family in Israel. After moving to the US, Bracha's son was born with severe disabilities, and hardship suddenly became a permanent aspect of her life. Instead of saying "Why me?" Bracha turns it around and says "Why not me?" and lives a life of resilience.



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About Bracha Horovitz

The daughter of an Auschwitz survivor, Bracha grew up surrounded by resilient people who worked to establish the State of Israel. She joined the IDF; parachuted from planes and learned to shoot machine guns. Her book, "Soldier On" is the story of how one woman and her family discovered how they could transform suffering into a beautiful life.

Soldier On: A Woman's Memoir of Resilience and Hope by Bracha Horovitz is available for purchase on Amazon in paperback, kindle and audiobook. We suggest purchasing and reading the book prior to the event. Bring the book with you, and Bracha will sign it.



Brotherhood Update



BY **JON LEVIN**
AND **JOE GUDEMA**
BROTHERHOOD
CO-PRESIDENTS
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IN A PACKED CALENDAR OF PROGRAMMING FROM GOLF GREENS TO POKER TABLES: TEMPLE BETH EL'S BROTHERHOOD EMBODIES THE SPIRIT OF GIVING AND UNITY

Temple Beth El's Brotherhood recently celebrated another successful golf outing at Boca Rio Country Club. This event, honoring Neal Slafsky, was a vibrant display of community spirit. The funds raised from the golf outing are dedicated to enhancing security at the Beck Family Campus.

all experience levels. For information on joining the next game, reach out to Andrew Zwick (bocadoc1@gmail.com)

The Brotherhood's monthly board meetings are a great way to get involved with new ideas for programming and events.

For more information or to RSVP for any of the upcoming events, please reach out to Jon Levin (jon@jrlevin.com), Joe Gudema (joe.gudema@gmail.com), or Mike Sirowitz (msirowitz@tbeboca.org).

Poker Nights at Beck Family Campus

Brotherhood's monthly poker nights have seen remarkable growth, with two tables going at once. They are open for players of



Brotherhood's Annual Golf Outing



Navigating Entrepreneurship

STARTING A BUSINESS VS BUYING A BUSINESS: FIND YOUR BETTER PATH INTO ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Tuesday, March 5, 2024 • 7:00pm

Schaefer Family Campus

RSVP at tbeboca.org/brotherhood-business

Moderated by Greg Shugar, Entrepreneur and Adjunct
Instructor of Entrepreneurship at FAU

All are invited and encouraged to attend this engaging Town Hall where a panel of entrepreneurs with diverse backgrounds will be discussing a singular-focused topic: Whether entering entrepreneurship is best achieved by starting a business from scratch or by acquiring an existing one. Our expert panelists, made up of both startup entrepreneurs and acquisition entrepreneurs, will delve into the nuances, advantages, and challenges of each approach.

Sponsored by Beau Ties of Vermont

Spring Training Baseball Game

Mets at Nationals

Sunday, March 17, 2024 • 1:00pm

Ballpark of the Palm Beaches

\$50 for adults and children 13 and older;

\$25 for kids 3 to 12; Free for children under 3

Prices increase by \$10 as of Sunday, March 10

For Temple Beth El members and their guests

Join the Brotherhood for an afternoon game to see the New York Mets take on the Washington Nationals at the Ballpark of the Palm Beaches. We will have a private 3rd base roof deck with catered food included and a cash bar. Game starts at 1:05 and access to the roof deck begins when the park opens at 11:35 am. After the game, kids 4-12 get to run the bases. Bring the whole family for a great day out at the ballpark!

Beth El Circles— Join the Fun

tbeboca.org/circles



Canyon Connections



Trivia Circle



Entrepreneurs Circle



Grape Expectations Circle



Single Parents Circle



Mahjong Circle

Our Congregation Mourns

Barbara (Bobbi) Bernheim, beloved member

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Ariella and Alex Glassman, grandson of Roy and Andrea
Bresky and Anne and Richard Michaelson

Joel Douglas Eaton, brother of Janet and Brian Sherr

Carl Feuerstein, father of Robin and Gary Schear and Cheryl
and Peter Firestone, grandfather of Zachary and
Jacob Schear and Ryan and Adam Firestone

