



Temple Emanu El

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HELLO  
*December*

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Hanukkah Edition



# Celebrate Shabbat

## FRIDAYS:

**5:45 pm | In-person Shabbat Nosh | Sponsored by TEE Sisterhood**

**6:15 pm | In-person & Livestream Shabbat Service**

For all streamed services & events, go to the homepage of our website ([www.teecleve.org](http://www.teecleve.org)), click on "Participate" at the top & then "Stream." Then click on the image in the center of the page as the stream begins.

### Friday, December 6

Shabbat Service • 5:45 pm  
Followed by Kehillah Kedoshah  
CommuniTEE Shabbat Potluck Dinner  
See Flyer

### Saturday, December 7

**Parashat Vayetzei**  
Talkin' Torah • 9:30 am  
In-Person and via Zoom

### Friday, December 13

Shabbat Service • 6:15 pm  
Led by Rabbi Dan Utley

### Saturday, December 14

**Parashat Vayishlach**  
Talkin' Torah • 9:30 am  
Zoom Only!

### Friday, December 20

Shabbat Service • 6:15 pm  
Lay Led by Mitchell Cronig & Stuart Rubin

### Saturday, December 21

**Parashat Veyeshev**  
Talkin' Torah • 9:30 am  
Zoom Only!

### Wednesday, December 25

**Erev Hanukkah**  
Light First Hanukkah Candle

### Friday, December 27

**Peace Love & Light**  
**Hanukkah Shabbat**  
Shabbat Service • 6:15 pm  
See Flyer

### Saturday, December 28

**Parashat Miketz**  
Talkin' Torah • 9:30 am  
Zoom Only!





# NOTED *December* DATES

See flyers or TEmail for event details

DEC  
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Brotherhood Lunch Bunch

DEC  
6

Kehillah Kedoshah - CommuniTEE Shabbat  
+ Potluck Dinner + Year in Review Slideshow

DEC  
8

Brotherhood Browns Watch Party

DEC  
8

Adult Education Class  
Intro to Mussar: with Rabbi Matt

DEC  
15

Adult Education Class  
Stitch + Study: with Eileen Sadowsky

DEC  
24

TEE Office + Preschool Closes at 4:00pm  
Winter Break + Reopens on January 2nd

DEC  
25

First Night of Hanukkah

DEC  
27

Peace, Love & Light  
Hanukkah Shabbat

DEC  
28

Brotherhood to the CLE Charge Game





Temple Emanu El invites you  
*Kehillah Kedoshah*  
CommuniTEE Shabbat Dinner

Friday, December 6th

5:45 pm • Shabbat Service  
with TEE's Year in Review Photo Slideshow

6:15 pm • Shabbat Potluck Dinner  
TEE will provide Chicken & Vegetarian Main Dishes

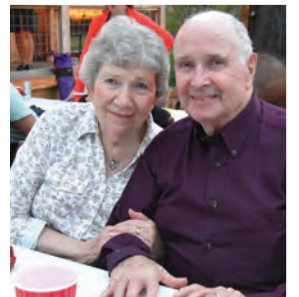
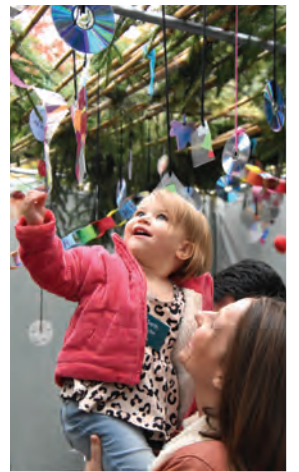
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Please bring a side dish to share with 8-10 people.

Last Names: A-E (Dessert) • F-L (Fruit) • M-R (Starch) • S-Z (Vegetable)

RSVP requested by December 1st • [www.tinyurl.com/TEEKehillahDinner](http://www.tinyurl.com/TEEKehillahDinner)  
or email [JRoseman@teecleve.org](mailto:JRoseman@teecleve.org)







# **TEE BROTHERHOOD'S BROWNS WATCH PARTY BACK AGAIN!**

**Sunday, December 8th @ 1:00pm  
vs. Pittsburgh Steelers**

**\$18/person  Burgers 2 Beer**

**6323 Wilson Mills Rd., Highland Heights**

**Cost includes menu item, soft drink, tax + gratuity  
Menu Selection from Lunch Duo Menu only after RSVP  
Items not on menu + any other drinks are at your own expense**

