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equal in weight to all the commandments."

Jerusalem Talmud Pe'ah 1:1



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SHABBAT SCHEDULE

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Shabbat is a taste of paradise. Talmud, Berachot 57a

Shabbat Evening Services

6:00 pm | Friday

Our Shabbat evening service will embrace you. Fresh and familiar music will enable you to give voice to your own spirit. Special occasions in the lives of our congregants, Jewish teachings, sermons from our rabbis, and special music will enhance "Shabbat—our sanctuary in time."

Torah Study on Shabbat Morning

9:30 am | Saturday

Start your Saturday with Torah study and a bagel with a shmear of cream cheese. Each Shabbat morning before our Shabbat Morning Minyan (10:30 am), you will study Parashat HaShavua, the weekly Torah portion. The rabbis will lead a discussion of ancient commentaries and teachings and reveal the Torah's modern and relevant lessons.

Tot Shabbat

10:00 am | Saturday

Join us Saturday morning at 10:00 am for a wonderful young family Shabbat experience. This interactive program is geared for families with children up to the age of five years old. Prayer, music, stories, movement, activities, snacks and much more will be featured. Following Tot Shabbat, families stay and enjoy time together in our beautiful playground. This is a great way for you to celebrate Shabbat with other families with young children. tbsmb.school/programs/family

Shabbat Morning Service

10:30 am | Saturday

Join us Saturday mornings at 10:30 am in our beautiful chapel or sanctuary. Our clergy and members of our congregation help to lead the prayers and read the Torah. Kiddush lunch follows.

jLAB Family Shabbat

Each Saturday morning, jLAB students in grades K-5 and their parents (and other significant grown-ups) gather together in the chapel from 9:30-10:00 am for a lively Shabbat morning t'filah experience. This is a great opportunity to learn the prayers of our liturgy and connect with the words of our prayer service. All those with children in this age group are welcome to join us! For more information or to RSVP contact Kimberly Hyde at kimberly@tbsmb.org.

B-Mitzvah Service

Our b-mitzvah services are at 10:30 am and 4:30 pm. These services occur only when a member of the Temple is celebrating the occasion of becoming bar/bat/b-mitzvah. See above (table of contents) or tbsmb.org/calendar for current schedule.

Live Streaming

Watch Friday night and Saturday morning Shabbat services on your computer at www.tbsmb.org/watch.

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for up-to-the-minute viewing platforms by service



Sacred Connections

Rabbi Gayle Pomerantz

Sermon delivered by Rabbi Pomerantz on Friday, November 17

I came home this morning from a five-day emergency rabbis' mission to Israel. There were 17 rabbis from Miami altogether, including me and Rabbi Glickstein. The purpose of our mission was to give *hizuk*, as the rabbis call it, strengthening, to our Israeli family. But the truth is, I came away strengthened – yes, still devastated, frustrated, angry and worried, but incredibly inspired, awed and even exhilarated by what I witnessed.

One of the recurring themes of our trip and of Jewish life in general is resiliency – Rebbe Nachman of Bratslav, who is well known to us by his famous words, “*Kol haolam kulo gesher tzar meod*, the whole world is a narrow bridge”, was a master of resiliency. At a young age he lost four children and his wife to tuberculosis. And his house burned down. Shortly after becoming engaged to his second wife, he discovered that he had tuberculosis, and he died a few years later. But despite all this he taught his disciples that it is forbidden to despair, that we need to find the hope hidden beneath it.

Before leaving on my trip, I read an article by Tracy Frydberg, who spoke about the concept of the Jewish people needing to build an Iron Dome of resilience. I must tell you, I witnessed the profound resiliency of Israelis first-hand on this mission. On the Black Shabbat of October 7th, as it's come to be known, when Israeli reservists were called to duty, 152% of them showed up. How does that happen? How do you exceed 100%?

It means that not only the reservists who were called showed up, but those who weren't called. They came from all over the world, from Thailand and India and London. And those who couldn't serve in battle showed up to donate blood, so much so that people had to be turned away, and they showed up and are still coming to tend to agricultural fields which have been abandoned, and to feed soldiers and care for the thousands of displaced kibbutzniks and children from border towns like Sderot.

In Israel we met with so many people who shared gut wrenching stories of loss and terror, and yet despite their suffering, there was a sense of resolve and purpose. We met Rabbi Shmuel Slotki, who in his gentle way told us about his two sons, Yishai who was 24 years old and Noam who was 31, who were neighbors of one another in Beersheba. On October 7th, the moment they got word of what was happening nearby, they left their wives and children, grabbed their pistols and head toward the massacre. Rabbi Slotki took care to tell us that at any point along the way they could have changed their minds and turned back, but they didn't. Video footage from Kibbutz Alumim shows that they fought the terrorists with one other lone soldier for forty minutes, just the three of them, killing many, but by 10:30 am, they were both dead.

We saw their fresh graves at Har Herzl, the military cemetery, buried side by side, just as they fought. And though Rabbi Slotki had

the unspeakable tragedy of burying two sons on the same day, he shared that when people ask him if he's angry at God, he tells them “no”, his sons chose to defend their home and their country. He said that he will only be angry if their deaths are in vain. Israelis must take their grief and channel it, he said, into a mission to rebuild Israel as a “big tent” of Jewish identity that is inclusive and a new atmosphere of unity. He spoke with a calmness of purpose and clarity of vision that was humbling to witness.

And unbelievably enough, the story of his sons is not unique. I heard about another young soldier, Jonathan Elzari, who was home for the holiday on *kibbutz ofakim* without a weapon. When he heard the terrorists outside, he took his pocket-knife, put some rocks in a sock and went out to defend his home. We saw his memorial as well.

