

MONTHLY BULLETIN

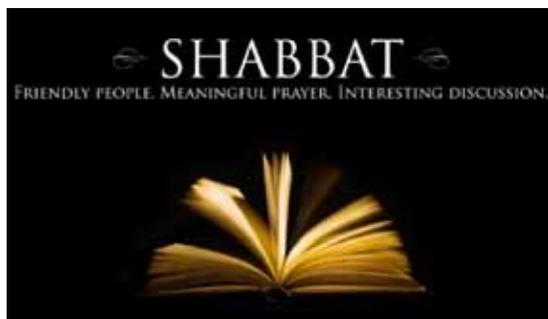
December/January 2019/20 * Kislev/Tevet/Sh'vat * 5780



Happy Chanukah!!

Chanukah Service and Dinner
December 20
(see back cover for details)

*Remember to bring your
menorah and candles.*



SHABBAT
FRIENDLY PEOPLE. MEANINGFUL PRAYER. INTERESTING DISCUSSION.

Saturdays, January 11 & February 8
Shabbat Morning Service

Join us for Morning Services led by
Rabbi Looper at 9:30 a.m.

Dear friends,

As I write, Thanksgiving is a week out. The holidays of Thanksgiving and Christmas are utilized to tap into our deep compassion, to give to causes, and to others that have far less than we. We have reached the time of the year in which we are fed a steady diet of abundant mail and witness a plethora of heart-rending commercials soliciting financial donations. The holidays of Thanksgiving and Christmas are utilized to tap into our deep compassion, to give to causes, and to others that have far less than we. It is necessary. It is also insufficient. Judaism inculcates the value of Tzedakah – of giving – as an obligation. Relying on generous feeling or heartfelt, but limited, concern is never enough. It is easy to give when our stomachs are full; it is easier to give when gifts await us. The model of Jewish giving reminds us that need does not take a holiday, or that it is only of specific interest during limited celebrations. I have long been struck and bothered by the lack of government response to address systemic poverty. I am disturbed when people who are in constant and real need, or who are experiencing hard times, or simply do not earn enough to sufficiently attend to their or family's needs, are roundly ignored and ground down by selfish policy. Our faith commands us to embrace, not to cast out; to respond every day, not occasionally or as the spirit moves us; to act as holy vessels from which our actions bring praise, assent, and emulation.

Judaism is all about habit. Our prayer liturgy is the same every day; additions are introduced during holidays, but nothing is removed. Such structure informs us that our actions need be consistent. This time of year offers up opportunity and presents challenge. Moving forth from the High Holy Days into the winter months, we do well not to hibernate from responsibility, for that which yearly we stand judged. A congregation, at the first congregation I served, always deposited money in the tzedakah box before Friday evening services. He did so, he told me, because his grandfather had always done so. Our family and friends learn generosity from us; they learn the value inherent it. Perhaps we might dedicate ourselves to weekly giving this year, to habituate ourselves, and others, in a manner that carries through the year, and throughout our lives.

B'rav bracha – with abundant blessing,

Rabbi Looper



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Life's Little CELEBRATIONS

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3 Esther Scheuer
8 Jan Hoffman
9 Kenny Capouya
10 Kenneth Wool
10 Barbara Shinpaugh
10 Jamie Loeb Jr.
11 Edward Abraham
13 Rubin Franco
15 Gisele Pirofsky
19 Sharon Berry
21 Shirley Beringer
29 Max Whitney
30 Michael Beringer

DEC ANNIVERSARIES

10..... Buddy & Jo Anne Rouso
10..... Kenneth & Celia Wool
17..... Morris & Leslie Capp
20..... Russell & Sherry Levy
27..... Al & Sharon Benn
29..... Maurice & Peggy Mussafer

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

4 Joe Levin Jr.
5 Lois Weissman
6 Peggy Mussafer
7 Ruth Rosenthal
10 Phillip Golomb
10 Bette Sue Strasburger
12 Elizabeth Wahls
13 Nikki Rothschild
13 Laura Stiller
14 Richard Hanan
16 Morris Capp
22 Monica Kohn
22 Carolyn Rothschild
23 Rita Sabel
26 Herman Franco
28 Diane Weil
30 Maxine Goldner

JAN ANNIVERSARIES

6 Erik & Allison Naprstek
16 Jeff & Robin Blitz
17 Larry & Corinne Capilouto

TORAH TUESDAYS at Temple Beth Or

Torah Tuesdays return on Tuesday's beginning December 3. I invite you to join in a conversation of the week's Torah portion. Meeting in the library, each session will begin at 5:30 pm and will conclude at 6:30 pm. We will read, with curiosity, the Torah text, reference commentary, and consider our own perspectives as we discuss the meaning of the portion. (There will not be sessions on December 24 or 31.)

