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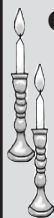
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Candle Lighting Times



Oct. 31	5:30 pm
Nov. 7	4:31 pm
Nov. 14	4:25 pm
Nov. 21	4:20 pm
Nov. 28	4:17 pm
Dec. 5	4:16 pm
Dec. 12	4:17 pm
Dec. 19	4:00 pm
Dec. 26	4:00 pm

Service Times

Friday, Oct. 31, 5:00 p.m.
 Nov. & Dec., 4:00 p.m.
 All Saturday morning services
 are at 9:30 a.m. Sanctuary and
 Zoom

Happy Thanksgiving



Save these dates

Saturday, November 15

Bnai Mitzvah of

Don and Judy Cassidy

Saturday, November 22

Second Bar Mitzvah of

Mike Kleidermacher

GAME DAYS

**Winter Games
have begun.**

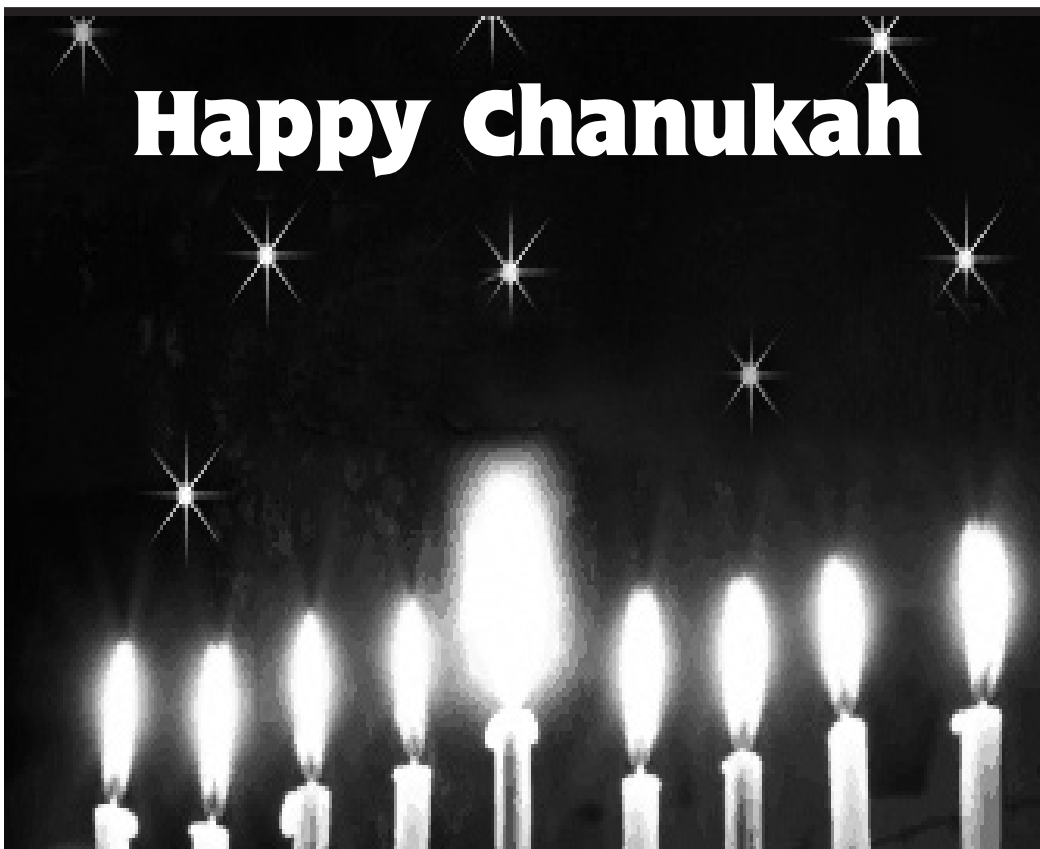
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Happy Chanukah



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From Rabbi Krauss

On the top of current Jewish concerns lie Israel and antisemitism. Modern political Zionism and Israel were designed to combat antisemitism, however, much of recent overt expressions of antisemitism call for "Free Palestine and open anti-Israel words." Of course, antisemitism is millennia older than the modern State of Israel. Our prayers are for a true and lasting peace for Israel. Hamas rule can be replaced, as proposed by Egypt, Turkey and Qatar.

