



Blending old traditions with new

Temple B'nai Torah's

Family Chanukah Brunch

Sunday, December 22, 2019
10:00 am - 12:00 pm



Fun, Games, Music, Crafts, Food & Raffle Baskets

\$15 Adults/\$7 Children (5-13 yrs. old); (under 5 yrs. are free)

Children MUST be accompanied by an adult

RSVP by DECEMBER 13th

**** If responding after Dec 13th ... \$20 Adults/\$10 children ****

Space is limited, so RSVP early!!

Open to all Temple members and guests

*Please bring donations of new, unwrapped toys
to help families in our community*

Hosted by the TBT PTA



RSVP by DECEMBER 13th

Return form and payment to Temple office (516-221-2370)
For more information, contact Brooke Myers bmsolop@aol.com

Name _____

Adults _____ # Children _____ # Children under 5 yrs. _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ (checks payable to TBT PTA)



RITUAL CALENDAR

December 2019

12/6/19		<i>Family Shabbat</i>
	5:30 PM	Tot Shabbat
	6:15 PM	Dinner (RSVP)
	7:15 PM	Family Service
12/07/19	9:30 AM	Torah Study, K/L
12/13/19	8:00 PM	Erev Shabbat Service (Haftarah)
12/14/19	9:30 AM	Torah Study, K/L
12/20/19	6:00 PM	Pre-neg
	6:30 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat
12/21/19	9:30 AM	Torah Study, K/L
12/27/19	6:30 PM	Erev Shabbat/Chanukah Service (Torah/Choir)
12/28/19	9:30 AM	Torah Study (away)
January		
01/03/20	6:30 PM	Erev Shabbat Service (<i>NOT a Family Service</i>)
01/04/20	9:30 AM	Torah Study, K/L

Wear
your
Pajamas



Temple
B'nai
Torah
A Reform
Congregation

On this 5th Night of Chanukah, join us for the Great Menorah Candle Lighting...Bring your Menorah & 6 Candles. We will say the blessings and light our candles together. (Come a few minutes early to set up your Menorah in the back of the Sanctuary!)



After the Chanukah Service, enjoy a festive Oneg and the kids will find the Kiddush Lounge has turned into a **Chanukah Game Room!** Crafts, Dreidle Games, Coloring and Prizes! Oh, and don't forget to have some Jelly Donuts and Cookies



INSPIRATION FROM OUR RABBI



This month, I along with Cantor Timman, Morah Meredith, the Co-Presidents, and a handful of congregants will travel to Chicago for the Union for Reform Judaism Biennial Conference. This conference brings together over 5,000 Reform Jews from all over the world to pray together, share our commonalities, and learn from one another. I've only been to one prior, and it was truly a wonderful experience. We will learn about new initiatives the Reform Movement is planning. We will hear what has been working in other congregations that will hopefully inspire us in our plans for the future. We will join in prayer as one community to welcome in Shabbat.

This conference is an important part of our connection to the larger Reform Movement. Though each congregation creates its own rituals and policies, being part of the Reform Movement helps us to determine some of the direction we will go on issues of social justice, communal norms, and worship. While we don't take direction, we do take inspiration, and then make the choices that best respond to the needs and wants of our congregation. And when we join in these larger initiatives, we join with congregations around the world to speak in a loud voice for our values and our faith. Sometimes the movement helps to direct us, and sometimes the congregations help to push the movement in new directions. Either way, we continue the tradition of a dynamic Judaism, constantly adapting and changing, while maintaining a connection to the past and to tradition.

The month of December also reminds us of the dynamic nature of Judaism, as we celebrate Chanukah. The history is more complicated than the story of the miracle of the oil. It involves rival factions of Jews, shifting allegiances between regional powers, and the ever-present question of how much influence the outside world ought to have on Judaism. Chanukah commemorates the rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem by the Maccabees, after they defeat the Seleucid Greeks. The Seleucids had banned central tenets of Judaism, including Shabbat and Brit Milah, and had turned the Temple in Jerusalem into a Temple to Zeus. The Maccabees fought a war to keep Judaism alive and to keep it thriving in the face of forced Hellenization.

But, we also know that while the Maccabees were successful in their battle for Judaism and self-rule, ultimately, the influence of Greek culture would be too

much for Judaism to ignore completely. Within a couple hundred years, the rising Greek influence can be seen in the philosopher Philo, who as a Jew in Alexandria works to reconcile Greek Platonic philosophy and Jewish texts and beliefs. By the time of the Rabbis of the second century, CE, the practice of a Greek Symposium, where a meal was coupled with extra glasses of wine and deep conversation, had been incorporated into what we now know as our Passover Seder.

The Maccabees may have won a war against outright Hellenization, but they could not prevent the eventual incorporation of Greek culture into Judaism. In fact, it was the Maccabee's autocratic ways and inflexible attitudes toward their fellow Jews which helped lead to their downfall, as the populous turned against them.

What do we learn from this? That Judaism has always been dynamic and willing to incorporate new ideas, even if they come from places we might not expect. Judaism is made better when we allow space for creativity and new ideas, as long as we don't abandon our past. There is a middle path between the Maccabees' autocracy and the Hellenizers' eschewing of all tradition. That middle path is why we are Reform Jews, and why we are proud to be part of a larger movement that has always sought that middle path.

I wish you and your families a wonderful Chanukah celebration! May the light of the Chanukiah fill your homes, your hearts, and your souls!

L'Shalom,
Rabbi Daniel Bar-Nahum



MAZEL TOV
TO...

Andrea & Gary Conwell and family on the birth of their grandson, Jonah Brooks Murphy, born on Wednesday, November 6th. The proud parents are Renee & Joseph Murphy.



NOTES FROM OUR CANTOR



Are you ready for Chanukah this year? Join us on the 6th night with your Chanukiah for a fun (wear your favorite Chanukah sweater) and musical Chanukah Shabbat on Friday, December 27th, at 6:30pm.

I love the music for this joyous festival ranging from traditional classics to some very wonderful and new melodies from the best and most creative performers in the field. Once we've exhausted all the many extra verses of "I Have a Little Dreydl" and "Maoz Tsur," I encourage you to explore some of the wonderful songs created by our leading Jewish music artists. Each of these composer/performers have delightful songs and compilations offering an opportunity to learn about the miracle of Chanukah and the story of the Maccabean victory for freedom through a contemporary lens. Important lessons, stories and traditions are often learned through music and these settings are all excellent. Just in time for last minute shopping here is my list of favorite artists for Chanukah music ranging from songs for our youngest crowd to music for the family and more eclectic ears.