To allow us enough time for discussion, I ask that you read the Torah portion in advance of each class and note any questions, insights, or challenges with which the text presents you. We will begin with the study of *Vayetze*, Genesis 28:10-32:2. The following week's portion is *Vayishlach*, Genesis 32:3-36:43:9.

The weekly portions can be found online at reformjudaism.org/learning. This will be an ongoing class, pausing only around holiday (Jewish and secular) observance.

The sage *Ben Bag Bag* wrote, "Turn it round and round, for everything is within it." I look forward to sharing in the process of discovery and learning with you.

Rabbi Looper



Take care of yourself,
Take care of your family,
Take care of your Temple.
Please consider adding a charitable bequest to Temple Beth Or in your will to help ensure our future.

Thoughtful Donations

Condolence Fund

In Honor of Turia and the choir for the beautiful music during the High Holidays
by *Lucille Adler*

General Fund

Get Well Gracie Hanchrow
by *Dr. Laurie Weil and Dr. Tommy Wool*

Get Well Micki Looper
by *Dr. Laurie Weil and Dr. Tommy Wool*

In Memory of my beloved wife,
Phyllis G. Franco
by *Rubin A. Franco and Family*

In Memory of Naomi Popkin
by *Bern, Butler, Capilouto and Massey, CPA*

Historical Fund

In Honor of Louisa & Mike Weinrib's
60th Anniversary
by *Betty Ehrlich*

Prayer Book Fund

Speedy Recovery Gracie Hanchrow
by *Celia and Charles Dubin*

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

With gratitude and blessings
by *Barbara and Robert Shinpaugh*

In Honor of the High Holy Days
by *Hanna Berger*

In Honor of Rabbi Looper
by *Marlene and Rick Beringer*

In Honor of Richard Beringer
by *Marcia Goldstein*

YAHARZEITS

To be read December 6

12/05/2019Charles McDaniel
12/06/2019Mose Brownstein
12/06/2019Amelia Strauss Schloss
12/07/2019Nellie Beringer
12/07/2019Eli R. Capouya
12/07/2019Evalyn Rosenberg

To be read December 13

12/08/2019Babs Landau Klein
12/08/2019Charles Max Stiller
12/08/2019Florence M. Wolfson
12/11/2019Rica Cohen
12/11/2019Dr. Leonard Michelson
12/12/2019Harold Jay Coleman, Sr.
12/12/2019Carol Weil
12/12/2019Adolph Weil, Jr.
12/13/2019Arthur Beringer, Sr.
12/13/2019Romie Arthur Berry
12/13/2019Virginia Dorosin

To be read December 20

12/16/2019Berneice Blachschleger
12/18/2019Morris Finkelstein
12/19/2019Thelma B. Monsky
12/19/2019Myron J. Rothschild
12/21/2019Frances Mandell
12/21/2019Jerry Tillinger

To be read December 27

12/22/2019Edward Clein
12/25/2019Adler Rothschild
12/26/2019Anna Caroline Coleman
12/27/2019Joseph Neuman

To be read January 3

12/30/2019Sylvan Robert Cohn
12/31/2019Sylvan Ives
1/03/2020Elise F. Shwarts
1/04/2020Gilso Capilouto
1/04/2020Hobbie Freehling
1/04/2020Adolph Weil, Sr.

