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BE The Future

BY RABBI DAN LEVIN DLevin@tbeboca.org

Growing up near Washington, DC, we always looked forward to this time of year, when the cherry trees would bloom and the city would blossom with a burst of glorious pink. It was a celebration of new life and renewal and the promise of springtime.

But there's an interesting paradox in the Hebrew calendar. The holiday where we celebrate trees, Tu B'Shevat, takes place in the middle of winter, in the darkest, coldest time of the year. Why, we might ask, do we celebrate trees in the winter, when springtime is when we see them burst with the buds of new life?

The reason is that springtime is when we see the results of what months and years of growth have spawned. A sapling is planted and begins to sink

> "Just as my ancestors planted for me, so too I am planting for those who will follow me."

(Talmud Ta'anit 23a)

roots deep into the earth. Even when it appears to be fragile and weak, the tree is building the foundation for its future strength and vitality. All of the nutrients and energy the tree draws on to grow were planted years before, and the blossoming of the tree is what culminates after all those months and years of careful nurturing and growth.

Jews began to plant themselves in our community decades ago, and over the years, their passion and commitment germinated the seeds of a Jewish community so rich and dynamic it is admired the world over. Temple Beth El was the first of those saplings to grow tall and proud, fertilizing the growth of many other congregations and institutions that enrich our community.

The Talmud relates the story of Honi the Circlemaker, who one day came upon an old man planting a carob tree. "Do you imagine," he asked, "that you will live to see the fruit of this tree?"

The man replied, "When I came into the world it was full of carob trees. Just as my ancestors planted for me, so too I am planting for those who will follow me." (Talmud Ta'anit 23a)

Temple Beth El is congregation that a blossoming. So is much of what we endeavor to provide is alive and in bloom. Our Early Learning Center resonates with laughter and love. our religious school pulses with energy and conversation, our congregation gathers in dozens of Circles to explore our passions,



and in Chavurot to build strong webs of community. We gather to learn, to explore, to worship, and to practice spiritual growth. We celebrate together in moments of joy, and comfort one another in moments of grief. We offer our compassionate help to the vulnerable in our community, and offer our love and support to the people and the State of Israel.

But the future is uncertain and unknown. Times change and the world changes with it. No one can foresee the challenges we will face as a congregation or as a people.

And so we must ensure that our congregation will always have the resources necessary to fulfill our mission: "To enrich lives by generating bonds of love through exceptional Jewish experiences." If we act today, and sink our investments into the soil where our roots are planted, Temple Beth El will remain strong and flourishing no matter how the winds blow in the future.

This is why Temple Beth El asks each of us to "BE The Future" – to invest in our endowment campaign so that we will always have the resources for our congregation to meet the needs of our ever growing and changing community. I am so grateful to the many members of our congregation who have committed to support this campaign with their gifts and bequests.

Temple Beth El blossoms today because of those who planted before us. It is up to us to BE The Future – and ensure the tree of life that is Temple Beth El will grow strong and secure for months and years and generations to come.

A Spiritual Journey of Questioning, Learning and Repairing

During the Chanukah service this past December, I managed to stumble while pronouncing *sufganiyot* in front of a huge crowd. I was embarrassed and it haunted me for days, but it reminded me to be humble - that we're always learning, even those of us who've been around the synagogue for a while.

I was not born Jewish. I was born Catholic to my beautiful parents who immigrated to America from Italy in 1955.

My Jewish journey began during my second year of law school when I met this interesting Jewish guy, Greg Shugar. He never asked me to convert, but he wanted to raise his kids Jewish, so I wanted to learn more. We took an Intro to Judaism class at Temple Sholom in Chicago - a large reform synagogue very similar at that time to what Temple Beth El is today.

During that class I learned about Judaism from the perspective of a young law student. What struck me the most were two things: 1) How Jews are allowed, and encouraged, to question everything, and therefore become truly inspired on a deeper level; and 2) The Reform Jewish values that I was taught, specifically those involving social justice and tikkun olam. Those two things combined gave me an instant love for Judaism. It resonated with me on a spiritual level. Questioning, learning and repairing the world felt like life itself.

I converted to Judaism when I was 25. Since then I have taken a very deep dive into Judaism (obviously!) and know in my kishkas that it was always my true identity. I just had to find it.

In Pirke Avot 2:16 we are taught, "You are not obligated to complete the work,

but neither are you free to desist from it." Our tradition teaches that we have a responsibility to engage in the work of repairing the world. One of the four pillars of our strategic plan is Social Justice/Tikkun Olam. In this time of political polarization, how will we do the work of Social Justice/Tikkun Olam while ensuring that every member feels comfortable and welcome?

The answer lies within our Reform Jewish identity. We are encouraged to question, to learn, and to grow. Our rabbis provide guidance and wisdom, helping us apply ancient Jewish teachings to modern challenges. Through this lens, we can explore social justice issues, engage in meaningful dialogue, and work together to make a positive impact on the world.

The work of Social Justice/Tikkun Olam isn't about imposing a single viewpoint. It's about providing a framework for understanding and action, rooted in our shared values. We can take that framework and weave it into our personal ideologies.

I invite each of you to join us on this journey. Let's learn together, question together, and work together to fulfill the mitzvah of tikkun olam, repairing our world. With open minds and hearts, we can make a real difference in our community and beyond.

New and Returning Me WELCOME Celebrating I

Welcome New and Returning Members who have joined between November 19, 2024 and January 16, 2025. 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.

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BETHEL MAUSOLEUM phase 4 construction begins

We are pleased to announce that construction has begun on the new phase of the Beth El Mausoleum. We are adding a new mausoleum building similar in size to the existing two-story indoor/ outdoor building which opened in 2006.