For our youngest children I suggest selections from Chanukah Favorites by Judy Caplan Ginsburgh, Shine Little Candles by Rachel Buchman, and Ellen Allard's "Sufganiot," "Yodelay Do Potato," "Chocolate Gelt," and "Judah Maccabee, the Hammer." The compilation Celebrate Hanukkah with Craig Taubman and other artists is delightful, as is Light These Lights by Debbie Friedman, It's Chanukah Time by Julie Silver, and Sam Glaser's Rockin' Chanukah Revue. For a great jazz recording enjoy

The Hanukkah Lounge by Craig Taubman and other artists. For the best Klezmer recording I recommend Oy Chanukah! by the Klezmer Conservatory Band. Michelle Citrin's "Pass the Candle" and jazzy "Hanukkah Lovin'" have fun videos to go with wonderful music. Jewish boy bands like the Maccabeats and Six13 have several awesome Chanukah video parodies to enjoy. Finally, for a very well performed eclectic collection of songs from around the world I suggest: Chanukah in Story and Song performed by The Western Wind and narrated by Leonard Nimoy and Reggae Chanukah by Alan Eder and friends.

Finally, here is an opportunity to do a mitzvah for TBT: Did you know that you can earn money for TBT while doing your Chanukah shopping on Amazon? We participate in the Amazon Smile program which donates a portion of all purchases to TBT. Click [HERE](https://amzn.to/2rEpMkY) or type in (<https://amzn.to/2rEpMkY>) to access our Amazon link and start shopping! And yes, many of these recordings and MP3s are also available for purchase through the Amazon Smile link. When shopping on Amazon for Chanukah or throughout the year, you can do it through our Smile program to earn money for TBT. The link is also always available on our weekly TBT Scroll and on our Website.

Wishing you and yours a music and light filled *Chag Orim Sameach* - Happy Chanukah!

B'shira,
Cantor Rica Timman



CALLING ALL YOUNG SINGERS

Come join the

B'nai Shir Youth & Teen Choir

NEW AND FAVORITE MELODIES!
SONGLEADING AND INSTRUMENTAL OPPORTUNITIES!

Our Awesome Youth (3rd - 6th grade) and Teen (7th - 12th grade) Choir
Sings at Family Services and Programs throughout the year.

Rehearsals are 11:30am-12:30pm (through 12:45pm for Teens)
on Sundays when Religious School is in session.

For more information and to sign up contact Cantor Timman at cantortimman@tbtwantagh.org

Temple B'nai Torah www.tbtwantagh.org



OUR COMMUNITY

THE BROTHERHOOD OF TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH

HOLIDAY FAIR

SUNDAY, December 1, 2019

9 am – 4 pm



FREE ADMISSION

Local Merchants * Quality Vendors * Community Fair * Handcrafted Items

New Merchandise, Crafts, Antiques & Collectibles

Discounted Prices * Bargains Galore

All are Welcome to See and Save

Temple B'nai Torah, 2900 Jerusalem Ave., Wantagh, NY 11793

MORE VENDORS WANTED

For info CALL Ben at (516) 322-8130

or e-mail brotherhood@tbtwantagh.org



CHANUKAH PARTY

Sunday, December 15, 2019

Time: 4:00 – 8:00 pm

Pastrami King, 196 Merrick Road in Merrick, New York

Cost of Dinner: \$35



*Soup & Salad * Choice of Entrees * Potato Latkas * Dessert/Beverage*



*Bring one \$10
Wrapped
Grab Bag Gift*



Before November 30, 2019, make checks payable to: TBT Circle of Friends

Mail to: Temple B'nai Torah, 2900 Jerusalem Ave., Wantagh NY 11793

or leave in the envelope in the Temple Office

For info, call Ira & Yolanda Friedman, (516) 826-1556

NOTE: No reservations accepted after deadline!!

Name(s) _____ **Phone** _____

Amount: \$ _____ **Check #** _____



HAS YOUR LIFE BECOME TOO PLASTIC?

JOIN US FOR A FREE SCREENING
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“BAG IT”

MONDAY, DEC. 2, 7-9 p.m.
Temple B’nai Torah
2900 Jerusalem Ave, Wantagh

Followed by a discussion
of what you can do to stop plastic pollution,
with George Povall, Director of All Our Energy

Be part of the solution!

For information contact Rona Kauffman at, ronakauffman@yahoo.com



TEMPLE B’NAI TORAH
SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE
Annual Blood Drive



When: January 5, 2020
8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Where: Temple B’nai Torah Social Hall
2900 Jerusalem Avenue, Wantagh

Join us for the Congregation Breakfast by Brotherhood at 9:15 a.m.

To make an appointment: New York Blood Center at 1-800-688-0900
Questions: Call Joni at 516-996-0948

Schedule an appointment today!

Please bring your blood donor card or signature ID; minimum weight 110 lbs; Eat well (low fat) and drink fluids that morning; No tattoos for past 12 months; Ages 16-75; (16 yr. olds must have parental permission; Age 76 and over need doctor’s note.



Announcing our Spring 2020 Temple Show:



Performances: Saturdays April 25 & May 2 at 8:00 PM
Sundays April 26 & May 3 at 2:00 PM

Rehearsals will begin in January, 2020, and will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday nights at 6:30 PM and on Sundays at various times.

Auditions will be held on Tuesday, December 10 beginning at 7:00 PM in the Social Hall and on Sunday, December 15 at 12 noon in room 101.

Special Audition Time for children
Sunday Dec 15th from 11:30-12:00, right after Religious School

Leading Roles: Dorothy; Aunt Em; Glinda; Wicked Witch of the West; The Scarecrow; The Tin Man; The Lion; The Wizard

Medium Roles: Emerald City Guard; Mrs. Gultch; Uncle Henry; Zeke; Hickory; Hunk

Chorus Roles: The Crows; The Trees; The Ozians; The Soldiers; The Flying Monkeys, Munchkins

Everyone will be required to sing at the auditions. You may sing any Broadway song (Please bring the music).

If you are trying out for a leading role please sing one of the songs listed

Songs

"Over the Rainbow"
"Ding Dong! The Witch is Dead"
"Follow The Yellow Brick Road"
"If I Only Had A Brain"
"We're Off To See The Wizard"
"If I Only Had A Heart"
"If I Only Had The Nerve"
"The Merry Old Land Of Oz"
"If I Were King Of The Forest"

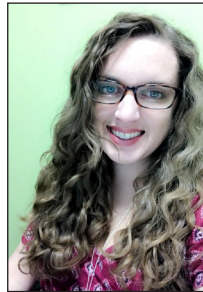
Sung By

Dorothy
Glinda. Dorothy & Munchkins
Munchkins
Scarecrow. Dorothy and Crows
Dorothy and Scarecrow
Tinman and Trees
Lion. Dorothy. Tinman and Scarecrow
Oz Guard. Ozians. Munchkins
Lion

If you have any questions, please contact Elliott Solomon at elliottsolo@verizon.net



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



As I sit here and write this message to you for the month of December, it's already getting dark. Daylight Savings has come and gone, and with it, so has the sun past about 4:30. I think we can all agree that this amount of darkness, well...it kind of stinks.

The Hebrew month of Kislev, however, has a simple and obvious answer to the extra dark: Chanukah. Every night we get to light another candle, and watch the light grow and grow. As we complete this ritual with our family and friends, it reminds us that even though it is cold outside and the sun has gone down early, there are so many things we can do to make light.

