



# TEMPLE BETH ABRAHAM Bulletin

## ► SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1**

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service  
11:00am Jake Rauer, son of Brian and Jillian Rauer, will be called to the Torah as a *Bar Mitzvah*

### **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7**

6:00pm 4th Grade Family Shabbat and Chanukah Dinner  
7:00pm 4th Grade Family Shabbat Service with Visual *Tefilah* and Light1 Candle Kickoff

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8**

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service with *Kiddush*

### **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14**

7:30pm Shabbat Services with Torah Reading and ZEETY Shabbat

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15**

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service with *Kiddush*

### **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21**

6:00pm Reform Shabbat Services  
7:30pm Reform Shabbat Services

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22**

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service

### **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28**

7:30pm Reform Shabbat Services

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29**

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service with *Kiddush*

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The lights of the *chanukiah* come to cheer us, and to remind us of what is possible, and what is important.

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## From Rabbi Holtz's Study



### Dear Friends,

It takes a lot to get someone to start a war on their own turf. It means death for at least some of your own people; it means the destruction of infrastructure. In short, a war in your own territory means a lot of pain and suffering for everyone, so you'd better have a really good reason for starting one. I imagine that you have to be really mad, or really scared, or both. I think the Maccabees were both.

I know what they were mad about. They were mad that Antiochus and his soldiers had desecrated the Temple in Jerusalem by placing a statue of Zeus inside and demanding that the Jews sacrifice pigs on the altar there. Our ancestors were a people who took their religion very seriously, and this kind of insult could not go unanswered. The Middle East hasn't changed very much since then.

But there's answering, and then there's answering. As mad as the Maccabees were, it's not at all clear to me that the action of Antiochus was worth starting a war over. Kings come and go. What one did, another might undo. A little patience might have saved a lot of bloodshed. So I think there was more than being mad – Mattathias and his followers were scared.

They were scared that their religion and their world were changing right before their eyes. Well before Antiochus and his statue, there was a significant piece of the Jewish population that was embracing Greek culture – Hellenism – and all that it entailed. These folks welcomed not only some of the Hellenistic rituals, but also the Hellenistic mindset, one which valued the physical over the spiritual, the body over the soul, strength of body over firmness of conviction.

I believe that the Maccabees were scared not simply of losing the Temple, but of losing all of the values that made – and continue to make – Judaism a light to the nations. They fought – literally – for what they believed in. Their military victories and the rededication of the Temple served not just the parochial interest of restoring a house of worship; they also served to renew and reinforce the Maccabees' belief in and commitment to the prophetic values that make Judaism so powerful. The Maccabees left a legacy which we continue to honor when we light the Chanukah candles.

Every group, even every generation is angry about something and also afraid of something. We have seen it worldwide over the past few years, as fear of globalization and anger at the powers that be have led to political shake-ups and a surge of populism. These in turn have led to rising fear of violence, and anger at what many see as an abandonment of American ideals.

If you have been feeling an increased sense of fear, or anger, or general unease, I encourage you to see a beacon of hope in the symbols of Chanukah. Lighting candles will not make everything better. But, at the darkest time of the year, when our darkest fears seem most tangible, the lights of the *chanukiah* come to cheer us, and to remind us of what is possible, and what is important. As you light the candles, look around you. Give thanks for all your blessings, for despite our fears and our realities, we have been well and truly blessed.

*L'shalom,*

Rabbi David Holtz



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# Notes from Cantor Margot E.B. Goldberg

## Shalom and Happy Chanukah!

During that unexpected, chaotic snow storm in early November, my Facebook newsfeed was filled with folks blaming the messy snow on eager folks who began decorating for Christmas even before Thanksgiving had arrived. Although I don't think the snow storm was caused by people's zealotness to decorate, I don't understand what the rush is about and why everyone is in such a hurry.

Pharmacies change their seasonal aisle display from one holiday to the next before the prior holiday is even over. The catalogues and store windows are advertising the next season of clothing even before we are at the halfway point of the season we're in at that moment. Why is everyone in such a hurry?

The bookstores (or I should say Amazon because there are so few bookstores remaining), seem to think that they might have the answer to what's the rush. That is, the shelves filled with books on mindfulness and spirituality. What does all of it even mean? I believe at minimum, mindfulness and spirituality are about slowing down, taking time to smell the roses, being in the moment, and feeling connected with whomever is most important to you. So how do we achieve this experience while still rushing around and multi-tasking? The answer is that we can't and we shouldn't try! Our co-workers, clients, friends, and family need our attention; our bodies, minds, and souls also need our attention.

