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TEMPLE BETH EL

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December 2020

Kislev - Tevet 5781

8 Fun-Filled Nights of Hanukkah

Join your friends from Temple Beth El for each of **Hanukkah's 8 Nights**. We will celebrate in a variety of ways. Mark your calendars now — details to come.

Thursday 12/10, 5:00 p.m. — Cooking with Janet and Sydney - Latkes and Applesauce

Friday 12/11, 6:00 p.m. — Shabbat Hanukkah Service

Saturday 12/12, 7:00 p.m. — Antique Menorah Road Show

Sunday 12/13 — 7:00 p.m. Many Candles, One World from World Union for Progressive Judaism

Monday 12/14, 5:00 p.m. — Cooking with Janet and Sydney - Sufganyot

Tuesday 12/15, 5:00 p.m. — Story Time with Rabbi Joel

Wednesday 12/16, 7:00 p.m. -- Hanukkah Comedy with Renee Eilen

Thursday 12/17, 7:00 p.m. -- Light menorah and sing traditional Hanukkah songs



Basic Latke Recipe from Joan Nathan, Serves 8-10

10 medium potatoes
2 medium onions
2-3 eggs
1/4 c flour or matzoh meal

Peel potatoes. Grate onions and potatoes on large holes of box grater into bowl of water (this keeps potatoes from turning black). Alternately, use food processor to grate. When ready to mix batter, squeeze out as much water as possible from potato onion mixture. Blend in eggs and flour plus salt and pepper to taste. Also add the starchy sediment from bowl to batter. Heat oil in frying pan. Drop by tablespoon for each latke, fry turning once when golden and crisp. Drain on paper towels. Serve with sour cream or applesauce.

Temple Beth El Reopening Update

We just wanted to update you on where we stand on reopening the Temple for services and programs. The Reopening Task Force has been meeting regularly to monitor the Covid 19 conditions in our local area and take the needed steps to be safe as live events permit. A month ago, we were considering a limited size service in our sanctuary after seeing how the Covid 19 statistics held up. Unfortunately, since that meeting the positivity rate for Covid 19 went from <3% to ~9%. Given this trend in the wrong direction, the committee has recommended there be no inside group activities for the remainder of this calendar year. The next Reopening Committee meeting will be in January when we will once again evaluate the situation. In the meantime, we encourage you to participate in services and programs via Zoom or at outdoor socially distanced and masked Shabbat services which are held approximately once per month.

Ray Engel on behalf of the Reopening Committee

Connect to Worship and Study Opportunities via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8504383321>
Phone: 312 626 6799. Meeting ID: 850 438 3321

Shabbat Worship

Dec 4: Family Shabbat, 6 p.m. via Zoom and Facebook Live
Dec 11: Shabbat Hanukkah, 6 p.m. in-Person from Temple Parking Lot (please bring chair and wear mask) and via Zoom and Facebook Live
Dec 18: Shabbat Worship 7 p.m. via Zoom and Facebook Live
Dec 25: Shabbat Worship 7 p.m. via Zoom and Facebook Live

Torah Study - Book of Kings

Saturday, Dec 5 at 9:30 am — Zoom
Saturday, Dec 19 at 9:30 am — Zoom

Two Jews 3 Opinions Discussion

Tuesdays at 11:30 am — Zoom

Torah on Tap

Tuesday, Dec 1, 5:00 pm - Zoom
Grab a favorite beverage and join us for our month exploration of hot-topic issues through the lens of Jewish texts. In preparation for the winter holiday season, this month's topic will be "Consumerism, Gift Giving, and Jewish Values."

If you have a computer with access to the internet but are challenged to get into Zoom for Temple services or other programs, please contact Ray Engel at:
Email: raymondengel@cox.net
Text or phone: 8505133495

Sisterhood Message

It's the time of year when a couple fireplaces in the neighborhood are sending wafts of smoke in the cool air while I walk Hazy, our **dog. It's quiet and I think how fortunate I am to be walking with a feeling of safety at night. I'm not hungry, I'm not cold, the air smells** autumnal (December in Northwest Florida is our autumn). I am thankful and I am grateful for what I have.