**RSVP required by 12/7 to Len Gold  
crete2us@gmail.com**

**Cost payable at the door by check to TEE Brotherhood  
or Venmo @Len-Gold**



# Yahrzeit

✧ Denotes a perpetual yahrzeit plaque has been installed in the Kumin Family Memorial Alcove

## WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 6

Pearl Bailin  
Margie Bass  
✧ Norman Buckholtz  
✧ Louis Clay  
Sylvia Crawford  
Blanche Daniels  
Gladys Fine  
Paul Flacks  
Edith Geller  
Estelle Gerson  
Steven Goodman  
✧ Adelle Greenbaum  
✧ Gary Herman  
✧ Jerrold Kaplan  
Frances Kimmelhar  
✧ William Kritzer  
Hannah Miriam  
Kronenberg  
Selma Lapine  
Bess Levy  
Percy Lightman  
Michael Moskowitz  
✧ Albert J. Olson  
Morris Rosenblum  
✧ Elizabeth K.  
Rothenberg  
Helen Sadugor  
Maurice Senkfor  
✧ Josephine Shapero  
Louis Shesol  
✧ Dorothy Simon  
Hyman Sisler  
✧ Morton Small  
✧ Bernard Smith  
George Solomon  
Howard Stern

## WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 13

Ronald Bass  
✧ Nathan Bernstein  
✧ Anita Grossberg  
Botnick  
Charles Freid  
✧ Sol J. Gilman  
Louis Greenberg  
Flora Haberman  
✧ Hy R. Herman  
\*Mickey M. Hern  
Belle Marie Horwitz  
✧ Tovah Hurwitz  
✧ Harry Kline  
✧ Ben Krinsky  
✧ Jack Krock  
Marian S. Lavine  
Esther Lewis  
✧ Henry Lippman  
Dr. William Littman  
Stephen Madden  
✧ Gitlya Neif  
Herbert Pritzker  
Naomi Rubin  
✧ Fannie Saltzman  
Mildred Saltzman  
Robert Saunders  
✧ Helen Shirley  
Schwartz  
✧ William L. Sobol  
Bertha Solonitz  
✧ Jerome Spevack  
✧ Jacob Tucker  
✧ Mary Uchitel  
Seymour Ullman  
✧ Teddie Werber  
✧ Jacob Wieder  
Lydia Wilson  
✧ Shirley Zober

## WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 20

✧ Gene J. Amster  
Rose Arnovitz  
Judith Barmen  
Harold Blane  
Augusta Brennan  
Thomas Brennan  
George Cohen  
Woolf Cohen  
✧ Vera Evans  
✧ Arlyn B. Fischer  
Emil Foerster  
✧ Sam Goffman  
✧ Celia Harris  
May Hershey  
✧ Irving Konigsberg  
✧ Alice C. Krall  
✧ Benjamin E. Krall  
Herbert Kramer  
✧ Brandon Ariel Krantz  
✧ Edward Lamden  
✧ Lori Sue Leeds  
✧ Abraham Malevan  
✧ Joel E. Marks  
✧ Jack November  
Alex Rosenthal  
✧ Elizabeth Rosenthal  
Ira Rubin  
✧ Lena Scott  
Harvey Sisler  
Sam S Spott  
✧ Abe Stotzky  
Gladys Uram  
✧ Adolph Zober

## WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 29

George Arch  
Meryl Hershey Beck  
✧ Ruth Joseph Belfer  
Allen D. Benjamin  
✧ Ralph Borod  
David Chestney  
Dorothy Cohn  
Joseph Crumley  
Jerome Fine  
✧ Rose Gerson  
✧ Saul Goodman  
✧ Viola Grunzweig  
Minnie Gutmacher  
✧ Olga Bodek Hern  
✧ Mabel Hoge  
Jerome Kramer  
✧ Mary Krasovitz  
✧ Bernice Krock  
Jack Lapine  
✧ Nathan Leventhal  
Dr. Harry Levin  
E. Michael Levine  
✧ Samuel Levine  
✧ Jennie Lipson  
✧ Martin Paley  
Blanch Pavny  
Irving Pocrass  
Harry Rosen  
✧ Sidney Schusterman  
✧ Paul Schwartz  
Harold M. Silver  
Lev Talankev



# Dedications

As of 11/25/24

We are so grateful to all of you who make donations to our funds. Your donations support TEE programming throughout the year, help provide for local and national causes that are dear to our Jewish values, and assist members of our congregation who might require extra support. It is your continued care that sustains our missions and makes all the difference. Thank you!