As Chanukah approaches we have a built in opportunity to try and slow down and take time for ourselves and our loved ones. The *minhag* (custom) is to resist work while the *chanukiah* (menorah) is lit. Imagine sitting around the *chanukiah* and chatting or eating a lovely dinner or just taking time to breathe. Chanukah is the celebration of our freedom to pray and live as we choose. Although it is true that the Maccabees were fighting for religious freedom, maybe we can view it today as the freedom to resist multi-tasking, to take time to be mindful, and to carve out the time we need to relax and rededicate ourselves.

The Christmas decorations are beautiful and I will miss them when they are put away after New Year's. However, there is a time and place for everything – and I don't want to be rushed. I have spent the last few years working towards paying more attention to myself: to be mindful of the foods I eat, how many days a week I exercise, and how much time I spend with my family. I've discovered it is an amazing way for me to be more productive. When I am mindful, I don't rush or multi-task and get far more accomplished and am happier all around. I would urge you to make time for yourself this Chanukah season. Join with family and friends to light the *chanukiah* each night and spend time enjoying the glow of the light and the company of whomever you are with.

All of the *Chanukah* blessings, as well as some other helpful information can be found within this bulletin. You just need to provide the time!

Happy Chanukah to all!

*L'shalom,*

Cantor Margot E.B. Goldberg

# Disney TBA PURIM

Calling all singers, actors,  
musicians and comedians!  
It's going to be a Disney Purim!  
Open casting calls are on:

Sunday, December 9 at  
11:15am for 3rd-6th graders

Monday, December 10 at  
8:15pm for adults and teens



No previous experience necessary!  
Contact Cantor Margot and let her  
know you are interested!  
914-631-1770 or cantor@tba-ny.org

## TORAH READING

December 1	Vayeishev Genesis 37:1-40:23
December 7-8	Mikeitz Genesis 41:1-44:17
December 14-15	Vayigash Genesis 44:18-47:27
December 21-22	Va-y'chi Genesis 47:28-50:26
December 28-29	Sh'mot Exodus 1:1-6:1

## CANDLE LIGHTING

Friday, December 7	4:08pm
Friday, December 14	4:09pm
Friday, December 21	4:11pm
Friday, December 28	4:16pm



## BRIDGES

A proud history...a new  
vision...invest now in our  
Temple's future!

A robust endowment will allow us to innovate and try new, bold approaches that honor and expand upon our rich traditions, and remain on the cutting edge of American worship and spiritual communities.

For information about how to get involved or to make a gift, contact Campaign Chair Gayle Aaron at bridges@tba-ny.org or call Stuart Skolnick at the Temple.

**DEADLINE FOR ADS: FEBRUARY 8, 2019**

## TBA PURIM SHPIELBILL 2019

### Purchase an Ad for Disney Shpiel

Honor your favorite Purim Shpiel Cast Member, and help supplement the Purim budget to ensure proper sound and accompaniment

#### AVAILABLE AD SIZES AND PRICES

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#### Order Form

All ads 1/8 or 1/4 page can be in a word document. All other type of ads should be in a PDF or jpeg format. We can help design an ad for you if you supply the words

**E-mail to:** Irene at [clergyassistant@tba-ny.org](mailto:clergyassistant@tba-ny.org). **In Subject:** AD FOR SHPIELBILL

**Mail check to:** Temple Beth Abraham, 25 Leroy Ave., Tarrytown, NY 10591

**Attention:** Irene Clergy Coordinator

E-mail address

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Size of ad:  list  1/8  1/4  1/2  full  inside front  inside back  outside back