To be read January 10

1/05/2020Arthur B. Beringer, Jr.
1/05/2020Morris Levy
1/05/2020Carol W. Rothschild
1/08/2020Diane Dreyfus Abraham
1/10/2020Hermann Berger

To be read January 17

1/12/2020Clara G. Mussafer
1/13/2020Bert C. Weil, Sr.
1/14/2020Aviva Hoffman
1/16/2020Ben Neuman
1/17/2020Bertha S. Abraham
1/17/2020Felice Hanan Cohen
1/18/2020Anne Hutto Levin

To be read January 24

1/19/2020Eli Cohen
1/20/2020Albert Capp
1/20/2020David R. Franco
1/20/2020Irma Levy
1/21/2020Myrtle Kaufman Loeb
1/21/2020Faye Levinson Shum
1/22/2020Jake Feinman
1/22/2020Joseph Hanchrow
1/23/2020Eli Hanan
1/25/2020Henry L. Abraham
1/25/2020Betty Coleman

To be read January 31

1/26/2020Rabbi Eugene
Blachschleger
1/28/2020Simon Goldner
1/28/2020Irving Winter
1/30/2020Irma Endel Spitzer
1/31/2020Isaac Eli Cohen
1/31/2020Herman Levine
2/01/2020Abraham Feinman



*at Temple Beth Or on Friday, December 20.
See details on back cover.*

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings on December 6 and January 3

from the **PRESIDENT**

Many weeks have passed since the High Holidays but this is my first opportunity to “officially” thank Rabbi Looper, Turia, Gina, Marlon, and our able cast of musicians for organizing, planning, practicing, and delivering our membership a complete experience of opportunities to embrace our spirituality in a personal and meaningful way.

I received many comments involving the recent security upgrades we implemented in the weeks leading up to the High Holidays. Most of the comments surrounded our security force upgrade as Temple Leadership decided that we should hire only Montgomery Police Officers to help secure our campus for all worship services, major events, and religion school. Other recent upgrades to our security system include:

- New LED lighting along the building driveways and in the parking lot
- An upgraded video camera system which is monitored by Gina in real time and allows us to record video footage of all activity on our campus on a constant basis
- Upgraded security hardware added to all sanctuary and office doors

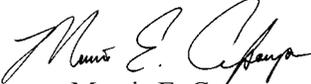
Many of these security improvements were funded by existing Temple Funds which do not impact our annual

operating budget. However, there will be a significant increase in costs attributable to hiring Montgomery Police Officers in lieu of part-time security personnel that will impact our annual operating budget for the foreseeable future.

It is time for all members to start planning how they will personally contribute to our Food Festival and Treasure Market on Sunday, February 26th. We need everyone’s help to make this year’s event another raving success. Whether you can donate items to be sold in the Treasure Market, assist in preparing the food that we will serve, work in some capacity on the day of the event, or donate money to offset some of our expenses, any and all help is greatly appreciated.

Make your plans now... You won’t want to miss our annual Hanukkah dinner scheduled for Friday, December 20th. We will be frying deliciously-fresh potato latkes on our own special latke griddle. Dinner will be preceded by a brief Shabbat Service. Call Gina to make your reservations today.

Finally, please join me in congratulating Marlon Cotton on 10 years of service and commitment to Temple Beth Or. We will honor Marlon during our service on Friday, December 6th and celebrate this achievement with him during a reception in his honor after services. Congratulations, Marlon!


Morris E. Capouya

Photos from High Holy Days & Simchat Torah Services



SISTERHOOD

Sisterhood Shabbat is February 7, and we are fortunate to have Brooke and Breanna Bennett, 12-year-old twins who started WIT, Inc. as our speakers. Women in Training, Inc's purpose is a public charity to teach young women about menstruation and provide the items necessary during menses. "Period poverty" is an issue that affects 1 in 5 American girls and millions of women worldwide, and these girls started a WITKITS campaign to provide supplies to at-risk girls in middle and high schools.

Please help support this project by dropping off contributions at temple at the Sisterhood Shabbat, or any time beforehand. Items requested are:

WIT KIT items needed:

Menstrual sanitary products
Deodorant, lotion, body spray,
body wash, loofahs
Shampoo, conditioner
Socks
Love notes
Beaded or cowrie shell bracelets
Journals and pens
Magazines, books

Thank you for your contribution, see you on February 7!

Mae Cohen
Sisterhood President

L'CHAIM LEAGUE

Words of Wisdom Discussion Group is on Sunday, December 1st at 2 p.m. at Waterford Assisted Living (3920 Antoinette Drive).

This exciting program allows our homebound community members to join us in lively discussion led by Rabbi Kramer. Light refreshments will be served. Rabbi Kramer will lead us in a light-hearted topics from our pasts. We will gather to talk about our favorite remembrances of our families and other fond memories. All members of AI*EA and Temple Beth Or are welcome at this gathering.