The construction project will take about 28 months to complete, with a scheduled opening date of approximately May 2027. Total construction costs are estimated at \$12.9 million. The Temple selected McClesky Construction to build the new Mausoleum building. only a critical element of our commitment to the needs of the local Jewish community, but it is also a key component of our financial sustainability.

20% of all Mausoleum sales revenue is set aside. 10% goes into a restricted fund (the Mausoleum Perpetual Care Fund) designated for the perpetual care of the Mausoleum buildings and grounds. An additional 10% of every Mausoleum sale is invested in the General Endowment of Temple Beth El.

Beth El Mausoleum is the final resting place for many in our congregational community and the wider



Jewish community. It completes the circle of life events that take place at Temple Beth El. Those who will be interred in the Mausoleum know they will be surrounded by their loved ones, their fellow congregants, and the embrace of the surrounding Jewish community for all time.

If you would like a virtual 3D tour of the new Mausoleum building or are considering your end-of-life planning needs, please contact Mike Sirowitz, Beth El Mausoleum Director, at 561-314-2841 or mike@tbeboca.org.

ABOVE Rendering of Phase 4 of the Beth El Mausoleum RIGHT Groundbreaking for Phase 4 Construction projects are messy. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience this may cause you, particularly with respect to parking. We will do all we can to mitigate the inconvenience and we appreciate your patience.

The Beth El Mausoleum creates an eternal connection to the Temple for many of our members and for unaffiliated Jews in the broader local community. Last year the Beth El Mausoleum generated gross sales revenue of \$2,172,783. The Mausoleum is therefore not



A Timeless TRADITION of JEWISH Community and Family



Beth El Mausoleum in Boca Raton welcomes you and your loved ones to a tranquil place, rooted in Jewish community and filled with the warmth of tradition. Serving the needs of our Temple Beth El congregation and the greater Jewish community of South Florida, the Beth El Mausoleum is privately owned by and on the grounds of Temple Beth El, providing the highest standards of perpetual care.

For an appointment, call Mausoleum Director Mike Sirowitz at 561-314-2841 or email mike@tbeboca.org.





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A LIVING LEGACY OF PATTY BECK

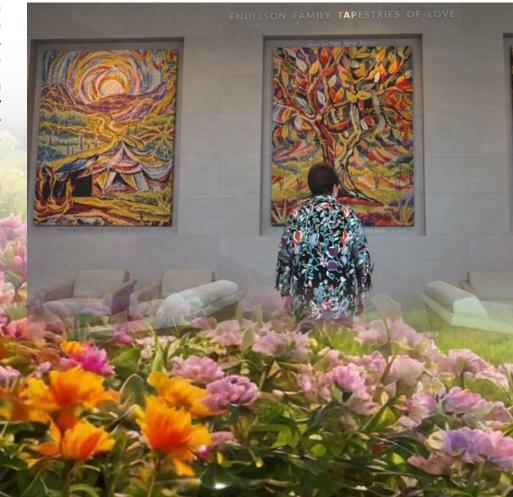
Patty Beck is leaving her mark on the world like a beautiful garden, where vibrant flowers bloom from each seed she has carefully planted with passion and intention. Her hands spread seeds in soil, but her eyes may never see them bloom. She may not get to witness the full extent of the garden's growth, but the reward lies in knowing that others will find beauty and nourishment in what has grown. As future generations of Temple Beth El stroll through the garden of her legacy, they'll feel her presence in the breeze, the warmth of the sun, and the scent of the flowers-a gentle reminder of how love, once planted, always finds a way to bloom.

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We had the pleasure of interviewing Patty, a longtime leader and visionary of Temple Beth El, to ask her what she wanted her legacy to be. Walking through the front doors of Temple Beth El takes me from one mood to another mood. I feel at home when I come in... I feel safe. In this day and age, that's a feeling we want everybody to have – the feeling that we're safe here.

It's not just me. Temple Beth El makes everybody who walks through the front door feel special, and the Temple is special to all of us because it looks at our community and asks, "What do you need?" and answers, "We'll supply it for you. We'll make that happen."

I have such confidence in our leadership because succession was always the most important thing to me. The leadership that we have now and



What is a legacy? It's planting the seeds in a garden you may never see. -HAMILTON

the leadership I see coming in the future will only enhance the incredible community we have built today. Many years ago, during my Presidency, Neal Slafsky and I talked for hours about what the future of Temple Beth El would be and what should be our legacy. In a legacy campaign, in an endowment campaign, it takes a heart to give because you're probably not going to see what your gift is going to do. There is a quote from the play "Hamilton" that says, "It's planting seeds in a garden you never get to see." That's what I'm hoping my contribution will be – a beautiful garden - because I want Temple Beth El to be there for everyone in the future just as it has been for me. A place that I call home, that's there for me in good times and there for me in difficult times. This is where our support is. This is where we find the people we love and those who love us.



If we don't grow our endowment to keep Temple Beth El financially secure for generations to come, a lot of people will not have a spiritual home like we have had here. This is the time for us to invest in the future! WE need to be the future of Temple Beth El. We may not see it, but our children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren certainly will.

Temple Beth El is profoundly grateful to Patty Beck and her Beck Family Charitable Foundation for their visionary leadership and historic lead gift in the BE The Future endowment campaign.