Format:  Word Doc.  PDF file  JPEG file

**DEADLINE FOR ADS: FEBRUARY 8, 2019**

**In observance of the  
holidays at the end of  
the month, the Office  
will be closed**

**Monday, December 24,  
Tuesday, December 25,  
Monday, December 31,  
and Tuesday, January 1.**



# Chanukah Concert

*Benjamin Gruder, Conductor*

**Sunday, December 16, 2018**

**11:30 a.m.**

Shames JCC on the Hudson  
371 South Broadway  
Tarrytown, NY

FOR TICKETS AND INFORMATION,  
VISIT [WWW.KOLRINAHCHORALE.ORG](http://WWW.KOLRINAHCHORALE.ORG)  
OR CALL (914) 243-9059

# SHABBAT SHIRAH The Sabbath of Song also honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



**Friday, January 18 7:30pm**

## Projected Friday night visual *T'filah* services are easy to follow!

**December 7**

**January 18** Shabbat Shirah, MLK

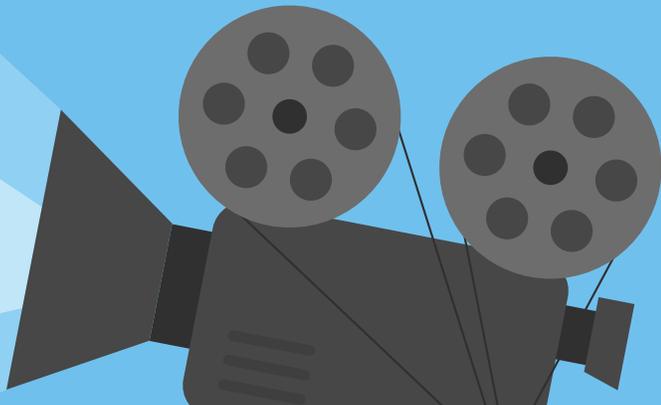
**February 8** Torah Reading

**March 29**

**April 26** 8th day of Passover

**May 31** Broadway Shabbat, Chai Plus

**June 14** Board Installation



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Find Your Summer Program!

# DON'T KNOW WHAT YOUR SUMMER PLANS ARE YET?

## LET'S FIND THE RIGHT FIT FOR YOU!

TALK TO STESSA PEERS, OUR YOUTH DIRECTOR, ABOUT THE  
**OVER 400 JEWISH SUMMER PROGRAMS**  
AVAILABLE TO YOU!

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO FIND A TIME TO CHAT,  
EMAIL STESSA AT [YOUTHDIRECTOR@TBA-NY.ORG](mailto:YOUTHDIRECTOR@TBA-NY.ORG)





## BRIDGES

**Connecting Our  
Rich Tradition to a  
Vibrant Future**

Levin/Brown, our very capable architects, and the Bridges Building Task Force have been working hard to move our building project forward. The plan calls for a significant amount of additional space. This includes expanding lobby space by more than fivefold. Additional meeting/general purpose space increases by more than 1,000 square feet. We will have significant attractive areas for public and private events.

Of great importance is that security will be greatly improved. Entry doors are stronger, and better controlled. The relocation of our administrative offices will enable greater vigilance over all entry points. Enhanced camera surveillance will help provide early warning of potential intruders. Please be aware that in the interim, the TBA House Committee is taking action to improve our security.

We expect to finalize plans in the next few months and will then schedule a meeting for congregants to see how our TBA home will better serve us all.

Thanks to our members who continue to support our Bridges campaign. You can learn more about the campaign or make a pledge by visiting the TBA website <http://tba-ny.org/bridges/>

– Task Force Co-chairs Stuart Kolbert, Roy Solomon

**Friday night DRUMMING  
Reform Family Shabbat Service  
FEBRUARY 1 AT 7:00PM**



**ZEETY**  
**TEEN SHABBAT AND SHUL IN**

**TEEN CREATED, TEEN DEVELOPED, TEEN INSPIRED, AND TEEN LED.**

**SERVICE\*: DECEMBER 14 AT 7:30pm**  
**SHUL IN: FOLLOWING SERVICES —**  
**DECEMBER 15 AT 9:00am**

**CONTACT [YOUTHDIRECTOR@TBA-NY.ORG](mailto:YOUTHDIRECTOR@TBA-NY.ORG) FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO RSVP FOR SHUL IN**

**\*TEENS MEET AT 7:00PM**  
**SERVICES BEGIN AT 7:30PM**

**SHUL IN COST: \$18.00 per Teen**



**Invest in Israeli companies!**  
**Learn about Israeli innovation!**

**Our unique investment club is now 5 years old!**

**Support Israel!**

**Forthcoming meeting is December 12.** Shekelvestors, our Israel Investment Club, meets every 2nd Wednesday evening at 8:00pm in Room 13. Interested in finding out about us? Then join us for a meeting! Email us at [Shekelvestors@tba-ny.org](mailto:Shekelvestors@tba-ny.org).