This year, Chanukah is a little late (I know, I know – it's right on time!) and we are lucky and unlucky in this regard. Unlucky because while I love to light the candles, sing, and celebrate with the students of the Religious School, the holiday will fall during our winter break this year. So, so lucky, though, because this timing will give

us the opportunity to make the light last a little longer than usual. Starting with our Family Shabbat service this Friday evening, we will be able to remind everyone that Chanukah is on the way with some beautiful music from B'nai Shir. Mazel Tots will be debuting the first of two "drop in" programs with a Chanukah theme to let new families try out this amazing program for the youngest members of our community. BNTY and BNTY Jr. will both get to celebrate with fun fried foods and learning a little more about the Chanukah story. Our fantastic PTA will be sponsoring the annual Chanukah Brunch – an event never to be missed – and then of course there's our fun-filled Shabbat Chanukah service where each person who attends can light their own chanukiah, which fills our sanctuary and social hall with the most beautiful light.

I am so looking forward to experiencing all of these amazing things and more during this dark Kislev, though truly, I don't think it'll be so dark at all.

Meredith Lubin,
TBT Director of Education & Youth Activities



PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE



May the lights of Chanukah usher in a better world for all humankind. We are approaching the best time of the year. As we

began the year 2020, we hope we can count on you, the congregation, to work with us to improve the Temple. We need to work on improving security, improving our recycling policy, adding more programs for all age groups, and continue to be open and honest with you. Please leave us or write us any questions you have, but sign them. Karen and I meet with congregants when they have complaints and great ideas.

We will continue to hold Town hall meetings. Come to one and listen, share and speak. No one is judging you and there is no right or wrong.

I must thank the board so far, for being such a giving and caring group. They listen to each other and respect each other. They are honest and trustworthy. They are true representatives of the temple.

In our next article, we will share what we learned in Chicago at the URJ Biennial. We are going to learn how we

can improve as leaders and what we can do to make this a better place for all. The calendar for 2020 is packed with many activities to keep you busy through the cold winter months. Chai club hosts their programs in the daytime. There will be a Square Dance, Book Clubs, speakers, Bingo, and something to do for everyone. The best is yet to come. Save the Date: March 21, The Chinese Auction returns, and there is only room for 250. Get your tickets early. Please support your first temple show Bring It On. The Junior Players work hard to entertain us and get us clapping and moving; I can't wait.

"Embrace every good opportunity you encounter, some will get you informed, others will get you inspired and others will make you improved."

Wishing you joy and peace during this Chanukah and the approaching new year. Hope to talk to each one of you soon.

Joni Christie
Lollipop@optonline.net

Karen Friedlander
tbtkfriedla@aol.com



*The Social Action/Social Justice Committee
announces its*

Holiday Toy Drive

Please donate new, unwrapped toys, games and other gifts for children of all ages.

December 1 – December 22

Drop off your donations in the Temple Lobby collection boxes or bring your donations to the Chanukah Brunch



*Items collected will be donated to the
John Theissen Children's Foundation for
distribution to sick and needy children on Long Island*

In an effort to reduce our use of plastics and increase our recycling, please put toy donations directly into our collection boxes and take home your bags to reuse.

For additional information or for any questions please contact Rona Kauffman, ronakauffman@yahoo.com



BUNCO NIGHT!!



Like to play games???

We have the perfect night of fun for you...

**Monday, December 23rd at 7:30 pm
in the Kiddush Lounge**

*Please join us for fun and games as we play BUNCO.
If you have never played before have no fear, you will be up and playing in no time.*

**** No charge for Temple Members ****
**** Nominal \$5.00 charge for Non-members ****
**** Snacks will be served ****

Please **RSVP by December 9th** or call for further information
Ronni Fauci: 516-650-1508 (rfauci@gmail.com) or Harriet Ostroff: 516-567-0134

We look forward to seeing you on the 23rd, and enjoying a fun evening together.



OUR COMMUNITY

Temple B'nai Torah of Wantagh
presents an evening of laughs at



GOVERNOR'S
COMEDY CLUB

90 Division Ave., Levittown NY 11756

Located behind Petco & the Tri-County
Flea Market Shopping Center

Sunday, January 12, 2020
at 7:30 pm
\$18 per person
(plus 2 item minimum per person
charged by Governor's)



Make your check payable to Temple B'nai Torah and drop it in the office,
or mail it to the Temple office at:
2900 Jerusalem Avenue, Wantagh NY 11793
Or, send your check to Joyce Star at:
455 Poplar Lane, East Meadow NY 11554
Contact Joyce at starway3@aol.com with any questions
We're looking forward to having a laugh or two with you!

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____



BROTHERHOOD / MEN'S CLUB



November was another busy and productive month for the TBT Brotherhood/Men's Club. At our November monthly dinner meeting, James Coll, adjunct professor of Constitutional Studies at Hofstra University, presented a thought-provoking program on Religion and the US Constitution which was enjoyed by all, as was our delicious dinner.

Planning has begun for our December 18th dinner meeting. In addition to another delicious meal, our members will be viewing Orchestra of Exiles. This fascinating video tells the little-known story of the journey of many great Jewish musicians from Hitler's Germany to Palestine. The symphony orchestra they founded would become the Israeli Philharmonic Orchestra. Violinist Bronislaw Huberman, who facilitated their journey, saved nearly 1000 Jews as well as guaranteeing the survival of Europe's musical heritage.

Sunday, Dec. 1st will be the Brotherhood/Men's Club Holiday Fair, our major fall fundraiser. Ben & Sharon Cernese have been busy signing up the returning vendors as well as new vendors. Among the large variety of merchandise for sale will be Sports & Entertainment Memorabilia, Crafts, Antiques & Collectibles and Hand-Crafted Items as well as many other items. Come shop for the Holidays, save money and support our temple. Plans have been made by our Board members for the set-up on Saturday as well as the event on Sunday.

Remember to check the TBT Voice for our Sunday Breakfast schedule.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone as we end November and Happy Chanukah to everyone as we approach this wonderful winter holiday.

Regards,
Richard Tepper,
President of Brotherhood/Men's Club



Congregation Breakfast
by Brotherhood/Men's Club

The Next Best Thing to Breakfast-in-Bed!

Brotherhood will once again prepare a delicious breakfast on most Sunday mornings when Religious School is in session. Check the calendar below.

Coffee (decaf too!), eggs, bagels, assorted omelets & more!

Serving time 9:30 am

Donation is a nominal \$5.

Below are the 2019 dates - plan to join us!

Questions – E-Mail 'Richard Tepper' at richardtepper@hotmail.com

Sunday, Dec. 8th



TBT SISTERHOOD SHMOOZING



First, I want to thank all of our sisterhood members, who by their generous donations to the Women of Reform Judaism YES fund, helped us receive the Roll of Chai Honor. Through our purchase of uniongrams, we help to enable institutions and individuals world-wide with the tools necessary for religious, social and educational growth and enhance Jewish life by supporting clergy, cultivating women's leadership, and advocating for social justice. The YES fund established the Jewish Braille Institute in New York, founded the North American Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) and helped to create the first URJ camp. If you have any questions about uniongrams or the YES fund, please contact Ellice Toscano @ellice823@yahoo.com or Laurel Klein at lasfacator@gmail.com.

