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Our thoughts go out to the family of Leah Seft, a former member, who passed away last month.

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Check out all the new merchandise in the Temple's gift shop! Just in time for Holiday Gifting.

In Memory of Leah Seft

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In Memory of Grandmother, Chaica Wolfman 1Kislev and Seymour Wolfman 21Kislev

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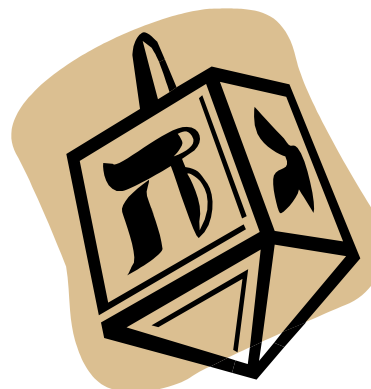
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**DECEMBER 2010
KISLEV-TEVET 5771**

Chanukah Dinner

Sunday December 5th at 5 Pm.



Thanks!!!

Thanks to everyone that sponsored our Chanukah Dinner!

Steve and Patti Kushner

Max Gordon

Jeanne Savin

Eric Lichterman and Family

Don Lang

Michael and Rosalie Slute

Beverly Sklansky

2 anonymous donations

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RABBI ADELBERG'S MESSAGE

The time is 223 BCE. The Greek Seleucid Dynasty rules parts of the Middle East including Israel. King Antiochus III is proud of his Jewish subjects and treats them well – despite the imposition of huge taxes. Our ancient brethren warmly accept the voluntary integration of Hellenistic culture into their lives. After the death of Antiochus III, his son, Seleucus IV succeeds him to the throne. The new King increases taxation and the Hellenistic (Greek) culture invasion reaches epidemic proportion—virtually wiping out monotheistic Judaism. Seleucus IV is assassinated in 174 BCE. His brother Antiochus IV takes over the throne and forcefully eliminates all Jewish practices—forbids Kashrut, observing Shabbat and circumcision on pain of death.

Mass persecution of Jews begins around 170 BCE. No longer able to tolerate this persecution, in 140 BCE, a riot erupts in the little village of Modi'in. Local Jews under Mattityahu and his sons kill Antiochus's soldiers guarding the town. Word spreads and a Jewish rebel army is quickly assembled around the country and wages successful guerrilla warfare for over a year. On the 25th of Kislev, 3622 (December 14, 140 BCE), Jewish soldiers recaptured the Holy Temple which had been a center for pagan worship. With limited resources, the Jewish army restored regular temple operations. A menorah is lit with just enough olive oil to last for one day. Miraculously, the oil burns for eight days until a fresh supply of oil arrives. In 139 BCE, our rabbis designated these eight days as an annual holiday celebrating Chanukah or Dedication of the Temple and the Miracle of the Menorah. In celebration of this great historical event, which restored Judaism to as assimilated Jewish people, we too light the Menorah for eight days.

The first day of Chanukah begins on Wednesday night December 1st. Our temple will host a Chanukah Dinner Sunday December 5th. Festivities will begin at 5:00 p.m. The participation of all of our Temple family and the Racine community would be greatly welcomed.

The letters of the dreidel are “nun”, “gimmel”, “hay”, and “shin”. These are abbreviations for the Hebrew phrase: “Nas Gadol Haya Sham” - “A great miracle happened there.” Your participation in Temple services and activities will help insure that the miracle of Chanukah continues for us and future generations.

On behalf of Marcia, our children and myself, I wish you all a “Chag Sameach”, a happy holiday and prosperous New Year.

Rabbi Martyn Adelberg

SISTERHOOD

Your contributions to the Sisterhood help to enrich community life at Beth Israel Sinai and are greatly appreciated. Contributions are used to purchase food for the onegs after services, purchase flowers for holiday services, and provide other social activities throughout the year. Your gifts can be made in honor of special events or milestones, in memory of a loved one, in appreciation, or for any purpose at all. You may also sponsor an oneg on the date of your choice. Please send contributions to Rita Collen (2811 North Main Street, Racine WI, 53402). You may also call or email Rita with any questions.”

SISTERHOOD CHAIRS:

RITA COLLEN AND JANE BROSEAU

HADASSAH

Hadassah gratefully accepts any donations. Please remember Hadassah and its many good works and projects when considering making charitable contributions. Thank you.