Make your reservations now for a seat on the chartered bus to the Hanukkah Bazaar at Or Veshalom in Atlanta on Sunday, December 8. The cost is \$40 per person. We will depart from the Fresh Market parking lot that morning at 6 a.m. with a return at 5 p.m. Not only do they bake for an entire year for this event, but there are over 100 vendors that sell merchandise. RESERVATION DEADLINE: December 1. Limited Seating.

Mark your calendars for the CHANUKAH LUNCHEON on Monday, December 23 at Sinclair's on Vaughn Road at 12 p.m. Cost is \$16 per person. Please join us for this annual and festive occasion in the downstairs private room. Mail check to L'Chaim League, 2246 Narrow Lane Road, 36106. Reservations close on Tuesday,

December 17.

On Wednesday, January 8 at noon, L'Chaim League will have a Lunch & Presentation at TBO. Esther B. Labovitz and Kathy Hess will talk about Spain and Portugal.

L'Chaim League offers an expansive array of programming and social events. We look forward to seeing you all at any or all of the events.

Linda R Smith
Executive Director
lchaimleague2246@yahoo.com



Rabbi Elliot L. Stevens Kol Ami
Religion School Schedule
Fall Semester at Temple Beth Or, 9:30 a.m.

December 1, No Religion School
December 8, Religion School
December 15, Religion School - followed by Hanukkah Hooplah
December 22, No Religion School - Winter break
December 29, No Religion School - Winter break

School returns to AIEA

January 5, Religion School
January 12, Religion School
January 19, Religion School-MLK Bday
January 26, Religion School
February 2, Religion School
February 9, Religion School - Tu B'Shvat Seder
February 16, Religion School - President's Day
February 23, No Religion School - TBO Food Festival
March 1, Religion School
March 8, Religion School - DST, Purim starts sundown on 3/9; ISJL Fellow
March 15, No Religion School - Spring

Mazel Tov

Mazel Tov to Milt Livingston for being recognized as a Senior of Achievement Recipient for MACOA!

BEDTIME BUNDLES

For the 12th year we will be collecting bedtime items for Child Protect during November and December. Please put your purchases which must be new and unused in the playpen in the Temple lobby beginning in early November.



After coming to Child Protect because they were abused or molested, these boys and girls go into foster care, often with nothing to call their own, according to Director Jannah Bailey. Please be generous for these unfortunate children, who are mostly ages 6-12.

Items wanted are pajamas, pillow cases, socks, underwear, bedtime stories, journals and writing implements, sketchbooks and coloring pencils or crayons, toothpaste and toothbrushes, washcloths, fleece throws, slippers, dolls and toys, combs/brushes/hair ornaments, and anything else you can think of.

If you don't want to shop or are unable to do so, please send a check to the temple office earmarked "for bedtime bundles" and we will be glad to shop for you! Thank you!

Louisa Weinrib
262-6155

Celebrating

10 YEARS

You are cordially invited to a special oneg following Shabbat service on **Friday, December 6, honoring**

Marlon Cotton

for ten years of service with
Temple Beth Or.

Holiday Hours and Information

Gina Friday will be on vacation from December 23 through Tuesday, January 1. The office will be closed on December 23, 24 and 25. Office hours for Thursday and Friday that week will be 9 AM - noon. All efforts will be made to keep the office open and the phones staffed during these hours.

On Friday, December 27, the building will open at 5:30 PM for the 6 PM service.

(Please call Gina if you're willing to volunteer to sit in the office for a 3 hr. shift on Thursday or Friday, December 26 & 27.)



8 Experiential Chanukah Gifts to Teach our children (and grandchildren) about Jewish Values.



They're everywhere these days: ads for toys show up on TV, in shop windows, and throughout your Facebook newsfeed. When you're a parent to kids

who have been mentally compiling their Chanukah wish lists since autumn began, it can be difficult not to get swept up in the consumerism that often accompanies the holiday season.

As a parent of a young child, I want to make sure my child understands that gift-giving is more about the giving than the gift, and that gifts need not be material items. (As New Yorkers in a small apartment, we don't have room for more toys, anyway!) I also want him to learn that Jewish tradition places great value on the family.