Be sure to check out the Scroll, the Web or the flyers in the lobby for our upcoming happenings. Our book club will be meeting on December 15th at 7:30 p.m. in the Kiddush Lounge. Our Chanukah sale will be held on

December 15th in the Lobby. This is an opportunity for our Religious School students to purchase gifts for friends and family without breaking the bank! December 23 is our BUNKO game. If you have never played before, no fear, you will be up and playing in no time. You can contact Ronni Fauci at rfauci@gmail.com with any questions. Our annual night of beauty at Bangz will be held on January 29th.

Sisterhood is open to all women and their teen daughters. We need the support and ideas from every woman in order to continue to foster growth and support for all women. So please, if you have not already, consider joining us.

I hope everyone has a Chanukah filled with light, love and during this busy time of year, may we all not burden ourselves with a need to make sense out of everything!

B'Shalom
Emily Altman, President
Emilysisterhood19@gmail.com



TBT PTA UPDATES



The days are cooler, the leaves crunch under our feet, and the school year is moving right along! Our children are continuing to learn so much; making new friends, learning new prayers, and singing new songs!

The PTA exists to support the teaching staff and all our students. You'll find us in the background during all the religious school events. But we need you, too! Membership is critical to our continued success. All proceeds go directly to programming and materials for ALL our religious school children. Thank you for your continued support!

It's hard to believe, but Chanukah is almost here. The PTA's annual gingerbread menorah decorating kits are here, too! Kits are being sold for \$28 each.

December 22nd is our Chanukah Brunch! It promises to be a day of games, latkes, crafts, raffles, and fun! If you RSVP by December 13, adults are \$15 each; children between 5-13 years old are \$7!

Order forms for the gingerbread menorahs and the RSVPs for the Chanukah brunch are available in the lobby. Chad Chanukah sameach!

By Rachael Minkowsky

Attention!! All Mah Jongg Players

Temple B'nai Torah Sisterhood Needs Your Order

Now is the time for you, your friends, and neighbors to order your 2020 Mah Jongg cards

Sisterhood receives a donation from the National Mah Jongg League for every order

Complete your order form and return it with your check made out to:

Temple B'nai Torah Sisterhood and mail it to:
Lynne Happes
3679 Libby Lane
Wantagh, NY 11793
Deadline: December 31, 2019



For more information, call Lynne at (516) 735-8162 or E-mail mnmom10@aol.com
To order by mail, just include the following information:

Number of 2020 Mah Jongg cards wanted:

_____ Small Print @ \$8.00

_____ Large Print @ \$9.00

_____ Total number ordered

Amount \$ _____ Check number _____



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail Address _____



BOWLING/ DINNER DAY

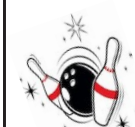
Sunday, January 5, 2020

Wantagh Lanes, 1300 Wantagh Ave., Wantagh, NY 11793
(Next to King Kullen Supermarket)

Payment by December 27, 2019

Make checks out to: Temple B'nai Torah Circle of Friends
Mail check and form below to: 2900 Jerusalem Ave., Wantagh, NY 11793
or leave in Temple Office, Circle of Friends mailbox - marked Bowling Party

BOWLING:



2:30 - 5:30 pm

Members: \$11 Per Person

Non-Members: \$12 Per Person

Bowling Shoes Included

DINNER: Join us whether you bowl or not



6:00pm at Jani's Chinese/Japanese Restaurant

1175 Wantagh Ave., Wantagh, NY 11793

Each party will pay his/her own dinner bill,
but your reservation is needed by

Friday, December 27

Contact Info: Steve Block (516) 859-6772 or steve_d_block@hotmail.com

Hi Steve, I (we) will attend () bowling () dinner

Name(s) _____ Amount attached \$ _____



OUR COMMUNITY

Bringing the Cheer to TBT by Carl Ponticello

The TBT Jr Players are pleased to announce that this year’s production will be the recent Broadway hit, “*Bring It On: The Musical*”. Performances will be in the Temple social hall on Saturdays, December 7th and 14th at 7:00 P.M. and Sundays, December 8th and 15th at 3:00 P.M.

We are proudly entering our 48th year here at Temple B’nai Torah. It all began in 1971 as the legacy *Suburban Players* mounted their debut production of Rogers and Hammerstein’s *Carousel*. Evolving over time, first into the *Suburban Junior Players* and then the *TBT Jr Players*. Every Autumn, we have provided an opportunity for the youth of the Temple and the local community to participate in the performing arts. Our recent productions include *Little Shop of Horrors*; *Guys and Dolls*; *13 – The Musical*; and last years’ very successful *All Shook Up*!

This year’s production of *Bring It On: The Musical* is bitingly relevant, sprinkled with sass, and inspired by the hit film. It will take audiences on a journey into the competitive world of high school cheerleading, while exploring the complexities of friendship, jealousy, betrayal and forgiveness. Created by some of the freshest and funniest creative minds on Broadway, *Bring It On* features an original story by Tony Award winner Jeff Whitty (*Avenue Q*), music and lyrics by Tony Award-winning composer Lin-Manuel Miranda (*In the Heights*, *Hamilton*), music by Pulitzer- and Tony Award-winning composer Tom Kitt (*Next to Normal*), lyrics by Broadway lyricist Amanda Green (*High Fidelity*), and was nominated for the Tony Award for Best Musical.



Our cast is made up of young performers, ages 10 thru 18. They, along with our production team, start rehearsals in September, devoting 3 days a week to making sure they put on the best show they can. All to show their love of the arts, and to support our temple.

We are thrilled to welcome back our entire 2018 production team:

- **Director, Rob Kramer.** This will be Rob’s 5th show with the TBT Jr Players as he has previously directed the highly successful *Little Shop of Horrors* in 2015, *Guys and Dolls* in 2016, *13 – The Musical* in 2017 and *All Shook Up* in 2018.
- **Musical Directors, Brian Sweeney and Michael Janover.** Brian and Michael are well known in the Long Island theater community having served as musical directors on numerous productions around the island. This will be Brian’s and Michael’s 3rd show with the TBT Jr Players.
- **Choreographer, Meghan Nieland.** Meghan, who has previously choreographed several LI Cabaret productions, joined us for a successful debut with last year’s *All Shook Up*.

We look forward to you joining us this December. *Proceeds from the performances go to the Temple and Temple Stage Fund. Tickets are \$18 for Adults, \$12 for Seniors (55 and over) and Children (12 and under).* Tickets can be reserved on Sunday mornings in the Temple Lobby, by calling 516-557-6288, or on the day of the performance. Come support our Temple and our youth. We look forward to seeing you there!



