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Temple Beth El Gets Into Chanukah!

On the first night, Sunday, December 2, at 6:30 PM, bring your menorah and candles to our **Community Chanukah Menorah Lighting Celebration** with dreidles, Chanukah sing along music, story time with Billie Harris and sufganiyot (jelly doughnuts). We invite new temple members to a Pizza Party with Rabbi Shifra at 5:30 PM, RSVP to Melissa Sunberg is required.

On Tuesday, December 4, Sarah Clarkson hosts **Chanukah Story Time** for young families at Bookshop Santa Cruz, 1520 Pacific Ave., Santa Cruz, at 5:30 PM. Billie Harris will read Chanukah stories, we will sing Chanukah songs and join Bookshop families as we all light the menorah.

On the 4th night of Chanukah, Wednesday, December 5, at 7:00 PM, come cheer at **Jewish Heritage Night** with the Santa Cruz Warriors. Temple School kids will be invited to sing Chanukah songs on the court and light the menorah at halftime. Leaders of SRFY youth group, Jessie and Zea Segnitz, will sing the national anthem.

On Thursday, December 6, 7:00 PM, the 5th night, you won't want to miss **Moving Prayer**. Join Rabbi Diane Elliot as we light the menorah and explore the essence of Jewish prayer through song and text study, questioning and conversation, and even a little movement!

And if you have never been to our **Chanukah Extravaganza**, you are in for an amazing experience on Friday, December 7. We begin at 5:45 PM, with

a latke dinner, (reservations and pre-payment by December 3rd are required, see page 11 of this Shofar). Then we transform the social hall and sanctuary for **Rock of Ages**, our Chanukah Shabbat service with the Rock Shabbat band at 7:00 PM. Please bring your menorah and candles! All are welcome to *Rock of Ages*, whether or not you have signed up for the dinner, so bring your friends.

On the last day of Chanukah, Sunday, December 9, at 2:00 PM, join **Book of Joy** author, our own Doug Abrams—in partnership with Bookshop Santa Cruz, The Humanities Institute at UCSC, Santa Cruz Public Libraries and Temple Beth El—for a community wide discussion and celebration around the themes of kindness and joy.

At this time of social and cultural division, and when many are feeling a sense of despair, *The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World*, by the Dalai Lama, Desmond Tutu and Doug Abrams, is an ideal book to discuss as a community. Abrams will share rare footage from the historic meeting of these global icons in Dharamsala, India and facilitate a dialogue with Rabbi Paula Marcus, Father Cyprian Consiglio, Reverend Deborah Johnson, and Venerable Tenzin Chogyi, about different spiritual traditions that lift up joy and compassion. The afternoon will conclude with a book signing and musical performance.

Happy Chanukah!



Shabbat Services

Saturday, December 1

10:00 AM Shabbat Morning Service

Friday, December 7

5:45 PM Chanukah Extravaganza Dinner

7:00 PM Rock of Ages Rock Shabbat

Saturday, December 8

10:00 AM ShabbASANA

10:00 AM Shabbat Morning Service
with Chadeish Yameinu (out)

Friday, December 14

7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, December 15

10:00 AM Shabbat Morning Service

10:00 AM Minami Bat Mitzvah

Friday, December 21

7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, December 22

10:00 AM Shabbat Morning Service

Friday, December 28

7:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, December 29

10:00 AM Shabbat Morning Service

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Spirituality

THOUGHTS FROM RABBI PAULA



Rabbi Paula

As we move out of the anxiety around this year's midterm elections and toward our Chanukah celebrations, I find myself making an effort to understand how I can find meaning in this moment.

What I am beginning to realize is that the motivating factor behind the Maccabee revolt and the lighting of the menorah in the temple with just a few drops of oil, is hope. And the number of women and people of color who ran for office this year, is also hope. A sense that while conditions and circumstances may feel overwhelmingly difficult, the human spirit, the candle of our inner selves, can and must be ignited. We must find ways to keep hope and joy alive.

We will have many ways to celebrate Chanukah this year, beginning with a first night candle lighting celebration, and ending the afternoon before the last night, with an interfaith conversation about Doug Abram's *Book of Joy*. Doug is a TBE member. In his book, he writes about his week-long conversations with the Dalai Lama and Bishop Desmond Tutu in Dharamsala, India. He describes these two spiritual leaders as having lived through many challenges. Doug talks about how moved he was to witness their courage and resilience in the face of all they both have suffered. Neither of these leaders are naïve about the suffering in

our world. And yet, they have built their capacity to recognize this suffering and also lift up and draw from the goodness they see around them. They feel deep sadness and pain, but they have broadened their view to notice and amplify simple acts of kindness and love that they experience in their lives.