The BE The Future Campaign is the opportunity for us, as members, to plant seeds in Temple Beth El's garden to bloom for current and future generations. We are grateful for the following members who have formalized* their commitments to the BE The Future Endowment Campaign

> Sheila & Dick Asher Patty Beck Marilyn & Stanley Barry Marlene & Richard Bluestein Freyda & Edward z"l Burns Mandy & David Friedlander Howard Guggenheim Derek Hurwitch Susan and Joel Ivers **Rita Judson** Suzanne & Jeffrey Katz Ivv & Steve Kaufman Aimee & Rabbi Dan Levin Casey & Jonathan Levin Marty Lifton Ilyne Mendelson & Steve Terk Debra & Joshua Marcus Bruce Moldow Cayrn & Peter Mintz **Brooke Perez** Susan & Barry Podolsky Lisajane & Kevin Romer Hanita z"l & Mordecai Schreiber Brett Schneider Marcy & Barry Schultz Dina & Andrew Schwartz Gina & Greg Shugar Susie & Micha Siegel Deborah & Neal Slafsky Mason Slaine Marisa & Brian Spiro Moises Sudit Wendy & Steve Walin *as of 2/12/25 z"l, of blessed memory



BEIT TEFILAH I HOUSE OF PRAYER

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SATURDAY, MARCH 1

Shabbat Minyan 10:45am

Schaefer Family Campus

Elevate your spirituality and experience a unique synergy between Judaic wisdom and ethereal melodies, both ancient and modern. Led by Rabbi Elana Rabishaw and Cantor Jake Harris.

EARLY

SERVICE

FRIDAY, MARCH 7

Night of 50 Shabbats 5:30pm Schaefer Family Campus

A brief service before we celebrate Shabbat in the homes of congregants.

FRIDAY, MARCH 14

Pride Shabbat 7:30pm

Schaefer Family Campus

Honor the movement for LGBTQ+ equality and inclusion and wear your rainbow colors at this festive service with the members of Beth El Pride.

FRIDAY, MARCH 21

Insights from Israel 7:30pm

Schaefer Family Campus

We are joined by special guests Rabbi Nir Barkin and Rabbi David Azoulay from our sister congregation Kehillat YOZMA in Modiin, Israel.

SATURDAY, MARCH 22

Torah Study with YOZMA Rabbis 9:30am

Schaefer Family Campus Led by Special Guests Rabbi Nir Barkin and Rabbi David Azoulay. Visit tbeboca.org/shabbat for a detailed service schedule including in-person and online viewing options.

FRIDAY, MARCH 28

An Ancient Tradition Confronts a Transformative Era 6:00pm



Schaefer Family Campus

Birthday blessings for those born in the month of March. Following services, join Scholar in Residence Rabbi Danny Schiff for Shabbat dinner and a learning experience at 7:30pm. See page 15 for more information.

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

Shabbat at Six 6:00pm



Schaefer Family Campus

Join us for an early Shabbat filled with inspiration and song.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

Shabbat Minyan 10:45am

Schaefer Family Campus

Elevate your spirituality and experience a unique synergy between Judaic wisdom and ethereal melodies, both ancient and modern. Led by Rabbi Elana Rabishaw and Cantor Jake Harris.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

Earth Day Tot Shabbat 6:00pm

Beck Family Campus

ELC families come together for a very special Earth Day Tot Shabbat, where we will learn about the Jewish values of Sh'mirat Ha-teva (protecting nature) and Tikkun Olam (repairing the world). Following a pizza dinner and service, join us in the Big Backyard for playground fun and the annual Pre-K Rock Garden Legacy Celebration!

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FRIDAY, APRIL 11

Celebrating April Birthdays 7:30pm

Schaefer Family Campus Celebrate the last Shabbat before Passover, as we bless all those who were born in the month of April.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18

Kol HaNeshama 6:00pm

Schaefer Family Campus

Celebrate Shabbat amidst a peaceful mind and an open heart, as we deepen our connection to ourselves, to each other and the Holy One through the use of niggunim (wordless melody) and inspiring melodies and words at our service in the round.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18

Shabbat Chol haMo'ed Pesach 7:30pm Schaefer Family Campus

Celebration of Shabbat amidst our celebration of Passover.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

Passover Festival Service/Yizkor 10:45am Schaefer Family Campus

FRIDAY, APRIL 25

Remembering the Shoah in Our Time 7:30pm

Schaefer Family Campus

In honor of Yom HaShoah, we remember the Holocaust and explore the power of memory through word and song.



FRIDAY | MAY 2

6:00PM ISRAELI-THEMED SHABBAT SERVICE

7:30PM ISRAELI-INSPIRED DINNER SCHAEFER FAMILY CAMPUS

Register for dinner at tbeboca.org/israel-dinner

Get ready for an amazing evening as we celebrate our love for Israel, our Jewish homeland!

Join us in your favorite blue jeans and blue & white attire as we celebrate a special Israeli-themed Shabbat service. If you have a friend or family member in the IDF, we invite you to join us for prayers for their healing and safety. We'll also enjoy a heartwarming tribute to Israel from the Pre-K students of our Early Learning Center. Following the service, join us for dinner catered by Olive U Mediterranean Grill.

DINNER PRICES

Members: Adults: \$25, Children ages 4 – 12: \$15, Children ages 3 and under: No charge

Guests: Adults: \$30, Children ages 4 – 12: \$20, Children ages 3 and under: No charge

Prices increase by \$5 per person on Monday, April 21.

Registration closes Monday, April 28 at 12:00pm.

Generously Sponsored by Brotherhood and Sisterhood.

THURSDAYMARCH 137:00PMSCHAEFERFAMILYCAMPUS

PURIM SPIEL

Register at tbeboca.org/purim

Join us for a WICKED Purim starring your clergy and choirs. Sing along and belly-laugh as we tell the story of Purim through everyone's favorite musical and movie, WICKED.

Come in

costume!

Saturday, March 15, 2025 Beck Family Campus 9:30am - 12:30pm

Temple Beth El's

hushan bazaar

A Family Purim & Shabbat celebration with special guests, The Bible Players! Followed by games & activities!