## ADMINISTRATIVE

### General Operating Fund

#### for the yahrzeit of

Len Zeid by Randi & Todd Zeid

#### in honor of

Carrying the Torah at Simchat Torah by Randi & Todd Zeid

#### in memory of

Larry Mattes by Ruth & Errol Nozik

Ronald Arnold by Randi, Todd & Peter Zeid

Mike Levine & Jay Roseman by Judi Roseman & Family

Jay Trattner by Maury Rose, Randi Zeid

Betty Brown by Sharon Friedman, Joyce & Eric Wald

### Manny & Sherrie Sperling Family Arts & Entertainment Fund

#### in memory of

Dr. Gerald Waxman by Barrie & Dan Galvin

Larry Mattes by Sherrie Sperling

### Reider/Lavine Family Programming Fund

#### in honor of

a total recovery for Rabbi Matt Cohen by Sallie Reider

#### in memory of

Cal Block by Sallie Reider

### Sisterhood Shabbat Nosh Fund

#### in memory of

Leo Kramer, Herb Kramer, Charles Fried & Jerome Kramer by Edith Kramer

### Social Gathering Fund

#### in honor of

The newly formed Social Gathering Fund by Barrie & Dan Galvin

#### in appreciation of

Chavurah/Scavenger Hunt Event by Michelle & Mark Bogomolny, Marlene Cohen, Lisa & Mitchell Cronig, Natasha & Elliot Davidson, Nancy & David Falck, Judy & Denny Hershey, Sue & Jonathan Krantz, Laura Leventhal, Pam & George Richards, Sherrie Rosichan & Steve Brofman, Karen & Roy Silverman, Pamela Hruby & David Sperling

## ADVOCACY

### Henry Schneps Advocacy Fund

#### in honor of

Nicey Walinsky by Suzanne Schneps

## DISCRETIONARY

### Brotherhood Discretionary Fund

#### in memory of

Dr. Gerald Waxman by Betty & Leslie Greenberg



# Dedications Continued

## **Rabbi Matt Cohen Discretionary Fund**

### **in appreciation of**

Rabbi Matt, for the joy he brings to each & every action & service by Randi & Todd Zeid  
Herb Pritzker's Stone Setting by Eileen Pritzker

### **in memory of**

Dr. Gerald Waxman by Carolyn & Ed Gabelman  
Ted Steiger by Kim & Jared Shapiro  
Jerry Krevans by Julia Krevans

### **for the yahrzeit of**

Amy Lee Haffner by Betty & Leslie Greenberg  
Rochelle Friedman & Esther Friedman by Shereilyn Lehman

## **EDUCATION**

### **Camp & Israel Scholarship Fund**

#### **in memory of**

Larry Mattes, Dr. Gerald Waxman & Betty Brown by Lillian Schlachter

### **Elaine Rembrandt Drama Fund**

#### **in memory of**

Elaine Rembrandt by Wind Crest Jewish Community  
Dr. Gerald Waxman by Rabbi Dan Roberts  
Jerome Spevack by Barbara Spevack

### **Fred & Judith Klotzman Jewish Experience Fund**

#### **in memory of**

Ida Esther Vision & Gert Mann by Judith Klotzman

#### **in honor of**

Nathan Klotzman, my great-grandson, becoming a Bar Mitzvah by Judith Klotzman

### **Lois W & Raymond A. Abt First Grade Endowment Fund**

#### **in memory of**

Betty Brown by Barbara Zober

### **Sharyn Bailin Memorial Preschool Fund**

#### **in memory of**

Pearl Bailin, George Solomon, & Helen Sadugor by Charles Bailin

### **Sophie Herman Religious School Fund**

#### **in memory of**

Marvin Cohen by Kim & Jared Shapiro

## **FACILITIES, ENHANCEMENT & BEAUTIFICATION**

### **Steven M. Baskin, Gerald Fields & Dr. David Goodman Fine Arts Fund**

#### **in memory of**

Larry Mattes by Joan & Stan Levy, Judith Klotzman, Stevie & Mel Jacobs, Judith & Stewart Hoicowitz,  
Charleen & Sol Factor  
Hermine Apple Salomon by Sue & Howard Maier  
Christopher Colombi by Barbara Colombi

Please reach out to Judi Roseman, [jroseman@teeccleve.org](mailto:jroseman@teeccleve.org) for information on yahrzeit plaques or Renee Delafronconi, [reeneed@teeccleve.org](mailto:reeneed@teeccleve.org) for information on cemetery lots.