Did you know? Rabbi Joel is part of a community leadership group with 20 other Pensacola congregations that discuss a combined course of action benefitting our community. I want you all to know about this wonderful group and will share updates as I learn more about it.

Hanukkah event: Look for more information when 2 of our TBE culinary masterminds, Sydney McAbee and Janet Schilling, will share their Hanukkah cooking know-how. Recipes & ingredient lists provided prior to the event will let you cook along via ZOOM!

Hanukkah event: Andrea Fleekop has organized Sunday, December 13th Hanukkah festivities at TBE for our precious children! One activity, Cookie Decorating, will be provided and assisted by Sisterhood volunteers who will assist with playing with food, being artsy and eating sweet treats! Naturally, this will occur while being socially distanced.

SAVE THE DATE! Mark your calendars to join us January 13 @ 7pm for a Wine Tasting via Zoom. At \$15/person, you will all taste the same wines as your Sisters during this special Zoom Tasting. More information coming via email.

MAKS

December Birthdays and Anniversaries

1st	Cindy Gross Courtney Loeb	24th	Lucille Foley Jeffrey Ochs
2nd	Jamie Landa		Ziv Haims
3rd	Ramona Clark		Grady Scott Gross
5th	Jayne Bograd	25th	Belle Bear Michael Stryer
6th	Amanda Nissim		Valerie Morgan Kryz
7th	Suzi Gordon	29th	Steve Nissim
8th	Julian Garrett McCulley	30th	Nathan Kaczynski
9th	Michael Ullman David Ullman	31st	Rabbi William Schwartz
15th	Seth Friedland		
16th	Steven Jurnovoy Ed Siegel Lauren Bonner		
17th	Carolyn Grawi		
18th	Michael Rayborn		
19th	Kimberly Brown		
20th	Linda Armacost Alan Weintraub		
21st	Ciera Kass David Rutland Spencer Segal Claire Radon		
22nd	Asher Morgenstern		
23rd	Adam Ostrich		



December Anniversaries

3rd	Maura and Ray Hobbs
6th	Deborah Pevsner and Garrett Bloomer
7th	Myra and Nathan Kahn
15th	Leigh and Glen Faulk
18th	Alicia and Michael Pereira
21st	Kate and Jeffrey Trattner
22nd	Mary Jo and Bruce Pelton
29th	Naomi Gottlieb-Miller and Nathan Kaczynski

Donations

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:

In memory of Arnold English Almeas from Faith Yasman
In memory of Bert Dannheisser from Aubrey and Charlotte Morris

In memory of Bert Dannheisser from Mark and Lori Hahn
A donation was made by Charles Wintner

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In memory of Sylvia and David Rosenbloum from Louis and

Denise Rosenbloum

A donation was made by Cliff and Arvilla Kern

NEW TEMPLE BETH EL BOOK CLUB

The New Temple Beth El Book Club will have its inaugural meeting at 6:30 PM on January 7, 2021. We, of course, will be meeting via ZOOM. Mary Jo Pelton will review **"Friday the Rabbi Slept Late" a fun read from Harry Kesselman**. This book is available in paperback, Kindle, and Audible. This meeting will last 40-45 minutes. At that time we will also decide when to meet again and worthwhile books to read. If you are unable to attend please send your suggestions to Bill Zimmern: william.zimmern@gmail.com

Hello from Shani

I started another year of Shlichut in 2 different communities in **NYC. Now I work with 2 different JCC's. One is the** YM-YWHA of Washington Heights & Inwood, and the second is the YM-YWHA of Riverdale. I got to New York on October 1st, I had to quarantine for 2 weeks in a hotel in NJ. That was tough! Then I moved to my new apartment in Washington Heights (north of Manhattan) and started my 2 new "jobs".

My new address:

160 Wadsworth Ave. Apt 309
NYC, NY.10033

New phone number:

917-459-9650

Israeli number (on WhatsApp):

+972-52-55-949-55

I wanted to say to all the people I've met in Pensacola - you are such a big and important part of my life. My Shlichut in Pensacola is one of the best things I ever did, and I am so lucky that I got to be a part of this amazing community. As much as amazing New York is, my heart is still in Pensacola. Starting my second year of Shlichut made me understand how lucky I was to be surrounded by all of you in Florida. And I will be grateful forever. Hopefully I will come and visit soon.

