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21  6 TH NIGHT	22  7 TH NIGHT Rosh Chodesh	1 TEVET  8 TH NIGHT	24 	25 CHRISTMAS	26 *3:59 PM	27
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JANUARY, 2015 TEVET, SHEVAT, 5775

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				1 NEW YEAR'S DAY	2 *4:05 PM	3 Rabbi Lanckton
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FEBRUARY, 2015 SHEVAT-ADAR, 5775

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4 TU B'SHEVAT	5	6 *4:46 PM	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 *4:55 PM	14  Shabbat Shekalim Rabbi Lanckton
15	16 PRESIDENT'S DAY	17	18	19 ROSH CHODESH	1 ADAR 20 BE HAPPY IT'S ADAR !!!!! *5:04PM	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 *5:13 PM	28 Shabbat Zachor Rabbi Lanckton

SHABBAT Candle lighting time in Braintree. On Dec 19, light Chanuka Candles before Shabbat Candles

Message from Rabbi Van Lanckton

My dear friends,

I write this column one day after two Palestinians entered a synagogue in Jerusalem and murdered four men at prayer. This afternoon alumni and faculty and students of my rabbinical school came together for a prayer service in mourning for these men and in solidarity with their families and Am Yisroel.

My dean spoke before we prayed. Here is an excerpt of some of what she said.

I begin by praying that the words and deeds I offer bring light and hope into the growing darkness that is threatening Jerusalem and her inhabitants.

The horror of the attack in Har Nof needs no elaboration.

It speaks for itself. Our hearts break for those who were killed in the attack –Moshe Twersky, Aryeh Kupinsky, Kalman Levine, Avraham Goldberg, Zidan Sayif, *zichronam livracha* --as well as all those wounded and the families and friends of the victims whose lives have been forever altered.

The horror of the attack itself is compounded by the horror of those who have responded with apologetics and justifications or, more chilling still, with unabashed praise and jubilation.

I ask that we find a way to grieve in the first person plural –

To link our own lives to the lives of our brothers and sisters in Jerusalem, and throughout Israel, to feel the concern and humbling sense of responsibility that is part of the deep grammatical structure of our lives as Jews.

I did not know any of the worshippers who were attacked yesterday. What matters to me is this: across vast distances of time, space, and sensibility:

We have prayed in the first person plural:
Eloheinu v'elohei avoteinu.

We have remembered in the first person plural.
Avadim hayinu l'pharaoh b'mitzrayim.

We have confessed in the first person plural.
Avinu malkeinu hatanu l'fanecha.

We have trembled at the responsibility we bear for each other and for the fate of our people, in the first person plural. *Mipnei hata'eynu galinu me'artzeynu.*

Can we also grieve in the first person plural?
Can we allow ourselves to feel this loss as our own? Can we let our hearts break together?

May we do so without for a moment diminishing the humanity of the many other inhabitants of Jerusalem, whose blood is no less precious in the eyes of God, who are suffering no less from the violence and hatred that threaten us all, whose children are no less frightened, and whose hopes for safety are no less sacred.

As we approach Rosh Hodesh Kislev, in this time of darkness, may we look deep within and discover hidden reserves of strength and hope. Just as one candle kindles another may we look to each other and help each other overcome despair. May we look beyond ourselves, to the streets of Jerusalem, and may we search for those people everywhere whose true desire is to bring light and life and hope to all her inhabitants.

My dear friends, in the days ahead I hope that light may emerge to guide us forward in the direction of peace and understanding and away from hatred and violence.

Rabbi Van Lanckton

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From Your President...

Shalom ,

We have had a busy and exciting fall with a number of terrific events, beginning with our High Holy Day services. We had a great turnout and it was so nice to see everyone. The High Holy Day services always provide a wonderful opportunity to visit with old friends and come together as a temple family. Next came the opportunity to celebrate the holiday of Succoth in our Sukkah decorated by our students in the Hebrew school. This year we are starting a second class for beginners. It is an exciting time for our Hebrew school. Our annual meeting drew a nice crowd and was held in conjunction with the Brotherhood breakfast. The budget for the 2014-2015 year was unanimously approved. As always the food was delicious. A presentation by Daniel Kimmel, editor of the Jewish Advocate and sponsored by the Quincy Jewish Committee followed the breakfast and proved to be a wonderful gathering of temple members and friends. We are all looking forward to our family Chanukah Kiddush to be held on Saturday, December 20th. Of course, delicious potato latkes will be served! More information will be coming. Mark it on your calendar. What continues to be so heartening is to see the number of people who work so hard to make these events happen. At the same time we held our weekly Shabbat services with good participation and had individuals helping out in the kitchen so that all could enjoy a Kiddush following the service. We are fortunate to have members who continuously volunteer their time to help out. We need more of you, however! Consider volunteering a few hours in the kitchen for a Shabbat or help with some shopping. Contact Paula Goldman at paulag@beld.net if you can help out or for more information.