Whether we're making latkes together or playing a winner-take-all game of dreidel, Hanukkah offers wonderful opportunities to spend time with those we love. In that spirit, here are eight ideas for Hanukkah gifts that won't collect dust on the shelf and will provide meaningful family experiences and memories for years to come:

1. Go on a trip. When I was growing up, my parents took our family on a trip every year as a Hanukkah present. I remember these wonderful vacations with my siblings much better than I remember the Barbie dolls I received to add to my collection. Travel doesn't have to be expensive; even a day trip to a local park or a museum can be memorable. If you live in an area with different ethnic communities, a trip to Chinatown or Little Italy, for example, can make a fun "travel" day. Hanukkah is a perfect time, too, for a trip to a local Jewish museum or cultural site.

2. Plan an event. Taking your kids to a movie, play, or sporting event of their choice can be a bonding experience and give kids something to look forward to and remember well beyond the holiday's end. Round out the day by having your kids pick their favorite place for lunch or dinner, and end with some delicious *sufganiyot* and a game of dreidel at home.

3. Buy a family membership. Memberships to museums, zoos, JCCs, and other local attractions and organizations are a great way for families to learn and play together on a regular basis throughout the year.

4. Take a class. Education is the gift that keeps giving. Gifting a child a class in one of his or her favorite hobbies, such as dance, karate, art, or music, is an excellent way to encourage interests beyond school.

5. Subscribe to a magazine. Since the advent of email and text messaging, kids rarely get mail anymore. A gift subscription to a magazine that relates to one of their interests will give them something to look forward to in the mailbox every month. Don't forget, we are the people of the book!

6. Encourage hobbies. If your kid is the arts-and-crafts type, set aside time for a craft night. If your child is a budding chef, make latkes together by choosing from one of our favorite latkes recipes. If your kid is an aspiring actor, put together a skit about the Maccabees, and perform it at a family Hanukkah party.

7. Engage in *tikkun olam* (repair of the world). Spend an afternoon volunteering together at a local shelter, bringing cheer to home-bound seniors, or sorting through last year's toys to donate to those who are less fortunate. These activities not only will teach kids the importance of giving back and helping others, but also will help them learn by example.

8. Give *tzedakah* (charity). It's important — and Jewish! — to teach kids that the best gift is the one you give to others. Make sure to carve out time and money to show them how to give to charity. Decide upon a cause that's dear to your family. Discuss with your kids what kinds of charities matter to them and how much to give so that they feel a sense of ownership and pride when giving *tzedakah*.

By Annette Powers is a proud mother and a member of Congregation Beth Elohim in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Happy Chanukah



The candles are placed in the Menorah from right to left, and kindled from left to right.

Ba-ruch a-ta Adonai, Eh-lo-hei-nu
meh-lech ha-o-lam a-sheh
ki-d'sha-nu b'mitz-vo-tav v'tzi-va-nu
l'had-lik ner shel Chanukah.

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

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe, You hallow us with Your Mitzvot, and command us to kindle the Chanukah lights.

Ba-ruch a-ta Adonai, Eh-lo-hei-nu
meh-lech ha-o-lam, sheh-a-sa ni-sim
la-a-vo-tei-nu
ba-ya-mim ha-heim ba-z'man ha-zeh.

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

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe, You showed wonders to our fathers and mothers in days of old, at this season.

On the first night only

Ba-ruch a-ta Adonai, Eh-lo-hei-nu
meh-lech ha-o-lam, she-hecheyanu,
v'ki-y'manu, v'higi-anu
la-z'man hazeh.

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

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign God of the universe, for giving us life, for sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach this season.

First Night Prayer - These Chanukah lights are in memory of the dedication and courage of the Maccabees. Believing that they should be free to worship God, they gave their lives for freedom. Now kindling these candles we rededicate ourselves to work for the equal rights of all people and for a world of democracy and freedom.

Second Night Prayer - Tonight, as we celebrate Chanukah together, we are conscious of our precious gift of family and friendship. So often we take one another for granted, forgetting to express our love and devotion. As we kindle these festive lights, let us rededicate ourselves to sharing our interests and time with one another.

Third Night Prayer - On this third night of Chanukah, we rededicate ourselves to the study of our tradition. As the Maccabees courageously fought to preserve our faith, we too are bound to sustain our heritage by deepening our understanding of it. Study opens our minds and strengthens us against tyranny. Learning secures our freedom.

