

# MISHPOCHEH

Temple Beth Shalom ☆ Brigantine Jewish Community Center

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Rabbi Gerald R. Fox

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## SERVICES

Every Friday Evening  
Throughout the Year,  
8-9 p.m.

*Light Refreshments*

## Saturday Services

There will be no Saturday  
Service in December

## Board Meeting

Sunday, Dec. 13 • 10 a.m.

## RABBI'S COLUMN

### *Shedding Light Together*

I don't know about you, but with the abrupt shift to Eastern Standard Time (EST), making it darker and lighter earlier, my body clock is struggling to catch up. And I bet that I am not alone. This is a lesson to us that our constitutions are so sensitive to the world around us that even a single hour's difference can make us a bit disoriented.

From Thanksgiving to Hanukkah and beyond, human beings at once seek to acknowledge their fragility and to overcome it. Thanksgiving itself is a recognition that in any new frontier, we cannot make it on our own; we can only make our way with the help of others, and especially with the aid of some Divine inspiration. Hanukkah, begun as a secular political holiday celebrating the liberty of the Jewish People, is now celebrated with an eye to the connection between our ancestors and God through Temple services and adherence to Jewish Law. Both holidays, however, speak to the abundance that comes to those who trust in their fellow man and in God, and emphasize the safety that comes through community.

So where does that lead us? Perhaps that is obvious: toward each other. We are made full, our selves and souls satiated, through the feasting on the blessings we share with each other. Jews like community (consider the minyan) so much so that our version of Thanksgiving – some might say that that would be Passover – only feels right when shared with lots of people. So it is with our country's "civic Pesach," Thanksgiving: We are made full not just by our consumption of many foods but by our sharing that meal with many people.

Hanukkah, however you see it, follows the same pattern: the more people, the more warmth . . . and the more light. And, to recite the obvious: the more light, the more we know that we are a part of something greater, something we call "community" or "Peoplehood."

As you consider how to bring the light of the season into your life and into the lives of those around you, consider the following: Hanukkah was created to commemorate the victory of self-determination over autocracy, of doing it yourself over going along. What better way to bring light into your life than to share your life with others. The gateway to such a bold approach is obvious: Temple Beth Shalom. Whether it is participating in our exciting trip to Israel, simply attending our upcoming Hanukkah party, making a greater commitment to connecting with your fellow congregants by attending services more often, or giving more generously to the shul to ensure its continued health, make no mistake: You are like a light on a Hanukkiah (Hanukkah Menorah). Your light may be bright alone, but with each of your neighbors, together you create a bold light in the midst of our darkest time of year.

And remember: It may be true that words are only words, but it is equally true that our actions, in particular the ways we illuminate the darkness around us, say much about the power of our community and the brightness of our future.

As your Rabbi, I ask you to join us as we seek to lighten each other's load and to light up each other's path ahead. No matter which one is your fancy, let's do so together.

May you find all the light you need and may your candle burn ever brightly . . . in the company of those whom you love and who love you.



## Thanksgiving Inter-Faith Service

Tuesday, Nov. 24

7:30 p.m.

at

Community  
Presbyterian  
Church

The Tru Spirit Coalition  
will present a brief talk  
about the island's  
food bank.

*Refreshments will be served.*

*All are invited.*

*Rabbi Gerald R. Fox*

## Presidents' Column

### L'Shanna Tova

"Fall" has fallen. The leaves have dropped. The chill and frost have arrived. The geese are flying south and taking some of our members with them.

The bears are in hibernation.

But not us! Here at Temple Beth Shalom, your board has been planning fabulous events for the coming winter, spring and summer months.

Among them are our fun-packed Chanukah party, the ever interesting book club, Israel trip in May, "Spring Fling" dance in June, Bay Cruise in July, "New Years" in August – only to mention a few. Might even have a Mah Jung card and pizza night.

All these will come to fruition only if we all pitch in with our help and support. *IT'S ONE THING TO PLAN. IT'S ANOTHER TO MAKE IT HAPPEN.*

And keep in mind, we have Friday night services and one monthly Saturday service all year long. It is especially vital for you to attend services. We must have a minyan to do a proper service. Don't depend on the next guy to attend. Make it your business to be here even if it is only every other week.

So.....I'll see you at services this Friday at 8 p.m.