Doug writes, "Their joy is clearly not easy or superficial but one burnished by the fire of adversity, oppression, and struggle." He asks these two men: "How do we embrace the reality of our lives, deny nothing, but transcend the pain and suffering that is inescapable? How could we possibly live with joy in a world filled with so much suffering?" These two men remind us of an important truth—suffering is inevitable, but how we choose to respond to that suffering is up to us. Not even the oppression Bishop Tutu has faced in South Africa, or the occupation of Tibet which has taken a large toll on the culture and lives of the Tibetan people, has taken away their freedom to choose how they respond. Doug will show videos of his time with these two amazing spiritual leaders. Exploring these ideas will be such a wonderful way for us to harvest our Chanukah experiences.

Our interfaith panel will include Father Cyprian Consiglio, Prior of Camaldoli Hermitage; Reverend Deborah Johnson from Inner Light; Venerable Tenzin Chogyi of Land of Medicine Buddha and myself. We will be discussing the role of joy and hope in our faith traditions. Please join us on December 9, at 2:00 PM.

—Rabbi Paula Marcus



Rosh Hodesh Tevet

Tuesday, December 11
7:00 PM

According to the ancient Jewish text, the Book of Jubilees, the first of Tevet marks the beginning of winter. At one time, this day may have corresponded to the Winter Solstice. On the Winter Solstice, the Leviathan roars.

Out in Our Faith Carries On



Out in Our Faith, a coalition founded in 2004 by Kathy Goldenkranz (may her memory be for a blessing) and members of Twice Blessed at TBE, has as its mission the promotion of full inclusion of LGBT families, couples and individuals within SC County houses of worship that fulfill their spiritual needs. The group is pleased to announce that we just received a \$9,000 grant from the Community Foundation Diversity Partnership program to hire a part-time coordinator, conduct more trainings and do outreach to the wider community.

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Synagogue News

A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Amy Harrington

It has been an extremely hard month here at TBE after the tragedy that struck Pittsburgh, but I also feel honored to have our community to turn to for comfort and support. Please

rest assured we have been focused on fact-gathering and policy discussions regarding how best to proceed with security here at TBE. Congregants have stepped up with information, and Esther has been consulting with private security companies, the Sheriff, local churches, and synagogues across the country to find out the best practices. A special note of appreciation is due to our local Sheriff's Department for all the help and care they have shown since the Pittsburgh shooting. As we have more information and our security plans are completed, I will share them with you. I appreciate your patience.

We are so pleased that Tanya Lorien, our new Executive Director, will begin working on December 11, and will overlap with Esther for two weeks. Please come to our Friday evening Shabbat Service on December 14, to welcome Tanya and thank Esther for her service for the past seven months.

I hope everyone is able to enjoy Chanukah celebrations and spend time with friends and family. We look forward to seeing you at our Chanukah Extravaganza! I am so grateful to have a community to share in this Festival of Light together.

—Shalom, Amy Harrington,
TBE President

Join the Lifelong Learning TBE Adult Education Committee

We need you! We meet about 4–6 times a year to plan programs for fall and spring. Contact Wilma Gold at wilmagold@gmail.com to get involved.

TBE Library News

We are pleased to report that the temple library is doing great. The library's collection is better than ever, with hundreds of new books. When we say "new," we mean really new: one-third of the collection—1600 titles—was published after 2000. Special attention has been given to building our holdings in contemporary Judaism, Israeli history, genealogy, cookbooks and recent fiction. The children's and young adult collections have doubled in size with an emphasis in recent works. A new book cart highlights newer books and our growing selection of mysteries. We invite you to explore the collection, either by browsing the shelves or online at <https://tbeaptos.libib.com>.

Borrowing from the temple library collection has been up-and-running for more than a year now. We brought up our new lending system last year,



registering and distributing library cards for almost 800 members. Last

month we updated our borrowing database, distributing cards for more than 100 additional members, those newly-joined and those we missed in the first go-around. Since the lending system's launch, we've checked out more than 170 books. If you haven't tried the borrowing system yet, it's easy. (Hint: You can use your email address if you don't have your library card handy.)

