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Hanukkah Prep

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Be the Shamash

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From the Rabbi

I know it is not the most important holiday on the Jewish calendar, but I profess to being a rabbi that loves to celebrate Hanukkah in a great big way. People collect all kinds of things, from works of art to pottery, to stamps and sports memorabilia. What I love to collect are items related to Hanukkah. Susan and I have amassed a great big collection of menorahs and dreidels, and decorations of all kinds. Over the past 20 years we have decorated our home in Michigan with many of these items and invited friends over to see them and to share a night of the holiday with us. This year, while living in a modestly sized apartment, most of our collection is in storage, but that is not going to sour our observance of the holiday. We are looking forward to celebrating Hanukkah in the Panhandle. Just in case you have forgotten, the first night of Hanukkah falls on December 25.

With Hanukkah beginning on a national holiday, it is an opportune time for our congregation to get together and to have lots of fun. I hope many of our members will accept our invitation to join us at the Temple for an afternoon and of festivities. I am excited to be chairing the event and all I need are participants of all ages. Come for games and snacks. Bring a wrapped gift (per person) with a value of no more than \$5 for a “Hanukkah Story Themed” gift exchange. Fry up 15 of your best latkes and enter our “Best at Temple Beth Shalom” contest. Enter our dreidel competition. Take home some prizes. Eat some more food. But whatever you do please make sure that you bring a menorah and 2 candles, as together we say the blessings and kindle the first lights of the holiday. RSVP: <https://www.tbsfwb.com/event-details/hanukkah-game-day-at-temple-beth-shalom>

Exactly two days later we will gather again, this time on the Friday night of the holiday, to celebrate Shabbat and Hanukkah together. Our service will be filled with Hanukkah music, and it will begin earlier, at 6:00 PM.

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It will be followed by a dairy potluck dinner at 7:00 PM. We are seeking members who would be willing to make some latkes at home, and to bring them to share with everyone. Come wearing your favorite Hanukkah attire, socks or a sweater or jewelry or t-shirt. Let's create some wonderful Hanukkah memories. And just like two days earlier, bring along your menorah to light, and on this night, 4 candles to light. There is such magic in seeing many menorahs lit at the same time and then flickering holiday glow during worship.

And we share a night of Hanukkah with our entire community on Saturday, December 28 at 5:30 PM at Fort Walton Beach Landing. I am excited to hear the music that will be performed by Michael Walker and his talented troupe of musicians. I am delighted that this is a tradition of our synagogue, to share some of the light of our holiday with friends and neighbors. I look forward to sharing a few words about Hanukkah and to doing exactly what the rabbis of old taught us, "to publicize the miracle". This is why to this very day after we light our menorahs we are supposed place them near a window, so that any passersby can come to appreciate what the dreidel teaches, "nes gadol hayah sham," a great miracle happened there. We remain as heirs to that miracle, with an abiding responsibility to live as proud Jews, for as long as we are blessed with life. Let us not shirk from that sacred task.

Susan joins me in wishing our extended community a Chag Hanukkah Sameach.

