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TEMPLE BETH EL

Share our past  Shape our future

December 2018

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Celebrating in December



**Downtown
Houses of Worship
Holiday Open House**

Thursday, December 27th
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

The Downtown Congregations of Pensacola
invite you to a "Houses of Worship Open
House" on Thursday, December 27th from
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

PARTICIPATING HOUSES OF WORSHIP INCLUDE:
Allen Chapel AME Church, Basilica of St. Michael the
Archangel, Christ Episcopal Church, First Baptist Church,
First Presbyterian Church, First United Methodist Church,
Immanuel Lutheran Church, and Temple Beth-El

Worship and Study Schedule

Saturday, December 1, Torah Study
9:30 am

Friday, December 7 - 4:00pm Azalea Trace
Friday, December 7 - Shabbat Hanukkah
6pm at TBE followed by covered dish
dinner

Friday, December 14 - 7pm

Saturday, December 15
Torah Study 9:30 am

Friday, December 21 - 7pm

Friday, December 28 - 7pm

Latke Making Party

Sunday, December 2, 7:30 am - 11:00am
Ray Engel and the Brotherhood invite you to join
them in the Temple kitchen for a morning full of
latke making fun. We will be preparing several
hundred latkes for use at our Temple Hanukkah
celebrations.
If you can help (even for just a few hours) please
contact Ray Engel at 850-516-3495
or raymondengel@cox.net. Please also let Ray
know if you can bring a food processor.

Shabbat Hanukkah Service & Dinner

Friday, December 7, 6:00pm
Grab your hanukiah and join us in the sanctuary
for a music-filled Hanukkah Shabbat service.
Worship will be led by Rabbi Joel, Sonia Yanovsky,
and Victoria Adamenko and will
feature participation by students from the School
for Jewish Living.

Following worship, the fun continues in the
Max L. Bear auditorium with dreidel, music, and a
Hanukkah themed potluck featuring latkes and suf-
ganiyot. The Men's Club will be cooking up delicious
latkes and a chicken entree will be
provided by the Sisterhood. Please bring a salad,
side, or dessert to share.

Hanukkah at Wesley Haven

Sunday, December 9, 11:30am
Join students from the School for Jewish Living as
we bring the miracle of Hanukkah to the residents
of Wesley Haven. Students will lead songs for the
residents and together we will light the Hanukkah
Menorah.

Ronald McDonald House Day of Service

Tuesday, December 25, 2017, 8:30am
5200 Bayou Blvd.
Join the Pensacola Jewish Federation as we cook &
serve brunch for the families at Ronald McDonald
House! Please RSVP to Cindy
Gross at 850-449-2409 by
December 21.





Sisterhood News

Temple Beth El Sisterhood

Sisterhood Paid-Up Membership Celebration
December 19th, 2018
Dinner 5:30 PM
Temple Beth El
Program: Remembering **Bubbe's Kitchen**

Menu: your favorite Jewish foods from happy days gone by along with wine, tea, coffee and GREAT conversation.

RSVP to Hynda Rome at 850 479-2701 or: sisterhood@templebethelofpensacola.org by noon on Monday, December 17th. Transportation will be arranged for those who request it.

If you reserve and cannot attend, please cancel your reservation by noon, Monday, 12/17. Thank you for understanding.

Please share favorite recipes with us so we can gather them into a booklet and if you wish to prepare a dish, please let us know.

Recipes may be sent to sisterhood@templebethelofpensacola.org, or drop off at **Kathy's office**, or mail to TBE, 800 N. Palafox, Pensacola, FL 32501 attn: Sisterhood

A presentation by "My Father's Arrows" highlighted our November program. Their work with foster kids and families in four counties was eye opening! Members donated \$400 to assist the group with their projects. Apple Market's food was well received. Additionally, members voted to contribute \$1000 to Temple Beth El's Safety fund to enhance protection for all who come to our facility. Thank you everyone who provided food for the joint Thanksgiving Service on November 19! As usual, we had plenty of goodies for the large crowd of over 175 people to enjoy. Special gratitude to Sydney McAbee and Myra Kahn who both brought and arranged the food in a lovely display. I am sure that the community felt welcomed by our hospitality.

On December 2 Sisterhood is holding a Hanukkah gift shop sale during Sunday School hours from 9 AM till noon. Please come to stock up on gift wrap, paper products, and gifts for all occasions while you help the Sisterhood Gift Shop.