And we met Uri, a young, soft-spoken soldier, in the hospital, who was a gunner in a tank in the North when they were hit by a Hezbollah rocket. When he tried to get out of the gunner's seat and couldn't, he realized his leg had been blown off. One other soldier in the tank was also injured and when Uri found a box of mango juice near his seat to prevent him from losing consciousness, he shared it with his injured tank mate.

The stories transcend the battlefield into civilian life in Israel. Some of you are familiar with the organization, Brothers in Arms, *Achim l'Neshek*, who were the military reservists who organized the months' long protests against Netanyahu's right-wing coalition, undermining Israel's democracy. And even though they had threatened to not serve this government, they showed up, both in the air and battlefield and in service. They were the first on the ground to organize food and shelter for the more than 200,000 displaced Israelis; drove more than 8000 soldiers to their units in the first 3 days of the war; collected military gear that was lacking; started the first missing person's center; and are providing emotional support to a traumatized nation.

We met with Gigi Levy-Weiss, the visionary behind this operation, a high-tech entrepreneur, who sees this as the opportunity to partner with organizations around Israel with diverse orientations to build unity, and with the United States to repair the fissures that have emerged between American Jews and Israel. They now no longer call themselves Brothers in Arms, but rather *Achim v' Achiot l'Yisrael*, Brothers and Sisters for Israel.

We also met with survivors of the massacre at Kibbutz Kfar Aza and heard their testimonies: 13-year-old R'nana, a father named Oded whose sister-in-law was taken hostage, and a mother named Rotem, who hid with her two children for 32 hours before they were rescued. Eight of those hours were spent with the terrorists in their home, eating their food, threatening them, but ultimately walking

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Innovative School

Stacy Penson
Director of Elementary Level



I recently read the book *Good Inside* by Dr. Becky Kennedy. The most important take away for me was a phrase she refers to, “Two things are true.” This explains that we do not have to choose between two supposedly oppositional realities. The ability to accept multiple realities at once is critical to healthy relationships. Sometimes we are so fixated on trying to understand and make things certain, we miss half the picture.

Our school vision states, “the Innovative School of Temple Beth Shalom is a Reggio-inspired Jewish community dedicated to joyful learning.” As a school whose guiding principle is based on “joyful learning,” we understand that sometimes it is hard for some to fully believe that if children are happy at school, they are also working in an academically challenging and rigorous environment.

As a teaching community we are always learning about developmentally appropriate learner-centered education practices and why this is what our children need today and as future changemakers.

Ann Pelo calls for brave spaces in our work with each other. She writes, “In safe spaces, we expect to be free from risk, difficulty, discomfort, but when we come together amid our differences, committed to a shared life, we are sure to encounter difficulty and discomfort. We need our communities to be brave spaces—brave because we are going to be vulnerable and exposed. Brave, because we are going to take risks with each other. Brave, because there will be conflict, discomfort, and rigorous challenge.”

On the first day of our in-service week before the start of school the elementary staff reads the following poem together:

***Together we will create brave space
Because there is no such thing as a “safe space”
We exist in the real world
We all carry scars, and we have all caused wounds.
In this space
We seek to turn down the volume of the outside world,
We amplify voices that fight to be heard elsewhere,
We call each other to more truth and love
We have the right to start somewhere and continue to grow.***

We have the responsibility to examine what we think we know.

We will not be perfect.

This space will not be perfect.

It will not always be what we wish it to be

But

***It will be our brave space together,
and***

We will work on it side by side.

This sets the tone for our collaborative work throughout the year. The one thing we are certain of is that we will have times of uncertainty and that is ok—two things are true. We will be challenged, uncomfortable and uncertain and we will be joyful in our work with our children.

At the beginning of this new year, I am reminded that with the joy of the return to school and reuniting with families after a long break there is also uncertainty. Partnering with families is a huge responsibility and opportunity—Two things are true! I remain curious as we create the conditions to explore the interests, social, emotional, and physical considerations of a child in addition to their academic success. Of course, academic skills are important, AND they are not the only thing that matters. We are interested in helping children be good learners and good people! Two things are true. Academic skills are important and that is not the whole story. What we need to also consider is in what context and for what purpose do they matter.

We recently embarked on creating a learner profile which establishes the outcomes of each Innovative School graduate to be an empowered learner, an empathetic citizen, a creative problem solver, an effective communicator, and a constructive collaborator in an authentic, personalized and competency-based environment.

If you would like to learn more about the schools our children deserve, including our innovative approaches to teaching and learning and ensuring that all our learners are known, know themselves, and feel like they belong, please reach out to me at stacy@innovativeschool.org.

Thanks!

Stacy



Barb Shimansky, RJE
Director of School for Living Judaism



The Joy of *Mitzvot*: Cultivating a Life of Meaning and Purpose

At the heart of our jLAB curriculum lies the concept of *mitzvot*, the commandments that guide our actions and shape our character.

Mitzvot are not merely a set of rules or obligations; they are an expression of our love for G-d and for one another. They represent a path towards a life of meaning, purpose, and fulfillment. By embracing *mitzvot*, we not only connect with our spiritual heritage but also cultivate a deeper sense of compassion, empathy, and responsibility towards our fellow humans.

In jLAB, we strive to instill in our learners a lifelong love for *mitzvot*. We do this not by rote memorization or rigid enforcement, but by fostering an environment of exploration, discovery, and personal growth. We encourage our learners to ask questions, engage in meaningful discussions, and connect their learning to their everyday lives.

Through a variety of engaging activities, we help learners understand the deeper significance of *mitzvot*. We teach them about the historical context in which they were given, their relevance to modern life, and their impact on our relationships with others and with the world around us.