Speaking of the kitchen, some of you may have noticed that we have had a leak during the past few rain storms. Our roof is at least thirty years old, has some missing tiles and has been repaired in the past. WE ARE IN NEED OF A NEW ROOF, and cannot put it off any longer. The temple board met in November and unanimously voted to replace the roof and seek bids to do so. More information will be coming as soon as final plans are in place.

You may have noticed that the bulletin has a new look. Judy Karll has volunteered to help out on a temporary basis until a permanent editor can be found. **Do you have an interest in being the editor?** You won't be left on your own and will get help as you need it. Please contact me at pkurzb@beld.net if you can help.

Finally, thank you to those of you who may have already responded to our **END OF YEAR APPEAL**. We had a wonderful response last year and hope to do so again this year. If you have not had an opportunity to send in your donation, please do so today. We believe that with this year's appeal program, **EVERYONE** is able to participate. Please consider donating at a level that is affordable for you. No amount is too small. **WE NEED YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT TO REMAIN VIBRANT AND ALIVE.**

I wish you and your family good health throughout the holiday season, and hope to see you at an upcoming Shabbat in shul.

Peter Kurzberg

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Miscellaneous

Irving Adler
Paula Goldman & David Flaherty
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Prayer Books

Liz & Bob Bloom
Karen & Peter Kurzberg
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Peace Garden Brick

Michael Caplan
Marilyn Reisberg

Members Grand & Children's Sukkot Decorating

Kathy Belt
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COMMUNITY PROJECTS

POSTAGE STAMP PROJECT



One Postage Stamp – For Each Victim of the Holocaust

A big thank you goes out to all those who have been collecting used stamps for the holocaust project at the Foxborough Charter School. We have donated over 6,400 stamps!!! With the holiday season right around the corner, please consider trimming and saving postal stamps you may receive on cards and invitations. Our collection box is in the front foyer and is emptied weekly. Thanks again. -Meryl Smith

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

Please bring non-perishable, food items to Temple each time you come. There is a great need now more than ever to nourish the hungry. The collection box is at the left as you immediately enter the front door of the Temple.

“One day, G-d, may it be Your will that we live in a world perfect, in which food comes to the hungry as from heaven and water flows to the thirsty as a stream. But in the meantime, while the world is filled with hunger, empower us to stand on Your behalf and fulfill the words of Your prophet. ‘to all who are thirsty bring water,’ and ‘greet those who wander with food.’ Bless us that we should sustain the hungry”
Rabbi Scott Perlo, California

SUKKAH BUILDERS

MAZEL TOV

Harrison Goodman on your Bar Mitzvah
at Temple B'nai Shalom

Ben & Jean Goodman, Parents of Harrison

Hal & Rona Goodman, Grandparents of Harrison

Lois Harris on the birth of her grandson, Joshua
Drew Harris

Marilyn Reisberg on the marriage of her
granddaughter, Sarah

Nancy Resnick on the marriage of her
granddaughter, Rachel

Arlene and Milton Wolk on the birth of their great-
grandson, Jake Joseph Wolk



CONDOLENCES

Michael Caplan on the loss of his mother, Jocelyn
Caplan

Arlene & Steve Lodgen on the loss of Arlene's
mother, Etta Gerber

Frankie Snyder on loss of her mother, Harriet
Ropelewski

Helen Warshauer on the loss of her husband and
Temple Member Bernie

If you hear of a Temple Member that should receive
recognition, please contact Arline Goodman
immediately at ACGOODMAN@AOL.COM

DECORATORS



BRICKS ARE STILL AVAILABLE

BRICK ENGRAVING forms are available upon request.

Engraved bricks will be placed within the **FRIENDSHIP GARDEN** in the front of Temple B'nai Shalom.

Brick engravings can have up to 3 lines with 15 characters per line. Engraved Brick donation is \$36

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Thank you all for dining on Tuesdays in November for
Temple B'nai Shalom's Fundraiser

Chair Yoga Classes Offered

Join the Chair Yoga Class
At the Temple on Thursdays at
10:00 ARE for one hour.

The instructor is Joyce Jordan. Joyce is a certified yoga teacher as well as a certified nutritional & wellness consultant.

Classes are for men and women. The cost is \$10 per week, paid monthly at the beginning of each month. Although the class has been ongoing for a year, there is no problem joining at any time. Come and observe a week to see if it's for you

If you have any questions, contact Marylou at
maryloufishman@comcast.net or call 617-921-0368

Our November 2nd RUMMAGE SALE "Was a huge success"

THANKS TO --our members who mailed our flyers, stored the chairs, set up the tables to get ready for the sale. To all those who brought up all the boxes, bags, etc. from downstairs, To our great Saturday night crew who sorted all the clothes and household items (and then enjoyed dinner after). The Sunday morning crew that sorted more clothes, etc. The Sunday sale people who came and helped in spite of the bad weather.