We are excitedly organizing the ladies' night out/paid-up membership dinner at 5:30 PM on December 19. It will be a celebration of Jewish comfort foods entitled "Bubbe's Kitchen". We will serve: appetizers, chopped liver, brisket, matzoh ball soup, corn souffle, kugel, cheesecake and other goodies, along with wine, coffee, tea.

Please send your favorite recipes to share. If you wish to prepare a favorite dish, please also let us know. Female guests may join us at \$20 each as space allows. There will be music, fellowship and great conversation. Hope that you will join us!

May your Hanukkah be warm and full of fun, family and friends!
Pat

Shabbat Sponsors

Friday, Dec 7 - Covered Dish Dinner

Friday, Dec 14 - Cindy Pinhas

Friday, Dec 21 - Kate Trattner

Friday, Dec 30 - Linda Armacost

Next available dates:
January 11 and January 18

Contact Cindy Pinhas to reserve a date for one's.
cpinhas@aol.com or 850.465.3618

If you would like to sponsor bimah flowers, please contact the florist of your choice and arrange delivery with Kathy Smith.

Please pick up dishes that are in the kitchen. Unclaimed items will be donated to a thrift store in January.



Attention all 8th-12th Graders
Come Bowling with Sarah Tucker!
Saturday, December 1st
Cordova Lanes
5:30pm-7:00pm



SECURITY THANK YOU

The Co-chairs for Temple Beth El's Safety and Security team thank all who participated in monitoring and ushering at both the Solidarity and Thanksgiving Services on November 19. Everything went smoothly because of your help. Zvi Salpeter and Sid Braunstien

JACOBS CAMP
Temple Beth El - Pensacola, FL
COME MEET THE HSJ TEAM!
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2

Cemetery Cleanup

Much thanks to our volunteers who helped in sprucing up our cemetery on November 18th. Through their efforts, many overhanging branches & limbs were cut back and over 20 graves were cleaned. We hope you can join us to help on our next cleanup early next year.



SAVE TAXES AND HELP TEMPLE BETH EL

The Alphabet Soup of AGI, QCDs and RMDs – How This Soup Can Help You Save Taxes and Help the Temple Too!
 If you have been waiting to make that year-end contribution to the Temple, and you are over age 70 ½, the newly enacted tax laws’ **“give and take” may have some benefits in store for you. If you are currently taking your retirement account’s Required Minimum Distributions (RMD), there is really some good news. Consider making a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) to satisfy your RMD from your retirement account, by transferring funds directly to the Temple instead of to you. In so doing, your QCD will not be included in your Adjusted Gross Income (AGI), thereby reducing your taxes on the portion of your RMD you would have otherwise taken as taxable income before writing out your check to the Temple. As an added plus, a reduction in your AGI may also help to lower your future Medicare “B” and “D” premiums, since the cost for your coverage goes up as your income exceeds certain thresholds, and it may also reduce your taxes on Social Security benefits. So, remember that your QCD can satisfy your annual RMD from your retirement account and provide some tax benefits at the same time. As always, please see your tax professional for further clarification.**



Birthdays and Anniversaries

December Birthdays			
1st	Cindy Gross	24th	Jeffrey Ochs
	Courtney Loeb		Ziv Haims
2nd	Jamie Landa	25th	Grady Scott Gross
3rd	Ramona Clark		Belle Bear
6th	Amanda Nissim	29th	Michael Stryer
7th	Suzi Gordon		Valerie Morgan Kryz
8th	Julian Garrett McCulley	31st	Steve Nissim
9th	Michael Ullman		Rabbi William Schwartz
	David Ullman	December Anniversaries	
15th	Seth Friedland	3rd	Maura and Ray Hobbs
16th	Steven Jurnovoy	7th	Myra and Nathan Kahn
	Ed Siegel	15th	Leigh and Glen Faulk
	Lauren Bonner	17th	Elizabeth and Ziv Haims
17th	Kyle Pearce	21st	Kate and Jeffrey Trattner
	Carolyn Grawi	27th	Annalisa and Michael Stryer
18th	Michael Rayborn		
19th	Kimberly Brown		
20th	Linda Armacost		
21st	Ciera Kass		
	David Rutland		
	Spencer Segal		
	Claire Radon		
23rd	Adam Ostrich		
	Sandra Weston		
24th	Lucille Foley		

From the President...

In light of the murders that occurred in Pittsburgh, Temple Beth El is increasing its security. We spoke with the Pensacola Police Department, and we are looking at various options. Of course, this will increase our budget significantly. We are also in the process of re-negotiating our contract with Rabbi Fleekop which will be presented to the congregation at the annual meeting in May.