## Our Congregation Mourns

### THE CONGREGATION MOURNS THE LOSS OF OUR MEMBERS:

**Gerald Waxman**  
father of Mara (Joey) Pollack,  
uncle of Lisa (Mitchell) Cronig

**Betty Brown**  
mother of Betsy (Keith) Belkin

## Milestones

Milestone birthdays are listed every 5 years beginning at age 25 & every year after age 90.  
Anniversaries are listed every 5 years & every year after 50 years.

### DECEMBER MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS

12/3	Edward Gabelman
12/6	Nicole Senor
12/7	Beverly Sisler
12/16	Rachel Silverman
12/18	Lenore Krantz
12/20	Mark Levin
12/24	Shirley Scheer
12/28	Fern Weiss
12/31	J.B. Davis

### DECEMBER MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES

12/18	Leslie & Betty Greenberg
12/22	Michael & Cheryll Joseph
12/27	Andy Kohler & Sarah Rubin

## Temple Emanu El + Social Media



## Online Donations



We are thrilled to let you know that donations can now be made online through our website home page. Click on the link to make a donation in honor or in memory of a loved one. Please note that in order to complete your online donation, you will need the recipient's email address. If you do not have an email address, you can still make a donation by contacting Judi Roseman, 216.454.1216 or [jroseman@teecleve.org](mailto:jroseman@teecleve.org) or Darcy Hershey, [dhershey@teecleve.org](mailto:dhershey@teecleve.org).



# SHARE YOUR JOY

*We Want To Hear About It.*

## ***Donna Stein Became a Grandma Again!***

Genevieve Stein, born on October 18 to Kate Finley & Michael Stein & big brother Levin. Mazel Tov Donna!

## ***Off The Soccer Field!***

Dylan Hershey (son of Darcy & Aaron Hershey) was awarded a Greater Cleveland Award, All-Ohio Academic Team for Boys Soccer. This award is given to Senior Athletes who earned an accumulative high school GPA of 3.7 or better.

## ***TEE is Kveling!***

Mazel Tov to TEE's 1st & 2nd Grade Religious School Teacher, Bekah Levy for being awarded the Libbie L. Braverman Award by the Jewish Education Center. This award recognizes a teacher who has demonstrated dedication & devotion to teaching & has significantly contributed to developing methods or materials to the Jewish teaching profession. Bekah will receive her award at the JEC's Celebration in March 2025.

# JANUARY\*

## A NEW YEAR QUESTIONNAIRE

**Thank You to those who participated in December's Survey & Questionnaire! SHERRI ROSICHAN is the winner of a challah!**



**We'd love for TEE's Feedback for the January Bulletin - The New Year Edition! Scan this QR Code or find the link in TEEmail.**



# PEACE LOVE & LIGHT

Temple Emanu El's  
Hanukkah Shabbat

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27**

**5:45 pm ★ Hanukkah Nosh  
with latkes & cookies**

**Bring your own  
hanukkiah to light  
together as a  
congregation**

**6:15 pm ★ Hanukkah  
Shabbat Service**

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**Please email Renee, [ReneeD@teecleve.org](mailto:ReneeD@teecleve.org)  
if you would be able to help make latkes  
and Hanukkah cookies on Friday, 12/27,  
starting at 2:00pm.**







