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Temple Beth Emet

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Youth Group * Day Camp * Teen Camp * Sisterhood * He'Bros * Family Programs * Shamash Tribe







Mitzvah Day

We Thank You for Giving Back

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January 2023 5783 Tevet-Shevat

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Rabbi's Ramblings

Rabbi Bennett Greenspon



Perceptions and polling are interesting things. As we have learned from the last few election cycles, one does not know if they are correct or not. Was the polling wrong or was it the interpretation that was off?

We know that faith in government is way down. We don't trust the institution of the presidency, yet alone the president. We don't like our representatives or senators nationally or locally. Schools are terrible. Crime is up. But when asked about crime in our neighborhoods or our local schools, we rate them as safe and as good.

I was recently at a meeting where the question was asked: Is the country going in the right direction? Three quarters of the room said no. But when asked why, some felt it was becoming too conservative and others felt it was becoming too liberal. Of course, none could explain what conservative meant or what liberal meant.

When you ask someone if it is okay that x did something the answer might be yes. But if you tell them that y did the same thing that is seen as a sin. Of course, the definition of sin is also now on the table.

On the High Holy Days, I spoke a little bit about hypocrisy. As the new year approaches and we make our annual resolutions (which sadly we will most probably break*), let's resolve to do some heady stuff. Instead of resolving to lose weight, eat better, exercise more-all of which are admirable goals, let's resolve to do some of the following:

- Be less hypocritical and more aware when we are being hypocrites
- Be more understanding
- Control our anger
- Be open to other's thoughts or at least to understanding where they are coming from
- Discuss not argue with someone who has a different view point than we do
- Listen and read viewpoints that are not ours
- And a few more resolutions that would not hurt us:
 - Use social media in a kinder way
 - Post kindness and not spread maliciousness
- Put down our cell phone when we are with others (especially our children and grandchildren)
- Say thank you and it wouldn't hurt to say please more often

Maybe if we do some of these things, 2023 will be a better year than 2022.

*If you want to make a resolution stick at least a little bit better, write it down and share it with someone else. Make it into a contract. If you break it we always have Yom Kippur coming up in nine months.

Rabbi Bennett Greenspon

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ALWAYS
HERE FOR
YOU.**



**We are just a phone
call (954-680-1882) or
e-mail away!**

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Rabbi's Writings

Rabbi Frank DeWoskin

There is a classic story that took place hundreds of years ago in Europe. A family wanted to leave a legacy to the community. They were blessed to have the means and donated a synagogue with the understanding that no one would be allowed to see the plans for the building until it was completed. When everyone entered it for the first time they were in awe of the beauty and detail. As they looked around someone asked, "Where are the lamps? How will we be able to see?" The family who built the synagogue pointed to the brackets on the wall. Then they gave every family in the community a lamp to bring with them every time they attended. The donating family then shared, "Each time you are not here, your place within this synagogue will be unlit. This will serve as a reminder that some part of God's house will be dark when you fail to attend, especially when the community needs you. On the contrary, when you show up, your light will bring hope and dispel darkness. God's house will be a beacon of light for the community."

Each of us serves in different roles and is connected to the community in different ways. Being involved in any way will lift up every one of us. This involvement could include...

- Attending a family program
- Joining for services
- Participating in mitzvah day (January 29, 2023)
- Donating dollars to help increase our participation levels while helping those in need
- Giving of your time to help Temple Beth Emet or to represent our Synagogue in the wider community
- Joining an adult education class
- Attending any one of our youth programs...youth group, rosh chodesh, camp or schools (Confirmation, Jewish Teen Leadership, Religious School, Day School, Early Childhood), etc.
- Signing up for our Israel trip (June 8 to June 19)
- Being a part of our Kulanu program, educating about and minimizing hate in our world
- Helping to plan events

There are so many ways you can bring light into our community by simply showing up. You make a difference. You are the community.

It was once said, "No degree of worldly darkness can extinguish the glow of a soul's inner light." Your presence and participation are the lamps that light up our community. I look forward to seeing your essence shine.