> RSVP & Tickets for Food Items: www.tbeboca.org/family-purim

BEYOND THE NARROW BRIDGE THE ROAD TO REDEMPTION **SISTERHOOD & BROTHERHOOD** PASSOVER EXPERIENCE Wednesday, April 2

7:00pm

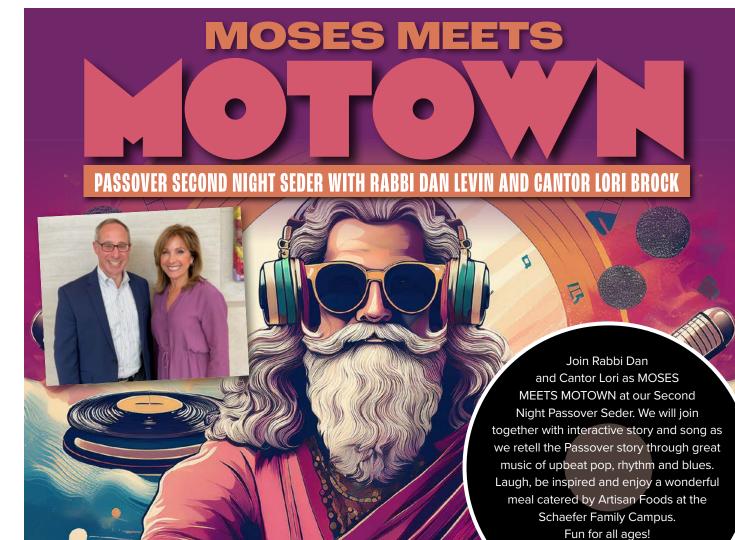
Schaefer Family Campus Members: \$25; Guests: \$36

Prices increase by \$5 per person on Friday, March 21.

Registration closes Thursday, March 27.

Learn more and register at tbeboca.org/bridge

Join us for a powerful and inspiring Passover experience as we explore the theme of redemption in modern times. Through personal stories of Israeli hostage survivors, immersive experiences and music, we will delve into the struggles and triumphs of our people who have recently lived through unimaginable horrors and were redeemed.



Sunday, April 13 • 5:30pm **Schaefer Family Campus** For Temple Beth El members and their guests **Register at tbeboca.org/passover** Sponsored by Sisterhood and Brotherhood

MEMBERS:

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

Adults: \$110, Children \$60 (ages 4-10), Children \$35 (ages 3 and under)

Prices increase by \$10 per person on Tuesday, April 1. Registration closes Monday, April 7 at 12pm.

BEIT MIDRASH | HOUSE OF LEARNING

THE ANNUAL PROJECT NUREMBERG LAWYERS LUNCHEON

The Rule of Law in the Fight Against Antisemitism: Defending Democracy in a Hyper-Polarized Global World

FRIDAY, APRIL 25 Temple Beth El of Boca Raton Schaefer Family Campus 12:00-2:00pm • Buffet opens at 11:30am Register at tbeboca.org/project-nuremberg





Honoring Jay Weinberg for Lifetime Achievement in promoting humanity and The Rule of Law.

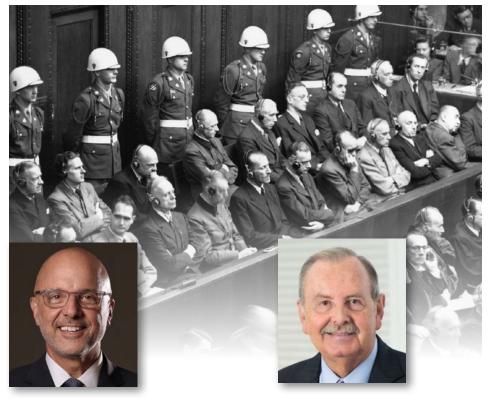
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TED DEUTCH THE JAY AND MARILYN WEINBERG RULE OF LAW AWARD RECIPIENT

SHERIFF RIC BRADSHAW CIVILITY AWARD RECIPIENT

This event is generously underwritten by Jay and Marilyn Weinberg.

Application for Florida Bar Association CLE Credits pending.



Ted Deutch serves as CEO of the American Jewish Committee. He served for more than 12 years in the United States House of Representatives, representing Broward and Palm Beach Counties in Florida. In Congress, Ted served as chair of the House Ethics Committee, a senior member of the House Judiciary Committee, and a senior member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, on which he served as chair of the Middle East, North Africa, and Global Counterterrorism Subcommittee. Through decades of public service, Ted has championed the State of Israel and the Jewish people in the US House of Representatives, the Florida Senate, and the Jewish community.

Ric Bradshaw has served as Palm **Beach County Sheriff since January** 2005, leading a department of 4,300 employees and 1,600 volunteers. He is currently the longest serving Sheriff in Palm Beach County history. Sheriff Bradshaw has spent fiftythree (53) years in law enforcement, rising through the ranks of the West Palm Beach Police Department and in 1996 was appointed Chief of Police. He has worked closely with the Jewish community in Palm Beach County, supporting efforts to keep synagogues and Jewish organizations safe and secure.

JUDAISM IN A DIGITAL AGE

scholar in residence Rabbi Danny Schiff

Rabbi Dr. Danny Schiff is the Foundation Scholar at the Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh and the founder and president of MOJI, the Museum of Jewish Ideas. He is also a noted teacher, author of Abortion in Judaism, published by Cambridge University Press and has written a substantial number of articles, particularly in the field of Jewish Iaw and ethics. Schiff is a former Board member of the City of Pittsburgh Ethics Board and of the Society of Jewish Ethics.

JUDAISM AND AI

Thursday, March 27 • 7:00pm Schaefer Family Campus Register at tbeboca.org/digital-age Temple Beth El members only Suddenly, Al is everywhere. Its promise is enormous.