*Lill Shender*  
President

## Obituaries

Temple Beth Shalom mourns the loss of our long time member and friend, **Pearl Kaye**, who passed away November 8, 2009. Pearl was very active in our Temple in many, many ways. She was Treasurer, Recording Secretary and was also in charge of printing and mailing the Mishpocheh News. She will be sadly missed by all. Sincere condolences to her husband and Temple member, **Norman Kaye**.

Deepest sympathy to **Dr. Martin & Tina Freedman** on the passing of their brother-in-law, Myron Knobe.

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WE'RE HAVING A HANUKKAH PARTY

Temple Beth Shalom is hosting a  
**Hanukkah Party**

**on Saturday, December 12 at 6:30 p.m.**

A fun-filled evening is planned for our members, and their friends and family. Together, we will light the Hanukkah candles and say the prayer.

For only \$12.50 per person, the event includes a lite supper, with homemade potato latkes and fried donuts. A Pollyanna game is part of the evening's festivities. Each person needs to bring a wrapped gift valued at \$5 or more so that everyone receives a gift.

We hope to get the support of all of our members for this function, so we can continue to hold many social events in the future. Reservations are required, so please call the office at 609-266-0403 by December 2nd.





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- Saturday, October 10 **Annieta Mann**  
*in memory of her parents, Leon & Virginia Shanack.*
- Friday, October 16 **Albert & Barbara Dragon**  
*in memory of Al's mother, Betty Dragon.*
- Friday, October 23 **Ronald & Lillian Shender**  
*in memory of Ron's mother, Leah Shender.*
- Friday, October 30 **Bernie Cohen**  
*in memory of his father, Albert Cohen;*  
**Shelley & Ronald Miller**  
*in memory of Shelley's father, David Gitomer.*

**For November**

- Friday, November 13 **Nancy Clancy & Sheila Cohen**  
*in memory of Nancy's mother & Sheila's grandmother, Sarah Levine;*  
**Cheryl & Michael Guterman**  
*in memory of Cheryl's aunt, Rose Gilden Talbin.*
- Saturday, November 14 **Michael & Carol Albert**  
*in memory of Michael's father, Maxwell B. Albert.*
- Friday, November 20 **Cheryl & Michael Guterman**  
*in memory of Cheryl's father, David Brownstein;*  
**Bella & Gregory Royzman**  
*in memory of Bella's brother, Khaim Sapozhnikov.*
- Friday, November 27 **Jerald & Sheila Cohen**  
*in memory of Jerry's grandmother, Helen Greenberger.*

**Simchas**  
**Nov. Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**BIRTHDAYS**

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|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 .....Jamie Chaikin, Saul Feder | 14.....Trudy Durant        |
| 3.....Joseph Weinstein           | 15.....Steven Donohue      |
| 5.....Eric Goldstein             | 16.....Fred Fabel          |
| 9.....Dr. Arnold Dragon          | 19.....Rabbi David Maharam |
| 11.....Norma Trachtman           | 23.....Gerald Wexler       |
| 12.....Phyllis Hoffrichter       | 25.....Barry H. Cohen      |
| 13.....Gale Donohue,             | 26.....Lisa Yuen           |
| Susan Orloff, Howard Solomon,    |                            |
| Seymour Trachtman                |                            |

**ANNIVERSARIES**

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|---------|---|
| 5.....  | Dr. Stephen & Rosalyn Weinstein,<br>Gerald & Norma Wexler |
| 17..... | Dorothy Grayson & Eugene N. Bass                          |
| 23..... | Cary & Trudy Durant, Saul & Nancy Grossman                |
| 27..... | Mitchell & Mina Kramer                                    |

**Simchas**  
**Dec. Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**BIRTHDAYS**

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|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.....Dr. A. Douglas Logue | 14.....Fran Dratch        |
| 3.....Michael Guterman     | 24.....Susan Panitch      |
| 4.....Brenda Sacks         | 26.....Janis C. Murphy    |
| 5.....Shelley Iris Miller  | 28.....David Kahn,        |
| 7.....Susan T. Tuerk       | Eileen Linzner            |
| 8.....Lillian Shender      | 31.....Rosalie Lieberman, |
| 11.....Sheryl Mazur        | Rose M. Zeltser           |