Rabbi Frank DeWoskin

*Join us
for
Shabbat*

Friday, January 6

Shabbat Light Service @ 4:30pm
Levi Fleischer's Bar Mitzvah @ 5:30pm

Friday, January 13

Shabbat Service @ 7:00pm

Friday, January 20

Family Shabbat Service @ 6:00pm

Friday, January 27

Shabbat Service @ 7:00pm

Saturday, January 28

Asher Bernstein's Bar Mitzvah @ 11:00am

For Friday night services, join us in the sanctuary, on the Zoom webinar ID 976207276 (no password needed) or find us on the Temple Beth Emet Facebook page.

Cantorial Notes

Cantor Jan Sheer



As we all look forward to TBE's upcoming celebration of Mitzvah Day, on January 29, 2023, I am reminded about the power of all of us coming together to participate in so many different acts of kindness as a community, for our greater community. May you be inspired by these varied quotes about the power of every act of kindness you can add to our world.

"Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap, but by the seeds you plant." - Robert Louis Stevenson

"Kindness is doing what you can, where you are, with what you have."

"Make kindness the norm."

"How do we change the world? One random act of kindness at a time." - Morgan Freeman

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." - Maya Angelou

"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around." - Leo Buscaglia

"Human kindness has never weakened the stamina or softened the figure of a free people. A nation does not have to be cruel to be tough." - Franklin Delano Roosevelt

"Whenever there is a human being, there is an opportunity for kindness." - Seneca

"The best index to a person's character is how he treats people who can't do him any good."
- Abigail Van Buren

May we all bask in the joy of knowing we are making our world and ourselves better, one act of kindness at a time... on Mitzvah Day and every day!

Love, Blessings and More Mitzvahs,

Cantor Jan





Beth Emet School



Kindergarten to 8th Grade
Noemi Gozlan, Director
Michal Medina, Assistant Director

2nd Grade Visiting & Learning Around the Globe

Being able to integrate Language Arts and Social Studies into our classrooms has been really exciting, giving us the opportunity to combine the book “Flat Stanley” and our Continents and Oceans Unit. Our students have been enjoying every part of it and are excited to continue traveling to various places with Flat Stanley.

Fiction and non-fiction collided in second grade! Flat Stanley, a character created by Jeff Brown, is able to be put in an envelope and mailed to visit his friend in California. After creating their own versions of Flat Stanley, the students were excited to mail them in envelopes to their friends and relatives all over the world. Some of the places our Flat Stanleys have been are different states in our country, Israel, The Bahamas, India, and more! Second grade discovered that their friends and relatives live on different continents than we do. And on Flat Stanley’s trip overseas, he had to travel over one or more of the five oceans in the world.

While our Flat Stanleys are on their special adventures, they are experiencing different continents and all they have to offer. We took these opportunities to discover and learn about the similarities and differences they experienced compared to life here at home. As we get pictures and stories from people all over the globe, we interactively use our maps and mark on the specific countries or states.

Integrating these units has been an excellent and rigorous learning experience for our second graders. Not only were they able to learn about the 7 continents and 5 oceans, but they also got to travel with Flat Stanley around the world, giving us the opportunity to learn the geographic aspects of the maps and how far, yet how close we all are around the globe.

Through this experience we hope the students will be introduced to taking the risk to read books they may never have chosen to read before. One student said, in her response, “I didn’t think I would like fantasy books but now I do!” I guess our goal was met successfully.

The students truly enjoyed and benefited from the experience and we look forward to seeing the results in their reading! As one student summarized, “I hope we do another book tasting soon. I can’t wait to see which genres we will taste next.”



Early Childhood Center



Robin Sheridan, Director
Dina Milgram, Assistant Director



What is the Importance of having choice in one's day?

Over the past month, our teachers have been exploring the value of choice in their students' days. Each day, we as adults wake up and make so many decisions - from what to wear, what to eat, whether or not to exercise, should we call our mom to check in, what book to read, which podcast to listen to, or should we watch one more show on Netflix? The choices are endless for us as adults! From the small to the big we are constantly making decisions in our days and in our lives.

From the moment our students walk into the classroom, they also have many choices. They decide who and what to play with, how to challenge themselves, and when to persevere. Sometimes they have a choice of what snack they will eat, or what to eat first in their lunch box. Some days provide more opportunities for making choices than others...such is life. And on those days, they choose how to handle that as well!