## JOIN US!

Sundays 9:30-11:00am  
in the TBA Library  
December 2  
February 10

Tikkun Olam would like to help you make your idea happen! Are you passionate about a cause? Please plan to attend our next meeting or reach us with ideas and get on our mailing list at [TikkunOlam@tba-n-y.org](mailto:TikkunOlam@tba-n-y.org). We are looking forward to a great year filled with meaningful social action. We hope you'll join us.

– Melissa Baer, Andrea White

Just hours after the shootings in Pittsburgh, we gathered for Mitzvah Day, an opportunity to come together as a community and do what we could to bring about Tikkun Olam. Feeling helpless in the wake of this massacre, Mitzvah Day gave us time to be together and to be busy. It was a successful day of repairing the world, but also a successful day of repairing our hearts just a bit from the previous day's events.

There was nothing at that moment that we could do for the community of Squirrel Hill but we could make soup for our local community to feed those who

are hungry, we could take the stars of retired American flags and show veterans that they are important, we could create a greeting card to brighten the day of an elderly person shut in at home, and we could load backpacks full of school supplies to help a child be prepared for a day of learning.

And, thanks to some last minute creativity by our Tikkun Olam team, we could send a postcard of condolence and support to a community similar to ours who are in a state of unbelievable mourning. Mitzvah Day came on a day when we needed it most.

– Cantor Margot E.B. Goldberg

**Tikkun Olam would not exist without u.  
Thank you for your time, experience,  
donations and ideas.**

### TBA FALL MITZVAH DAY

Thank you to those who donated supplies and coats and to those who joined us. Together we made a difference!

#### WE MADE

300 "Stars for Our Troops" packets  
25 Gift Bags for Hope's Door  
90 Postcards for Tree of Life\*Or L'Simcha  
60 Cards for DOROT Westchester  
100 Soup in a Jar kits  
(including 100 cans of tomatoes to make 100 meals)  
90 Backpacks for *La Asociación de Familias Hispanas de los Tarrytowns*

### Crafts For A Cause

Select Fridays at TBA  
10:30am –12:00pm  
Friday, December 14

We make beautiful things for various causes and at the same time have fun knitting together. We are knitting red baby hats for babies with cardiac problems.

We have supplies for you to use, but any donations of yarn and knitting needles are always appreciated.

For information, please email Joyce Licker at [craftsforacause@tba-n-y.org](mailto:craftsforacause@tba-n-y.org)



## Did you know your synagogue has its own social worker?

Thanks to a generous grant from UJA Federation of New York, and administered by Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS), the Partners in Caring (PIC) social worker is available to meet the mental health needs of employees, congregants and members. Your PIC social worker is **Jennifer Convissor**, a licensed clinical social worker (LCSW) with extensive experience in individual counseling and group-work with every age group from preschoolers to senior citizens.

She is based out of the Shames JCC on the Hudson, but can travel to your synagogue or other convenient location.

Please contact Jennifer for counseling, crisis intervention, or community referrals. The PIC grant allows for up to three confidential sessions free of cost. Please also consider reaching out to Jennifer to help develop therapeutic groups of any kind, including psycho-educational, wellness related, or specific lifestyle-related support groups. Contact her via phone or email.

Jennifer Convissor, LCSW  
914-366-7898 x 1162  
jconvissor@shamesjcc.org  
371 South Broadway, Tarrytown, NY



## “LIGHT ONE CANDLE”

**LIGHT ONE CANDLE** gives the power to purchase gifts to parents. Your \$20.00 donation becomes a coupon that *La Asociación* parents purchase for \$5.00. With the \$25.00, parents shop for gifts at A Nu Toy Store on Main Street in Tarrytown.

*It's a wonderful way to share the spirit of the holidays with families in need.*

### DONATIONS are needed!

- Send in cash or a check to TBA with LOC in the memo by Dec. 28
- Visit our table at Shabbat Family/Chanukah services on Dec. 7
- Visit [tba-n-y.org/light-one-candle](http://tba-n-y.org/light-one-candle) to donate.
- Holiday wrapping paper donations are also needed. Please drop them off at TBA by Dec. 16 (Families will be shopping on December 17, 18 and 20)

*There are about 100 children that need gifts. Help us meet our fundraising goal of \$3,000 to support them all.*

*Thank you for your generosity and helping to make the holidays happy for many families in our community.*



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Gathering for Mitzvah Day – an opportunity to come together as a community and do what we could to bring about Tikkun Olam.