# TEE BROTHERHOOD'S NIGHT AT THE



NBA's G League Team

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 28  
7:00 PM**

**vs. South Bay Lakers**

**Cleveland Public Hall**

**\$14/ticket • limited availability**

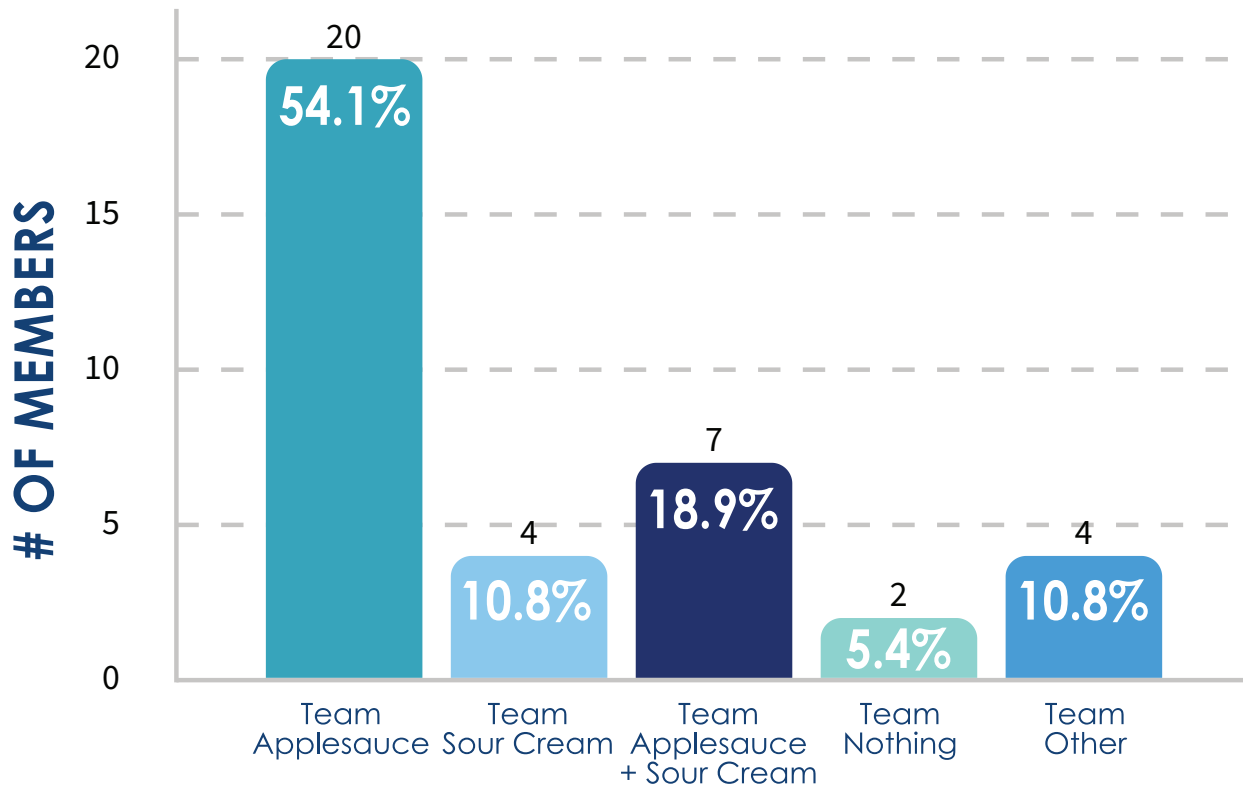
**Center Court | Upper Level | Rows 5 & 6**

**For more information: email Len Gold  
crete2us@gmail.com  
Checks payable to TEE Brotherhood  
or Venmo @Len-Gold (1156)**



# The Big Hanukkah Debate: APPLESAUCE VS SOUR CREAM RESULTS

Temple Emanu El was asked how they top their Hanukkah Latkes. 37 of our members responded.



## LATKE TOPPINGS

Thank you for participating...We hope you will join in our next Bulletin survey & questionnaires. Be sure to read TEE's Weekly Catch-Up Emails.





# TEE Members Share Their Hanukkah Memories & Traditions

## **Renee Delafronconi**

It has been so much fun making new memories with Pierre who did not grow up celebrating Hanukkah. Together, we purchased a menorah that represents us well, a tree of life. Each year, we make potato latkes which we pair with Davis Bakery's pastrami and corned beef. We bake and decorate Hanukkah cookies, having gotten into a hilarious frosting fight our first year together!

## **Erin Cohen**

When Ayden was about six, we started the tradition of "seven days of gift-giving and one day of giving back." He picked one day of Hanukkah to donate to charity and forgo receiving a gift. He donated toys, clothes, books, and as he got older he also did some volunteering.

## **David & Hermine Ostro**

The fun of making latkes & the lingering smell of oil that lasts for days, our at-large family parties & making sure we have everyone's favorite latke toppings & singing "On this Night, Let Us Light" each night after every candle was lit!

## **Rachel Torrance**

Chanukah 2011, when my mom was sick, we went to Las Vegas along with my siblings to celebrate the holiday all together. It was very special.