Rabbi Schadick



Announcements

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PSALMS 121:3, JPS 2023**

A Taste of Mussar


Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Schadick
December 18th



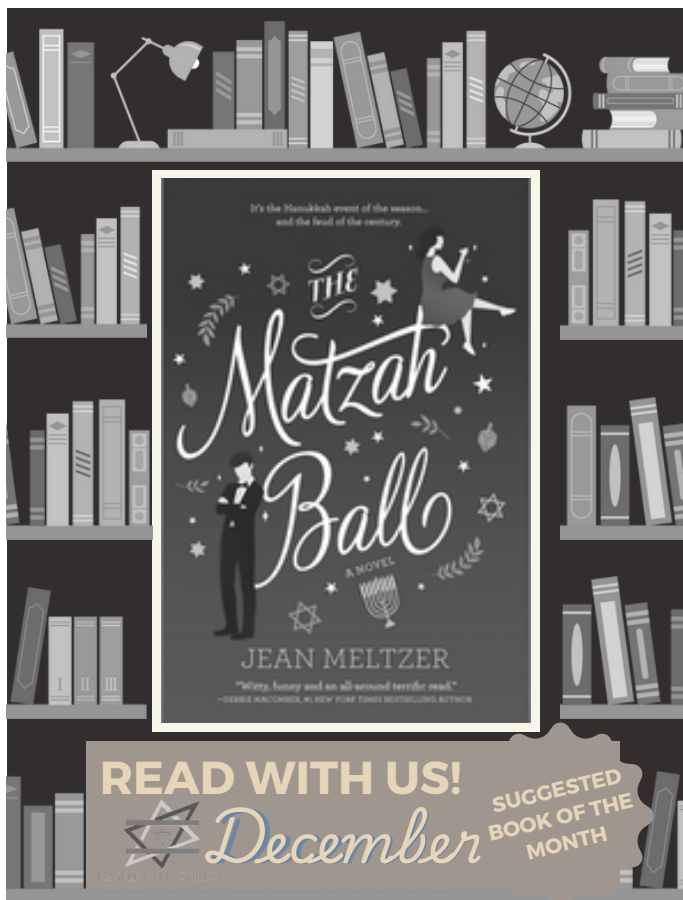
Join the Rabbi for an introduction to the practice of Mussar.

Mussar is a way to develop greater holiness by growing our inner virtues, called middot. Mussar provides a springboard for focused self-reflection through study and action.

The text being used is entitled, "Everyday Holiness: The Jewish Spiritual Path of Mussar" by Alan Morinis.




Find More Details
tbsfwb.com/events-list



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December

SUGGESTED BOOK OF THE MONTH



It's the Hanukkah event of the season... and the best of the century.

THE Matzah Ball

A NOVEL

JEAN MELTZER

"Witty, funny and an all-around terrific read!"
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COMMUNITY HANUKKAH MENORAH LIGHTING

Saturday, Dec 28th,
5:30 pm
Fort Walton Beach Landing



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Glow & Create
**HANUKKAH
CARD MAKING**

Dec 5th, 6:30 PM
Seats are Limited to 10.
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**SHABBAT
SCHEDULE** TEMPLE BETH SHALOM *December*

FRIDAY, DEC 6
6:30 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat Service

FRIDAY, DEC 20
6:00 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, DEC 14
10:00 AM
*No service on 12/13
Shabbat Morning Service
Please RSVP*

FRIDAY, DEC 27 ■■■■
6:00 PM
*Earlier Shabbat Service
Followed by Potluck Dinner,
6:45 PM, Bring Menorah
with 4 Candles*

*Shabbat
Shalom*



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**All Ages
Kids
Paint
Your Own
Menorah**

Sunday, Dec 8th 11:30 AM
12 Seats Available, RSVP Today
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LITTLE MITZVAHS
FUN & LEARNING



**HANUKKAH
MOVIE
NIGHT**

227 NW Beal Pkwy
Dec 21, 2024, 4 PM

TEMPLE BETH SHALOM

**HANUKKAH
ON THE
ROCKS**



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SUN Dec 1	MON 2	TUE 3	WED 4	THU 5	FRI 6	SAT 7
NO CLASSES TODAY			● 12pm Lunch and M	● 6:30pm Glow & Cri	● 6:30pm Shabbat	● 10am Torah Study ● 6:30pm Rosh Choc
8 ● 10am TBS Religiou ● 11:30am All Ages K	9	10	11 ● 12pm Lunch and M	12	13	14 ● 10am Shabbat Mor
15 ● 10am Introduction	16	17 ● 5:30pm Yoga at th	18 ● 12pm Lunch and M	19	20 ● 6:30pm Shabbat	21 ● 10am Hanukkah To ● 4pm Movie Night: I
22 ● 10am TBS Religiou	23	24	25 Hannukah Begins ● 2:30pm Game Day	26	27 ● 6pm Hanukkah Sh	28 ● 10am Hanukkah St ● 5:30pm Hanukkah
29	30	31	Jan 1	2	3 ● 6:30pm Shabbat	4 ● 10am Torah Study

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Intro to Judaism

with Rabbi Michael Schadick

September 15-What Is Judaism?