When the children come to class in the morning, they might decide to play with the friends that make them laugh, or the ones that want to build with them. Do they choose the friends who are always the boss or always the follower, or the one that understands "give and take" in a relationship? As they move through these interactions they are building their knowledge about the people they want to surround themselves with in their lives. We don't tell them, "Play with this friend," or, "Don't play with that friend." We step back, ask questions, and make statements about different interactions that we see occurring in the classroom. We help them reflect on these various relationships. It is in these moments that they have the opportunity to build their own trust in themselves so that they can know when and how to listen to their guiding inner voice. Sometimes they will make the choice to play alone for reasons they alone have determined. We value this as we again step back and reflect with them to help them construct a strong, positive self-identity.

How do the children decide what to play with? Do they pick items that will challenge and excite them in their learning? Do they choose materials that are new to them, or ones they have used repeatedly? As they play, they are building their learning dispositions. They are learning what they like, how to manipulate different materials, and how to find joy and wonder in the world. They are working on problem solving, negotiating, and perseverance. As they make choices all of these skills are refined!

When children are given the opportunity to make their own choices, they develop a sense of agency that allows them to realize that they have the ability to control their own lives. It has been said that having a sense of agency builds a strong identity and has been identified as a foundation of learning and well-being.

We value the time in our classroom schedules that allow for the children to make decisions. In these times they develop their autonomy and their resilience. The joy and confidence that is built along the way is tremendous. As parents we sometimes want to make choices for our children. So today, step back and show your children you trust them. That trust will lead them to trust themselves! Let's give them the confidence to be the agents of their own lives with wisdom, strength and courage!



Merkaz Limud & JTL

Noemi Gozlan, Director
Jennifer Schatz-Young, Assistant Director



“HINEINI – HERE I AM”

Conquering the Oil & Making Connections Across the Ocean

What does it mean to be part of a global Jewish community? How can we show our students that they are part of a larger Jewish community beyond Broward County? For over a decade our Merkaz Limud 6th grade & 7th grade students have been participating in Partnership2Gether - a wonderful program sponsored by The Jewish Agency for Israel & the Jewish Federation of Broward County. Partnership2Gether is a school twinning experience that affords our students the opportunity to virtually interact with 6th Grade students in Nesher, Israel. The purpose of twinning is to help bridge the gap of understanding between our students and their counterparts in Israel and to bring both sides together in the spirit of our Jewish faith. It also celebrates our rich heritage, our differences, and the culture that unites us all. We are very proud that our students are part of the 46 different partnerships between Jewish schools in the US and schools in Israel. We have a mutual responsibility to each other and by building and supporting these relationships, it will in turn, create a great connection to Israel and the Jewish experience, thus helping our students to build a strong Jewish identity.



Our second “mifgash,” or planned educational meeting of Jews who live inside and outside of Israel, took place during Hanukkah. The goal was to learn how each community celebrates Hanukkah, special activities they participate in, holiday meals that they enjoy with friends and family and anything else that makes the holiday special to them. We ended the mifgash with everyone lighting their own Hanukkiah together and reciting the Hanukkah blessings.



The holiday season didn’t stop there. We were so excited to Conquer the Oil together! All of our classes had so much fun cooking for Hanukkah. The kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades fried delicious apple potatoes during their classes. Our 3rd-5th grade families came together for a beautiful morning of cooking, art, and laughter! Using teamwork, we made potato zucchini latkes

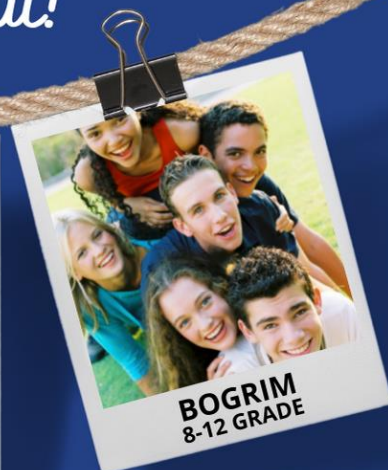


and sufganiyot (fried doughnuts eaten in Israel and around the world during Hanukkah) from scratch. Families also designed their own latke plate to use throughout the week of Hanukkah. The best part of this festive program was seeing all of the families schmoozing together and having a great time with each other.