## **Cindy Schwab**

When my daughters were young, I burnt the latkes so my girls made them out of construction paper & put them on the plate and we pretended we had the real thing!

## **Darcy Hershey**

A few years back, Aaron & I decided to change up Hanukkah Gift-Giving. Instead of 8 nights of gifts we instated the Five Gift Rule: A Gift You Want, A Gift You Need, A Gift to Wear, A Gift to Read & A Gift to Give. This year, I'm going to suggest that we purchase toys to include in Caleb's Bar Mitzvah Project: A Toy Drive for the Cleveland Clinic Children's ChildLife Department. We will be sharing details with the congregation shortly on how we'd love for TEE to get involved too.

## **Ashley Walker**

We have 14 Hanukkiot in our family's collection. For the first seven nights of Hanukkah, the five of us each choose a Hanukkiah to light. Then, on the eighth night, we fill all 13 Hanukkiot with candles & light them all. It's a beautiful display of light & warmth & something we all look forward to doing.

## **Cindy Klotzman**

My favorite Hanukkah tradition is lighting the menorah & playing dreidel with everyone's favorite candy on Night #1.

## **Michelle Bailin**

We love making our Hanukkah cookies with the recipe from the TEE cookbook! We have made them for the last 4 years. It has become a family tradition!



## **Bonnie Hershey**

As a child, we would gather at my Aunt Jo & Uncle Al's home. All 7 of the little Hershey cousins eagerly awaiting the doling out of gifts. Uncle Al was adorned with a celebratory hat & had a large decorated box in front of the fireplace filled to the top with presents! He was dubbed "the Hanukkah-bonica man"! He was in charge of gift-giving. Once he gave each of the Hershey cousins 1 gift we were given the signal to open our gifts. Mayhem ensued with bows & paper everywhere!

## **Denny Hershey**

When I was young, we always had a Hanukkah party with the two Hershey families. My uncle Al was the "Hanukah-Banukah man" who passed out the presents. Presents were passed out in rounds where everyone got just one present & we had to wait for the whistle to open them.

*Same memory!*

## **Sue Krantz**

The Weisler, Krantz & Silverman Families, no matter the age, always look forward to our visit from Chanukah Charlie, who has been showing up at our annual Chanukah Family Dinner for close to 30 years. Chanukah Charlie has a deep laugh, round belly & wears a blue knit hat & brings joy & laughter & presents to all. We love you, Chanukah Charlie! (AKA Jonathan)

## **Stacie Roseman Falck**

My favorite Hanukkah memory is making latkes with my Mom & grandma. My grandma always used to say, "You can never have too many onions!" We still stick to her recipe today.

## **Laura Leventhal**

The sheer joy of watching the kids & grandkids light their menorahs, followed by the dreidel spinning is the best gift. I honestly think it beats opening gifts. (Everyone has their own menorah.)

## **Lillian Schlachter**

I loved seeing the excitement in the faces of my children as we'd line up the potatoes, onions, mixer, frying pans & oil to make the latkes, knowing that the night would end with getting presents. Also, when my grandchildren were young, Hanukkah began with making their own menorahs out of clay, or balsa wood scraps wood scraps & drawing pictures of menorahs & dreidels to decorate the house. I saved some & still use them every year.

## **Karen Schiller**

A few years ago, we began the tradition of thinking of people "to send some light to" while we light our candles. As the kids have grown up & become even more empathetic over the years, we always love to hear their answers of folks who might need some good thoughts sent their way.

## **Gina Pollack**

My favorite tradition is going to Eton to see the menorah lighting. It's always so cool seeing the huge menorah. The kids get so excited to participate in singing & dancing.

## **Diane Brenner**

One of our favorite Hanukkah traditions is going to Bellefaire for the Big Brother/Big Sister Program! They always have some type of show for the kids & fabulous latkes!