Prior to the horrific October 7th, Qatar supplied large sums of money to Gaza, presumably for humanitarian purposes. Hamas used much of the money to build tunnels and to smuggle arms. Sadly, this was actually encouraged by Israel's government. The motivation to keep Hamas in power allowing disunity in Palestinian rule to prevent the rise of a State of Palestine.

The prolonged war in Gaza has led to Israel's isolation. This was dramatically shown when Netanyahu spoke to a largely empty UN hall. No other speaker has had that experience.

With G-ds help Israel, in the end, can be a "Light unto the Nations" as the prophet Isaiah proclaimed.



HAZZAN NOTES



Thanksgiving is a wonderful American holiday and we can claim a Jewish twist to it! The pilgrims were impressed with Sukkot being the Fall Harvest Festival, so Thanksgiving has a bit of that theme with it as a result.

Chanukah, on the other hand of course is strictly a Jewish *Chag*, a minor one compared to the ones we just completed. It's the Festival of Freedom. We know that Freedom isn't free, we have to work to keep it intact. In today's world, we know that's a problem world wide. Therefore when we celebrate, we are reminded that we have work to do to keep our freedom, and then we can look back on Thanksgiving to appreciate that freedom all the more

Happy Fall Holidays!



Cantor Ralph Goren

Many thanks

- to so many of you who brought food for our annual Operation Isaiah food drive for JFS. Isaiah taught that food we'd eat on Yom Kippur should go to those in need. JFS is very grateful.
- Special thanks to our HH zoom master **Irvin Moreno**, the director of the Stockton Holocaust Resource Center. He always does a yeoman's job for us, and he's a good friend of Beth El.

Many Thanks To

Sandi & Karl Shechtman

for the beautiful plants that graced our Bima on Yom Tov.

Sisterhood News

Another year is coming to an end. If you have not paid your Sisterhood dues, please do so. Your dues help with our very successful Game Days and puts funds in the Synagogues operating account. We need your help now!!!

Boscov's Friends Helping Friends was yet another success for Beth El.

Our Gift Shop is fully stocked for all your holiday needs as well as baby gifts, shower gifts, house-warming gifts and just a little something to give a friend/family for their birthday or anniversary. This is another way to help our Synagogue.

Karl and I wish everyone a very healthy and happy New Year.

Sandi Shechtman
Sisterhood President

Gift Card Contributors

Sandi Shechtman, Denise Borisch, Eileen Kogan,
Murray Bevit, Phyllis Saft

KUDOS FOR SUPPORTING OUR GIFT CARD PROGRAM
Beth El makes a percentage of each card sold.

Apple of His Eye

The duo EVEN BETTA has recorded a song that they'd like us to assist with. It's called *APPLE OF HIS EYE*. Please watch the video link below. They'd like to video us dancing to the music which will be interspersed into their video for publication. Anyone interested in dancing should reply to me. Thanks.

Cantor Ralph Goren

Here's the video link.

https://youtu.be/hD0TIVn_9YU

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Bernstein, Milton Labov & Selma Shefferman
Carole Hyman – *In memory of* Sam Tatcher

Generous Donations

Sandi & Karl Shechtman – *In memory of* Tracey Bancroft's
mother
Davida & Marty Ross – *Mazel Tov* to Sylvia Guralnik on the
birth of her great-granddaughter
Marilyn Kessler – *Get well* to David & Nancy Schultz
Marilyn Kessler – *In memory of* Dan Gottlieb
Marilyn Kessler – *In honor of* Rabbi Krauss, Cantor Goren &
Beth El Choir for a great Yom Tov job
Todd Cohen – *Happy birthday* to Patty Diulio, Ben Cohen &
for davening services
Davida & Marty Ross – *In memory of* Joyce Bank
Sandi & Karl Shechtman – *In memory of* Joyce Bank
Denise Borisch – *In memory of* Joyce Bank
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Children/Grandchildren
make Honor Roll –

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Received a call from
a long lost friend –

**Make a donation to our
Kiddush Fund**

Miniumim is Chai (\$18)

that will go a long way in helping to fund
our Kiddushim. If every family makes a
donation at least once, we could raise
\$7,200.