**ANNIVERSARIES**

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| 10..... | Gerald & Barbara Pepper  |
| 11..... | Mark D. & Pearl B. Erdman  |
| 18..... | Stanton L. & Aimee J. Levin,<br>Judge Sandra Mazer Moss & William Boyd Deane |
| 20..... | Dr. Barry L. & Barbara L. Glaser   |
| 26..... | Edward & Judith S. Rubin   |
| 27..... | Donald & Phyllis Hoffrichter,<br>David W. & Estelle Silver                   |
| 28..... | Leonard & Marsha Goldenberg  |

**TRIP TO ISRAEL**

Start saving your shekkels and make plans to join us. We're going to Israel next May led by Rabbi Fox. It should be an awesome, rewarding excursion. The committee is working on the details. More to follow soon. *Stay tuned!*



## November Yahrzeits

- 11/3 Sandy & Barry Cogan *in memory of Sandy's father*, Morris Rubinstein
- 11/4 Dr. Howard & Arlene Waronker *in memory of Howard's father*, Isadore Waronker
- 11/5 Fred & Marlene Paul *in memory of Marlene's father*, Leon Lindenberg
- 11/6 Ronald & Shelley Miller *in memory of Shelley's father*, David Gitomer  
Michael & Susan Axler *in memory of Susan's mother*, Ruth Myers
- 11/8 Amy Hammel *in memory of her husband*, William Hammel
- 11/9 Mark & Pearl Erdman *in memory of Pearl's mother*, Clara Blady
- 11/10 Mark & Dr. Linda Baum *in memory of Linda's father*, Jacob Bornstein
- 11/14 Michael & Carol Albert *in memory of Michael's father*, Maxwell B. Albert  
Michael & Cheryl Guterman *in memory of Cheryl's aunt*, Rose Gilden Talbin  
Gerald & Norma Wexler *in memory of Gerald's brother*, Martin Wexler
- 11/15 Dr. Joseph & Lillian Hassman *in memory of Lillian's father*, Morris Davis  
Nancy Clancy *in memory of her mother*, Sarah Levine
- 11/19 Jack & Lilyan Cralle *in memory of Jack's mother*, Sue Marie Cralle  
Ida Levin *in memory of her mother*, Sima Lotstein
- 11/20 Dr. Henry & Gloria Jacoby *in memory of Gloria's mother*, Rose Yablonsky
- 11/21 Debbie & Gail Coplein *in memory of their mother*, Constance Coplein, and their great-grandfather, Eli Erlichman
- 11/22 Edward & Judith Rubin *in memory of Judy's father*, Herman Lam  
Susan Mintz *in memory of her mother*, Lilyan Politzer
- 11/23 Helen Hanish *in memory of her father-in-law*, Jack Hanish  
Seymour & Dorothy Katz *in memory of Seymour's father*, Joseph Katz
- 11/26 Michael & Cheryl Guterman *in memory of Cheryl's father*, David Brownstein  
Anne Paulin
- 11/26 Gregory & Bella Royzman *in memory of Bella's brother*, Khaim Sapozhnikov  
Seymour & Norma Trachtman *in memory of Seymour's mother*, Yetta Trachtman  
Dr. Eli & Nancy Zucker *in memory of Eli's father*, Irving Zucker
- 11/28 Dr. Barry & Barbara Glaser *in memory of Barry's father*, Samuel Glaser  
Dr. Eli & Nancy Zucker *in memory of Nancy's mother*, Helen Kotzin
- 12/4 David & Estelle Silver *in memory of David's mother*, Pearl Silver
- 12/5 Ira & Toby Waller *in memory of Ira's mother*, Frieda Waller
- 12/6 Jacob Greenberg  
Drs. Frank & Sarah Kern *in memory of Frank's father*, Harry Kern
- 12/7 Barry Bornstein & Fran Dratch *in memory of Barry's father*, N. Herman Bornstein
- 12/8 John & Beth Bacha *in memory of John's father*, Andrew Bacha  
Helen Hanish *in memory of her uncle*, Philip Hanish  
Linda Hahn *in memory of her grandfather*, Abraham Haufman  
Stanton & Aimee Levin *in memory of Aimee's father*, Daniel Schmerling
- 12/9 Jacob Melnitzer
- 12/10 Herbert & Rita Axelrad *in memory of Herbert's father*, Irving Axelrad
- 12/12 Davalene Hirsch *in memory of her daughter*, Carol Lucille Hirsch  
Helen Spinrad *in memory of her father*, Bernard Moskowitz  
Rose Zeltser *in memory of her sister*, Adelaide Pullis  
Howard & Carol Serotta *in memory of Howard's mother*, Jeanne Serotta  
Harvey & Diane Steiner *in memory of Harvey's father*, Benjamin Steiner  
Seymour & Norma Trachtman *in memory of Seymour's brother*, Marvin Trachtman
- 12/13 Dr. Martin & Linda Millison *in memory of Linda's father*, Samuel Raichlen  
Dora Asher Schweitzer
- 12/15 Dr. Martin & Tina Freedman *in memory of Marty's father*, Philip Freedman  
Eva Richmond
- 12/16 Aaron & Joan Grossman *in memory of Joan's father*, Harry Broder  
Gerald & Barbara Pepper *in memory of Barbara's father*, Edward Rosman
- 12/18 Edith Krimstock *in memory of her mother-in-law*, Anna Krimstock  
Albert & Barbara Dragon *in memory of their aunt*, Ethel Moskowitz
- 12/19 Gregory & Bella Royzman *in memory of Bella's mother*, Sara Perlmutter  
Alan Simon *in memory of his mother*, Adele Simon
- 12/20 Warren Heymann & Rhonda Schnur *in memory of Rhonda's father*, Louis Schnur  
Rose Zeltser *in memory of her brother-in-law*, Gary Zeltser
- 12/22 Robert & Elizabeth Kramer *in memory of Robert's mother*, Sadele Kramer  
Marvin & Irene Siegel *in memory of Irene's mother*, Rita Perlstein
- 12/24 Harvey & Diane Steiner *in memory of Diane's father*, William Fabrizio  
Gene Blum, Judith Blum-Crawford & Max Crawford *in memory of Gene's father-in-law & Judy's grandfather*, Edward Furst  
Robert & Dr. Evlynn Harmon *in memory of Robert's brother*, Steven Harmon
- 12/25 Brenda Sacks *in memory of her father*, Jack Altshuler
- 12/26 Robert & Eileen Linzner *in memory of their daughter*, Margaret (Meg) Linzner
- 12/27 Beverlee Bearman Reiter *in memory of her sister*, Merna Marshall Reiter
- 12/28 Brenda Sacks *in memory of her husband*, Alfred Sacks  
Warren Heymann & Rhonda Schnur *in memory of Rhonda's brother*, Marvin Schnur
- 12/29 Anita Erman *in memory of her father-in-law*, David Erman  
David & Davalene Hirsch *in memory of David's father*, Charles Hirsch  
Nathan Lindenbaum  
Jack & Lilyan Cralle *in memory of Lilyan's cousin*, Lenore Levin London
- 12/30 Dr. Stephen & Rosalyn Weinstein *in memory of Rosalyn's father*, Irving Lowe