Sarah Levin 886-9331

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H.I.E.S. Youth Aliyah, Young Judea, HMO, Children's Pavillion, Shares

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Shares \$10.00

Children's Pavilion \$5.00 & \$10.00

Certificates \$18.00

Trees (JNF) Certificates

DECEMBER CANDLELIGHTING

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Friday, Dec. 3 4:01 PM Friday, Dec. 10 4:00 PM

Friday, Dec. 17 4:01 PM Friday, Dec. 24 4:05 PM

Friday, Dec. 31 4:09 PM

Yahrzeits Nov. 27th to Dec. 3rd

Maynard Greenberg Nov. 28

Dr. Charles Robert Bloom Nov. 29

Myron Adelberg Nov. 30

Lena Hoffman Nov. 30

Shirley Levine Nov. 30

Dr. Hymon J. Soref Nov. 30

Morton Bachman Dec. 2

Burton Isaacson Dec. 2

Harry J. Mandelker Dec. 3

Yahrzeits Dec. 4th to Dec. 10th:

Sara Brownstein Dec. 5

Dora Schaefer Dec. 5

Sydneey Silver Dec. 6

Betty Ruben Dec. 7

Sol Marcado Dec. 7

Mae Brownstein Dec. 8

Jacob Jacobson Dec. 8

Meyer Levin Dec. 8

Harry Donovitz Dec. 9

Mitchell Pearlman Dec. 9

Abraham Gorsky Dec. 10

Yahrzeits Dec. 11th to Dec. 17th

Abe Goodman Dec. 11

Jacob Slobodkin Dec. 11

Elvin Wolfman Dec. 11

Sarah Woolf Dec. 11

Herman Sunshine Dec. 12

Rose Blitstein Dec. 13

Abe Goldberg Dec. 13

Abraham Krasnow Dec. 13

Rudolph Kahn Dec. 14

Abraham Karlitzky Dec. 14

Ruth L. Meyer Dec. 14

Mary Shapiro Dec. 14

Ida Tabaksman Dec. 14

Celia Woolf Westphall Dec. 15

Ida Blume Weisman Dec. 16

Harry M. Blitstein Dec. 17

Yahrzeit Dec. 18th to Dec. 24th

Alice Letsche Dec. 18

Herman Kaplan Dec. 18

Abraham Grant Dec. 18

Paula Shovers Dec. 19

Hans Sternheim Dec. 19

Evelyn Goldberg Kupperman Dec. 20

Jeanne Brown Dec. 20

Hernab Levin Dec. 21

Sadie Kaufman Dec. 22

Harry Gordon Dec. 23

Yahrzeit Dec. 25th to Dec. 31st

Toby Gorsky Dec. 25

Morris Mitler Dec. 25

Irving Schulman Dec. 25

Bessie Levin Dec. 26

Ben Mitler Dec. 27

Solomon Reder Dec. 28

Dan B. Levit Dec. 28

Don Gordon Dec. 28

Marcia Grant Dec. 28

Rose Hulbert Dec. 28

Nathan I. Silver Dec. 30

Elaine Adelberg Dec. 31

Hyman Kraft Dec. 31

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Wow, what a great November! We had great weather and many good things happened in the Racine and Kenosha Jewish communities. Now we can look forward to the fun of December... Chanukah is here!!! Hooray for Chanukah!!!

Special thanks again to Rebecca Bloom for leading the effort to organize our annual Chanukah get together. She's preparing again the exceptional menu that we all look forward to, so please plan on joining us on Sunday, December 5th at 5:00 p.m. The Chanukah party is free for our members, but if you'd like to sponsor parts of the event that would be great! \$18/\$36/\$54 etc. will buy you naming rights for portions of the meal. Thanks to those of you who already have become sponsors!

The Jewish Welfare Fund's event on November 14th was a good event. The main speaker enlightened us on issues of anti-Semitism worldwide. It was an interesting program attended by about 50 people. I'm sure they raised some money for a number of very worthwhile causes.

You should have received a "save the date" card for a celebration of Rabbi Adelberg's 10 years at Beth Israel Sinai to be held on Sunday, February 20th, 2011. It will be great fun. Plan on being there!

Annual fund drive letters were sent to you recently. We need everyone's extra help if we're going to keep the temple functioning the way everyone would like. Our future depends on it. Membership dues are just not enough, so please, if you've not done so yet, be generous!!!

Well, I hope I've not missed anything. Have a good December and see you at services... Shalom Y'all!

Jeff Collen

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Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

			<i>1</i> 1st evening Chanukah	<i>2</i> 1st day Chanukah	<i>3</i> 2nd day Chanukah	<i>4</i> Service 9:45 AM 3rd day Chanukah
<i>5</i> Chanukah Dinner 5PM 4th day Chanukah	<i>6</i> 5th day Chanukah	<i>7</i> 6th day Chanukah	<i>8</i> 7th day Chanukah	<i>9</i> 8th day of Chanukah	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i> Service 9:45 AM
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