# FAMILY SHABBAT AND DINNER FRIDAY, JANUARY 4

DINNER AT 6:00PM  
FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE AT 7:00PM

The main course is chicken. You may have pasta instead if requested at the time reservations are made. Dinners are by reservation only and will be accepted by mail along with your check. Your check will be your reservation. Please note that reservations will not be taken over the phone or after the deadline. Please make your check payable to TBA and return by Friday, December 28.

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## JANUARY 4 FAMILY SHABBAT DINNER

Adults \$15.00; Children 2-12 \$10.00

number of chicken dinners: \_\_\_\_ adult \_\_\_\_ child

number of pasta dinners: \_\_\_\_ adult \_\_\_\_ child

\_\_\_\_\_ name

\_\_\_\_\_ phone

\_\_\_\_\_ amount of check enclosed

הַלְלוּהוּ בְּתוֹף וּמְחוֹל

*Hal'luhu b'tof umachol*

*Praise God with drum and dance*



Join Cantor Margot &  
Nadav Snir-Zelniker for  
Friday night DRUMMING  
Reform Shabbat Services

**FEBRUARY 1 AT 7:00PM**

March 8, April 26, May 31, June 21 at 7:30pm

### Phelps Hospital Needs You!

Do you have four hours to spare a week? Want to feel good about giving back to the community and helping your neighbors? How about becoming a Phelps Hospital Volunteer! Come reap the rewards that only volunteering can offer. We have openings in many areas of the hospital – there is one just right for you. Please call the Volunteer Services at (914) 366-3170 or visit our Web site to complete an online application: [www.phelpshospital.org](http://www.phelpshospital.org)

## TBA Family ▶

The following events reflect the known sorrows and *simchas* of our TBA Family.

### Mazel Tov to:

Clergy Coordinator **Irene and Jonathan Metz** on the marriage of their son Joshua to Lauren Lipton  
Administrative Assistant **Stacey and Corey Notrica** on the *Bat Mitzvah* of their daughter Lucy

### Condolences to:

**Rabbi Allison Berlinger** on the death of her father Robert Rosenblith  
**Linda and Stephen Gerstman** on the death of their friend Dr. Stephen Wilensky  
**David Glickhouse** on the death of his cousin Ross Bergman

## Donations ▶

### Annual Appeal 18-19

**Joel Zive and Janet Rothholz**  
**Marvin and Joyce Jeshiva**

### Bridges

**Barbara Barak** in honor of the engagement of Eric Seti to Lindsay Jacobs  
**Barbara Krueger** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin  
**Bernard Tolpin and Elizabeth Ross** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin  
**Carole Eagle** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin  
**David Helfand and Ina Bearak Helfand** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin  
**Dr. and Mrs. Scott Cutler** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin  
**Dyane Kreisler** in loving memory of Mel Kreisler

**Ellen Greenberg** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Floyd and Alice Lehrhaupt** in loving memory of our cousin, Joel Frankel

**Gary and Farron Roboff** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Howard Jacobowitz and Patti Potash** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Jerry and Marla Peers** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Pearl Ann Schwartz** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Raj and April Daryanani** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Richard and Donna Fleming** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Roy and Bunny Solomon** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Ruth Biloon** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Sheldon and Susan Manspeizer** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Stanley and Harryette Helsel** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Tedd and Debra Drattell** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Yvonne Chan** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

### Building Security Fund

**Robert and Kristen Clarfeld** in loving memory of the eleven Jews who were murdered in Pittsburgh

### Cantor's Discretionary Fund

**Jerald and Gayle Seti** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Norman and Melissa Jacobson** in loving memory of Elliot Jacobson

### Conservative Kiddush Fund

**Neil and Wendy Bruckner** in appreciation of Joel Frankel

**Jonathan and Susan Cember** in honor of our 36th Wedding Anniversary

**Richard and Diane Lane** in honor of and in loving memory of Diane's father, Hy Ginsberg

**Neil and Wendy Bruckner** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Norman and Melissa Jacobson** in loving memory of Elliot Jacobson

**Richard and Diane Lane** in loving memory of Joel Frankel

**Richard and Diane Lane** in loving memory of Sanford Bruckner



*The Adult Ed and Membership Committees at Temple Beth Abraham invite you an evening of*

## **Olives and Grapes**

*Taste boutique olives oils and vinegars, learn how to use them to prepare savory and sweet dishes, and enjoy select wines and cheeses. This hands-on cooking and tasting event is presented by experts from The Blue Olive, an artisanal purveyor of fine oils and vinegars in the Hudson Valley.*