Fourth Night Prayer - Ours are times when many live in fear, loneliness and great despair. Like the Maccabees, we need to build our lives on hope, hope that ultimately truth will triumph. Now, as we kindle these Chanukah lights, may our lives be strengthened by the hopes and dreams of Judaism.

Fifth Night Prayer - Our tradition tells us of the importance of light. Through the darkness of thousands of years in exile our people clung to a beacon of hope of a Promised Land. Tonight's candles remind us that we are part of K'lal Yisrael, the Jewish people, and we pray for brightness in our home, and in the homes of our people in Israel.

Sixth Night Prayer - Today, one of our foremost tasks is to secure peace in our troubled world. When we end disagreements through mutual understanding, when we seek to mend hurt feelings, we are beginning to do our part in making peace a living ideal. As we kindle our Chanukah candles, let us rededicate ourselves to the task of securing peace.

Seventh Night Prayer - The Maccabees of old sought to protect themselves when their rights are violated. Our Chanukah lights serve as a reminder that humanity is secure only when we honor the precious liberty and property of each other. As we kindle these lights let us rededicate ourselves to the cause of freedom which alone can bring dignity to all people.

Eighth Night Prayer - Tonight we kindle all the candles of our Chanukah. We pray that throughout the coming year we may fulfill the ideals of freedom, tzedakah, family, hope, peace and unity, all of which are symbolized by the candles of our Menorah.

SAVE THE DATE!



TREASURE MARKET DONATION GUIDELINES

The Treasure and Collectible Market would love to have donated items! Please look over your items and only donate “gently loved” treasures that we might sell. Please do not donate broken items. You may drop off at the Temple any Tuesday – Friday. Marlon will gladly help you unload.

We would greatly appreciate it if you would only donate items that you might purchase for yourself. Please DO NOT bring dusty or dirty items; we do not have the manpower to clean items to sell! We prefer to sell items we are proud to show! We do not accept large TV's, large computers, or old and outdated stereo equipment. Please do not bring mattress covers or sheets unless they are new and in their original packaging. We will accept bedspreads and comforters, as long as they are new (still in packaging) or have been dry cleaned.

If you have questions, please email or call Carol Loeb.

Email: cloeb@wowway.com

Phone: 334-201-4529

The cut-off for all donations for the Treasure Market is Friday, February 14th.



This year, as in the past, the JCRC (Jewish Children's Regional Service) will brighten the Hanukkah celebrations of disadvantaged children throughout our seven-state region. The annual JCRC Hanukkah gift program reaches out to hundreds of children in difficult circumstances. Many of these children have special needs. Some are new immigrants. Others have been impacted by natural disasters. Most of their families are struggling financially.

This year, as every year, we invite day schools, congregational schools, and youth groups to join us in creating original cards to accompany the Hanukkah gifts. If your school or organization would like to participate in this mitzvah, please see the guidelines below, and feel free to contact us with any questions. *Please bring or send your cards to the JCRC office by end of November.*

Guidelines for creating hand-made Hanukkah cards

- 1 **Colorful cards are very appealing. Feel free to use paper dye cuts, stickers, stars, glitter, fabric pieces, magazine pictures, foam shapes, confetti, doilies, punch-out shapes, stamp art, etc. Kids love to use stencils, glitter pens, stamp markers, etc. Be creative!!**
- 2 You are welcome to stamp the name of your school or organization on the cards, but please do not have the creators identify themselves beyond first name.
- 3 Some of the cards will also go to Jewish adults who live in nursing homes and in facilities for the developmentally disabled.
- 4 The JCRC has many programs to serve Jewish children of all ages. Feel free to consider JCRC for a tzedakah project or mitzvah project!

Todah rabbah! Thank you very much! תודה רבה

JEWISH CHILDREN'S REGIONAL SERVICE *Bonnie Lustig, 3500 N. Causeway Blvd., suite 1120, Metairie, LA 70002*
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UPCOMING EVENTS ☆ Shabbat Services are each Friday at 6 p.m.

Sunday, December 1 2 PM
L'Chaim League's Words of Wisdom Discussion Group meets at Waterford Assisted Living. Rabbi Kramer leads a discussion about our fondest memories. Light refreshments. All AIEA and TBO members welcome.

Sunday, December 8 6 AM
L'Chaim League travels via bus to the Hanukkah Bazaar at Or Veshalom Synagogue in Atlanta. Depart Montgomery at 6 AM. Cost is \$40 per person.