It's an encouraging start for what we hope will continue to grow as an active and valuable community resource. We thank our dedicated team of volunteers, as well as our generous donors and the temple leadership and staff, who make this possible. For questions or suggestions, contact librarytbe@gmail.com.

Join Temple Beth El Brotherhood for 2019

Dues and contributions can now be paid online at the temple website. Go to the Brotherhood page at <https://www.tbeaptos.org/brotherhood.html>.

Sisterhood Gift Shop



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Helene Moglen, beloved wife of
Sheila Namir
Aaron Simon Belkin, nephew of
Robin Belkin and Vicki Hallil
Celia Sifry, beloved mother of
Dalia, Mara and Ilana





Rabbi Shifra

Temple School fosters a love of Jewish learning in a joyful, engaging and supportive community.

Time to get out your Chanukah decorations, menorah and dreidle! By decorating our houses, lighting our menorah and placing it in the window for all to see, we illuminate the presence of miracles in our lives and proclaim our conviction that spirit can triumph over might. Our stubborn insistence on this conviction has gotten the Jewish people through some pretty difficult times. It seems to me that we particularly need this message right now. Chanukah inspires us to miraculously find light in times of great darkness, and to notice how far reaching our little lights can shine.

We hope that your family will be inspired by Chanukah at TBE. We are planning a multitude of fantastic

celebrations which are listed in this Shofar. For the first time we are helping to plan Jewish Heritage Night with the Santa Cruz Warriors—temple kids will sing the National Anthem and light the menorah at halftime. This event is in place of Hebrew High on December 5th, so please note that there will be no seventh grade or Hebrew High at the Temple that Wednesday evening. We DO have fourth, fifth and sixth grade earlier that day. Our fifth and sixth graders will make latkes and Chanukah cookies for us all to share when our fourth graders return to Temple School from Aegis, where we go every year to share Chanukah with the elderly residents. May the light of Chanukah illuminate our lives, and may we in turn, spread light.

—Rabbi Shifra Weiss-Penzias

All-School Roller Skating Party

Instead of regular Temple School on Sunday, December 16
11:30 AM–1:30 PM

Skate to Jewish music, eat pizza, and have fun with the Temple School community at the Santa Cruz Roller Palladium, 1606 Seabright Ave. The cost is \$12.00 in advance & \$15.00 after December 12th, including at the door. If you want to rent inline skates there is an additional \$3.00 charge. Please contact Rabbi Shifra if cost is a problem. Pay by December 12th—it helps us know how much pizza to bring.

Family, relatives and friends are all welcome! Helmets, knee pads, elbow pads, and wrist guards are

recommended. Kids who have difficulty roller skating need to bring an adult. If you are planning to leave your child at the roller rink we will need to know how to contact you for those two hours. Be sure to fill out our sign in & emergency contact form at the door before you leave.

We will accept payment at the Temple School office, or by mail. Please make checks payable to Temple Beth El and put *roller skating* and names of skaters in the memo line.



CHANUKAH STORY TIME WITH BILLIE HARRIS

Tuesday, December 4, 5:30 PM, at Bookshop Santa Cruz, 1520 Pacific Ave. Join the TBE Young Families Project for Chanukah Story Time. Billie Harris, our beloved story teller, will share Chanukah books and stories. This is a special way to explore the holiday and celebrate with friends. Bookshop Santa Cruz brings in beautiful Chanukah books for your family to purchase and enjoy. This is a free event. Please come and invite your friends!



SRFY Bowling on December 1, 6:30–8:30 PM.
SRFY Ski Trip on January 4–6, 2019. Contact Jennifer Kanter at kanterjennifer1@gmail.com if you have any questions.



Temple School, Hebrew High & Young Families Program Calendar

Sunday, December 2

TS grades K–6, 2nd Grade Parent Participation, First Night of Chanukah Community Candle Lighting

Wednesday, December 5

TS grades 4–6, KEF, Hebrew, 4th Grade Field Trip to Aegis, 7th Grade and Hebrew High go to the Warriors

Friday, December 7

Rock of Ages Chanukah Extravaganza

Sunday, December 9

TS Grades Grades K–6, Mazel Tots

Wednesday, December 12

TS grades 4–6, KEF, Hebrew, 7th Grade & Hebrew High

Sunday, December 16

Roller Skating Party at Santa Cruz Roller Palladium—NO TEMPLE SCHOOL

Wednesday, December 19

WINTER BREAK BEGINS—NO TEMPLE SCHOOL

Sunday, December 23

NO TEMPLE SCHOOL

Wednesday, December 26

NO TEMPLE SCHOOL

Sunday, December 30

NO TEMPLE SCHOOL

WINTER BREAK—NO Temple School, Seventh Grade or Hebrew High starting Wednesday, December 19. Classes resume on Sunday, January 13th and Wednesday, January 16th.