Temple Beth Emet Youth GROUP

Let's Hang Out!



Temple Beth Emet proudly boasts one of the most successful youth programs in Broward County. All youth activities are planned with one goal in mind: to help participants connect to their Temple community. Our three programs serve students in grades K-12 with various social, religious and community service events while socializing with their friends.

For more information contact Rayna Engle, Youth Director
954-680-1882 or rayna417@aol.com

JANUARY SCHEDULE

Bogrim & Gesher meet Wednesdays from 7:00 – 8:30pm
Chalutzim meets one Sunday a month from 12:30 – 2:00pm

January 4	Bogrim & Gesher	Winter Break No Meeting
January 11	Bogrim & Gesher	Vanilla Ice
January 18	Bogrim & Gesher	Zumba (wear sneakers)
January 22	Chalutzim	Bring A Board Game & Eat Pizza
January 25	Bogrim Gesher	Meet at Starbucks (at Sheridan & Flamingo) 9 Square at TBE

MITZVAH DAY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2023

BAKE SALE

Activity: Volunteer at our bake sale and sell baked goods.

What to bring: store bought baked goods.

Ages: 10 and older

BLESSING BAGS

Activity: Help stuff Blessing Bags to give to the homeless and Showering Love.

What to bring: Toiletries, snack food, wipes, deodorant, comb, brush, gift cards, socks etc.

Ages: All Ages

CHILDREN'S SAFE HARBOR

Activity: Make bags filled with items for the Children's Safe Harbor. We will provide the bags to decorate.

What to bring: All ITEMS MUST BE NEW! Tissues, paper towels, toilet paper, cleaning supplies, laundry detergent, toiletries (full size), brushes/combs, feminine hygiene products, clothing for children, baby supplies: bibs, diapers, wipes, onesies, Bedding and linens (twin)

Ages: All Ages

DOG TREATS

Activity: We will be making dog treats to donate to the Broward Humane Society.

What to bring: Pumpkin puree, sunflower seed butter and whole wheat flour.

Ages: All Ages

FLOWER BOUQUETS

Activity: Arrange flower bouquets & Cards for senior residents at Memorial Manor.

What to bring: Vases & tissue paper.

Ages: All Ages

JUBILEE

Activity: Prepare sandwiches for the homeless and donate to Jubilee.

What to bring: Sunflower seed butter & jelly, bread, zip lock sandwich bags, juice boxes, and individual bags of chips.

Ages: All Ages



WHAT'S HAPPENING



- **ALL ACTIVITIES WILL TAKE PLACE OUTDOORS**
9:00 AM REGISTRATION
9:30 AM OPENING CEREMONY
10:00 AM MITZVAH PROJECTS
11:15 AM FAMILY KICKBALL GAME & BBQ
- **REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
www.templebethemet.org/form/mitzvahday

MORE OPPORTUNITIES



ALEX'S LEMONADE STAND
 Buy lemonade or make a donation.



BLOOD DRIVE
 Donate blood to the Community Blood Centers of South Florida

KIDS CAN

Activity: Stuff bags and make cards for children in the hospital. We will provide bags to be decorated.

What to bring: Drawstring bags, coloring books, crayons, activity books, stuffed animals, small toys, small board games, deck of cards

Ages: All Ages

TU B'SHEVAT PROJECT

Activity: Let's beautify TBE with some beautiful gardening/landscaping. More surprises to come. Check our website for up to date information.

What to bring: Annuals, top soil and mulch

Ages: All Ages

KIDS HELPING KIDS

Activity: Help stuff backpacks for Broward County School Kids in Need.

What to bring: New or gently used backpacks, School supplies - such as pencils, folders, glue sticks, composition notebooks, erasers, colored pencils, crayons.

Ages: All Ages

UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY (Off Campus Activity) *

Activity: Join us for a pizza lunch with developmentally disabled adults. Volunteers to accompany Cantor Jan and the choir to sing at lunch...

What to bring: Fresh flowers, colored cellophane, ribbon, tape.

Ages: All Ages

SCAVENGER HUNT

Activity: Support the JFS Cupboard Kosher Food Pantry by enjoying a scavenger hunt at Publix. We will provide the clues and answer key for the nonperishable food items that are needed. Families shop for the clued items and drop their purchases in the Cupboard van that will be outside Publix.