OUR COMMUNITY

The Temple B’nai Torah
Junior Players Present



Book by
JEFF WHITTY

Music by
TOM KITT
&
LIN-MANUEL MIRANDA

Lyrics by
LIN-MANUEL MIRANDA
&
AMANDA GREEN

Inspired by the Motion Picture *Bring It On* Written by Jessica Bendinger

December 7th and 14th at 7:00 pm

December 8th and 15th at 3:00 pm

\$18 for Adults, \$12 for Seniors and Children (12 & under)

For tickets call 516-557-6288

Temple B’nai Torah, 2900 Jerusalem Avenue, Wantagh, NY 11793

Bring It On The Musical is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).
All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.com



YOGA CLASSES - Winter 2020

Sponsored by Men’s Club
(Women are Welcome)

Stay In Shape Over The Winter
YOGA CLASSES WITH TIM

Eight 1-HOUR CLASSES on SUNDAY MORNINGS



JANUARY 5, 12, 26
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MARCH 1, 8, 15

MINYAN * 9:30 AM
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\$80

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CHAI CLUB



Thanks to all who attended our annual Membership Dinner on Veterans Day, November 11th. We enjoyed a sumptuous meal at Domenico's Italian Restaurant in Levittown and also honored our veterans. Special thanks to co-chairs Rita Hofer and Tessa Kean who insured that all had an entertaining evening.

Our December program will feature Paul Rosenfeld as he presents "The Colonel David Marcus Story". David "Mickey" Marcus was a US Army Colonel who assisted Israel in the 1948 Arab-Israel War and became Israel's first modern General. His story was portrayed in the movie, *Cast A Giant Shadow*, starring Kirk Douglas in the leading role. Join us Monday evening, December 16, 2019 at 7:30pm. We will celebrate our December birthdays, and serve delicious desserts. Call Ben Cernese for further information, 516-322-8126.

Next month, on Monday, January 16th, 2020 at 1:30 pm, Chai Club will present the noted Long Island Historian Regina Feeney, who will speak to us on "Prohibition on the South Shore." Ms Feeney will bring the prohibition era to life with "magic lantern" slides of the temperance movement. Please note that our January and February programs will be held on Monday afternoons instead of in the evening.

Our February program will feature the beautiful music of violinist Albert Malmud. Keep the afternoon of Monday, February 24th free to enjoy the concert.

Hold the Date: Thursday April 9th, 2020 for our Passover 2nd Seder,

Cantor Timman will once again be leading us at the Second Seder. Those of you in attendance last year know what a fantastic time we all experienced. We will hold a Second Seder Planning Meeting shortly to prepare for 2020. If anyone is interested in joining this effort, please send us an email below.

Joan and Brian Levy



The Colonel Mickey Marcus Story

Monday, Dec. 16, 2019, at 7:30 p.m.

With noted speaker, Paul Rosenfeld

David "Mickey" Marcus was a United States Army Colonel who assisted Israel during the 1948 Arab-Israeli War, and who became Israel's first modern General.

Paul Rosenfeld is an engaging speaker who tells the poignant story of his cousin, Mickey – a story that was told in the movie, *Cast A Giant Shadow*, with Kirk Douglas in the leading role.



We will celebrate December Birthdays ♦ Win 50/50

The Chai Club will serve Delicious Desserts

All congregants welcome



SOCIAL ACTION



Social Action/Social Justice Committee

We hope you all had a Thanksgiving full of family, friends, food and gratitude! We are grateful for the generosity of our TBT family. Our November Turkey Drive assisted in Island Harvest's efforts to provide our neighbors in need with nutritious and festive food for the holiday. Thank you for your donations!

This month we will be hosting a free screening of the film "Bag It." This award-winning documentary explores our problem with plastics and what we can do about it. "Americans use 60,000 plastic bags every five minutes—single-use disposable bags that we mindlessly throw away. But where is "away?" Where do the bags and other plastics end up, and at what cost to our environment, marine life and human health? Bag It follows "everyman" Jeb Berrier as he navigates our plastic world. When Jeb's journey takes a personal twist, we see how our crazy-for-plastic world has finally caught up with us and what we can do about it. Today, right now. (<https://www.newday.com/film/bag-it>) After the film there will be a Discussion and Q&A with George Povall, Director of All Our Energy, a Long Beach-based non-profit focused on renewable energy, climate solutions and environmental advocacy. Come join us on December 2 at 7 p.m. for this inspiring and important event.

We are also holding our annual Holiday Toy Drive this month. We encourage you to donate new, unwrapped toys, games and other gifts for children of all ages. Donations will be delivered to the John Theissen Children's Foundation for distribution to sick and needy children on Long Island. For more information about the Foundation please visit http://www.jtcf.org/how_it_began.htm. See the flyer in this issue of the Voice and on the scroll.

Of course, Chanukah is not only about toys. Chanukah embraces values such as freedom, dedication, faith and light. Find ways to re-dedicate yourselves to supporting these values. Visit the Religious Action Center's website for their social justice gift guide (<https://rac.org/hanukkah-social-justice-gift-guide>), or reformjudaism.org for experiential "gifts" for the holiday.

Here are some suggestions for environmentally friendly, gifts for Chanukah: Save paper by sending e-cards; make your own gifts from recycled materials; knit a scarf; buy or make a set of beeswax candles; **make a donation to plant a tree in honor of a friend or relative and bring us closer to our 5780 trees goal**; get things that are useful and reusable (a travel mug, cloth bag, linen napkins, reusable lunchbox;) buy an environmental book, subscription to an environmental magazine or membership to a museum or zoo; instead of gift wrap use recycled or reusable packaging or a piece of cloth tied with ribbon. Let us know what other ideas you come up with so we can share them next year.

Upcoming Events

January 5 – Blood Drive

January 17, 20 Social Action/Social Justice Shabbat and MLK, JR. Day of Action

February – Winter Accessories Collection (stay tuned for details)

Ongoing Collections

PTA's Used Crayon Recycling Collection

Sisterhood - Women's Personal Care Items

Brotherhood - Eyeglasses for Lion's Club

Chai Club – Kosher Food for Kosher Food Pantry

St. Jude's Mother and Child Ministry collection

Please consider joining us and sharing your ideas. Our next meeting will be December 11, 7p.m. Rm. 104

For information about the Social Action/Social Justice Committee or any of its projects contact Rona Kauffman at ronakauffman@yahoo.com



Information on this calendar is subject to change without notice
Please refer to the website for the most up-to-date information