Mazel Tots



Sunday, December 9

9:45 to 11:15 AM

at Temple Beth El

Join in fun Chanukah themed activities for children five years and under with their families. Members and non-members welcome. Free. Bring a healthy snack.

Two More Reasons to Join SRFY

Youth

Simcha Preschool

Building structures, painting and gluing, singing, and exploring movement are favorite past times of the children at Simcha Preschool. Simcha's dedicated teachers had successful parent/teacher conferences in mid-November.

Our community thrives with parent volunteers teaching belly dance to the toddlers, clay sculpting with the preschoolers, baking skills and math strategies to the prekindergarten children.

Please help us welcome our new toddler co-teacher, Natalie Toy. She's been teaching young children since 2004 and has a passion for integrating music, movement and creative arts into early childhood curriculum. We are thrilled to have her co-teaching with Grace Valdez, who has been a dedicated Simcha teacher for ten years.

Thank you to Dana, Angie and

Deanna of Dr. Porter's Aptos dental office. They visited in November to inform us about dental hygiene, eating healthy foods and the importance of brushing our teeth twice daily. Each child went home with a new toothbrush! Thanks also to whale biologist, John, for his whale song presentation. We loved the whale music you shared with us!

Join us in the social hall for Breakfast and Books, on Sunday, December 16, from 10:00 AM-12:00 noon. Tasty morning treats will be available, as well as books for a buck! Special guest musicians will join us for community singing, too.

If you have a special skill and would like to volunteer to play music, read stories (thanks, President Amy for your weekly story reading with the Simcha toddlers), or facilitate a learning activity, please contact me at the Simcha office, (831) 479-3449.

—Warm thanks, Lisa Mendez, Director

Camp Kayetz Winter Overnight

Thursday,
January 3, 2019



Camp in the great indoors with your Camp Kayetz friends! Campers (K-7th grade) and CITs (8th-10th grade) will arrive at TBE at 3:00 PM and enjoy games, snacks, crafts, songs, dinner, a movie, sleepover and breakfast the next morning before pick up at 10:30 AM. Cost: \$65/camper, \$55/discount rate (sibling, first-time camper, referred another camper). Contact Mimi and Sarah at smrapp@ucsc.edu to register your child.

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Donor Spotlight

George Ow and Gail Michaelis-Ow



You know that friend you can count on to always be by your side in good times and bad? The friend who always says "yes" when you need a favor. Well, we at Temple Beth El are extremely fortunate to have such friends in George Ow and Gail Michaelis-Ow!

Members since the 1970's, the Ow's have made their closest friends, raised their children and now their grandchildren in this community. Gail recounts with great joy the many simchas they have celebrated at TBE and how this community has supported them through the sorrows of illnesses and deaths as well.

The Ow's expansive philanthropy is well known. Rabbi Paula describes George and Gail as exemplifying the true meaning of tzedakah, "Their righteous generosity has provided opportunities that enrich our lives and the lives of our children." Gail explains, "We feel extremely blessed to be able to give back. Tzedakah is one of the cornerstones of Judaism. It makes us very happy to be able to help support a community like Temple Beth El that welcomes all who want to join. It is so important that we take good care of our wonderful rabbinical staff, our office staff, our custodians, our teachers and our administrators so they will be there to take care of us when the need arises. We also need to support and maintain our beautiful synagogue, so it can continue to be a welcoming place for the entire Santa Cruz Jewish community." Being an open and welcoming community is an integral part of who we are. George echoes his appreciation, "Temple Beth El has always made me feel extremely welcome and being an Asian man, this was a surprise to me at first. I love the diversity of Temple Beth El members and the warm, welcoming vibration I feel whenever I am at Temple Beth El." Thank you to the Ow's for being a vital part in all that is Temple Beth El!