Ages: All Ages



HARVEST DRIVE
Donate non-perishable food items, gently worn clothing and gently used household items.



WOMEN IN DISTRESS
OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC.
JIM & JAN MORAN FAMILY CENTER

WOMEN IN DISTRESS
Donate women's professional clothes.



WECARE
Donate non-perishable food items, small toiletries, paper products, baby food or diapers and wipes



WRITE LETTERS TO SOLDIERS
Write letters to our U.S. soldiers thanking them for their service.

Family Kickball Game

Following Mitzvah Day join us for a family kickball game and BBQ!

\$18 per family (up to 6 people)

Maximum of 150 players

New! Preschool aged kickball game for our little friends.

This game will be separate from our main game.

MUST RSVP by January 20, 2023

[www.templebethemet.org/ form/mitzvahday](http://www.templebethemet.org/form/mitzvahday)



What's Happening

I ♥
Book Club

BOOK CLUB

SPONSORED BY THE SISTERHOOD

Our next Book Club will meet on zoom on January 4, 7:00 pm – Fugitive Colors by Lisa Barr. If you are interested, we are always open to new readers joining our group. Contact tracyzelitt@gmail.com

**JAN
4
7:00 PM**

**FREE 30 MINUTE ZUMBA DEMO AND SESSION ON WELLNESS.
OPEN FOR EVERYONE!
JANUARY 18, 2023 7:00PM**



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Game Night

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JANUARY 19, 2023 @ 6:30 PM

MILTON BRADLEY • HASBRO •
ALL YOUR FAVORITE CLASSIC GAMES
& NEW ONES TOO!

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| ★ DOMINOS | ★ MAH JONGG | ★ SCRABBLE |
| ★ BANANA GRAMS | ★ PHASE10 | ★ SKIPBO |
| ★ UNO | ★ POKER | ★ SORRY |



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FOR SOCIALIZING

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ARRIVAL!!!

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VENMO: @GTRDEB92

GAMES WILL BE PLAYED AT 30 MINUTE
INTERVALS - SPEED DATING STYLE!

Sisterhood

ADMISSION IS 5 NON-PERISHABLE FOOD
ITEMS TO DONATE TO A FOOD PANTRY.

OPEN TO ALL MEN &
WOMEN OVER THE
AGE OF 18

FAMILY SHABBAT & Challah Bake

JANUARY 20 @ 6:00 PM

Come with your family and enjoy the beautiful experience of Shabbat with songs, stories and TBE traditions led by our clergy. Following the service enjoy an Oneg and Challah Bake. Have a blast shaping and braiding Challah dough and top it off with delicious toppings!

RSVP REQUIRED! EMAIL LAURA GOODMAN,
LAURA@TEMPLEBETHMET.ORG



Adult Education Classes



ADULT B'NAI MITZVAH CLASS

Learn to read Hebrew and recite Hebrew prayers. Led by Paula Bergman
Call the Temple Office at 954-680-1882 for more information.

**Call for date
and time of
class
954-680-1882**



BOOKIE GROUP

Meets every Monday morning at 7:30 am in person and on Zoom.
If you are interested in having a great discussion, studying the Torah, learning about Judaism and life while having a bagel or donut and coffee, join the men's discussion group. For more information email bethemet@templebethemet.org

**MONDAYS
7:30 AM
January
9, 23, 30**



HEALING MEDITATION CIRCLE

Led by Cantor Jan on zoom.
For those seeking peace, healing from grief or looking for quiet spiritual moments. For zoom link email office@templebethemet.org

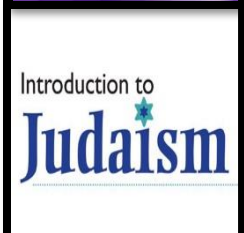
**THURSDAYS
7:00PM
January
5, 12, 19, 26**



FINDING HUMOR IN LIFE

Enjoy a morning of good jokes with Rabbi DeWoskin.
For zoom link email office@templebethemet.org

**THURSDAYS
10:00 AM
January
5, 12, 19, 26**



INTRO TO JUDAISM MITZVOT * HISTORY * TORAH * TRADITIONS

Judaism from an adult perspective. If you're interested in becoming a more confident parent of Jewish children, exploring long standing questions you haven't yet asked, conversion or other questions, small or large, this is the class for you. For more information rabbifd@templebethemet.org

**TUESDAYS
7:00 PM
January
10, 17, 24, 31**



JUDAISM 2.0

Led by Rabbi DeWoskin
Anything and everything you want to know! Class takes place the first and third Thursday of the month.
Contact rabbifd@templebethemet.org for more information.