**Hope to see your name on
this list next month**

Joyce B. Bank Obituary

Joyce Beverly Bank, 75 years old, passed away suddenly on September 1, 2025, at her home in Egg Harbor Twp. Joyce was a long-time member of the Arc of Atlantic County and Gilda's Club. She worked for years at Beth El Synagogue and the JCC. She was involved in many committees at her beloved Village Grande at Little Mill Development. She was also loved by her community there and thoroughly enjoyed playing Canasta, Rumi Cube and lots of card games. And she played to win! She was a regular at the community pool where she enjoyed reading, exercising and socializing.

Joyce was a force in a life that was often very challenging.

Joyce will be truly missed by her sisters, Robin (Jeff) Otto, Lois (David) Grossman, her sister-in-law, Jan Keen, her dear cousins, Bobi and Jerry, and all her many nieces and nephews and grand nieces and nephews and many cousins. She loved all of them dearly. She was predeceased by her beloved husband, Sheldon, her son, Howard, and her daughter, Amie.

Graveside services were held Thursday, September 4 at 12 noon at the Rodef Sholom Cemetery, 6691 Black Horse Pike in Egg Harbor Township. A livestream was offered at www.JSGFunerals.com for those unable to attend.

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November

11/5.....Dianne Nehmad
 11/9.....Harriet Golen
 Melvin Lapin
 11/11.....Paul Alper,
 Mike Kleidermacher
 11/12.....Bernice Izes,
 Dr. Leo Lieberman
 11/26.....Dianne Hamson
 11/27.....Liz DeShields

11/28.....Ben Kahane
 11/29.....Judy Landau

December

12/2.....Jan Donner
 12/10.....Martin Ross
 12/12.....Evelyn Heward
 12/13.....Davida Ross
 12/19.....Michael Silver
 12/26.....Shirley Bernstein



November

11/15.....Evie & Allen Kleiner
 11/21.....Sara & Arnold Goldberg
 11/24.....Davida & Marty Ross
 11/29.....Elaine & Simon Zamansky

December

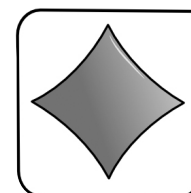
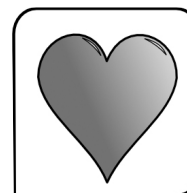
12/8.....Judy & Don Cassidy
 12/21.....Bea & Eliot Schwartz
 12/23.....Kathy & Michael Silver

Winter Games



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*Yahrtzeit List***Week of November 1**

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Victor Lieberman
Max Kushner
Max Lesser
Moshe Markowitz

Week of November 8

Bernd Lewkowitz
Philip Schneider
Jeanett Simons Kline
Leonard Hymes
Barbara Labov Myers

Week of November 15

Bella Helfant
Rose Zelkowitz
Yetta Braverman
Max Shapiro
Rose Malamut

Lola Gurwicz
Becky Kleiner
Gertrude Sagransky
Mildred Shapiro

Week of November 22

Sam Tatcher
Gerald Friedman
Molly Diamond
Samuel Finberg
Leonard Malamut
Aida Schwartz

Week of November 29

Sidney Popok
Jacqueline Seffren
Stella Gardner
Debra Linn Gill
Fannie Goodelman
Sam Azeez

Israel (Sol) Carton
Mary Marmer Davis
Polly Hoffman
Bernard Izes
Violet Beneveneste
Michael Schwartz

Week of December 6

Albert Hoffman
Sheldon Blum
Milton Frankel
Jules Hamson
Rose Lampert
Irwin Taplinger

Week of December 13

Ethel Kaushansky
Chana Krantz
Shmerel Eccos
Morris Rosenberg
Norman Schwartz

Week of December 20

Sam Feinberg
Lily Edelman
Harry Frankel
Barney Popok
Rita Sagen
Jacob Schwartz
Shirley Tepper
Molly Schneider