Unfortunately, we have also lost several members in the past year that were very generous donors. Unlike our federal government, we cannot operate at a deficit. By now some of you may have already been contacted by me or members of the finance committee, and we thank you for any increased pledges that you have made. For those of you who have not had a chance to speak with us, we would appreciate anything you could do to voluntarily raise your dues in order to make up for the aforementioned potential shortfalls.

Sincerely,
 Terence Gross
 President, Temple Beth El

Become a Reading Pal!

ReadingPals is a school-based mentoring program that helps 4-year old Pre-K students build the skills necessary for Kindergarten success. You can help make a difference by volunteering just one hour per week during the school year. To learn more about this volunteer opportunity, please visit <https://unitedwayescambia.galaxydigital.com> or contact Ashley Bodmer at director@escambiareads.org or (850) 433-6893. Please also feel free to contact Janet Kahn with questions. She can be reached at jskahn1@gmail.com or (850) 566-2873.

Donations

Jonathan L. Kahn Library Fund:

In memory of Bettie Kahn from Alan and Sally Davis
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Louis and Denise Rosenbloum
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Ted and Louise Paillet
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Myron and Sandy Rosenthal
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Dave and Sherlee Aronson
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Lucille Foley
 In memory of Bettie Kahn memory from Bill and Beverly Zimmern
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Alan and Margie Moore
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Joan Sorensen

Sylvia Rosenbloum Cole Music Fund:

In memory of Bettie Kahn from Iris Klein
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Jack and Nancy McSweeney
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Tip Tomberlin and Martin Kavka
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Edith Freymeyer
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Bromley and Nina Dyson
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Duncan and Kathy Meldrum
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Jane Sorensen and David Marchant
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from James and Katherine Cannon
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Faye, Joe and Gene Rosenbaum
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Brenda Vigodsky
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Rev. Barbara Johnson and Robert Freymeyer
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Terry and Cindy Gross
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Mike and Karen Brodie
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Sydney McAbee
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Alan and Connie Bookman

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:

In memory of the victims of Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh from Dr. Alan and Susan Sacks
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Dr. Alan and Susan Sacks

Social Justice Fund:

A donation was made by Alex Gup

The Lewis and Belle Bear Family Temple Beth El Facilities Endowment Fund:

In memory of Bettie Kahn from Lewis and Belle Bear
 In memory of Bettie Kahn from Nestor and Laura Arguea

Temple Beth El Security Fund:

A donation was made by Mark Proctor



Torah on Tap
 December 4 at 5:00 pm

Union Public House, 309 S. Reus St.
 Join Rabbi Joel and friends for a
 beverage and discussion.

December's topic will be:
"Advertising the Hanukkah Miracle and
Advertising You Are Jewish:
How Do You Decide?"
 "Schmoozing 5:00pm/Learning at 5:30pm

Choosing the Chosen Final Meeting

Our final gathering for the year will be on December 16th at 10 AM in the Temple Library/ Board Room. Discussion topic is a big one: Anti-Semitism. Come and contribute your experiences and thoughts. All who have converted, are in the process, or are just thinking about it are invited to join the group. Following this meeting, we will take a break until late February so Bill Kuhhirte can conduct

Chinese & A Movie

Monday, December 24, 6:00pm
 The Brotherhood invites you to join them in the Jewish tradition of "Chinese and a Movie." This year's film is the classic comedy "Goodbye Columbus." Adapted from the Philip Roth story of the same name, the comedy explores the "forbidden relationship" between a boy from working class Newark and a princess from the suburbs. Though both are Jewish they quickly discover their lives are worlds apart. A child friendly film will be screened simultaneously.

The cost is \$15 per adult and \$5 for kids. Please RSVP to steveeilen30338@yahoo.com or to the Temple office so we can order the appropriate amount of food.



Save the Date for Men's Book Club

The Men's Brotherhood will meet on Sunday February 10, 2019 at 10 am. Following the general meeting, the Jewish Men's Book Club will meet and Steve Eilen will review "The New Anti-Semitism" by Phyllis Chesler

"Dangerous worldwide coalitions of Islamic terrorists, well-intentioned but misinformed students, right-wing fascists, left-wing ideologues, academics, feminists, European politicians, journalists, and international human rights organizations have joined together to again scapegoat the Jews and the Jewish state for crimes they did not commit and for whatever ails the world. In this intensely passionate and compelling book, the best-selling and prize-winning Jewish author Dr. Phyllis Chesler demonstrates how old-fashioned anti-Semitism – now often seen in the form of anti-Zionism – has become fashionable and even politically correct, and how this plague threatens the Jews of the world, Israel, America, and Western civilization"