**THURSDAYS
7:00PM
January
5, 19**



TORAH STUDY

Led by Rabbi Greenspon on zoom. Study and discuss the Torah portion of the week.
For zoom link email office@templebethemet.org

**THURSDAYS
12:00 PM
January
5, 12, 19, 26**

B'nai Mitzvah



Levi Fleischer

Levi Michael Fleischer will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Friday, January 6, 2023. Levi began his Jewish education here at Temple Beth Emet as a toddler in the Early Childhood Center and for several years thereafter in Merkaz Limud. In addition, Levi looks forward to spending his summers at URJ Camp Coleman where Jewish values are instilled daily. Levi is currently a 7th grade accelerated student at Falcon Cove Middle School where his favorite subject is math. He is the true definition of an overachiever, always striving to do his personal best. When Levi is not at school or on a soccer field, you can be sure to find him working on his eCYBERMISSION project or just hanging out watching sports.

Levi's sense of compassion for others and passion for soccer was what led to his "ProtectShins" Mitzvah project. He chose to create an organization that aims to help underprivileged aspiring soccer players access the necessary safety equipment needed to play soccer. As a Bar Mitzvah, he is learning to become a responsible Jewish person in the image of God. Therefore, for his mitzvah project, he chose to collect and distribute shin guards. If you would like to donate, please visit: www.theprotectshinsproject.com

Levi's family is so proud of the helpful, hardworking, and respectable young man he is today. We are looking forward to being surrounded by all those who love and support him as he becomes a Bar Mitzvah. His commitment and dedication to this Jewish milestone could not have been achieved alone. We are grateful to all of Levi's teachers for creating such a loving and nurturing environment for Levi's Jewish education at TBE. Rabbi Greenspon and Rabbi DeWoskin, thank you for always having your doors open to our family making us feel such a sense of warmth each time we enter the synagogue. And finally, to Cantor Jan, who so patiently and lovingly has prepared Levi to become a Bar Mitzvah. Each and every one of you have been instrumental in helping Levi prepare for this momentous occasion.

Asher Bernstein

Asher Jack Bernstein will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday January 28, 2023. Temple Beth Emet is a second home for Asher, he began attending Mommy and Me classes at TBE as an infant and continued there through his Pre-K year as part of the Early Childhood Center. Asher then went on to Beth Emet School where he is currently a 7th grade Director's Honor Roll student. Asher has spent many happy summers as a camper at Camp Beth Emet and enjoys attending the Merkaz Limud program and youth group.

Asher is an excellent student and his favorite subject is math. Asher also plays the piano, guitar and drums and is currently in 3 bands at his music school. In his free time, Asher really enjoys playing tennis, coding and reading.

Asher is kind, caring and a hard worker. He is an amazing son, brother, grandson, nephew and cousin. Asher loves animals, especially his golden retriever Leo. Asher also loves attending Camp Barney Medintz for sleep away camp and looks forward to being with his camp friends every summer!

For his Mitzvah Project, Asher raised money by selling bracelets for Vets Helping Heroes, an organization where his Grandfather Mel serves as President. Vets Helping Heroes provides many different service dogs to our Veterans. They provide guide dogs for the blind, service dogs for Vets with visible injuries, service dogs for Vets with the "invisible injuries" of PTSD and facility therapy dogs.

Asher and family would like to thank everyone who has helped him on his journey to his Bar Mitzvah including all of his preschool, day school and religious teachers; as well as Rabbi Greenspon and Rabbi DeWoskin. We would especially like to thank Cantor Jan Sheer for her support, guidance and patience that helped Asher prepare for this amazing milestone. We are extremely proud of Asher's hard work and accomplishments and cannot wait to see what the future holds for him! We love you very much! Mazel Tov!