The 2019 Santa Cruz Jewish Film Festival (SCJFF) Needs Your Support

Mark your calendars! Saturday, March 30, 2019, is opening night for the 2019 SCJFF, once again featuring a delicious reception prepared by Zena and a raffle of baskets filled with goodies. The Film Festival Committee is busy selecting films that explore our diverse Jewish identities/perspectives and promote cross cultural appreciation and respect.

We need your generous support to make it happen. Donor contributions start at just \$18. Please consider supporting the 2019 SCJFF. Make checks out to TBE and note in the memo section it's for the Film Festival.



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- \$36 ~ Double Chai (gets 2 raffle tickets)
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Moglen and with gratitude for Rabbi

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Sheila Namir

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Thank you so much for your
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Shabbat Morning Service (Vayeshev) 10:00am SRFY Bowling Party 6:30pm SRFY Fallinter Conclave
2 Temple School Grades K–6, 2nd Grade Parent Participation 9:45am Judaism as a Spiritual Journey 12:30pm First Night of Chanukah Community Candle Lighting and Story Time with Billie Harris 6:30pm 1st Night Chanukah		4 Pilates Class 10:00am Shira's Baby Group 10:00am Chanukah Story Time with Billie Harris at Bookshop SC 5:30pm Jewish Meditation 7:00pm 3rd Night Chanukah	5 Temple School Grades 4–6, KEF & Hebrew; 4th Grade Field Trip to Aegis 4:00pm 7th Grade & Hebrew High Go to the Warriors 7:00pm Jewish Heritage Night at the SC Warriors 7:00pm Women's Song Circle 7:00pm (out) 4th Night Chanukah	6 Pilates Class 10:00am Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Library Staffed 3:00pm Moving Prayer with Rabbi Diane 7:00pm 5th Night Chanukah	7 Chanukah Extravaganza Dinner 5:45pm Rock of Ages Rock Shabbat 7:00pm 🕯️ 4:32pm 6th Night Chanukah	8 ShabbASANA 10:00am Shabbat Service with CY (Miketz) 10:00am (out) 7th Night Chanukah
9 Temple School Grades K–6 9:45am Mazel Tots 9:45am Judaism as a Spiritual Journey 12:30pm Book of Joy with Doug Abrams 2:00pm Last Night Chanukah	10 Senior Connections 1:30pm	11 Pilates Class 10:00am Shira's Baby Group 10:00am Caregiver Support Group 7:00pm Jewish Meditation 7:00pm Rosh Hodesh 7:00pm	12 Temple School Grades 4–6, KEF & Hebrew 4:00pm 7th Grade & Hebrew High 6:30pm Craft Group 7:00pm	13 Pilates Class 10:00am Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Library Staffed 3:00pm Kavod Conversations 7:00pm	14 Erev Shabbat Service 7:30pm 🕯️ 4:33pm	15 Torah Study 9:00am Shabbat Morning Service (Vayigash) 10:00am Minami Bat Mitzvah 10:00am
16 Breakfast and Books 9:45am Temple School Grades K–6 Roller Skating Party 11:30am Judaism as a Spiritual Journey 12:30pm	17 Women's Song Circle 7:00pm (out)	18 Pilates Class 10:00am Shira's Baby Group 10:00am Jewish Meditation 7:00pm	19 No Temple School or Hebrew High	20 Pilates Class 10:00am Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Library Staffed 3:00pm	21 Erev Shabbat Service 7:30pm 🕯️ 4:36pm Simcha Preschool Winter Break	22 Shabbat Morning Service (Vayechi) 10:00am
23 No Temple School Simcha Preschool Winter Break	24 No Senior Connections Simcha Preschool Winter Break	25 Office Closed Simcha Preschool Winter Break	26 No Temple School or Hebrew High Simcha Preschool Winter Break	27 Pilates Class 10:00am Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Library Staffed 3:00pm Simcha Preschool Winter Break	28 Erev Shabbat Service 7:30pm 🕯️ 4:41pm Simcha Preschool Winter Break	29 Shabbat Morning Service (Shemot) 10:00am
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Chanukah Extravaganza

Information and Dinner Reservation Form

Friday, December 7, 5:45 PM

This year will be a treat as always. Our Chanukah meal features the Brotherhood's famous latkes, decorations by Sisterhood, chicken, a vegan, gluten-free main dish, a vegetable side dish and salad. You're welcome to bring wine to enjoy with dinner. Dessert will be traditional sufganiyot (donuts) at the oneg after the fabulous Rock of Ages Shabbat service. Reservations are required for dinner. Please remember to reserve early to guarantee your seat. The RSVP deadline is Monday, December 3. The cost: \$18.00 per adult (ages 13 and over), and \$10.00 per child (ages 6–12). Free for children 5 and under.