DECEMBER 2019

Kislev/Tevet 5780



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
No Religious School 6 am - Brotherhood Holiday Fair Set-up 10 am - Brotherhood Holiday Fair 6 pm - TBT Jr. Players Tech 3 Kislev	12 pm - Torah Study 5:30 pm - BNTY Jr. 6:30 pm - Religious School 6:30 pm - Religious School Sr. Class Meeting 6:30 pm - TBT Jr. Players Tech 7 pm - Social Action/Justice Program 7:15 pm - Religious School (7-12) 7:30 pm - Chai Club Board Meeting 8:15 pm - BNTY Sr. Meeting 4 Kislev	10 am - AI Anon 6:30 pm - TBT Jr. Players Tech 6:45 pm - Sisterhood Exec. Meeting 7:30 pm - Brotherhood Board Meeting 7:30 pm - Ritual Committee Meeting 7:30 pm Sisterhood Board Meeting 5 Kislev	10:30 am - Bingo 4:30 pm - Religious School 6:30 pm - Religious School 6:30 pm - TBT Jr. Players Tech 7 pm - Fundraising Meeting 7:15 pm - Communication Meeting 7:15 pm - Beginning Hebrew 2 7:30 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal 8 pm - Sisterhood Book Club 6 Kislev	6 pm - Cub Scouts 6:30 pm - TBT Jr. Players Tech 7:15 pm - Bingo 7:30 pm - Boy Scouts 7:30 pm - Girl Scouts 7 Kislev	Candle Lighting - 4:10 pm 5:30 pm - Tot Shabbat 6:15 pm - Shabbat Dinner (RSVP) 7:15 pm - Erev Shabbat Family Service 7:15 pm - Iyyun T'filah 8 Kislev	9:30 am - Torah Study 9:45 am - 5th Grade Shabbaton 5 pm - TBT Jr. Players call time 7 pm - TBT Jr. Players Show 9 Kislev
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
9 am - Religious School 9 am - PTA Meeting 9:30 am - Congregation Breakfast 9:30 am - TBT Book Club 10:15 am - Lifelong Learning w/Clergy 11:30 am - Youth/Teen Choir 1 pm - TBT Jr. Players call time 3 pm - TBT Jr. Players Show 10 Kislev	12 pm - Torah Study 6:30 pm Religious School 6:30 pm - Religious School Sr. Class Mtg. 7:15 pm - Religious School (7-12) 7:15 - House Committee Meeting 8:15 pm - BNTY Board Meeting 11 Kislev	10 am - AI Anon 6:30 pm - Religious Ed Committee Meeting 7 pm - Board of Trustees/VP Meeting 7 pm - Spring Musical Auditions 12 Kislev	10:30 am - Bingo 4:30 pm - Religious School 6:30 pm - Religious School 7 pm - Social Action/Justice Cmte Meeting 7 pm - TBT Jr. Players Rehearsal 7:30 pm - Sisterhood Night of Learning 7:30 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal 13 Kislev	6 pm - Cub Scouts 7:15 pm - Bingo 7:30 pm - Boy Scouts 7:30 pm - Girl Scouts 14 Kislev	Candle Lighting - 4:11 pm 8 pm - Erev Shabbat Service 15 Kislev	9:30 am - Torah Study 5 pm - TBT Jr. Players call time 7 pm - TBT Jr. Players Show 16 Kislev
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
9 am - Circle of Friends Meeting 9 am - Religious School 9 am - Sisterhood Chanukah Sale 9:15 am - Mazel Tots 10:30 am - K -2 Family Program 11:30 am - Spring Musical Auditions 1 pm - TBT Jr. Players call time 3 pm - TBT Jr. Players Show 4 pm - Circle of Friends Chanukah Party 17 Kislev	12 pm - Torah Study 5:30 pm - BNTY Jr. 6:30 pm Religious School 6:30 pm - Religious School Sr. Class Mtg. 7:15 pm - Religious School (7-12) 7:30 - Chai Club Meeting 8 pm - Finance Committee Meeting 8:15 pm - BNTY Sr. Meeting 18 Kislev	10:00 am - AI Anon (K/L) 6:45 pm - Exec. Board of Trustees 7:30 pm - Board of Trustees Meeting 19 Kislev	10:30 am - Bingo 4:30 pm - Religious School 6:30 pm - Religious School 7 pm - Brotherhood Dinner 7:15 pm - Beginning Hebrew 2 (make-up class) 7:30 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal 20 Kislev	6 pm - Cub Scouts 7:15 pm - Bingo 7:30 pm - Boy Scouts 7:30 pm - Girl Scouts 21 Kislev	Candle Lighting - 4:13 pm 6 pm - Pre-Neg (Lobby) 6:30 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Service 22 Kislev	9:30 am - Torah Study 23 Kislev
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
No Religious School - Winter Break 10 am - PTA Chanukah Brunch EREV CHANUKAH 24 Kislev	No Religious School - Winter Break 12 pm - Torah Study 1:15 pm - Meadowbrook Women's Initiative 7:15 pm - COPE Foundation Group 7:30 pm - Sisterhood Program 8:15 pm - BNTY Sr. Meeting 25 Kislev	Christmas Eve 10 am - AI Anon (K/L) 3 pm - Office/Building Closes 26 Kislev	Christmas Day Office/Building Closed No Religious School - Winter Break No Bingo 27 Kislev	No Bingo No Scouts 5 pm - Office/Building Closes 28 Kislev	Candle Lighting - 4:17 pm 6:30 pm - Erev Shabbat Chanukah Service (Torah/Choir) 29 Kislev	9:30 am - Torah Study (away/building closed) 30 Kislev
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
No Religious School - Winter Break Building Closed 1 Tevet	No Religious School - Winter Break 12 pm - Torah Study 5 pm - Office/Building Close 2 Tevet	New Year's Eve 10 am - AI Anon 3 pm - Office/Building Closes 3 Tevet	New Year's Day Office/Building Closed No Religious School - Winter Break No Bingo 4 Tevet	6 pm - Cub Scouts 7:15 pm - Bingo 7:30 pm - Boy Scouts 7:30 pm - Girl Scouts 5 Tevet	Candle Lighting - 4:22 pm 6:30 pm - Erev Shabbat Service 6 Tevet	9:30 am - Torah Study 7 Tevet



SOCIAL ACTION



TBT's Social Action/Social Justice Committee would like to share the following community information:



The Holocaust Museum and Tolerance Center of Nassau County presents: The New Anti-Semitism and the BDS Movement, **Wednesday, December 4 at 11:00 a.m.** Dr. Linda Burghardt will present special lecture on the BDS movement. "The international movement for Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions against Israel-known as bds- has once again raised old questions about the legitimacy of Zionism and even the right of Israel to exist. Is this a call for social justice, as its Palestinian leaders claim, or a new form of the virulent anti-Semitism that led to the Holocaust?" \$10 suggested donation. Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to 516-571-8040 or info@hmtteli.org



December 5 is the United Nation's World Soil Day. This day is an attempt to focus attention on the importance of healthy soil and advocating for the sustainable management of soil resources. **Soil** is the foundation of basic ecosystem function. It filters our water, provides essential nutrients to our forests and crops, and helps regulate the Earth's temperature as well as many of the important greenhouse gases. Restoring soils can also help address the effects of climate change: In honor of World Soil Day, you may want to consider how the ways we treat our Long Island soil may affect our groundwater; learn about composting and how it reduces the need for pesticides and synthetic fertilizers and restores nutrients to the soil.

Happy Hanukkah



This year, Hanukkah starts the evening of December 22.

Are you in search of a way to celebrate Hanukkah and address the concerns of social justice? Visit the Religious Action Center <https://rac.org/site-search?keyword=chanukah> , HIAS <https://www.hias.org/celebrate-hanukkah-us> or Hazon <https://hazon.org/commit-to-change/holidays/chanukah/> There you will find family activities, gift giving ideas and readings connecting Hanukkah relating to social justice and environmental issues.

AND, FOR A LITTLE FUN, CHECK OUT:



East Meadow Public Library Presents: CONCERT: Kenahora Klezmer Band Sunday, December 22 at 2 p.m., Samamea New York (The former Source Mall, Food Court) Reservations not needed. "**KENAHORA** features four preeminent Klezmer musicians. Ken Maltz on Clarinet, the father of Klezmer piano Peter Sokolov, Marty Confurius on bass, and drummer Larry Eagle

bring their unique brand of music to audiences far and wide. With collectively over 150 of performing years to their credit, the members of **Kenahora** are truly all-stars and mentors to both musicians and audiences alike. Come for rollicking good time."