WE ARE PLANNING A PARTY

Join our Gala Committee

The Gala Committee plays a vital role in the success of Temple Beth Emet and Beth Emet Schools Annual Gala Fundraiser. We encourage you to sign up and get involved and help us raise over \$60,000. Please join our 2023 committee and help us take this event to the next level!

Bring your talents to the team!

Create 2023 party theme with decor & entertainment

Create sponsorship packages

Create silent auction packages

Create engagement opportunities for our community

To get involved contact Laura Goodman, laura@templebethemet.org

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ATHLETES MUST REGISTER ONLINE PRIOR TO EVALUATIONS.
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GOT QUESTIONS? CONTACT:
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For updates & information on evaluation dates & times, please visit our website fortlauderdalejccmaccabi.com
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January 1

Zachary Goodstein
Joshua Goodstein
Jerome Jacobs
Nora Krause
Robert Weintrob
Jennifer Young

January 2

Liam Friedopfer
Camden
Hampshire
Nathan Schneider

January 3

Ara Khatib
Peggy Stein
Scott Steinberg
Lauren White

January 4

Mary Fishbein
Nikki Marin
Matthew Miller
Mark Mintz
Lea Russo
Yelyzaveta
Timoshenko
Maxwell Vasquez

January 5

Meredith Dolberg
Karen Fine
Levi Fleischer
Stephen Johnston
Anita Kahn
Reagan Levy
Jacob Lipman
Chloe
Oppenheimer

Ceci Rosen
Ethan Weiss

January 6

Richard Davis
Howard Forman
David Gusky
Krystal Hosang
Shaina Kaye
Candice Wilson
Scholl

January 7

Lavi Elazar
Ryan Haimo
Jeremy Katzman
Steven Light

January 8

Matthew Barrett

January 9

Maureen Barrett
Elliott Felty

January 10

Lindsay Brasner
Brynn Haller
Douglas
Markowitz
Trisha Spiller
Zane Wood
Luke Wood

January 11

Neal Adler
Wesley Brafman
Ava Charno

January 12

James Friedland
Andrew Paper

January 13

Scott Collins
Jacob Frank
Sheldon Masel

Tracy Metzner
Rachel Raskin
Oliver Stewart
Monique Swissa
Nina Yanowitz

January 14

Gavin Katz
Mia Kiperwas
Landyn Spellberg

January 15

Rebecca Flayman
Laura Heit
Shelby Kan
Jack Miller
Aaron Paper

January 16

Lee Bieberberg
Eli Brenner
Frank DeWoskin
Bruce Fishbein
Miles Fishman
Melissa Rzepko
Bruce Udolf
Mark Weinberger
Steven
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January 17

Victor
Abbondandolo
Samuel Chacon
Annie Feldman
Julie Russo

January 18

Barry Blecker
Angelo Esson
Samantha Haimo
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January 19

Elana Gara
Kip Goulder

William Gray
Jennifer Levine
Sara White

January 20

Asher Bernstein
Jonah Fienberg
Sage Lewin
Brandon Morrison
Ava Morrison
Karla Ramirez
Adi Suissa

January 21

Rebecca Bratter
Darby Nash
Shari Shears

January 22

Erik Abrams
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Micole Kaye
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Scott Logan
Marissa Mintz-
Forte
Marisa Riestra
Maia Scaillon
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Beth Soskin
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January 23

Jason Bank
Mijal Cohen
Bianca Dodgen
Tyler Dorfman
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January 24

Logan Blanco
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Mia DeWoskin
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January 25

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Ziv Meirov
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January 28

Joey Eggnetz
Elle Gutglas
Gabriella Moldan
Madison Mutzman
Isaiah Shelton

January 29

Ryan Abrams
Samuel Gelabert

January 30

Ryan Levi

January 31

Shannon
Gubnitsky
Brooke Shears
Roslyn Wagner

HAPPY Anniversary

January 1

Evan & Jodi Brenner

January 3

Mark & Denise Sherman

January 9

Sam & Ronna Jonas

January 14

Steve & Thelma Weiss

January 15

Evan & Eden Katz

Scott & Abbe Logan

January 16

Jason & Dina Bank

Samuel & Sarah Gurevich

January 18

Kyle & Anna Parish

January 19

Scott & Tracy Metzner

January 20

Martin & Robin Sheridan

January 21

Jerome & Delby Jacobs

Bruce & Debra Salzman

January 24

James & Sandra Friedland

January 25

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January 26

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Yahrzeits

The following Yahrzeits will be acknowledged and Kaddish will be said during Shabbat Services on the dates below.