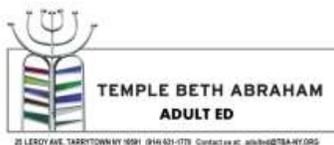
**Saturday, February 9, 7:30pm**

**TBA Members: \$10.00 (\$15.00 at the door)**

**Guests: \$15.00 (\$20.00 at the door)**

Sign up on EventBrite: <http://bit.ly/TBA-tasting>

Or call the Temple Office: (914) 631-1770



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## Fran Friedman Fund for the Enrichment of Children

**Jeremy Swerling and Amy Helsel** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Stephen and Linda Gerstman** in loving memory of Kyla Voltner

## Oneg

**Dyane Kreisler** in loving memory of Mel Kreisler

## Pincus Fund

**Stephen and Linda Gerstman** in honor of the recovery of their grandson Declan Fullerton

## Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

**Barbara Barak and family** in loving memory of Sylvia Levine, mother of Barbara Barak and grandmother of Beth and Susan Barak

**Marvin and Ruda Klein** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Marvin and Ruda Klein** in loving memory of Joel Frankel

**Norman and Melissa Jacobson** in loving memory of Elliot Jacobson

**Rodgin and Barbara Cohen** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

## Teacher Appreciation

### Donation

**Cantor Mandi Beckenstein** in honor of the *B'nei Mitzvah* of Brooke and Joshua Loneragan

## Temple Fund

**Daniel Roboff and Emily Duncan** in appreciation of the High Holyday services

**Pamela Zimmer** in appreciation of the 4th Grade *Mitzvah* Project

**Justin Forester** in honor of his *Bar Mitzvah* at TBA and in appreciation of Rabbi, Cantor, and the TBA community

**Allen and Isabel Lubchansky** in loving memory of Seymour Lubchansky

**Amy Levine** in loving memory of Elliot Jacobson

**Bob and Marilyn Harris** in loving memory of Joel Frankel

**Bob and Marilyn Harris** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Burton and Helaine Fendelman** in loving memory of Joel Frankel