We also emphasize the importance of *chesed*, acts of kindness, as an integral part of our Jewish identity. We encourage our learners to volunteer their time and talents to help those in need, fostering a sense of social responsibility and a commitment to making a positive difference in the world.

As our learners progress through their jLAB journey, we hope to nurture in them a deep appreciation for the richness and beauty of our Jewish tradition. We want them to see *mitzvot* as a gift, a source of guidance, inspiration, and joy.

The true essence of *mitzvot* lies not in their external performance but in the inner transformation they bring about. When we embrace *mitzvot* with sincerity and humility, we open ourselves up to a world of spiritual growth, personal fulfillment, and meaningful connection with others.

May this year's Mitzvah Day be filled with blessings as we learn, grow, and connect on this journey of spiritual discovery together.

Barb

**We're Collecting
 old CDs and DVDs!
 New or used.
 Any condition.**

**Please drop
 in the labeled box
 in the
 Welcome Center
 starting January 5.**

Thank you in advance!



jLAB is on Winter Break through January 6.

**There is no jLAB on
 Saturday, January 13 or
 Monday, January 15 (MLK Weekend)**

**There is no jLAB on Saturday, January 20
 (Teacher Professional Development Day)**



Belonging Together

Cantor Juval Porat

It's hard to imagine how our world will look in a matter of weeks, let alone a month from now. As I'm writing these lines, it's been only a few days since my installation weekend – my “jar of welcome notes” is on my desk and I'm so very heartened by all the greetings of welcome, the kind messages, and sweet notes. The world feels less dark with all of your love and support. I couldn't have asked for a softer landing and I continue to feel immensely blessed to be of service to the community of TBS.

May we go from strength to strength, may we know peace and community, joy and blessings in the years to come. With much gratitude,
- Cantor Juval Porat

Genesis 32:10-11

וַיֹּאמֶר יַעֲקֹב אֱלֹהֵי אָבִי אֲבֹרָהִם וְאֵלֹהֵי אָבִי יִצְחָק יְהוָה הָאֵמֶר אֵלַי שׁוּב לְאֶרְצְךָ וְלִמְלֻכְדֶּיךָ וְאִסְיִיבָה עִמָּךְ;

Then Jacob said, “O God of my father Abraham's and God of my father Isaac's [house], O Adonai who said to me, ‘Return to your homeland and I will deal bountifully with you!’

קִטְנִי מִלִּפְנֵי הַחֲסִידִים וּמִלִּפְנֵי הָאֲמָתִים אֲשֶׁר עָשִׂיתָ אֵת עֲבָדְךָ כִּי בְמִקְלִי עָבַרְתִּי אֶת הַיַּרְדֵּן וְעַתָּה הֵייתִי לִשְׁנֵי מַחֲנֹת;

I am unworthy of all the kindness that You have so steadfastly shown Your servant: with my staff alone I crossed this Jordan, and now I have become two camps.”

In this week's portion, *Vayishlach*, Jacob returns home to face his twin brother Esau after 20 years in exile. The verses I just chanted are part of a prayer a seemingly terrified Jacob is offering when word gets out that Esau, Jacob's estranged brother of 20 years, is approaching with 400 men.

As I stand here before you today, gathered in this sacred space, I am echoing Jacob's words. As a descendant of our ancestors Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel and Leah, I am—we are—the inheritors of a rich and vibrant tradition that has shaped our lives and continues to guide us. And within this tradition, throughout my personal journey, captivated by the power of music to evoke emotions, inspire action, and forge a deep connection with the divine, I've been continuously inspired to cultivate a sense of home—not simply by returning to a physical place, but by reconnecting with something deeper, something that lies within us all. By rediscovering our values, our beliefs, our sense of belonging time and time again.

In having reached this moment of my installation, with formative stops in Israel and Germany, at the Yeshiva in Netanyah and Architecture school in Aachen, Cantorial school in Berlin, Jewish communities throughout Germany, Congregation Beth Chayim Chadashim in Los Angeles and so many guiding relationships, places and experiences, I take inspiration from Jacob's prayer, because in it he reveals a profound sense of humility—a quality that resonates deeply for me in this moment.

Yes, so many of my choices and actions have been mine—throughout my journey there have been many times I've acted from a self-reliance mode, often on my own, doing my best to control and reach my goal without the help of anyone. It is, however, in acknowledging my dependence on a higher power, on the divine image that's within every person in my past and present that has been there for me, that has gently, subtly, as well as powerfully made an impact and left an imprint on me,

that I find strength.

Beyond the realm of personal struggles, the power of humility delves into the broader context of human relationships.

Later in our Torah Portion, Jacob decides to not turn away but rather advance towards Esau, bowing low to the ground seven times, in supplication or *anavah*/humility.

It is this action of humility that encourages Esau to run towards Jacob, embracing and kissing him.

The reunited twins weep in each other's arms, and Esau inquires as to the meaning of the people and gifts Jacob has sent his way.

In this intimate, vulnerable moment, Jacob witnesses in his twin's face not an enemy, not an Other, but the Divine Presence. Imbued with this awareness, Jacob is free to offer Esau a blessing, perhaps the very blessing he had wrestled deceitfully from Esau.

In thinking about our siblings in the state of Israel, as well as all inhabitants of the land of Israel, I can't help but pray and hope for leadership on both sides that will know to utilize humility as a bridge, connecting us to one another and fostering a sense of shared humanity. It is through humility that we can break down barriers, heal wounds, foster a more harmonious and just world, create a space for reconciliation and understanding and acknowledge that we are all in need of forgiveness and grace.