But does it represent an unmitigated good? In this presentation, Rabbi Schiff will explore Jewish thinking on Al, and what Jewish tradition has to say about the ethical and human challenges that lie ahead.

ISRAEL UPDATE AND ETHICS OF WAR IN JUDAISM

Friday, March 28 11:00am-12:30pm Schaefer Family Campus With Rabbi Danny Schiff

SHABBAT EVENING SERVICES: AN ANCIENT TRADITION CONFRONTS A TRANSFORMATIVE ERA

Friday, March 28 6:00pm Shabbat Evening Service 7:30pm Optional Dinner and Learning Experience Register at tbeboca.org/schiff

Since the rise of the Digital Age in the 1990s, human life has been radically transformed. That reality has profound implications for the future of Judaism. Rabbi Schiff will describe why the Judaism of the twentieth century is crumbling, and what comes next.

DINNER PRICES:

Members: \$36 | Guests: \$41 Prices increase by \$5 per person as of Tuesday, March 18. Registration closes at 12:00pm on Tuesday, March 25.

Lunch & Learn

With Special Guest Rachel Korazim (from Israel) Tuesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25 12:00pm

Schaefer Family Campus & Virtual Beth El (Zoom)

Yet, there are those who struggle and find words to express pain and anger, despair and abandonment. The poems are often raw and painful, while at the same time full of love and even hope. They reflect a variety of Israeli voices and echo the impact of daily events. Our four sessions will each highlight one of the many aspects of this amazing body of literature.

Session 1: Shock and Bewilderment

Session 2: As Days Go By Session 3: Poems of October 7 Session 4: In Every Generation

Rachel Korazim is a Jewish education consultant in curriculum development for Israel and Holocaust education. Rachel opens for her audiences a window to Israeli society through literature; through stories, poems and songs of the best of Israel's writers, she invites listeners to engage with Israel in an innovative way. She Rachel teaches at Israel's well known learning centers such as Pardes and the Shalom Hartman Institutes as well as numerous world Jewish communities.

JEWISH WISDOM FROM BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

With Rabbi Greg Weisman April 1, 8, 15, 22 12:00pm

Schaefer Family Campus and Virtual Beth El (Zoom)

Founding Father Benjamin Franklin was famous for his aphorisms and his pursuit of a life of purpose. In The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin, he identified

13 virtues that are necessary for a person of morally good character. Inspired by Franklin and informed by Jewish tradition, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Lefin of Podolia wrote Cheshbon HaNefesh [Accounting of the Soul], a collection of Mussar writings that framed the 13 virtues in Jewish terms.

Join Rabbi Greg Weisman for a comparative exploration of these two writings, bringing to life how our Jewish and American identities weave together into one.



Mussar & Movement March 20, April 29, May 21

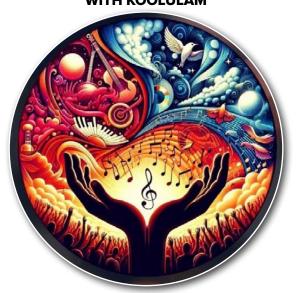
6:30-8:30pm Schaefer Family Campus Register at tbeboca.org/mussar



The Yoga Circle is expanding! Led by Rabbi Amy Pessah and Yoga Teacher and Temple Beth El member Amy Appel, this beautiful class intertwines 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.*

BEIT KNESSET | HOUSE OF GATHERING

HARMONIES OF HOPE a concert for unity and peace with koolulam



Sunday, March 30 3:00pm Old School Square in Delray Beach

Join us for a transcendent experience of shared singing, where YOU are the choir, where our entire community feels full of hope and optimism.

Temple Beth El members get 50% off all tickets – use code BETHEL5785 at checkout! Using this code will also ensure that you will be seated with other Temple Beth El families. Register at **tbeboca.org/harmony**

TEMPLE BETH EL MUSIC ENSEMBLES PRESENT THE SOUNDS OF MUSIC!

Sunday, May 4 • 3:00pm Schaefer Family Campus Register at tbeboca.org/ensembles



From Gershwin to Bernstein to Sondheim and more, enjoy an uplifting afternoon of inspiring songs and showtunes by beloved Jewish composers in a multigenerational performance by the music ensembles of Temple Beth El!

Free to attend, but registration is required at **tbeboca.org/ensembles**



Israel's Path Forward:

A CALL TO ACTION with Rabbi Lindsey Danziger Thursday, March 20 7:30pm

Register at tbeboca.org/vote







The ultra-Orthodox and ultra-Nationalist movements are using the levers provided through the World Zionist Congress to advance their agenda in Israel and squash progressive values and Reform Judaism in Israel.

We can't let that happen.

Learn from Rabbi Lindsey Danziger, Rabbi Elana Rabishaw and Heather Erez, Director of Youth and Family Education and Engagement, how we can have an impact on preserving our rights as Reform Jews and advancing our reform Jewish values in Israel.

Together, we will cast our votes in the World Zionist Congress election.

If you love and care about the future of Israel, you cannot miss this event.

Rabbi Danziger works with the Religious Action Center (RAC) in Washington DC; RAC is the Social Justice arm of the URJ (Union for Reform Judaism).



American Zionist Movement התנועה הציונית האמריקאית

BEIT KNESSET | HOUSE OF GATHERING SOCIAL JUSTICE = SOCIAL ACTION & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

or all of our history, Temple Beth El has been committed to making our community and our world a better place. We have developed incredible programs like The Giving Tree, which this past holiday season provided holiday gifts to over 1,500 children, in the fall delivered 700 backpacks to kids going back to school, and every day helps families meet their basic needs through Quiet Giving. We have partnered with organizations like the Leukemia and Lymphoma Foundation, Gift of Life, and Magen David Adom to raise awareness and funds for their important causes, built homes with Habitat for Humanity, gleaned produce for local food pantries, and collected supplies for disaster relief. All of these efforts were done as a part of our commitment to Social Action going back decades.