January 6

Arlynn Alexander
Elizabeth Boeken
Arnold Cohen
Chester Crosetto
Jack Eichel
Julius Fields
Fannie Fine
Shirley Fleming
Louise Gaines
Irving Glassman
Bernard Goldstein
Roselyn Gordon
Carl Hageman
Benjamin Hains
Adeline Hausman
Ellen Jacobs
Sol Jaslow
Jessie Kalin
Leon Klompus
Dorothy Lattman
Hilda Lefkowitz
Milton Lerner
Bobbi Lichtenstein
Rose Margolin
Lillian Mayer
Ethel Meyers
Sydney Nadel
Dorothy Naidus
Jacob Naidus
Shelley Obrand
Phil Orshan
Herbert Pass
Civie Pertnoy
Irving Poloniecki
Asaf Raz
Marilyn Reback
James Roberts
Max Rohan
Stephanie Rubin
Lewis Schott
Leah Schpiegelman
Joseph Schwartz
Sidney Sherman
Myron Silberman
Irving Weisberg

Samuel Wolin
Howard Wood
Michael Young

January 13

Lawrence Adler, M.D.
Rose Ammirati
Ann Berman
Sylvia Burris
Lawrence Chase
Steve "Pops" Clausman
Eli Cohen
Jack Cohen
Shirley Distler
Hilda Finkelstein
Mary Firstenberg
Myer Frankel
Orli Gilad
Harriet Glickstein
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Steven Hatkins
Kathy Haydu
Gerald Hoffman
Gerald Hoffman
Arthur Kirstein
Jean Klaristenfeld
Leon Levin
Alan Miller
Doris Olesky
Albert Parish
Earl Pertnoy
Sam Randell
Harry Rubin
David Schlang
Leslie Schloss
Dorothy Seitel
Harry Torem
Harvey Wagner
Alan Wasserman
Jean Zaremborg

January 20

Myer Allen
Gil Aloya
Albert Bishop
Rhoda Brock
Herbert Dinnerman
Harry Engelson
Max Fingerhut
Herbert Freund
Mitchel Fried
Milton Friedman
William Goodstein
Jack Greenberg
Marshall Greenspon
Meredith Grodin
Marion Hains
Nathan Kaufman
Mary Kopsar
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Bernard Midler
Sam Miller
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Linda Rothman
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Lorraine Segel
Hannah Shahaf
Leon Silver
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Bernice Zimmerman

January 27

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Robert Bakerman
Irving Bederson

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Henriette Engelson
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Dora Friedrich
Florence Gilbert
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Erwin Greenfield
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Lois Jacobs
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Fay Schwartz
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- 3 Sign a Letter of Intent
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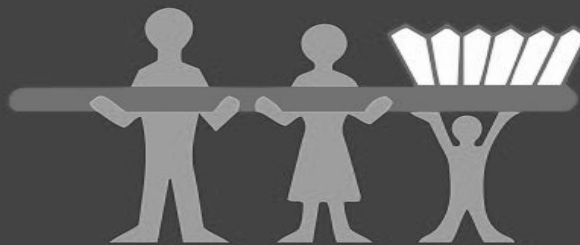
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Dr. Todd Goldberg, Dr. Douglas Smith and Dr. Suzette Rodriguez are proud to welcome Dr. Markie Niemeyer to our Gemini family. Dr. Markie Niemeyer was born and raised in South Florida and attended the University of Florida for college. She went on to attend Indiana University School of Medicine and completed her residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Health system. There, she served as Administrative Chief Resident and was the recipient of the Allan McLeod award for clinical care, teaching and mentorship as well as the John Ford award for her performance in Gynecology and research. Dr. Niemeyer loves serving the diverse community of South Florida, caring for patients across the whole spectrum of reproductive health.