**Dyane Kreisler** in loving memory of Donald Levy, brother of Pearl Ann Schwartz

**Eva Fischer** in loving memory of my dear husband, Robby Fischer

**Eva Fischer** in loving memory of Joel Frankel

**Eva Fischer** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Gail Mendell** in loving memory of Joel Frankel

**Gail Mendell** in loving memory of Lt. Col. Martin Gallin

**Hanan and Julie Gur** in loving memory of Norman Feinberg, father of Julie Gur

**Henry Leung** in loving memory of Joel Frankel

**Herb and Melissa Baer** in loving memory of Elliot Jacobson, father of Norman Jacobson

**Herb and Melissa Baer** in loving memory of Joel Frankel, father of Risa Swersey

**Herb and Melissa Baer** in loving memory of Donald Levy, brother of Pearl Ann Schwartz

**Howard Jacobowitz and Patti Potash** in loving memory of Joel Frankel

**Jimmy Ching** in loving memory of Joel Frankel

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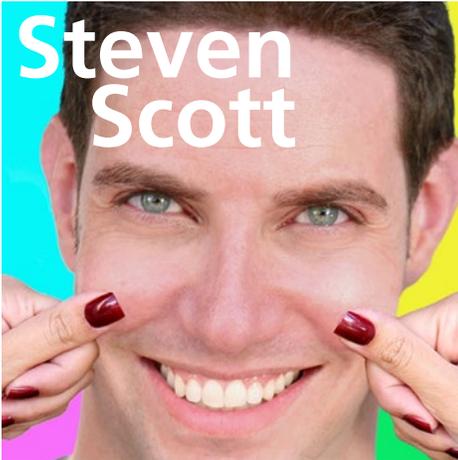
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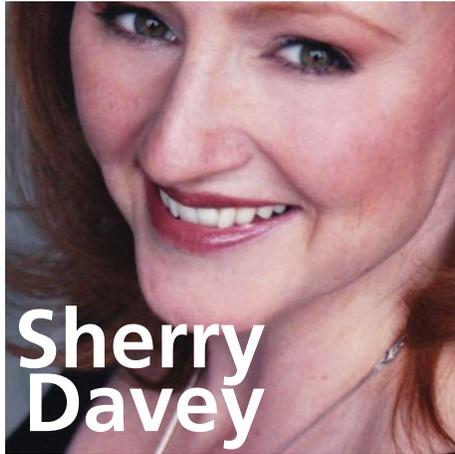
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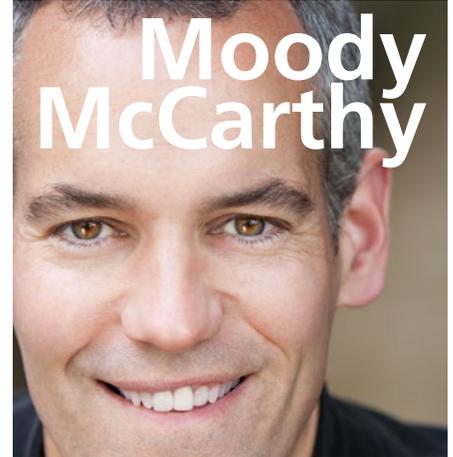
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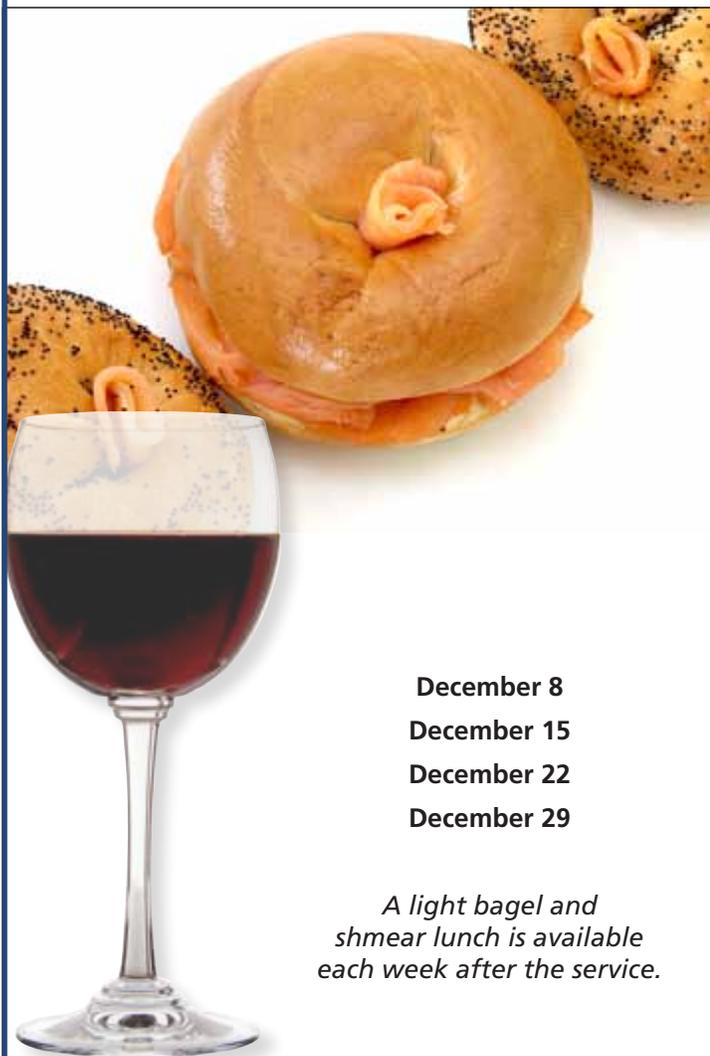
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# Chanukah Candle Lighting Guide

Chanukah lasts for 8 nights, and on each night, we light one more candle than the night before. Arrange the lights in your *chanukiyah* each night starting with the rightmost branches, and the *shamash* (helper) light in its place.

Place the *chanukiyah* where many people can see it, ideally near a window or door.

(On the Shabbat of Chanukah, kindle the Chanukah lights first and then the Shabbat candles.)

Light the *Shamash* - the helper candle - first using it to kindle the rest of the Chanukah lights; say or sing:

## Chanukah 2018



Night 1  
Sunday  
Dec. 2



Night 2  
Monday  
Dec. 3



Night 3  
Tuesday  
Dec. 4



Night 4  
Wednesday  
Dec. 5



Night 5  
Thursday  
Dec. 6



Night 6  
Friday  
Dec. 7



Night 7  
Saturday  
Dec. 8



Night 8  
Sunday  
Dec. 9

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם  
אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנוּכָּה.  
*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam,  
asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tsivanu l'hadlik ner shel Chanukah.*  
Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Ruler of the world,  
who sanctifies us with mitzvot, commanding us to kindle  
the Chanukah lights.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם  
שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בַּיָּמֵן הַזֶּה.  
*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam,  
she-asah nisim laavoteinu v'imoteinu  
bayamim hahaeim baz'man hazeh.*  
Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Ruler of the world,  
who performed wondrous deeds for our ancestors in days of old  
at this season.