Over the past few years, we have also answered our tradition's call to advocate for a better world, as we stood up for marriage equality, for voting rights for returning citizens who had repaid their debt to society, and most recently in support of reproductive rights.

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Our Temple's new strategic plan, adopted by the Board last year, describes the relationship between these efforts in a helpful and meaningful way. Our work of Social Action, helping meet people's needs today with fundraising, supplies collection, and raising awareness of important causes, will continue and grow. We have added to that our work of Civic Engagement, advocating for a vision of our community grounded in and inspired by our Reform Jewish values, through things like ballot initiatives, lobbying elected officials, and partnering and collaborating with other organizations to amplify our voice and our influence.

These two efforts, Social Action and Civic Engagement, work in parallel and partnership with each other, and we are calling the combined effort Social Justice. Simply put, *Social Action* + *Civil Engagement* = *Social Justice*

Inspired by words in our Torah that teach us not to stand idly by, to love the stranger, and to pursue justice, our Social

BETH EL PRIDE

We are guided by the belief that all human beings are created b'tzelem Elohim (in the Divine image). Temple Beth El welcomes all members of the LGBTQ+ community and celebrates diversity within our community.



Justice work will have a lasting impact, making our world a better place. We hope you will join us on this journey.

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Learn what's coming up at tbeboca.org/social-justice. For questions, please contact Susan Stallone, Director of Social Justice at SStallone@tbeboca.org or Rabbi Greg Weisman at GWeisman@tbeboca.org

PRIDE SHABBAT

Friday, March 14 7:30pm

Schaefer Family Campus

Join us for a festive service as we celebrate our diversity and honor the historic movement for LGBTQ+ equality and inclusion.

SOUTH PALM BEACH COUNTY COMMUNITY PRIDE SHABBAT

Friday, March 21 6:00pm Adolph & Rose Levis Jewish Community Center 21050 95th Avenue S., Boca Raton

Our community will join together in a musical, communal and pluralistic erev Shabbat service and oneg to celebrate the diverse beauty that is our community. All are welcome for this joyous recognition of the divine spark that resides in each of us, b'tzelem Elohim. Services led by Rabbi David Baum and Cantor Yakov Hadash from Congregation Shaarei Kodesh.

Event is free and open to the community. Registration required. tbeboca.org/community-pride

PALM BEACH PRIDE FESTIVAL

Saturday, March 29 & Sunday, March 30 FESTIVAL: 12:00-6:00pm (both days) PARADE: 11:00am on Sunday, March 30 Bryant Park, Lake Worth Beach RSVP to attend or volunteer at tbeboca.org/pride-2025

Join us at Palm Beach County's largest gay & lesbian visibility event. Stop by the Temple Beth El booth either to show your Beth El Pride! Volunteer to staff the booth and share our congregation's welcoming spirit and watch or join the Pride Parade on Sunday, March 30. The weekend features performances, food, and entertainment for all ages.

BEIT KNESSET I HOUSE OF GATHERING EARLY LEARNING CENTER



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

Important Dates

MARCH-APRIL 2025

Friday, March 7 at 10:00am – Grandparents' Shabbat for 2s
Friday, March 14 – Purim Parade and Celebrations for Students
Saturday, March 15 – Purim Carnival at BFC

Friday, March 21 at 10:00am – Grandparents' Shabbat for 3s Monday-Friday, March 24-28 – Spring Break for Early Childhood Students/ Childcare in session

Saturday, April 5 – Early Learning Center Mitzvah Day Friday, April 11 at 6:00pm – Earth Day Tot Shabbat and Pizza Dinner Tuesday-Thursday, April 15-17 – Passover Shows for 4s, 2s, and 3s Monday, April 28 – Parent-Teacher Conferences – No School

Parenthood

Wednesday, March 19 at 7:30pm – Parenthood Meeting Wednesday, April 9 at 9:30am – Parenthood Meeting Saturday, April 26 – Parenthood Big Backyard BBQ Parents' Night Out



This exciting event will feature local vendors offering unique products, from jewelry and clothing to home goods and more. Enjoy delicious food and drinks while you shop and socialize. All proceeds benefit ELC Parenthood, and don't miss out on the chance to win amazing prizes in our raffle. Admission is free and open to all Temple Beth El members!

Photos from Family Fun Day 2025





BEIT KNESSET I HOUSE OF GATHERING RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



HEATHER EREZ DIRECTOR OF YOUTH EDUCATION AND ENGAGEMENT HErez@tbeboca.org

Engaging with Israel

This spring, we will be seeing even more explicit examples of how our Religious School community interacts with Israel. March starts off with our students participating in elections, modeled after the World Zionist Elections, which we encourage everyone in our congregation over the age of 18 to take part in at *vote4reform.org*. When Reform Jews take an active role in letting their voices and opinions be heard in the state of Israel, it not only helps to support our Reform Jewish values there, but it brings the sense of belonging to the larger Jewish peoplehood into Temple Beth



El homes. In Religious School, we have been teaching the values that are outlined in the Reform Movement's slate for the elections for years; they are embedded in our curriculum: Supporting Israel's right to exist safely within her borders, gender equality in our worship and ritual practices, LGBTQ+ rights, and supporting initiatives that work toward peace between the Israelis and Palestinians. Seeing and hearing evidence of our Reform values being pursued in the State of Israel, along with knowing that students in Israel may listen to the same music and play the same games as ours, closes the geographical gap for our students.