Love and miss you all,

Shani Aslan

Yahrzeits

To be read on December 4:

Nov 28 Hermina Silverman
Michael Eilen
29th Rachael Berlin
Ethel I. Feig
Pearl S. Rubel
Nettie Wolkind
Michael Schoen
30th Jack Perry
Rabbi William Ackerman
1st HESSIE SCHLOSS
Murray Washor
Jerold Babkoff
Harold Stein
Beatrice Kahn
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

To be read on December 11

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8th Nathan Cirola
9th Carrie Heineberg
Harry Quest
Sidney Silverman
Honey Gallin
Richard Cole
10th Alex Friedman
Harry Krentzman
David Baron Liberman
11th Elsie Wagenheim
Sonya Burchette
Lena Lipowicz Silver
Amelia Copeloff
Irene S. Klein
Fred Vigodsky

To be read on December 18:

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
15th Rosalie Rosenau
Benjamin Goodman
Rose Mary Kuhhirte
Leslie Miller
Vic Pelton
16th Sam Rosenau
Blanche Wolff
John Segesser
Rose Ochser (Tevet1)
Joseph Ochser (Tevet 1)
17th Jerry Herman Oslinker
18th Kenneth Merritt, Sr.

To be read on December 25:

19th Harry Rickoff
Maks Katsnelson
20th Milton Levinson
Gladys Schlessinger
21st Mark B. Mayer
22nd Leopold Mayer
Miriam Cohn
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

To be read on January 1:

26th Daisy Martin
Sylvia Kahn Kugelman
Leila Siegel
Zelda Siegel
Dorothy Flude
27th Chester Adams
28th Rosa Levinson
Emil Frenkel
Siegbert Blumenthal
Mayme Silverman
Kathleen Sanders
29th Gerald Kahn
Gail Kahn
Victor Schulein
Isaac Cohen
Fredrick Rank
30th Anne Rank
31st Lena Falk



Temple Beth El extends its condolences to Faith and Joel Yasman on the passing of **Faith's cherished** uncle, Arnold English Almeas.
May Arnold's memory endure as as source of comfort and blessing.

Blessings for Hanukkah Candles

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, **asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tsivanu l'hadlik ner shel Hanukkah.**

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who hallows us with mitzvot, commanding us to kindle the Hanukkah lights.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, she-asah nisim laavoteinu **v'imoteinu bayamim ha-haheim baz'man hazeh.**

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who performed wondrous deeds for our ancestors in days of old at this season.

First Night Only Add:
Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, shehecheyanu v'kiy'manu v'higiyanu laz'man hazeh.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who has kept us alive, sustained us, and brought us to this season

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December 2020 Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8504383321 Phone: 312 626 6799. Meeting ID: 850 438 3321						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Two Jews, Three Opinions 11:30am Torah on Tap 5:00 pm	2	3	4 Shabbat Family Service in Temple Parking Lot 6pm ZOOM & Facebook Live	5 Torah Study 9:30 am
6 SJL in person 9:30	7	8 Two Jews, Three Opinions 11:30am	9	10 Hanukkah 1st night 	11 Shabbat Service 6pm from Temple parking lot ZOOM & Facebook Live Hanukkah 2nd night	12 Hanukkah 3rd night
13 SJL in person 9:30 Hanukkah 4th night	14 Hanukkah 5th night	15 Two Jews, Three Opinions 11:30am Hanukkah 6th night	16 Hanukkah 7th night	17 Hanukkah 8th night	18 Shabbat Service 7pm ZOOM & Facebook Live	19 Torah Study 9:30 am
20 No SJL	21	22 Two Jews, Three Opinions 11:30am	23	24	25 Shabbat Service 7pm ZOOM & Facebook Live	26
27 No SJL	28	29	30	31	Please note we are now using ZOOM for meetings. See connection instructions above.	