With a sense of humility, gratitude, and homecoming, I feel deeply blessed to be installed as your Cantor tonight. I stand before you with a deep-seated commitment to upholding the traditions of Temple Beth Shalom while also embracing the innovative spirit that has always defined this community and the Reform movement at large. I offer you the vision of a synagogue where music serves as a unifying force, drawing us together in shared prayer, celebration, meaning-making and learning—a sanctuary where melodies resonate with the souls of every individual, in humble recognition of one another's strengths and talents, a singing community that fosters a sense of belonging and connection that transcends generations.

To the members of Temple Beth Shalom, I pledge my heart and soul to serving you as your cantor. I am here to listen to your needs and find ways to meet them, to celebrate your joys, and to offer comfort in times of sorrow. I am here to share the beauty and depth of Jewish music with you, to elevate your spirits through song, and to create a space for your soul and to connect with you.

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Membership

Craig Berko

Director of Membership

The unwavering support from our members continues to be the foundation of Temple Beth Sholom. Our cherished sacred space has always been a spiritual enrichment and community unity haven. Your annual commitment holds crucial significance, and this dedication as a current 2023-2024 member is essential to sustaining vital outreach programs, aiding the vulnerable, and preserving Jewish traditions for your family and mine. Now, more than ever, we also ask for the referral of your family, friends, and co-workers to Temple Beth Sholom.

In this new calendar year of 2024, we journey forward with determination and ask you to continue to stand with us in cultivating a world of compassion, understanding, and unity. Together, we can face any challenge and persist as a beacon for future generations - one community. We also ask that you refer your family, friends, and co-workers to Temple Beth Sholom. Your support through renewed membership and referral of new members symbolizes faith in the enduring resilience of our Jewish community and the values we hold dear. This commitment binds us into a unified community.

We invite you throughout the year to delicious community Shabbat dinners, meaningful music and prayer, insightful teachings from our clergy, engaging educational programming, and so on. We have something for everyone to connect, pray and play!

We urge those who still need to renew their 2023-2024 annual commitment to contact us. We can renew your annual commitment with a 2-minute call or brief email. Your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. To refer your family, friends, or co-workers, please contact me; I would be honored to reach out to them.

Be Inspired. Be Nurtured. Belong.

L'Shalom,

Craig

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SOLO EXHIBITION BY SHEILA ELIAS

“OPTIMISM OF LIFE”

NEW OPENING DATE

Reception with the Artist
Wednesday, January 10, 2024
6:00 to 8:00 PM
Temple Beth Sholom

Organized by the Temple Beth Sholom Art Committee:
 Terry Jove, Chana Sheldon, and Laura Raiffe



Social Justice

Jeff Agron

Social Justice Director

Mitzvah Day 2024 Is Almost Here!

We are excited to announce that signups for Mitzvah Day 2024 will open in early January. Please go to the Mitzvah Day page under Social Justice <https://www.tbsmb.org/mitzvahday/>.

Mitzvah Day will be held on Sunday, February 4, and will mark the 29th year that Temple Beth Sholom has coordinated this impactful and meaningful day of service. This year's theme is "Coming Together in Unity." In 2024, we as a Temple Beth Sholom Community will continue to work to serve our Greater Miami community through our many Direct Service Projects even as we stand in unity with our family in Israel. We will also continue our work on climate change and towards approval of a Constitutional amendment in Florida protecting reproductive rights.

Mitzvah Day is only possible because of everyone's desire and commitment to give back. The day will consist of over 30 individual activities designed to support our local community and Israel. Special thanks go to my partners and our Mitzvah Day co-chairs, Ashley Weissman and Caryn Pardo.

As is the tradition on Mitzvah Day, we will be starting with a delicious community breakfast, followed by our opening ceremonies and then both on-site and off-site projects. After completing your projects on Mitzvah Day, make sure to return to campus, where we will have food trucks for lunch. Our world-famous annual Mitzvah Day Soup Contest will begin at 1:30 pm. All proceeds will benefit The CLEO Institute. Their mission is dedicated to climate education, advocacy and engagement. This year's Soup Contest co-chairs are Dana Grodin, Karen Sepsenwol and Jody Gross.

Please join us on Friday, February 2 at we kick-off the weekend with our Mitzvah Weekend speaker, David Dietch, President of The CLEO Institute, former mayor of Surfside, a nonpartisan, non-profit dedicated to climate work in Florida.

All of us at Temple Beth Sholom appreciate the opportunity on Mitzvah Day and throughout the year to give back to our community, help those in need, and

to be grateful for what we have. This year we continue to support our brothers and sisters in Israel through our acts of kindness. Even the smallest amount of kindness can make a huge difference, and together we can move mountains.

Looking forward to seeing you at Mitzvah Day!



Above: Kol HaKavod to our 4th and 5th grade learners in the Innovative School and their teacher, Rachel Unger, who headed our Sukkot collection for The Miami Diaper Bank. Through their leadership and the participation of our entire community, Temple Beth Sholom collected 3,884 diapers, 5,256 wipes, ten cans of formula, and many other baby needs. Our community also donated over \$1,000 which will enable the Miami Diaper Bank to purchase another 5,661 diapers. Overall, we contributed 9,545 diapers and served 191 babies in need in our community.

On November 1 our 4th and 5th grade learners met with TBS member Roberto Schaechter, founder of the Miami Diaper Bank, Adam Snitzer, board member, and Gabriela Rojas, executive director, along with Rabbi Jessica Jacobs. We learned about the work of the Miami Diaper Bank and the Jewish values of our work with them. Our class and guests are pictured above.

JOIN US FOR A MITZVAH DAY PROJECT!