Volunteer Opportunity:

By collecting usable food that would otherwise be discarded by supermarkets and restaurants and by collecting donations from neighborhood clothing drives, Community Solidarity provides free, vegetarian groceries, warm meals and clothing for anyone in need at their Hempstead Food Share every Sunday. Volunteers are needed every Sunday at 2pm to help sort and distribute food. For information about Community Solidarity or to volunteer your time, go to <https://communitysolidarity.org/foodshares/hempstead>



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Simchat Torah - 2019



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Night of Beauty



Pet Blessing
2019



The Other Mentalist



Chai Club Membership Dinner
Honoring our Veterans



Circle of Friends
Membership Dinner

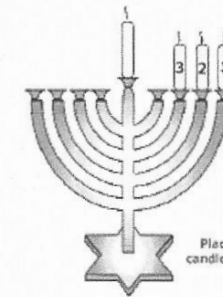


Happenings



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Chanukah Menorah Lighting and Blessings 101:



One candle is added to the menorah each night. The first night you light the shammus (the one at a different height), and one Chanukah candle; by the eighth night you light all the candles. The Menorah must be seen publicly.

Put the candles in the menorah from right to left (1, 2, 3) - like Hebrew writing.

Light the candles from left to right (3, 2, 1) - the newest candle first. Use the shamus to light the other candles.

The menorah is preferably lit at night-fall, and should remain lit at least 30 minutes, and left to go out on their own. On Friday the menorah should be lit 18 minutes before sundown, and then the Shabbat candles should be lit.

Did You Know?

The origin of the dreidel game is not clear. One theory is that it was used as protection in times of persecution: to avoid being caught studying the Torah, Jews would quickly pull out the dreidels and pretend they were gambling.

The exchanging of gifts is a secular Chanukah tradition that bears little religious significance. Often, parents or grandparents give children a small amount of money, called gelt, or larger Chanukah gifts, though it is unusual for adults to exchange presents with each other. Gift-giving, by all accounts, derives directly from Chanukah's proximity to Christmas.

ברוך אתה יי, אלהינו מלך העולם,
אשר קדשנו במצותיו, וצונו להדליק
נר של חנוכה.

*Baruch ata Adonai, Eloheinu melech ha-olam asher
kideshanu be-mitzvotav, ve-tzivanu le-hadlik ner
shel Chanukah.*

Blessed are you, Lord our G-d, King of the
Universe, Who sanctified us by his
commandments, and has commanded us to kindle
the lights of Chanukah.

ברוך אתה יי, אלהינו מלך העולם,
שעשה נסים לאבותינו בימים ההם
בזמן הזה.

*Baruch ata Adonai, Eloheinu melech ha-olam
she-asa nisim la-avotenu ba-yamim ha-hem
ba-zeman ha-zeh.*

Blessed are you, Lord our G-d, King of the Uni-
verse, Who wrought miracles for our fathers in
days of old, at this season.

ADDITIONAL BLESSING
for the first night only

ברוך אתה יי, אלהינו מלך העולם,
שהחיינו, וקיימנו, והגיענו לזמן הזה.

*Baruch ata Adonai, Eloheinu melech ha-olam
she-hecheyanu, ve-kiyemanu, ve-higiyanu
la-zeman ha-zeh.*

Blessed are you, Lord our G-d, King of the
Universe, Who has kept us alive, and has
preserved us, and enabled us to reach this
season.



SPECIAL FUNDS AND DONATIONS

The giving of *Tzedakah* for a birth, birthday, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, wedding, anniversary, or death is part of our heritage. Your generosity provides for Temple B'nai Torah to sustain programs for our members. An inscribed card is mailed to the person named, acknowledging your gift. We thank you for your donation.

\$10__\$18__\$36__\$54__\$100__Other \$____Get Well to____
In Honor of:____In Memory of:____From:____
Send Card to____Relationship____
Address____

For either the *Rabbi's Discretionary Fund* or *Cantor's Discretionary Fund* or any of the Endowment Funds, please make your check payable to the fund; for all other fund donations, please make your check payable to TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH, 2900 Jerusalem Avenue, Wantagh, NY 11793-2025.

Below is an up to date list of temple funds. Some funds from all legacy congregations have been combined with Temple Board and family approval.

<i>Adult Education Fund</i>	Donations are used to sponsor Adult Ed. Programs.
<i>Adult Library and the Rabbi Deanna Pasternack Children's Library Fund</i>	Donations are used for purchases for our library.
<i>Beautification Fund</i>	Donations in the fund are used for the upkeep of the building & grounds.
<i>Bishop Family B'nai Mitzvah/Religious School Fund</i>	Donations are used for Bar/Bat Mitzvah and school Programs.
<i>Blau (Matthew) Drama Fund</i>	Donations are used for the Temple Show. This fund overseen by Elliot Solomon.
<i>Blumenkranz (Fred) Fund</i>	Donations are used for the eternal light in the sanctuary.
<i>Caring/Mitzvah Makers Fund</i>	Donations are used by the mitzvah makers.
<i>Chapel Fund</i>	Donations are used to beautify/maintain our sanctuary.
<i>College Fund</i>	Donations are used for our college students to celebrate Jewish holidays via mailings and gifts.
<i>Floral Fund</i>	Donations provide funds for sanctuary flowers.
<i>Friedman Stage Fund</i>	Donations are used for the upkeep of the stage.
<i>General Fund/Gift of Love</i>	Donations are used for the running of our temple.
<i>Goldblatt Fund for the Disabled</i>	Donations are used for adaptive equipment for physically challenged.
<i>Holocaust Memorial Fund</i>	Donations are used to maintain our memorial, provide special youth scholarships & help maintain the Holocaust section of the library.
<i>Lowell Golden Center Fund</i>	Donations are used for mailroom equipment.



Music Fund in Memory of Cantor Walter Lewis

<i>Past President's Fund</i>	Donations are used for special musical events.
<i>Prayer Book Fund</i>	Donations are used to purchase plaques for past presidents.
<i>Rabbi Raab Fund</i>	Donations are used to purchase new prayer books.
<i>School Enrichment</i>	Donations are used for youth programs.
<i>Social Action /Social Justice</i>	Donations used for Jewish education
<i>Rosenheck Memorial Fund</i>	Donations are used to promote social action and justice.
<i>Tallit Fund</i>	Donations used to clean tallit.
<i>Torah Fund</i>	Donations are used to pay for repair of religious articles.
<i>Tot Shabbat Fund</i>	Donations are used for our tiny tots program.
<i>Tzedakah Fund</i>	Donations will be used for Tzedukah.
<i>Youth Activities Com. Fund</i>	Donations are used for our temple youth.
<i>Weinstein (Bernard) Fund</i>	Donations are used for Youth/Conclave.