Right as the elections kick off, we are thrilled to be able to host another dozen Jewish teen leaders from our partner city, Zichron Yaacov, who will be home-hosted by some of our high school students and learning about Jewish life in Boca Raton. I can't say enough about how this face-to-face visit impacts our teens. They

love learning from the Israelis and are very proud to showcase Temple Beth El and their lives here in Boca. Our hope is that our teens will get to visit Zichron Yaacov at some point as well!

Once the teens return home, our Religious School professional team and faculty will get a turn to host the teachers and principals of Zichron Yaacov. We are grateful for the partnership with the Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County who facilitates this partnership where Israeli educators get to learn from and with our local faculty. They will be touring our synagogue and school and we will work together to find more ways to strengthen the bonds between our staff and students.

This spring promises to be a season of deep connection and growth as we continue to strengthen our ties with Israel and the global Jewish community. Through these experiences, our children, teens, and educators are not only engaging with Israel, but also embodying the values we hold so dear. We seek to build bridges of understanding and foster relationships that transcend borders.

Religious School Events

Movie Night

Tribes Ephraim & Benjamin (Grades 3-4) Saturday, March 1, 6:00pm

Silent Disco & Glow Party

Tribes Reuben, Simeon, & Judah (Grades 5-7) Saturday, March 8, 6:00pm

Bowling at Evo Entertainment

Tribes Reuben, Simeon, & Judah (Grades 5-7) Sunday, April 6, 12:30pm

Splash Into Summer

Tribes Kindergarten, Zebulon, & Menashe (Grades K-2) Sunday, April 27, 12:00pm

B'nai Mitzvah



Madison Leitner





Lily Goldson



Charlie Friedman



Jackson Paldino



Lee Ekstein



Rom Ekstein



Leila Pohl

Madison Leitner Daughter of Jon and Jackie Leitner March 1, 2025 at 5:30pm

Alana Schwartz Daughter of Sandi and Barry Schwartz March 8, 2025 at 10:45am

Lily Goldson Daughter of Daniel and Michelle Goldson z"l March 15, 2025 at 10:45am

Aidan Lederberg Daughter of Dr. Stacey Lederberg and Mr. Peter Lederberg March 15, 2025 at 1:00pm

Charlie Friedman Daughter of Michael and Jamie Friedman March 29, 2025 at 11:30am

Jackson Paldino Son of Christopher and Kara Paldino March 29, 2025 at 5:30pm

Rom Ekstein Son of Lisa Basch April 26, 2025 at 9:00am

Lee Ekstein Daughter of Lisa Basch April 26, 2025 at 9:00am

Leila Pohl Daughter of Lisa and Jason Pohl April 26, 2025 at 11:30am

THE 2025 / 5785 CONFIRMATION CLASS OF TEMPLE BETH EL INVITES YOU TO SHARE IN ITS

Confirmation Service

SUNDAY, APRIL 27 AT 10:30AM SCHAEFER FAMILY CAMPUS

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BEIT KNESSET I HOUSE OF GATHERING SISTERHOOD



BY LESLIE VISELMAN SISTERHOOD PRESIDENT Sisterhood@tbeboca.org

ROSH CHODESH DOES ANYBODY HAVE A MAP?

Using Jewish Teachings and Prayer as a Road Map to Understanding Ourselves and the World Around Us

One Sunday a Month from 9:15-11:00am March 2, April 20, May 25* Lake Biwa Pavilion 4000 Morikami Park Rd. Please register at tbeboca.org/rosh-chodesh

Rosh Chodesh, literally translated as, "the new month," has long been considered a holiday gifted to women - when we take time to focus on our own personal growth. Join

us to connect with other women, grow and reflect on the month that has passed, breathe, and give yourself the gift of time to focus your intentions for the month ahead. All women are welcome and refreshments will be served.

*Location details for May 25 to come.

Welcome Message from the Sisterhood President

Hello, Sisters! After six months as your Sisterhood President, I can honestly say it has been an incredible journey. Meeting so many of you, sharing stories, and working together to strengthen our community has brought me immense joy. But here's the exciting part – there are still so many more of you to meet, and endless opportunities to get involved!

Let's continue building friendships, creating lasting memories, and making a difference together.

As Passover approaches, I want to wish you and your families a joyous

and meaningful holiday. May this season of renewal and freedom bring you strength, peace, and cherished moments with loved ones. Together, let's continue to celebrate the values that unite us as a community. Chag Sameach!

Let's work together to make this year unforgettable! If you have questions or want to get involved, don't hesitate to reach out. Together, we'll continue building a vibrant, supportive community.

Warmly,

Leslie Viselman, Sisterhood President

We Need Your Help!

Our Sisterhood thrives because of the passion and dedication of our volunteers. We're currently looking for individuals to:

LEAD SISTERHOOD CIRCLES

Sisterhood Circles are affinity groups for you to join based on interests and experiences. We are ready to get started, we just need Circle Leaders! We are looking for leaders for the Games Circle, Social Circle, Crafting Circle, and the Tikkun Olam Circle, or any other passion area you may have.

What does a Sisterhood Circle Leader do?

- Ensures the group achieves its objective
- Sends out communications as to when the group is meeting
- · Coordinates and schedules meet-ups

If you are interested in becoming a Sisterhood Circle leader, please contact Diane Hilton at 727-204-6201 or dlkermit@aol.com



WORK IN THE SISTERHOOD JUDAICA SHOP

We are looking for people to:

- Handle social media and marketing: Share updates, promote events, and connect with our community online.
- Buy merchandise: Help curate items and create a beautiful shopping experience for our members.