COMING TOGETHER IN UNITY

All Ages

1. Friends with Firetrucks
2. Kosher Foodbank Scavenger Hunt
3. Community Refrigerators with Buddy System MIA

Family Friendly

4. Blessings in a Backpack
5. Mischloach Manot (Purim Baskets) for Holocaust Survivors
6. Lentils and Love: Lentil Soup Project with the Kosher Food Bank
7. Pack a Preemie Pack
8. Bagels and Boot Camp for Israel, with Michelle Sucher (new)
9. Playdate at Lotus House
10. Tzedakah on the Water: Paddleboarding/Kayak and Cleanup for a cause
11. jLAB Mitzvah Day Project
12. Food Rescue with Rachel Unger
13. Mompacks for Lotus House
14. The Phoenix Reading Project Book Collection
15. Food Distribution with Miami Beach Residents
16. Beach Cleanup with Surfrider Foundation
17. Welcome Home Hero - for veterans (new)
18. Innovative School of Temple Beth Sholom Mitzvah Day Project
19. Voices for Children, Volunteer to support Kids in Foster Care (new)

Teens and Up

20. Imagine, Learn, Play Create for Miami Children's Museum
21. TBS Sisterhood Baskets for Seniors
22. Rehome Your Phone (and more) Electronics Recycling (new)
23. Giving Back to Gibson Park
24. Blood and Platelets Drive

Adults

25. Havdalah Candle Making and Spice Bags with Yodeah
26. Mitzvah Day with The Tribe & Best Buddies

Additional Collections

27. New to You with Sisterhood
28. Miami Book Fair's Literacy Initiative, The Children's Trust Books for Free

Booths

29. PACT - People Acting for Community Together
30. Yodeah - Hereditary Cancers in Ashkenazi Jews
31. Gun Violence Prevention Task Force
32. American Cancer Society - Cancer Action Network
33. Honor an Israeli Volunteer with Magen David Adom
34. Compost for Life

MITZVAH DAY 2024

MEET OUR SPEAKER

DANIEL DIETCH



A resident of Surfside, Florida for 23 years and a member of Temple Beth Sholom for 12 years, Daniel Dietch is a Vice President and the Miami Office Manager for SCS Engineers where he leads the Sustainable Materials Management Practice and provides strategic solid waste and environmental consulting services to municipal and commercial clients worldwide. Daniel is currently Board President at The CLEO Institute and he served ten years as the Mayor of Surfside.



11th Annual Mitzvah Day



Soup Contest

February 4, 2024 • 1:30 pm

To register and sponsor visit
tbsmb.org/mitzvahday

All proceeds benefit The CLEO Institute

Soup Contest Co-Chairs:
Karen Sepsenwol, Dana Grodin, and Jody Gross

Location: Temple Beth Sholom Welcome Center

Belonging Together *Continued from page 6*

I offer gratitude to my mentors and teachers, who have nurtured my musical talents and guided me on my spiritual path. Your wisdom and guidance have been invaluable, and I am forever indebted to you.

To my esteemed colleagues, I extend my deepest admiration and gratitude for your unwavering dedication to our community. Your passion, expertise, humor, open hearts and ears and commitment to Jewish life inspire me. Thank you for making me feel safe, seen and heard from my very first day at TBS.

To the entire TBS professional staff – I couldn't – we couldn't(!) do any of this work without your dedication and care.

To the entire welcoming committee, search committee, transition committee and the installation weekend committees, wow! Thank you for trusting me, for choosing me and for welcoming me so gracefully. Thank you for being there to offer your support, counsel and care.

Thank you to all the musicians and singers tonight for your collaborative spirit and partnership in articulating the musical vision for TBS.

As we embark on this new chapter together, I carry with me the love, support, and blessings of all of you. Together, may we continue to create a Temple Beth Sholom that is a beacon of Jewish life, a place where music and spirituality intertwine to inspire, uplift, and unite us all.

Shabbat Shalom!

Originally offered on Friday night, December 1, 2023

TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM

Adult Education

2023-2024

For a complete listing of classes:
please visit tbsmb.org/adult-study

How To Be A Jew



In The World Today?

Rabbi Pomerantz will explore the ethical demands of being a Jew in the world today through a curriculum created by the Shalom Hartman Institute.

Tuesdays, 5:30 pm, January 16, 23, 30;
February 6, 13, 20.

In Person | Registration: Noemi, noemi@tbsmb.org



Broadway & Judaism

WITH

Rabbi Joanne Loiben

Starting January 22

Join Rabbi Loiben in exploring Broadway through the lens of Jewish texts. In each session we will explore a different show through the eyes of our ancient and modern commentaries. At least three of the shows that we study will be coming to the Arsht Center this year, which could be a great opportunity to study and enjoy! We will study the texts in English using Sefaria with Hebrew side-by-side for reference. All experience levels are welcome.

Mondays, 7:00–8:00 pm, January 22;
February 5, 12, 19, 26; March 4.

In Person | Registration:
Noemi, noemi@tbsmb.org



Kavanah Council

2024 Kavanah Retreat Featuring Rabbi Lawrence Hoffman, Ph.D.
Kavanah Retreat Scholar

JANUARY 19 AND 20, 2024

JOIN US FOR SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION

Our 2024 *Kavanah* Retreat is a once in a lifetime chance to study with world famous scholar Rabbi Lawrence Hoffman. Rabbi Hoffman is funny, menschie and brilliant. Our annual *Kavanah* Retreat touches and informs our hearts, minds, bodies and spirits.

Praise for the 2023 Retreat:

"It's always a blessing to open our eyes and hearts to new practices"

"The Retreat was magnificent in every respect."

"It was a lifetime event for us."