September 29-Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur

October 13-Sukkot and Simchat Torah

October 27-The Torah-Our Tree of Life

November 10-Sacred Jewish Literature

November 24-Jewish Worship

December 15-Hanukkah and the Jewish Home

Email shalom@tbsfwb.com for more details.

Sundays, 10 -11 AM

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Religious School

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Students of all ages come for games, activities, refreshments, and lots of learning and fun.

Open House - September 8

September 22, October 6, October 20, November 3,

November 17, December 8, December 22

10 - 11:30 a.m.

RUACH Rising



TBS TEENS



TBS Teens played Goofy Golf with Rabbi last month!



Shalom on the Emerald Coast



Welcome

NEW MEMBERS

Sheri, Sam, & Eli Levitus

Chad Hill 12/03
Robert Feldman 12/06
Kaleb Courter 12/11
Grant Hill 12/13
Robin Matheson 12/14
Tarah Safran 12/27

HAPPY Birthday

Happy Anniversary

Mandi & Marc Kelly 12/08
Dee & Jerry Zivan 12/13
Gina & Michael Walker 12/27

May Their Memories Be a Blessing
ZEKHER TZADIK LIVRAKHAH

Richard Rothwell 12/06	Max Blitz 12/17
Samuel Lester 12/07	Florence Helman 12/18
Florence L Levinson 12/09	Ada Mitki 12/20
Joseph Terp 12/10	Eugene Hammer 12/21
Louise Adamec 12/16	Philip Helman 12/23
Harry Cook 12/16	Fr Meyer Fein 12/23
Murray Safran 12/16	Dorothy Cohen 12/24
Ruth Seigle 12/16	Louis Niebulski 12/25
Martin Sherman 12/16	Muriel Chasan 12/27
	Arnold Kelz 12/30



If you would like to make a donation in memory of your loved one, as is traditional, you may do so by sending a check to Temple Beth Shalom, P.O. Box 111, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549-0111. Please write in the memo line that it is a "Yahrzeit donation in memory of _____".

Military Moment



I did very little this month, mainly because of Thanksgiving which tied up the base chapels. Many organizations have their annual Thanksgiving meals at the chapels.

However, I did manage to visit the Eglin Chapel. Also, I've checked on making sure we have supplies for Hanukkah for our military members and their

families. I will arrange to visit all the bases in December. There are a lot of events taking place at our synagogue in December as we prepare for Hanukkah and the holidays. I will be sure to send out the information as I get it, and I'm sure Kayla will also send it out. Please be on the lookout for it. I will be distributing materials for Hanukkah to active-duty military personnel and their families. Please let me know if you need anything. Also, there is a big Toys for Tots (Bikes or Bust 2024, bicycles are the requested item for children for Christmas) event at Uptown Station from December 5th to December 8th. Cash and toy donations are also accepted for Toys for Tots at this event.

Mark Zeid, Military Committee Chair

Tzedakah Moment

This month, we invite you to fulfill the mitzvah of charity through recognizing community needs. A lot of families this month are purchasing gifts for children.



Fort Walton Beach Drop Off Locations

Odom Hotelz-Home2 Suites 1930 Lewis Turner Blvd
Zatitude at Freedom Tech Center Apartments 500 Liberty Lane NW
Grifols Biomat 234 A Eglin Pkwy NE
Eglin Federal Credit Union 838 Eglin Pkwy NE
Meridian at Westwood 1001 Marwalt Dr
Beal House Fort Walton Beach 380 Santa Rosa Blvd

Shalimar Toy Drop Off Locations

PenFed Credit Union
Edward Jones

1199 Eglin Pkwy
1188 N Eglin Pkwy



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When contributing to TBS, please consider these established categories in addition to any causes that are dear to your heart, & we thank you.

- Building Fund
- High Holy Days
- Jewish National Fund (JNF)
- President's Discretionary Fund
- Resident Rabbi Salary Fund
- The Arthur & Linda Lester Scholarship Fund
- The Anne Kelz "Good Time" Fund
- Yahrzeit

Thank you!