Bob Geck, father of Celine Geck and Andrew Lerner

Robert (Bob) Fleishman, father of Dori and William Gerstein,
grandfather of Michael, Sarah, Sean and Emma Gerstein

Joyce Gerber, mother of Pamela Tinkham

Corinne Gorelick*, beloved member

Scott Granet, son of Arnold and Gladys Granet, brother of Lloyd and Sylvia
Granet and Aynn Granet and Don Lopes, uncle of Emily Granet

Dawn Harrington, beloved staff member

Donald Horwitz *, husband of Kathy Horwitz

Barbara Kaplun*, aunt of Liliana Abramson

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Florence Kirschenbaum, mother of Alan and Lisa Kirschenbaum,
grandmother of Lance, Samantha and Audrey Kirschenbaum

Reuben Kravitz, father of Susan and Stuart Horowitz,
grandfather of Jake Horowitz

Hugo Kuntz*, father of Jimmy and Amy Kuntz, grandfather of Alexandra Kuntz

Arthur Kurtz, father of Lauren and Adam Schwartz,
grandfather of Sydney, Zoey and Max Schwartz

Joan Levy, grandmother of Jeremy and Rachel Cohen, great-
grandmother of Gregory and Ryan Cohen

Carolyn Luck, mother of George and Stacey Luck, grandmother
of Ryan Luck and Carly and Daniel Friedman

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grandmother of Daniel and Jason Meisel

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Lauren and Evan Moscov, great-grandmother of Jack, Ivy and Ari Moscov

Allen Nappen, uncle of Marcy and Barry Schultz, great
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of Cantor Leslie Niren and Lisa Niren

Kenneth Watter, brother of Hillary Watter

**Laid to rest in the Beth El Mausoleum*

Mazel Tov To

Paris and Ben Blumenthal on the birth of their son Dallas Holden
Blumenthal, big brother Cash and big sister Knight

Ally and Aaron Bush on the birth of their daughter Madison Cecilia Bush

Alison and Laura Geisenheimer on the birth of their
daughter Lennox Riley Geisenheimer

Susan and Richard Goldstein on the birth of their
granddaughter Tamsen Basia Juster

Samantha and Ross Greenberg on the birth of their daughter
Sophie Blake Greenberg, big brothers Jordan and Logan

Carly and Alex Horowitz on the birth of their son Blake Noah Horowitz

Monique and Adam Picow on the birth of their daughter
Emery Jade Picow, big sister Olivia

Kristen and Bobby Souza on the birth of their daughter,
Lilian Souza, big brother Jackson

Serena and Richard Werber on the birth of their grandson Israel Fox Slevin

Robin and Gary Warren on the birth of their
granddaughter Sarina Elena Warren

Deborah and Michael Freudenberg on the marriage of their
daughter Marti Freudenberg to Spencer Strom

Celine Geck and Andrew Lerner on their marriage

Stacey and George Luck on the marriage of their
daughter Carly Luck to Daniel Friedman

Brooke and David Lukes on the marriage of their
son Josh Lukes to Sammi Klein

Lisa and George Ponczek on the marriage of their
son Ryan Ponczek to Danielle Rioux

Lorraine and Dennis Udwin on the marriage of their
daughter Sabrina Udwin to Daniel Schuchinsky

Jane Yudell and John Sprung on their marriage



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Alice Nast Statland by Sandi & Ed Fried
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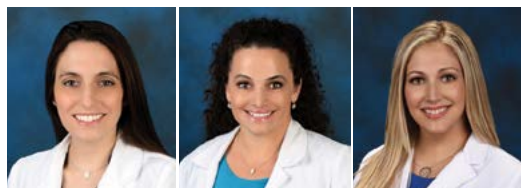
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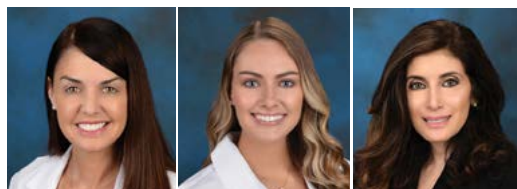


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Throughout his career, Dr. Norton has had a strong interest in academic medicine and has been actively involved in teaching and research. He has authored multiple publications on a variety of topics related to spine surgery in numerous peer-reviewed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

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