# HANUKKAH

## bucket list



PLAY DREIDEL



LIGHT THE MENORAH

GIVE GELT

GIVE GIFTS



CREATE A HANUKKAH DRINKING GAME



EAT POTATO LATKES

UGLY SWEATER CONTEST



SING SONGS



MAKE CHALLAH



MAKE MATZO BALL SOUP



EAT SUFGANIYAH



DONATE

MAKE DONATIONS



SAY THE BLESSINGS

MAKE HANUKKAH CRAFTS



SPEND TIME WITH FAMILY

Happy Hanukkah

GET CREATIVE WITH GIFT WRAP



HAVE A SCAVENGER HUNT

ENJOY BEEF BRISKET

EAT KUGEL

VOLUNTEER



MAKE COOKIES



EAT RUGELACH





# Hanukkah Blessings

Candles are added to the *hanukkiyah* (menorah) from right to left but are kindled from left to right. The newest candle is lit first. On the Shabbat of Hanukkah, kindle the Hanukkah lights first and then the Shabbat candles.

Light the *shamash* (the helper candle) first, using it to kindle the rest of the Hanukkah lights. As you do, say or sing:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו,  
וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה.

*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tsivanu l'hadlik ner shel Hanukkah.*

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who hallows us with mitzvot, commanding us to kindle the Hanukkah lights.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ  
וְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בַּזְּמַן הַזֶּה.

*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, she-asah nisim laavoteinu v'imoteinu bayamim hahaeim 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.

## For first night only:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁהַחַיָּנוּ וְקִיָּמָנוּ  
וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לַזְּמַן הַזֶּה.

*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, shehecheyanu v'kiy'manu v'higiyanu laz'man hazeh.*

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who has kept us alive, sustained us, and brought us to this season.

## Hanerot Halalu

We kindle these lights because of the wondrous deliverance You performed for our ancestors. During these eight days of Hanukkah, 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.





# Chanukah Recipe

## BUTTER COOKIES & FROSTING

SUBMITTED BY HYL A WINSTON



Preheat oven to 400° F

2/3 c. soft butter (1 stick and 2 2/3 T.)

1 1/2 c. granulated white sugar

2 eggs

1 tsp. vanilla

3 1/2 c. all-purpose flour

2 1/2 tsp. baking powder

1/2 tsp. salt

4 tsp. milk

1. Mix butter with sugar, eggs and vanilla until light and fluffy.
2. Add baking powder and salt to flour.
3. Add flour mixture to butter mixture alternating with milk. Mix until blended.
4. Refrigerate 1/2 hour.
5. Roll dough out on floured surface until dough is 1/8" to 1/4". Use Chanukah cookie cutters to cut out shapes. Put cookies on lightly greased baking sheet\*.
6. Bake nine minutes or until slightly brown. After removing cookie sheet from oven, allow cookies to begin to cool. After a minute or two, loosen cookies so they don't stick to the cookie sheet, and allow them to cool completely. Makes about 5 dozen.

\*Cookies can be decorated with colored sprinkles before baking. Or, cookies can be baked without sprinkles and spread with frosting after the cookies are baked & cooled.

### DECORATOR FROSTING

1/2 c butter (1 stick)

1 lb. confectioners (powdered) sugar

1/3 c. milk

1/2 tsp. vanilla extract

1/2 tsp. almond flavoring

Beat butter and add sugar alternately with milk. Add vanilla extract and almond flavoring. Beat well.





## PLAYING DREIDEL



**Hebrew Letter:** Nun  
**Hebrew Word:** Nes  
**English Word:** Great  
**Yiddish Word:** Nit (Nothing)  
**Game Rule:** Win nothing



**Hebrew Letter:** Gimel  
**Hebrew Word:** Gadol  
**English Word:** Miracle  
**Yiddish Word:** Gantz (All)  
**Game Rule:** Win all the coins in the pot



**Hebrew Letter:** Hey  
**Hebrew Word:** Hayah  
**English Word:** Happened  
**Yiddish Word:** Halb (Half)  
**Game Rule:** Win half the coins in the pot



**Hebrew Letter:** Shin  
**Hebrew Word:** Sham  
**English Word:** There  
**Yiddish Word:** Shtell (Put)  
**Game Rule:** Put one coin in the pot

# THE DREIDEL GAME IS A CHANUKAH TRADITION

A dreidel is a four-sided top that is spun to win prizes. Each side contains a Hebrew letter representing words from the sentence, "A great miracle happened there." In Israel, however, the letter for "there" is replaced with a letter for "here" – a great miracle happened here.

Players begin with a stash of chocolate coins. They contribute to a central pot and take turns spinning the dreidel. When the dreidel falls, the letter landing face up indicates what the player wins or must do.

Each letter also represents a Yiddish word that indicates an action in the game. When the pot is empty, players each put another coin in the pot. The game is over when one person has all the coins.