One tree planted by Georgina Sanborn in memory of Phil Block

One tree planted by Joyce and Burt Clayman in memory of Phil Block

A circle of five trees planted by Carole and Mark Hammer and Marsha and Dave Kaplan in memory of Phil Block

Be the Shamash

A Kids' Craft from PJ Library

<https://pjlibrary.org/beyond-books/pjblog/october-2024/make-and-create-for-hanukkah-easy-crafts-to-make>



The shamash, the helper candle, helps light the other candles on the menorah. This craft activity is a fun reminder that when you help other people, you light up the world.

- 1 Draw an empty menorah on a piece of construction paper.
- 2 Draw nine candles on another piece of construction paper and cut them out.
- 3 Choose one candle to be the shamash, and attach a photo of yourself to it with tape or glue.
- 4 Attach the shamash candle to its place on the menorah.
- 5 Think of eight things you can do to help people around you, and write one act on each of the other eight candles.
- 6 During Hanukkah, do one of these helping acts each day. As you complete each act, add the corresponding candle to your menorah.
- 7 When the menorah is full, celebrate — what an amazing shamash you are!



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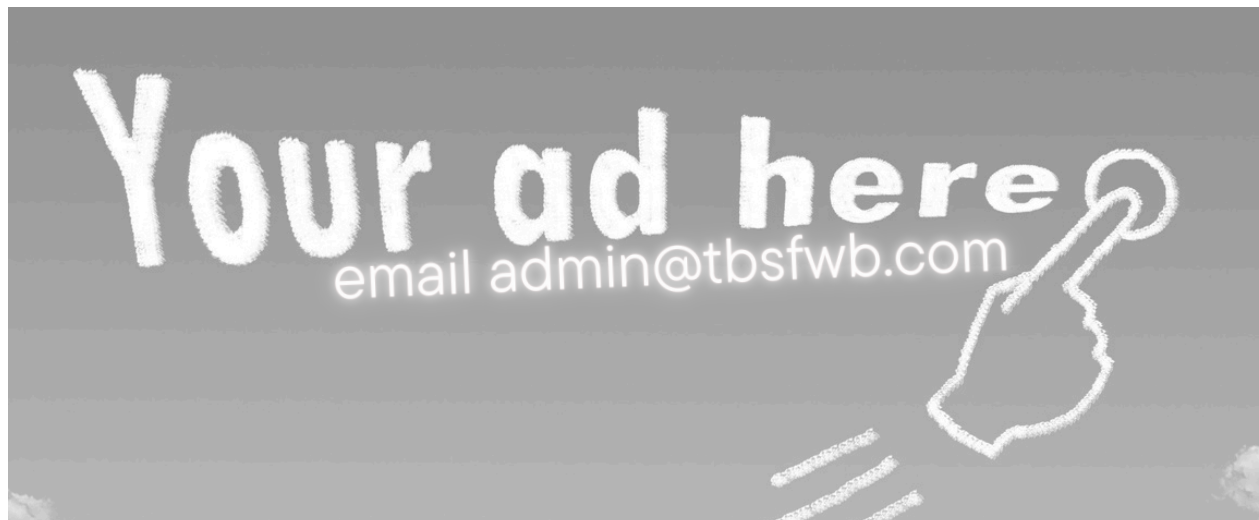
New Book Release

Meet the unorthodox crime fighting crew of Comfort Cottages Assisted Living Facility. Franklin suffers from dementia and uses a cane, Dot uses a wheelchair and loves puzzles, Joseph and Brenda are proof there is love after the age of eighty, and Melissa provides the logic to lead the group. Meanwhile, Jennifer, the manager of Comfort Cottages works to keep everyone safe and out of trouble, which is no easy task when they take on the case of finding the killer of a young woman. To make matters worse, the killer hires two others to stop the aged sleuths, including Franklin who witnessed the murder. Then a mysterious notebook turns up and brings the group into more danger. The question is can these aged mystery sleuths best the killers and bring them to justice or will they end up as the killers' next victims?

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