Friday, December 20..... 6 PM
Family Chanukah Dinner and Celebration.

Monday, December 23 12 PM
L'Chaim League's annual Chanukah Luncheon at Sinclair's East. RSVP to Linda Smith at 262.3314 x 223 or lchaimleague2246@yahoo.com.

Wednesday, January 8..... 12 PM
L'Chaim League Lunch & Presentation at TBO. Esther B. Labovitz and Kathy Hess talk about Spain and Portugal.

Saturday, January 11..... 9:30 AM
Shabbat morning service, led by Rabbi Looper.

Friday, February 7..... 6 PM
Sisterhood Shabbat service. Guest speakers are Brooke and Breanna Bennett, founders of Women in Training, an organization they founded to teach girls about becoming young women and menstruation. Reception precedes at 5:30 PM.

Saturday, February 8..... 9:30 AM
Shabbat morning service, led by Rabbi Looper.

Sunday, February 23 9 AM - 2 PM
Temple Beth Or's 17th Annual Food Festival

Saturday, March 14 9:30 AM
Shabbat morning service, led by Rabbi Looper.

Thursday, April 9..... 6 PM
Second Seder. Seating will begin at 5:30 PM, with the service to begin promptly at 6:00.

Saturday, April 11..... 9:30 AM
Shabbat morning service, led by Rabbi Looper.

Sunday, April 19..... 3 PM
Community Interfaith Holocaust Memorial Service at Agudath Israel*Etz Ahayem. Reception follows.

Sunday December 1 🕒 3:30 p.m.

Join Rabbi Looper as he reads Torah at the Ecumenical Service as part of the Rosa Parks Day Celebration. The event will be held at Saint Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church, 706 East Patton Avenue.



Odds & Ends

NEED HELP GETTING AROUND DURING SERVICES? A wheelchair and walker are stored in the coat closet and are available to members and guests during Temple events.

TREE OF LIFE: Don't forget the Tree of Life for graduations, birthdays, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs and other special times in your life. Large leaves are \$350 and small ones are \$250. Contact Sharon McDaniel or the Temple regarding purchase.

SCHEDULING EVENTS: When scheduling calendar events involving the Temple it is important that you check dates with the Federation and the Temple for potential conflicts within the Jewish community. Their number is 277-5820, and you can view the community calendar at www.jewishmontgomery.org.

WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW: Please call the temple office when a family member is in the hospital or ailing. Too often we find out about illnesses, crises and hospitalizations long after they occur. Please let the temple know if there is a concern in your family or another congregation family (with their permission). **We need your help in order to offer ours.**

PLEASE BE UNDERSTANDING of

others when you come to Temple by avoiding heavily scented perfumes, colognes and lotions.

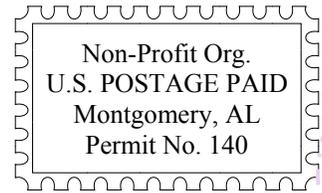
CELL PHONE ETIQUETTE: Always turn off (or silence) your cell phone before entering the sanctuary/chapel and refrain from using it – for talking, texting, or taking photos. It is not appropriate to use a cell phone during worship services because it distracts from the kavanah (spiritual intentions) necessary for prayer, and destroys the holiness that is present.

CHARITABLE BEQUEST: Please consider adding a charitable bequest to Temple Beth Or in your will to help ensure its future.

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Temple Beth Or Chanukah Dinner

We hope you will join us on Friday, December 20, at 6:00 p.m. for a special Chanukah worship service and candle lighting. Bring your menorah and candles.

Our annual Sisterhood Chanukah Dinner will follow services at 7:00 p.m. Reservations are required for the dinner portion of the evening.

Menu: Chicken, Latkes, Vegetable, Salad, Dessert

Wine can be purchased at the dinner for \$12 a bottle.

Contact Gina Friday at 334-262-3314 or bethor@templebethor.net to make your reservation.

**\$15 for Adult members; \$20 for Non-Members;
\$7 for Children ages 10 to 5.
Children 4 and under are free**

Please make your check to TBO Sisterhood and mail to: Temple Beth Or, 2246 Narrow Lane Road, Montgomery AL, 36106

Temple members have the option of adding Chanukah dinners to their statement.

Reservations must be made by Tuesday morning, December 17.