## December Yahrzeits

- 12/3 Jacqueline & Fred Fabel *in memory of their daughter-in-law*, Maria Fabel  
Jerald & Sheila Cohen *in memory of Jerald's grandmother*, Helen Greenberger  
Gerald & Barbara Pepper *in memory of Barbara's mother*, Elizabeth Rosman  
Susan & Leslie Tuerk *in memory of Susan's mother*, Adeline Taylor  
Arnie & Lory Schuster *in memory of Lory's father*, Harry Zeidel
- 12/4 Gene Blum, Judith Blum-Crawford & Max Crawford *in memory of Gene's wife & Judy's mother*, Sheila Blum  
Harvey & Karen Fern *in memory of Harvey's mother*, Dorothy Fern  
Linda Hahn *in memory of her grandfather*, Meyer Hahn  
Ida Levin, Stanton & Aimee Levin *in memory of Ida's husband & Stan's father*, Leonard E. Levin

## Welcome New Members

**Robert, Elizabeth & Andrew Kramer**  
of Cherry Hill and Brigantine, N.J.

**Saul & Sheila Feder** of Galloway, N.J. They are friends  
of members Dorothy Grayson and Gene Bass.

## Congratulations

*Mazel Tov* to **Jonathan & Jody Caplan** on their son  
Benjamin's recent Bar Mitzvah.

## Thank You

A great big thank you to **Stan Levin** for having our white  
Torah cover dry cleaned. It looks like new!

## Donations to the Sylvia Leibowitz Memorial Fund

**Burt & Lorraine Stolove**  
**Thelma Zuckerman**

## General Donations

**Dorothy Grayson & Gene Bass**

*in honor of* the marriage of Geoffrey Gastwirth.