"Thank you so much for a wonderful time together. If I attempted to list all that was great this weekend, my list would be very very long. We enjoyed it a lot and are looking forward for more."

"The entire weekend was thoughtfully put together and perfectly executed...TBS is...to be congratulated and thanked for organizing such an inspirational conference."

Our thanks to Marte & Paul Singerman for sponsoring this rich opportunity.

Questions? Contact Marte Singerman martesingerman@me.com or text to 305.979.4343.



Register



Thank you to the *Kavanah* Council/Host Committee:

Angelica Berezin, Raquel Bild-Libbin, Sandra Breiterman, Natalie Broidy, Patty Feito, Norys Figuera, Agnes Gray, Keith Gray, Gail Harris, Larry Hurwitz, Cantor Juval Porat, Scott Rogers, Jani Singer, Marte Singerman, Lorraine Steen, and Miriam Steinberg



Mindful Tuesdays

Weekly Mindfulness Group: Would you like to be part of a community dedicated to improving our lives by increasing our self-awareness, calmness, and joy? Led by Marte Singerman.

6:30 pm via Zoom

Contact/registration: tbsmb.org/adult-study

Monthly Mindful Meditation

January 11, 2024
1 Sh'vat 5784
10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Join Cantor Juval Porat
on Facebook Live
facebook.com/tbsmb



Help us reach the finish line!

The Youth Campaign at Temple Beth Shalom seeks to:

- Renovate our outdoor spaces and playgrounds, which includes enhanced security features and conservation of our seawall.
- Replenish our scholarship funds for school, summer camp and Israel experiences for children of all ages.

The Youth Campaign benefits our tots through teens.

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Contact: Director of Advancement Katy Boyask at katy@tbsmb.org 786.406.1375



January 2024



Co-Presidents

Kim Haber & Phyllis Winston

What a beautiful, fun, and delicious evening we shared with Brotherhood on the 6th night of Chanukah: lighting the candles, eating latkes and sufganiyot while talking, laughing, and singing.

Sisters, please mark your calendars to come together on January 17 at 7:00 pm in the Board Room at Temple Beth Shalom to learn more about being Heart Healthy. We must learn how to listen to our bodies and recognize when changes are happening.

Mitzvah Day is approaching! Now is the time to start looking in your closets to gather clothing you and everyone in your home are no longer wearing. Please collect the gently used clean clothes and fold them in bags. Please bring them to the temple in February for Mitzvah Day. We will be sorting them for different organizations i.e., Lotus House, veterans, and cancer organizations, from infants to adults; every item is welcome as long as it is gently used and clean.

We look forward to seeing you at all of our upcoming events.

Wishing everyone a wonderful, healthy and peaceful 2024.

Kim and Phyllis

A GLIMPSE: CANTOR PORAT INSTALLATION PHOTOS



A Temple Beth Sholom Production

**SUNDAY
APRIL 21**

JOSEPH

& the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Mark Your Calendars!

Presenting the Temple Beth Sholom Players in

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Sunday, April 21

2:00 pm

Tickets on sale starting in March!



B-Mitzvah

JANUARY 2024

Matthew O. Pomeraniec will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on January 13, 2024. He is the son of Jessica Shore Pomeraniec and Fernando Pomeraniec and brother to Andrew Pomeraniec. His grandparents are Ben and Rosanne Shore and David and Susy Pomeraniec.



Ava Issenberg will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on January 27, 2024. She is the daughter of Brie and Ronnie Issenberg and sister to Holland Issenberg. Her grandparents are Diane Issenberg, Ed Miller, and Michalle and Peter Santovito. As part of her *mitzvot*, she will be donating to Lotus House.

Sky Wolf Robinson Shashoua will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on January 27, 2024. He is the son of Jaime Robinson and Ami Shashoua and brother to Donna and Ronnie Shashoua. He is the grandson of Shoshana and Nachman Shashoua and Mitchell and Edda Robinson, who are longtime Miami Beach residents and who were married by our founding Rabbi, Leon Kronish.



This Chanukah our BESHTY youth groups had the opportunity to participate in our annual Holiday Toy Drive! This year, we collected toys for the Miami Rescue Mission. In December we hosted two gift-wrapping events: one for our Middle School Students and one for High School Students. Our teens brought in gifts for donations, and we spent time organizing and wrapping them. Our elementary youth groups, Mini (3rd-5th Grade) and Micro BESHTY (K-2nd Grade), were also involved with our Toy Drive. During our Mini/Micro BESHTY Chanukah Celebration our participants made holiday cards to accompany our toy donations. In total, we donated over 120 toys to Miami Rescue Mission this year. All our BESHTY participants had a fantastic time giving back and bringing light during the holiday season!



Sacred Connections

away. These people are displaced and traumatized but they are not immobilized. They are trying to figure out their future, and are already fundraising to build back better and care for each other.

We also visited two hospitals, one in the South where we learned that incubators had been sent to Gaza, and Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem where we met with Rabbi Doctor Avram Steinberg, who leads the medical ethics team there and is so renowned for his service that he has won the Israel Prize. He shared with us many of the *halakhic* and ethical concerns that face a Jewish hospital in a time of war, including whether a patient can refuse care from an Arab doctor - the answer is no - and whether the hospital should give medical attention to terrorists - the answer is yes - for many reasons, including upholding our ethics in the world's eyes. It was amazing to see how these gut-wrenching decisions are made through the lens of Jewish ethics and law.

Even in a time of atrocities and war we do not abandon our morality.

I want to share one other story, which is somewhat gruesome, but really struck me so deeply because it speaks of the profound commitment Israelis have to one another.