For first night only:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם  
שֶׁהֵחַיָנוּ וְקִיְמָנוּ וְהִגַּעְנוּ לַיָּמֵן הַזֶּה.  
*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam,  
shehecheyanu v'kiy'manu v'higianu laz'man hazeh.*  
Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Ruler of the world,  
for giving us life, for sustaining us, and for enabling us  
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# TBA Calendar December 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>2</b> Chanukah - 1st Candle 9:30-11:00am Tikun Olam Meeting 11:00am Seasons Meeting 9:00-11:00am Religious School (K-6) with 5th Grade Family Ed</p>	<p><b>3</b> Chanukah - 2nd Candle 1:00pm Mah Jongg 4:30pm Religious School (4th/5th) 6:15pm Religious School High School (7th-12th) 7:30pm Bridges Task Force</p>	<p><b>4</b> Chanukah - 3rd Candle 7:30pm Board of Education Meeting</p>	<p><b>5</b> Chanukah - 4th Candle 10:00am Tanakh Study Group 4:30pm Religious School (6th/7th) 7:00-9:45pm Israeli Dance</p>	<p><b>6</b> Chanukah - 5th Candle</p>	<p><b>7</b> Chanukah - 6th Candle 6:00pm 4th Grade Family Shabbat and Chanukah Dinner 7:00pm 4th Grade Family Shabbat Service-Light Candle Kickoff/Visual T'filah</p>	<p><b>Dec 1</b> 9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service 11:00am Jake Rauer Bar Mitzvah 7:00pm Movie Mavens</p>
<p><b>9</b> Chanukah - 8th Candle 9:00-11:00am Religious School (K-6) Chanukah Celebration 10:00am Sunday Funday 3:00-5:00pm RJC Event (Chanukah Party) at the Shames JCC</p>	<p><b>10</b> Chanukah - 8th Day 1:00pm Mah Jongg 4:30pm Religious School (4th/5th) 6:15pm Religious School High School (7th-12th)</p>	<p><b>11</b> Chanukah - 8th Day 6:30pm Committee Chair Meeting 7:30pm Board of Trustees Meeting</p>	<p><b>12</b> Chanukah - 8th Day 10:00am Tanakh Study Group 4:30pm Religious School (6th/7th) 6:45pm Israel Committee Meeting 8:00-10:00pm Shekelvestors</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b> Chanukah - 8th Day 10:30am Crafts for a Cause 7:30pm Shabbat Services with Torah Reading 7:30pm ZEETY Shabbat 9:00pm ZEETY Shul-In</p>	<p><b>15</b> 9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service w/Kiddush 5:00pm-12:00am 6th Grade BBM Workshop II and Shul-In</p>
<p><b>16</b> 12:00am-6:00am 8th Grade Shul In 9:00-11:00am Religious School (K-6) / No 6th Grade</p>	<p><b>17</b> 1:00pm Mah Jongg 4:30pm Religious School (4th/5th) 6:15pm Religious School High School (7th-12th)</p>	<p><b>18</b> 7:00pm Books@Night 8:00pm Ritual Committee Meeting</p>	<p><b>19</b> 10:00am Tanakh Study Group 4:30pm Religious School (6th/7th) 7:00-9:45pm Israeli Dance 7:30pm Financial Committee Meeting</p>	<p><b>20</b></p>	<p><b>21</b> 6:00pm Reform Shabbat Services 7:30pm Reform Shabbat Services</p>	<p><b>22</b> 9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service</p>
<p><b>23</b> No Religious School - Winter Recess</p>	<p><b>24</b> No Religious School - Winter Recess Office Closed</p>	<p><b>25</b> Office Closed</p>	<p><b>26</b> No Religious School - Winter Recess 7:00-9:45pm Israeli Dance</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b> 7:30pm Reform Shabbat Services</p>	<p><b>29</b> 9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service with Kiddush</p>
<p><b>30</b> No Religious School - Winter Recess</p>	<p><b>31</b> No Religious School - Winter Recess Office Closed</p>					



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