**Alan Grayson** *in honor of* the marriage of Geoffrey Gastwirth.

**Anita Erman** *in memory of* Pearl Kaye.

## Message Card

**Norma & Bernie Gittelman**

*deepest sympathy to* Janice Cohen on the loss of her husband.

## Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

**Elaine & Joshua Shapiro**

## Get Well

**Dr. Joseph Chaikin, Jack Cralle, Diane Hatoff,**  
**Sari Levin, Marvin Siegel, Gerald Wexler,**  
**Norma Wexler, Sandra Wray** (sister of Lill Shender)

## Library Fund

**Burt & Lorraine Stolove** *in memory of* their friend, Doug Aber.

## Yahrzeit Donations

**Arnie & Lory Schuster** *in memory of* Arnie's mother,  
Margot Schuster; and Lory's father, Harry Zeidel

**Fred & Marlene Paul** *in memory of* their mothers, Celia  
Paul and Eve Lindenberg

**Jacqueline & Fred Fabel** *in memory of* Fred's father,  
Lewis Fabel

**Dr. Howard & Arlene Waronker** *in memory of* Howard's  
father, Isadore Waronker

**Marvin & Irene Siegel** for Yizkor

**Dr. Barry & Barbara Glaser** *in memory of* Barry's  
father, Samuel Glaser

**Ida Levin** *in memory of* her mother, Sima Lotstein, and her  
husband, Leonard E. Levin

**Stanton & Aimee Levin** *in memory of* Stan's father,  
Leonard E. Levin

**Dr. Martin & Linda Millison** *in memory of* Martin's  
brother, Carl Millison

**Michael & Cheryl Guterman** *in memory of* Michael's  
father, Hyman Guterman

**Seymour & Norma Trachtman** *in memory of* Seymour's  
mother, Yetta Trachtman

**Deborah Coplein** *in memory of* her mother, Conny Coplein

**Bernie Cohen** *in memory of* his father, Albert Cohen

**Martha Cohen** *in memory of* her father-in-law, Albert Cohen

**Eugene Blum & Judy Blum-Crawford** *in memory of*  
Gene's wife and Judy's mother, Sheila Blum

**Dr. Joseph & Lillian Hassman** *in memory of*  
Lillian's father, Morris Davis

**Fred & Marlene Paul** *in memory of* Marlene's father,  
Leon Lindenberg

**Jackie & Fred Fabel** *in memory of* their daughter-in-law,  
Maria Fabel

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and insurance charges, to the Synagogue.

The 80% is the amount you would most likely receive  
from any other jeweler to whom you sold your gold. The  
20% is the amount most jewelers work on as their profit.  
(This could vary up or down from various jewelers).

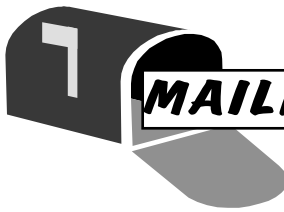
As you can see, this is a win, win situation. You get a  
fair deal and the Synagogue profits.

**GOLD IS AT A RECORD HIGH. SELL NOW.**  
**THIS PROGRAM ENDS DECEMBER 30, 2009.**



## Len Coplein Library

You are invited to browse through the library in the  
office. Anything you want to know about Judaism is  
available there. There are children's books, novels and  
information about Jewish holidays.



Dear Ms. Shender:  
Thank you so much for allowing me to attend your Shabbat service on Friday, October 2. I thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

Rabbi Fox was gracious in taking time to speak to me prior to the service. He explained in great detail the development of the Conservative movement in the 19th century in Germany, which gave me some historical context.

Sarah Fox was extremely kind in explaining certain portions of the service. Her warmth and interest in why I was there made me feel at home.

As a Roman Catholic I came away with a better understanding of the Jewish tradition and how Catholics share in those traditions through their celebration of the Mass. Midway through the service I wondered if Jesus had recited the same words in His Temple that your congregants were reciting, and the idea was unbelievably gratifying to me as a woman who had never heard prayers recited in Hebrew.

Please extend to Rabbi Fox, Sarah and your congregation my appreciation for sharing their Shabbat with me on Friday. It was an experience I shall never forget.

*Very truly yours,*  
**Maureen McShane**



On behalf of Jewish Family Service, and our clients, I would like to thank Temple Beth Shalom for generously donating much needed food during this year's High Holiday food drive.