REGISTRATION FORM

Please mail or drop off your RSVP form to the TBE office.

If your mailing label is not on the reverse side of this page, please include your contact information.

First & Last Name _____

Phone # _____

Email Address _____

Chanukah Dinner ~ Friday, December 7, 5:45 PM

RSVP forms and payment must be received no later than Monday, December 3.

Payment must accompany the RSVP.

_____ of adults (age 13 and over) at \$18 each

_____ of children (ages 6-12) at \$10 each

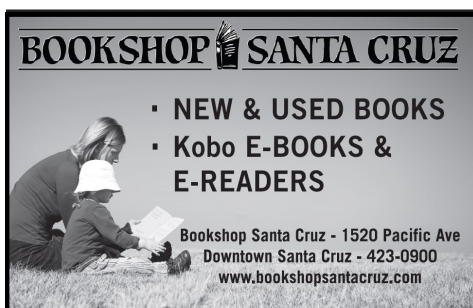
_____ of children 5 and under free

Space is limited so get your RSVP in early!

Total payment for the Chanukah Celebration Dinner \$ _____

Bring your menorah if you wish.

We look forward to seeing you there!



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A Woman of Valor Indeed!

SAVE THE DATE for a very special Erev Shabbat Service, January 25th, 2019, 7:30 PM, where we will honor Gail Levine!

A Woman of Valor is someone who gives great care in the way she acts and cares for those around her; her family, congregation, community, and the world. Gail is all of those things and more! Let's celebrate the wonderful impact she has made on this community as TBE board president, TBE board member, Sisterhood board member, SLV School board member, Triangle Speaker and much more. Actually, Gail has been involved in some type of leadership role since she was in Jr. High—hence this recognition is long overdue! Please join us!



Join Brotherhood Under the Boardwalk!

Sunday, January 6, 9:30 AM



Back by popular demand, Brotherhood is sponsoring "Under the Boardwalk," a FREE behind-the-scenes tour of the Santa Cruz Boardwalk for temple members.

TBE's own Marq Lipton will lead us on a rare expedition to explore the secrets under the Boardwalk, unseen by the public, where only we fortunate few will venture. Meet at the merry-go-round for the approximately 90-minute tour. This event SOLD OUT the last time Brotherhood sponsored this tour so RSVP to Dan Iuster at dan@iuster.com as soon as possible! Reservations will be cut off once we reach the maximum number the Boardwalk can accommodate.

But there's more! Come ice skate at the Boardwalk's 40' x 90' covered ice-skating rink, which will be open rain or shine. January 6 is the very last day the rink will be open this winter. Go online at <https://beachboardwalk.com/Boardwalk-Holiday-Ice> and make your reservation for the (time) session and come skate with us. You're also welcome to enjoy the Boardwalk rides and games, indoor arcades, mini golf, laser tag and delicious foods. This is going to be a fun family day!!

Caregiver Support Group



Every other
Tuesday,
7:00–8:30 PM

The next meeting will be on Tuesday December 11, 7:00–8:30 PM, then beginning again January 8. New members welcome. Question? Please email Jenny Kaupp at jkaupp@drkaupp.com.

Women's Song Circle



Date
Change

The women's song circle will meet on December 5th, so as not to conflict with *Moving Prayer* with Rabbi Diane.



SRFY Ski Trip
Friday–Sunday, January 4–6

Mazel Tots
January 13, 9:45 AM

NFTY Goes to Winter Kallah
Friday–Sunday, January 18–21

Woman of Valor Erev
Shabbat
Friday, January 25, 7:30 PM



JEWISH HERITAGE NIGHT AT THE SANTA CRUZ WARRIORS!

Wednesday, December 5, 7:00 PM

Temple Beth El will be invited to participate in a Community Chanukah Candle Lighting at halftime. What a great way to celebrate the 4th night of Chanukah! Purchase tickets at <https://groupmatics.events/SCW-JHN>.

Senior Connections

December 10

Annieglass founder Anne Morhauser—35 years on!

Programs are on the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month, 2:00–3:30 PM in the TBE library. Come at 1:30 to nosh & schmooze. Open to the public. Free.