Yahrzeits

To be read on December 7

1st Hessie Schloss
Murray Washor
Jerold Babkoff
Harold Stein
2nd Norman Needle
Susan Watson
3rd Abe Bodaness
Diana Khatena Abraham
Alan Siskind
4th Jennie Mayer
B.M. Stanton
Frank Lambert
Doris Moskowitz
Sarah Soloway
Gerson Israel
Tillie Halpern
Shirley K. Ziv
5th Helen Belsky
6th Sarah Washor
Natalie Clarke
Marion Barnett
Al Langnau
Wyley Carroll Hixon
Larry Woodruff
7th Edward Parker
Mollie Zimmerman
Bessie Kronenberg Lisner
Gloria Schwartz
Shirley Lowe

To be read on December 14

8th Nathan Ciota
9th Carrie Heinberg
Harry Quest
Sidney Silverman
Honey Gallin
Richard Cole
Rose Ochser (Tevet1)
Joseph Ochser (Tevet 1)

To be read on December 14, con't.

10th Alex Friedman
Harry Krentzman
David Baron Liberman
11th Elsie Wagenheim
Sonya Burchette
Lena Lipowicz Silver
Amelia Copeloff
Irene S. Klein
Fred Vigodsky
12th Harry Goodman
Jac A. Son
Rabbi Martin Friedman
Maurice Frenkel
13th Leon Miller
Gladys Babette Hirsch
Samuel Eliasoff
Katie Joshua
Thelma Cohn
Letty Simon
14th Esther Gobel
Jack Rubinstein

To be read on December 21

15th Rosalie Rosenau
Benjamin Goodman
Rose Mary Kuhhirte
Leslie Miller
16th Sam Rosenau
Blanche Wolff
John Segesser
17th Jerry Herman Oslinker
18th Kenneth Merritt, Sr.
19th Harry Rickoff
Maks Katsnelson
20th Milton Levinson
21st Mark B. Mayer

To be read on December 28

22nd Leopold Mayer
Miriam Cohn

To be read on December 28, con't.

22nd Fredika W. Lischkoff
23rd Debra Kreitman
24th Pearl Greenhut
David N. Henriques
25th Alice Joseph
Emanuel Levy
Adler Rothschild
Samuel Aronson
Rebecca Tucker
Shirley Chaet
Gerald Lebowitz
26th Daisy Martin
Sylvia Kahn Kugelman
Leila Siegel
Zelda Siegel
Dorothy Flude
28th Rosa Levinson
Emil Frenkel
Siegbert Blumenthal
Mayme Silverman
Kathleen Sanders

To be read on January 4

29th Gerald Kahn
Gail Kahn
Victor Schulein
Isaac Cohen
Fredrick Rank
30th Anne Rank
31st Lena Falk

The congregation extends its condolences to Bettie Kahn on the passing of her daughter, and to Charles and Janet Kahn on the passing of their sister and sister-in-law, Bettie Kahn. May Bettie's memory endure in the Kahn family and in the hearts of all who loved her as a source of comfort and blessing.

Donation Form

Send this form with your check to:

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Circle one:

In memory of / In honor of

(person's name or event)

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- Peter Van Wezel Youth Fund
- Jonathan L. Kahn Library Fund
- Fannie W. Frenkel Perpetual Cemetery Care Fund
- Rabbi's Discretionary Fund**
- Mitzvah/Caring Fund (checks to TBE Sisterhood)
- Security Fund

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December 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Torah Study 9:30 am 8th-12th grade Bowling Party. See pg 2
2 SJL 9:00 am Jacobs Camp Team Latke Making	3	4 Mah Jong 12:30pm Torah on Tap 5:00 Union Public House	5	6	7 Azalea Trace 4:00 TBE Service 6:00pm Shabbat Hanukkah	8
9 SJL 9:00 am Wesley Haven Hanukkah 11:30 am YJP Hanukkah Party 5:30 pm	10	11 Mah Jong 12:30pm	12	13	14 Service 7pm	15 Torah Study 9:30 am
16 SJL 9:00 am Choosing the Chosen 10am	17	18 Mah Jong 12:30pm	19 Sisterhood Paid Up Membership Dinner 5:30 pm	20	21 Service 7pm	22
23/30 NO SJL	24/31 Office Closed Chinese and a Movie 6:00 pm 12/24	25 Office Closed Ronald McDonald House Day of Service	26	27	28 Service 7pm	29