Thanks to your generous contributions, the shelves in our pantry are filled to the top. This is especially comforting to know with the long winter months so near. Beth Shalom's spirit of Mitzvah helps us to meet the needs of so many in our community.

A gift from the heart touches the heart. Our community is fortunate to have synagogues, such as Beth Shalom, that are eager to reach out and help those who are sometimes forgotten.

*With much appreciation,*  
**Leigh Turner**  
*Volunteer Coordinator*

## Church Squirrels

There were five houses of religion in a small Texas town: The Presbyterian Church, the Baptist Church, the Methodist Church, the Catholic Church and the Jewish Synagogue. Each church and synagogue was overrun with pesky squirrels.

One day the Presbyterian Church called a meeting to decide what to do about the squirrels. After much prayer and consideration they determined that the squirrels were predestined to be there and they shouldn't interfere with God's divine will.

In the Baptist Church the squirrels had taken up habitation in the baptistery. The deacons met and decided to put a cover on the baptistery and drown the squirrels in it. The squirrels escaped somehow and there were twice as many there the next week.

The Methodist Church got together and decided that they were not in a position to harm any of God's creation. So, they humanely trapped the squirrels and set them free a few miles outside of town. Three days later the squirrels were back.

But – the Catholic Church came up with the best and most effective solution. They baptized the squirrels and registered them as members of the church. Now they only see them on Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday and Easter.

Not much was heard about the Jewish Synagogue, but they took one squirrel and had a short service with him called circumcision and they haven't seen a squirrel on the property since.

## MAY I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE!

*Are you celebrating a special day, honoring someone or remembering a loved one?*

A good way to do this is to sponsor an Oneg Shabbat on a Friday night or a Saturday Kiddush Luncheon. It will make you feel good and will help your synagogue carry on this time-honored tradition.

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# Family Tree of Vincent Van Gogh:

His dizzy aunt.....VertiGogh	The ballroom dancing aunt.....Tang Gogh
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The brother who worked at a convenience store ..Stop N Gogh	The fruit-loving cousin.....Man Gogh
The grandfather from Yugoslavia .....U Gogh	An aunt who taught positive thinking.....Way-to-Gogh
His magician uncle.....Where-diddy Gogh	The little bouncy nephew .....Poe Gogh
His Mexican cousin .....A Mee Gogh	A sister who loved disco.....Go Gogh
The Mexican cousin's American half-brother ....Gring Gogh	And his niece who travels the country
The nephew who drove a stage coach .....Wells-far Gogh	in an RV.....Winnie Bay Gogh
The constipated uncle.....Can't Gogh	

# happy hanukkah

## CHANUKAH BLESSINGS



Candles are added to the *Chanukiah* from right to left but are kindled from left to right. The newest candle is lit first. (On the Shabbat of Chanukah, kindle the Chanukah

lights first and then the Shabbat candles.) Light the *Shamash* – the helper candle set higher or lower than all the rest of the candles – first using it to kindle the rest of the Chanukah lights; say or sing:

ברוך אתה יי אלהנו מלך העולם אשר קדשנו במצותיו וצונו להדליק נר של חנוכה.

*Baruch atah, Adonai, Eloheinu Melech haolam,  
asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tsivanu l'hadlik ner shel Chanukah.  
Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all,  
who hallows us with mitzvot, commanding us to kindle the Chanukah lights.*

ברוך אתה יי אלהנו מלך העולם שעשה נסים לאבותינו ואמותינו בימים חסם בזמן הזה.

*Baruch atah, Adonai, Eloheinu Melech haolam,  
she-asah nisim la'avoteinu v'imoteinu bayamim haheim baz'man hazeh.  
Blessed are You, Adonai our God,  
Sovereign of all, who performed wondrous deeds for our ancestors in days of old, at this season.*

On the first night only we add:

ברוך אתה יי אלהנו מלך העולם, שהחיינו וקימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה.

*Baruch atah, Adonai, Eloheinu Melech haolam, shehecheyanu v'kiy'manu v'higianu laz'man hazeh.  
Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, for giving us life, for sustaining us,  
and for enabling us to reach this season.*

We kindle these lights because of the wondrous deliverance You performed for our ancestors. During these eight days of Chanukah, these lights are sacred; we are not to use them but only to behold them, so that their glow may rouse us to give thanks for Your wondrous acts of deliverance.



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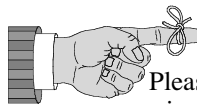
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