On Tuesday afternoon, we spent time at the military morgue in Israel, a place I have never visited before. This is the place where soldiers who have died are taken for identification and preparation for burial. On October 7th and every day since then, they have worked around the clock and had to divide the facility in two and expand into the parking lot to also handle all of the civilian casualties. I learned that when a soldier enters the army, their blood and fingerprints are taken, and x-rays of their teeth for this very purpose of being able to identify them if they die in the line of duty. Imagine a 17 or 18-year-old undergoing this procedure knowing full well why they are doing so.

Usually, if someone is burned, traces of their DNA can be found for identification. But after October 7th, there were bones of two bodies that were so charred they couldn't be identified. We met with a man named Aviayd who flew with these remains all the way to Dover, Delaware for an even more sensitive DNA testing system and there, their identities became clear. That's the extent to which Israelis will go to honor those who have died.

And finally, though we began our trip in tears, we ended in laughter, visiting with a group of recent Ethiopian immigrant children who have been displaced from their absorption center by the war. Even as the war is raging, the Jewish Agency is receiving three times the number of calls from people interested in Aliyah because of rising antisemitism around the world.

For all these reasons and more, so many more, I came away from Israel inspired.

Yes, there is still rage and fear and uncertainty and blame that is still unfolding, but the Israeli people themselves have risen up to meet the moment. And now we must too.

When I first read the article about the Iron Dome of Jewish resilience, I loved Fryder's image of the Iron Dome. But after being there, the image no longer works for me and here's why. As many

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*Rabbi Gayle Pomerantz with soldiers
reading cards from our students*

of you know, the purpose of the Iron Dome is to prevent a missile from impact. If it works as it should, the target remains untouched. But historically, and here again in Israel, Jewish resiliency and transformation comes when there's been traumatic impact, yet we allow that impact to transform us and strengthen us to build a better future. This is tragic but true. After the trauma impacts us physically, we must allow it to impact who we are. Over and over again, I heard Israelis who want to make sure they use this horror to unite and grow stronger.

And we are part of this equation. There can be no strong Israel without Diaspora Jews, and there can be no strength and power for Diaspora Jews without Israel.

So we are in this together.

Rebbe Nachman once taught: "if you believe you can damage, then believe you can heal." We see the damage that hate has caused. If Israelis are able to transcend that hate after what's been done to them, then we, too, cannot dwell in the land of revenge and retribution. Our mission must be to join them in the effort to come together, with differences but united. Let us continue to find ways to help them serve and rebuild through donations. Please keep on giving - the needs are so great. Give to the Federation's Israel Emergency Fund which is doing critical work. Give to the Brothers and Sisters for Israel, to the Israeli Movement for Progressive Judaism, which is helping to house and feed displaced people, and dozens of other organizations doing meaningful life-saving work. We can help through volunteering, through visiting Israel when you're able and through reconsidering the depth, necessity, and strength of our partnership. The brilliance of resilience is forcing a transformation for the good.

So let us follow the lead of our Israeli family and find reason to hope, the desire to unite, and the will to work for a better tomorrow.

Amen.

Gayle Pomerantz

Stand in Solidarity & Strengthen Israel

SholomFest 2024

Saturday, February 24, 2024

7:30 to 11:00 pm

The proceeds from this event will purchase an Israel Bond
in the name of Temple Beth Sholom.

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\$720 – the value of four tickets – is not tax-deductible

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- Two (2) tickets to the event
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 - Rotating sponsor loop on large screen
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10% of proceeds benefit Jewish National Fund (JNF) | Drawing on February 24

Winner does not need to be present

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We are seeking donations of high value experiences for our Silent Auction, such as travel, sports or dining related. If you can kindly help support this effort, please be in touch.

Contact: Director of Advancement
Katy Boyask at katy@tbsmb.org or 786.406.1375
for more information or to register by phone

*As of 12/18/23

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Happy Birthday

January 1

Jacqueline Africk
Jeffrey Bercow
Apollo Delgado
Liora Dermer
Laurent Ohana
Grace Rais
Jaleh Samway Bast
Molly Sepsenwol
Marte Singerman

January 2

Neil Fairman
Amanda Kleidermacher
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January 3

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January 4

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January 5

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Charles Citrin
Michael Levinson
Zara McCully
Alex Mendelson
Isabella Slass

January 6

Shani Alexander

Larry Hurwitz
Michelle Oravitz
Garri Priyampolskiy

January 7

Roy Benmeir
Sarah Monteiro
Elaine Silverstein

January 8

Matisse Georgi
Joanne Loiben
Ovidio Oxios
Ian Stern
Max Stern
Joey Weissman

January 9

Jacob Abramson
Jennifer Burk
Gerald Harris
Morey Moss
Haley Revesz
Hudson Revesz
Jordan Weinstein
Lucas Werner

January 10

Jessica Cook
Lionel Cukierman
Paul Feinsilver
Guilherme Glezer
Jaden Kaplan
Dustin Kushner
Lily Palmer
Miles Warren

January 11

Ben Dvir
Robert Fetell
Emily Frankel
Ryan Jove
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January 12

Alan Axelrod
Jesse Glickstein

Zara Hurwitz
Matias Levenson
Stacey Mizener
Mark Polovin
Jason Pyle
Julie Quittner
Robert Sepin
Jane Siegel
Cathy Tighe

January 13

Ruby Barten
Richard Lesser
Carlo Pirari

January 14

Alamea Bitran
David Bloch
Jeffrey Cohn
Natalie Gee
Sally Kramer
Elizabeth Resnick
Maxine Sobel
Levi Tamuz
David Vargas
Max Weinberg

January 15

Michelle D'Antuono
Hannah Gaynor
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January 16