Special Memorial Funds

Judy Bardavid Fund (gift is given to worthy confirmand)
Stephen Bigman Fund
Harvey Beller Fund (administered by Brotherhood-provides an award to a worthy student)
Harvey Cohen Fund (temple supplies at the discretion of the Cohen Family)
Steven Cohen Fund (temple supplies at the discretion of the Cohen Family)
Edwin Kaminsky Fund
Doris and Ed Kliegman Adult Education Fund (money used for adult education programs)
Matthew Klein Fund
Dr. Pat Kussoy Fund (money used for youth camps, particularly the disabled)
Rose Lowenberg Fund
Rose Mandel Holocaust Fund
Diane Meyrowitz-Greenberg Fund
Ellen Paley Fund
Scherzer Fund-Youth Fund
Helen Solomon Fund (used at discretion of Martin & Elliot Solomon)
Yucht Scholarship Fund (funds are used for a gift for a deserving confirmand)
Zelman Fund
I. Zuckerman Fund

Endowment Funds

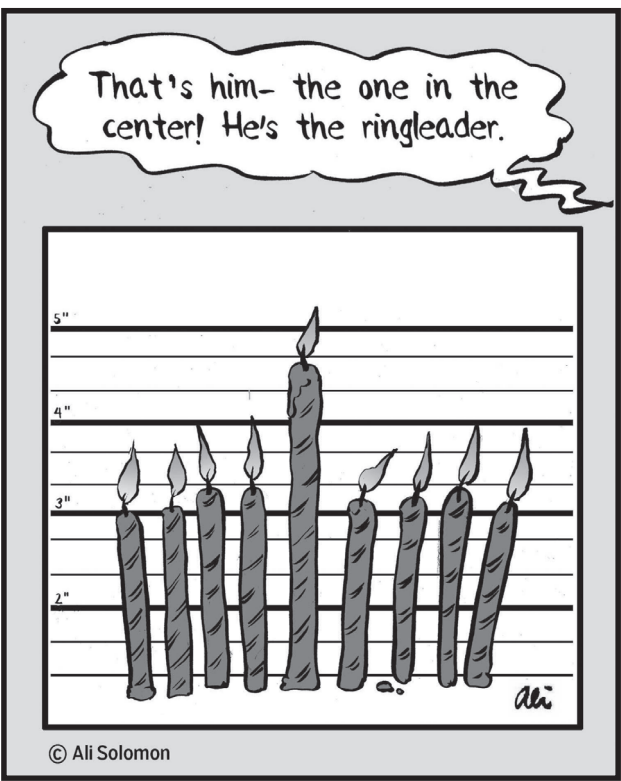
Endowment Fund (originally initiated by legacy TEEM)
Doris and Ed Kliegman Adult Education Fund (money used for adult education programs)



OUR COMMUNITY

Chanukah Quiz
(Answers on page 30)

- 1. True or False: The name “Chanukah” is mentioned in the *Books of the Maccabees*.
- 2. Which of the following is another name for Chanukah? a) Hag ha-Asif; b) Hag ha-Urim; c) Hag ha-Katzir; (d) Hag ha-Aviv.
- 3. How do you fulfill the Chanukah mitzvah of *Pirsum ha-nes*? a) by giving gifts to the poor; b) by eating latkes; c) by playing dreidel; d) by putting your Chanukah menorah by your window or doorway.
- 4. If a poor person has to make a choice between buying Chanukah candles or buying Shabbat candles, which type has priority?
- 5. Is it permissible for a family to light more than one Chanukah menorah?
- 6. What was the name of the traitorous High Priest who helped Antiochus find ways to undermine Jewish observance before the Hasmonean revolt? a) Yohanan; b) Holofernes; c) Menelaus; d) Mattathais
- 7. What does the dreidel player do when the letter shin is showing on the dreidel? a) nothing; b) he or she takes the whole “pot;” c) he or she takes half the “pot;” d) he or she puts one object into the “pot.”
- 8. What food is traditionally eaten at Chanukah in honor of Judith, who contributed to the Hasmonean victory by killing General Holofernes? a) nuts; b) dates; c) coin-shaped chocolates wrapped in gold foil; d) cheese.



OUR COMMUNITY



Brotherhood/Men’s Club
EYEGLASS COLLECTION

Recycle your old, useable eyeglasses, reading glasses and sunglasses and help provide others with the gift of improved sight!



Refractive errors can be easily corrected with eyeglasses, yet millions living in low- and middle-income countries lack access to basic eye care services. The Lions Club has recognized the urgent need for corrective lenses and collect usable glasses in their communities to support the Lions Recycle for Sight Program.

Look for the collection box in the Temple lobby
For information contact: Richard Tepper at richardtepper@hotmail.com



Sisterhood Catering Services

Let Sisterhood cater your next Temple event! Professional service and delicious food!

Choose from four “kosher-style” menu options.

For more information, contact Judy Adler at: adlerju01@yahoo.com or 513-9228



TZEDAKAH

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In honor of:

TBT tree planting initiative from

The Silverman Family

TBT tree planting initiative from

Helen & Harvey Rock

TBT tree planting initiative from

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SOCIAL ACTION FUND

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Roberta Raymond from TBT Bingo

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Esta Regent from Rita Hofer

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Benjamin Sussman from Ruth Sussman

In appreciation of:

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Betty Weinstein, mother of Naomi Berman,

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Alvin Gershoff, father of Walter Gershoff

Kenneth Schantz, husband of Dorothy Schantz



YAHREZEITS

Fanny Noll from Richard & Francine Tepper

Benjamin Dick from Karen Friedlander

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Rosaline Solomon from Rita & Harvey Drucker

Morris Okon from The Okon Family

Steven Portnoy from JoAnn & Lloyd Portnoy

Norma Drucker from Marty & Carol Drucker

Jack Cohen from Gail Cohen

Rose Lowenberg from Rabbi Albert Lowenberg

Claire Konigsberg from Freyda & Warren Kolinsky

Leonard Emmerman from Phyllis Biernick

Martin Gerhardt from William Bardavid

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Kimmie Maus from Kathy & Tom Maus

Girly Maus from Kathy & Tom Maus

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Chanukah Quiz Answers

- 1. False
2. b) Hag ha-Urim (the holiday of light)
3. d) by putting your Chanukah menorah by your window or doorway. (Pirsum ha-nes means "publicizing the miracle.")
4. Shabbat candles. According to the fourth-century scholar Rava, they take priority because they are essential for domestic peace. (He said, however, that Chanukah candles have priority over wine for kiddush.)
5. Yes. Many families use one menorah for each member of the household.
6. c) Menelaus
7. He or she puts one object (usually a coin or a nut) into the "pot."
8. d) cheese (Judith lulled Holofernes to sleep by feeding him a dairy dish.)

(from "The All New Jewish Quiz Book" - Barbara Spector)



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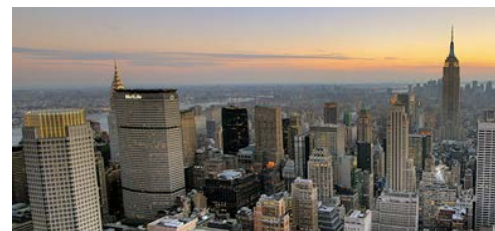


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