Week of December 27

Harold Shapiro
Jack Hockfield
Jean Kushner
Albert Norman
Rose Sherman Brown
Joseph Krantz
Lena Levine

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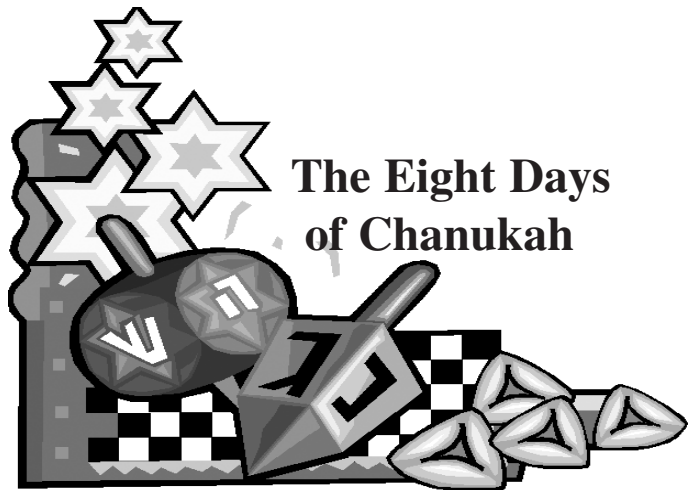
MISSION:

It is the mission of Beth El Synagogue to meet the individual and collective, spiritual, religious, educational and social needs of its members within the framework and principles of Conservative, egalitarian Judaism; to further the causes of the Jewish People and the Jewish community; to support the State of Israel; AND TO DO SO with the purpose of Torah, Prayer, and Acts of Loving Kindness.

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- As a House of Prayer: to provide valued, inspiring religious services, in a strongly-guided Conservative and egalitarian atmosphere where every member may pray and meditate to the level he or she chooses.
- As a House of Study: to provide high quality education and educational experiences for every member through a religious Hebrew School for children that values learning and leadership participation in services; through adult study of Talmud, commentary, and values; and to assist members to grow in their Jewishness and to celebrate their Judaism.
- As a House of Assembly: to encourage and provide opportunities for members to be warm, embracing and caring; to facilitate Jewish growth through programs, activities, and shared contribution; and to provide an environment which strives to value and ensure mutual consideration, respect, care and assistance

MOTTO: Beth El, A Place to do God's work



On the first night of Chanukah my true love gave to me
Lox, bagels and some cream cheese.

On the second night of Chanukah, my true love gave to me
2 Kosher pickles and Lox, bagels and some cream cheese.

On the third night of Chanukah, my true love gave to me
3 pounds of corned beef 2 Kosher pickles and Lox, bagels
and some cream cheese

On the fourth night of Chanukah, my true love gave to me
4 potato latkes
3 pounds of corned beef
2 Kosher pickles and
Lox, bagels and some cream cheese

On the fifth night of Chanukah, my true love gave to me
5 bowls of chicken soup
4 potato latkes
3 pounds of corned beef
2 Kosher pickles and
Lox, bagels and some cream cheese

On the sixth night of Chanukah, my true love gave to me
6 pickled herrings
5 bowls of chicken soup
4 potato latkes
3 pounds of corned beef
2 Kosher pickles and
Lox, bagels and some cream cheese

On the seventh night of Chanukah, my true love gave to me
7 noodle kugels
6 pickled herrings
5 bowls of chicken soup
4 potato latkes
3 pounds of corned beef
2 Kosher pickles and
Lox, bagels and some cream cheese

On the eighth night of Chanukah, my true love gave to me
8 Alka- Seltzer
7 noodle kugels
6 pickled herrings
5 bowls of chicken soup
4 potato latkes
3 pounds of corned beef
2 Kosher pickles and
Lox, bagels and some cream cheese

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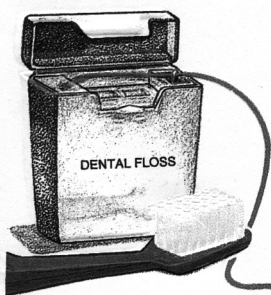
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