If you're interested in social media/marketing or purchasing merchandise, please reach out to Lisa Runsdorf at 561-716-2104 or **lisarunsdorf@gmail.com**

- Serve as salespeople on Friday evenings: Assist with sales at the Judaica shop and engage with
- with sales at the Judaica shop and engage with our community before and after services. Sign up here **tbeboca.org/sisterhood-engage/**

For more information on joining the sales team please reach out to Debi Jackman at 561-706-1409 or **mamatuc@gmail.com**





BEIT KNESSET I HOUSE OF GATHERING BROTHERHOOD



JOE GUDEMA AND MICHAEL KIEFFER BROTHERHOOD CO-PRESIDENTS Brotherhood@tbeboca.org

A Day of Golf, Giving, and Gratitude

TEMPLE BETH EL BROTHERHOOD GOLF OUTING HONORING TOM KAPLAN

On Monday, January 27, the Temple Beth El Brotherhood hosted its highly successful Golf Outing at the exclusive Boca Rio Golf Club. The event, honoring the outstanding contributions of Tom Kaplan, brought together the community for a day of fun and purpose. Proceeds supported Temple Beth El's Endowment Campaign, which secures the temple's financial future, while also providing scholarships and assistance to those in need.

Expanding the Brotherhood's Impact

Another recent Brotherhood-supported outing was The Matthew Forbes Romer 5K Race for Brain Health and their commitment to supporting brain health and wellness in the community on Sunday, January 12.

Brotherhood also continued its tradition of generosity by supporting the set up and tear down of the annual Giving Tree Initiative workspace.

Get involved! Email us at Brotherhood@tbeboca.org



BEIT KNESSET I HOUSE OF GATHERING AROUND BETH EL

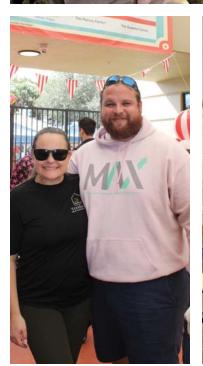


































Our Congregation Mourns

From December 17, 2024 through February 13, 2025

Joseph Arkush, father of Daniel and Ellen Arkush, grandfather of Sarah Arkush

Arnold Berliner, father of Alison and Daniel Rubin, grandfather of Justin Rubin

Harry Bleiberg, father of Lisa and Stephen Mendelsohn

Howard Freeman^{*}, husband of Lorraine Freeman, father of Jill and Ian Berger, grandfather of Danielle and Jessica Berger

> Abraham Friedman, father of Stacey and Eric Talve, grandfather of Sloane and Hannah Talve

> > Betty Ginsburg, beloved member

George Goldman*, husband of Arlene Goldman

Lynn Guez, beloved member

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Alan Honig^{*}, husband of Marcy Honig, father of Jonathan and Elizabeth Honig, Barry and Renee Honig, grandfather of Jett, Skylar, Morgan, Jacob, Cameron, Ryan and Harrison Honig

Russel Hurwitch, uncle of Derek Hurwitch

Frieda Jaffe, beloved member

Herman Lebersfeld, husband of Adele Lebersfeld, father of Eric and Susan Lebersfeld, grandfather of Jacky and Hannah Lebersfeld and Jacob and Rebekah Silver, great-grandfather of Madison and Sophia Silver

Andrea Liebesman, mother of Laura Liebesman, grandmother of Samuel and Daniel Dolan

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Linda Natal, sister of Richard and Susan Goldstein

Samuel Pascal*, beloved member

Anthony "Tony" Joseph Pepper, stepfather of Bonnie and Jamie Schaefer

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Edith Stein*, aunt of Sandra Stein

Michael Walin^{*}, father of Steven and Wendy Walin, grandfather of Zach Walin, Derek and Cassie Walin, great-grandfather of Bara Walin

Gail Weisbaum, beloved member

Ruth Winston*, beloved member

Richard Wolstein, father of Sara and Andrew Borah, grandfather of Isaac and Brielle Borah

*Laid to rest in the Beth El Mausoleum

Mazel Tov To

From December 17, 2024 through February 13, 2025

Ann and Saul Factor on the birth of their grandson, Noah James Howard

Allison and Ian Horowitz on the birth of their son, Max Parker Horowitz

Dara and Andrew Howard on the birth of their son, Noah James Howard, big sister Samantha

Elinor and Jay Josephson on the birth of their grandson, Ari Reid Josephson

Jill Poser and David Kammet on the birth of their granddaughter, Ruthie Scott Kammet

Karen and Steven Levine on the birth of their granddaughter, Zoe Louise Levine

Brittany and David Pancotti on the birth of their son, Shiloh Wade Pancotti

Jennifer and Alexander Phillips on the birth of their son, Noah Elias Phillips

Sharona and Jacob Rothstein on the birth of their son, Ezra Rothstein, big sister Emmy

Nicole and Jordan Shapiro on the birth of their daughter, Lara Brooke Shapiro

Lori and George Brock on the marriage of his daughter Kayla Brock to Jordan Grabski

Eugene Fox on the marriage of his daughter Michelle Fox to Jeffrey Hertzberg

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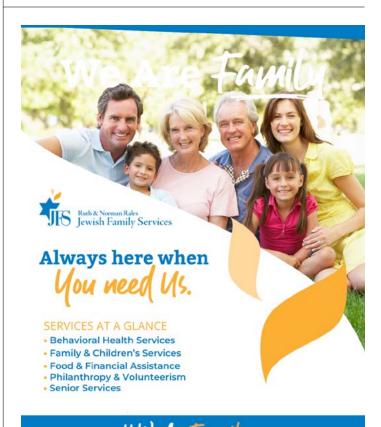
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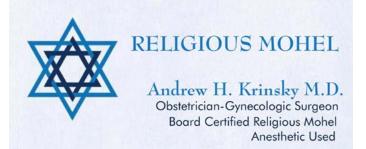
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