Sophia Fryd
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January 17

Carey Dorman

Jacob Gaynor
Laura Gould
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January 18

Howard Berlin
Luz Groesman Wagmaister
Ari Kleiner
Timothy Martorella
Lori Nieder
Sky Shashoua
Gabriel Sredni

January 19

Max Bast
Ashley Kadey
Leonora Kravets
Cori Siegel
Chiara Steen
Liam Tamuz
Benjamin Vargas

January 20

Sonia Carbo
Abigail Davis
James Orlofsky
Robert Wohlfeld

January 21

Julie Basner
Jill Muller
Stanislav Shalunov
Valentina Sierralta-Sredni
Barbara Sugerman
Jason Zedner

January 22

Alan Amdur
Ruby Andras
Jeffrey Cohen
Hilary Feldman
Jorge Pante
Barbara Pomerantz
Stacey Quittner
Adam Reiss
Kayla Reiter

January 23

Jordan Bial
Lindsay Gould
Nicole Haime
Emma Maman
Ido Maman
David Mandel
Kerry Newman
Charlotte Paley
Regina Rosenfield
Roland Schein

January 24

Leslie Graff
Jessica Jonap
Haley Leibowitz
Sarah Morales
Cathy Schmerin
Francesca Winer
Mark Wohl

January 25

Caroline Davis
Priscilla Friedland

Toba Meiselman
Ripley Reiter
Lisa Rubio
Patricia Stauber-Klein
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January 26

Barbara Amazon
Daniel Aronson
Jack Bickman
Jaime Campos
Ava Elias
Sophie Elias
Zoe Exelbert
Ally Glaser Zimmerman
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Logan Pathman
Dana Polan
Marlyn Spiegel
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January 27

Elisa Bildner

Sage Greenbaum
Kristina Igonina
Monica Izquierdo
Daniel Klein
Fred Koczwara
Samantha Moriber
Daniel Och
Arthur Weissmann
Margie Zeskind

January 28

Alexandre Cukier
Robert Goldstein
Amy Handlin
Margot Jacobs
Theodore Klein

January 29

Larry Chachkes
Jaxon Hirschhorn
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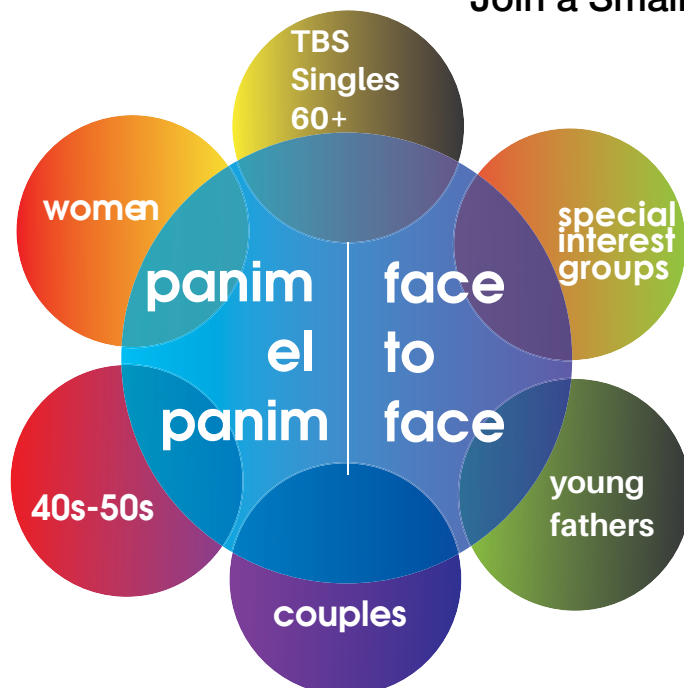
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Nicole Dion
Bruce Julien
Ari Kempler
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Ami Shashoua

January 31

Rina Bass
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Looking for Community? Join a Small Group!



As we reflect on the holidays, and enter a new year, our community is buzzing with excitement and warmth. Despite the challenges and uncertainties, we face globally, it's heartening to see our Panim groups working together.

These intimate circles have become beacons of support, understanding, and connection during the everyday and the trying times. The groups exemplify the spirit of community, reminding us that even in the face of adversity, we are stronger together.

We hope this new year brings compassion and empathy. In the warmth of our community, we find solace and strength to navigate through difficult moments, reminding ourselves that our bonds are strong.

You too can share in this community. Join an existing group or form a new one. Contact us to find a Panim group for you, and further strengthen our wonderful TBS community.

Find your small group!

Contact Jaleh Samway Bast: jaleh@tbsmb.org or 305.538.7231 ext. 301.



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 By Lorraine and Joseph Steen

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Memory
 is a
Blessing

Zichronam Livracha.
"For everything there is a season."
 Kohelet 3:1.

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Joy Van Wye Malakoff, wife of Fred Malakoff, mother of Mari, David and Mark, and grandmother of Meyer.

Sonia "Sonni" Roth, mother of Alisa (Tracy) Bahl, and grandmother of Isaac Manton, Jacob Manton, and Andrew Bahl.

Fannette Sommer Blum, grandmother of Rachel (Josh) Samek, and great-grandmother of Jeremy Samek.

Verena Cohen, mother of Lorraine (Joseph) Steen, Arlene Cohen (Jorge Moral) and Elio Mojena; and grandmother of Allegra, Chiara, Sarah, Taylor, Amanda, and Cody.

Stephen Zaron, husband of Deena Zaron; father of Andrew (Erica) Zaron, Craig Zaron and Amy (Keith) Aqua; and grandfather of Eli Zaron, Parker Zaron, Ella Zaron, Ben Aqua, Jacob Aqua and Adam Aqua.

Happy Anniversary

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