A special thanks to Michael Caplan who had the great idea to put a notice on Craig's List and we had customers from Newton, Wakefield as well as our local customers. Our Monday ladies who helped our customers and then helped clean up hangers, etc. The Monday night wonderful crew who bagged the leftovers to be picked up Tuesday morning and then proceeded to clean, sweep the floors and set up our Temple for services on Saturday.

Another thanks to Hadassah to helped by selling our better items.

It takes many hands to do all this and we HAD THEM!

"THANK YOU, EVERYONE"

MS. RUMMAGE aka Florence Koffman

YOM KIPPUR comes to a close at Temple B'nai Shalom



TEMPLE B'NAI SHALOM

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

The Temple B'nai Shalom School is thriving! We are an inter-generational group ranging from age six through the seventies, with 10 children and 7 adults currently attending classes. In the past few years we have celebrated the Bar/Bat Mitzvot of Benjamin, Rachel, Arlene, Helen and Harrison. We are looking forward to supporting Mikala, Leo, Andrew, George & Owen over the next 3 years. The main class meets twice a week for language and history lessons. The new beginner's group has 6 young students and two parents that meet only on Sundays. Classes are held at Temple B'nai Shalom on Thursdays 7-8pm and Sundays 11-12am. All are welcome regardless of their Hebrew level knowledge. For more information please contact Marylou at maryloufishman@comcast.net



Jo Salloway's Chanukah Quiz

1. The prayer Al Ha-Nissim ("We thank YOU for the miracles), is inserted in the Amidah and Birkat Hamazon on Chanukah and what other holiday?
2. Are women obligated to light Chanukah candles according to Talmudic rabbis?
3. How do you fulfill the Chanukah mitzvah of "Pirkun ha-nes (publicizing the miracle)?
4. Which classical oratorio, written by him in 1946, saved the career of Georg Friedrich Handel?
5. In Yiddish, what do the four letters on the dreidel represent?
6. Who was the last surviving Maccabee brother, a man who was subsequently elected ruler and High Priest by the people?
7. Who was the father of Judah Maccabee?
8. Which Chanukah song gives the full story of the Maccabees' battle and the "miracle of the oil" in only 24 words?
9. Is the word Chanukah mentioned in the Book of Maccabees?
10. What was the official proclamation by Judah Maccabee, I Maccabees 4, when he rededicated the Temple?
11. What is another name for Chanukah?
12. What type of oil, according to interpreters of the Mishnah, was found in the flask the Hasmoneans d

ANSWERS: 1. Purim. 2. Yes, since they were included in the "miracle." 3. You should place your Chanukah menorah by your window or doorway to publicize the "miracle." 4. Judas Maccabaeus. 5. Nits-Nothing, Ganz-Everything, Halb-Half, Shtell-Arein-Put some in. 6. Simon. 7. Mattathias. 8. Maize Tzur. 9. Not mentioned. 10. The event was to be marked "with mirth and gladness." 11. Hag ha-Urim, meaning Holiday of Lights. 12. Olive Oil.

CHANUKA 101

One candle is added to the menorah each night. The first night, you light only the shammus (the one at a different height) and one Chanuka candle. By the eighth night, you light all of the candles.

Candles should be added to the menorah from right to left (like Hebrew writing).. The shammus candle is lit first. While holding the shammus candle, recite the following blessings. They are usual sung.

Blessing over Candles

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם

Barukh atah Adonai, Eloheinu, melekh ha'olam

Blessed are you, Lord, our God, sovereign of the universe

אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ

asher kidishanu b'mitz'votav v'tzivanu

Who has sanctified us with His commandments and commanded us

לְהַדְלִיק נֵיר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה: (אָמֵן)

l'had'lik neir shel Chanukah. (Amein)

to light the lights of Chanukah. (Amen)

Blessing for Chanuka

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם

Barukh atah Adonai, Eloheinu, melekh ha'olam

Blessed are you, Lord, our God, sovereign of the universe

שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בְּזִמְנֵי הַזֶּה: (אָמֵן)

she'asah nisim la'avoteinu bayamim haheim baziman hazeh. (Amein)

Who performed miracles for our ancestors in those days at this time

Shehecheyanu (first night only)

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם

Barukh atah Adonai, Eloheinu, melekh ha'olam

Blessed are you, Lord, our God, sovereign of the universe

שֶׁהִחַיֵּנוּ וְקִיְּמָנוּ וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לְזִמְנֵי הַזֶּה: (אָמֵן)

shehecheyanu v'kiyimanu v'higi'anu laz'man hazeh. (Amein)

who has kept us alive, sustained us, and enabled us to reach this season (Amen)

After reciting the blessings, use the shammus to light the Chanuka candles from left to right (newest to oldest).

