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BOARD MEETING

December 8, 2025 5:30

RABBI PRAVER'S SHABBAT
December 6th and 20th

Temple Emanu-El of Bayonne
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11 Kislev-11 Tevet
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SHABBAT

Fri., December 5/15 Kislev

Candle Lighting 4:11

Sat., December 6/16 Kislev

VAYISHLACH

Fri. December 12/22 Kislev

Candle Lighting

4:11

Sat., December 13/23 Kislev

VAYESHEV

BIRKAT HACHODESH

Fri., December 19/29 Kislev

Candle Lighting

4:13

Sat., December 20/30 Kislev

MIKETZ/CHANNUKAH Candle 7

ROSH CHODESH

Fri., December 26/6 Tevet

Candle Lighting

4:17

Sat., December 27/7 Tevet

VAYIGASH

PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

LIGHT and MIRACLES

December is a time for lights and miracles. These things lead to traditions for Jews, Christians, and others. Every year, we see houses lit up with in many homes around the country. They create an atmosphere of excitement in anticipation for many wonderful things. Chanukiot light up Jewish homes and they also show excitement for many things to come.

This month also reminds us of miracles both in the Jewish holiday of Channukah, and as the Christians celebrate Christmas with joy and glee. Kwanza also uses a candle lighting activity that brings many different feelings and moods.

Lights gave us the idea of the Chanukkia, which is lit for the eight days of Channukah. Churches have the tress that are usually beautifully filled with ornaments, including candles.

In Judaism, the miracle story of the Maccabees, who found light for one candle, but kept it on for eight days. There are also many other religions with their own miracles that led to traditions and celebrations.

We often look for miracles when things don't work the way we would like them to. We pray for them to ease our pain or relieve our issues.

May this year be filled with many wonderful things that shine and many unusual events to make our goals come true.

HAPPY CHANUKKAH!!!!



RABBI'S MESSAGE

SHALOM AND BLESSINGS OF PEACE

As we enter the month of December, I am excited to share with you the schedule of services for the upcoming weeks:

- December 6th (Shabbat)
- December 20th (Shabbat morning services & Hanukkah Party Saturday night)

This year, as we celebrate Hanukkah, let us reflect on the significance of light in our lives. From the primordial light of creation to the menorah's glow, light symbolizes spirituality, hope, and wisdom. As it is written, "Let there be light" (Genesis 1:3), may we be reminded of the power of light to nourish, inspire, and enlighten us.

The light of Hanukkah represents the timeless wisdom of our tradition, guiding us towards greater understanding, compassion, and peace. May this holiday season bring us joy, love, and a deeper connection to one another.

Wishing you a Happy Hanukkah.
Let us be strong like the Maccabees
And let us be the light unto the nations we were meant to be.

Rabbi Shaul

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Schmooze A Little, Eat a Little, Learn Aloi

Schmooze program continues-

November-Alan Smulen will present Jewish Broadway Composers Part 1

December- Irwin Rothblatt will present Everything is Relative

January- Rabbi Shaul Praver will present Golden Age of Cantorial Music

February- Andrew Platizky will present I'm Dead. What comes next? Jewish belief in the Afterlife

March- Roger Platizky will present Two Gay, Jewish Playwrights' Response to AIDS.

April- Paloma Martinez Jimenez will present Jewish by Choice.

May- Bennett Carlin- TBA

June- Alan Smulen- Jewish Composers -Part 2

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TO: BLLY BRODERICK- CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR HONOR

FROM: VARDA & ARNIE WENDROFF

GET WELL- WISHING YOU A SPEEDY RECOVERY.

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FROM: THE BOARD

MICHAEL FOLICKMAN

FROM: RENEE & ALBERT BOUSSO

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RABBI SHAUL PRAVER

FROM: RENE & ALBERT BOUSSO

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November 30-Decmber 6/10-16 Kislev

YAHRZEIT

Lillain Stark Wolkenberg, Harry Chashin, Dr. Theodore Stahl, Francie Berger, Elizabeth Lipman Goldstein, Jerome Rudolph, Barry Ira Drogin, Martin Toub, Anna Tamis, Solomon Lazarus, Morris Slotkin, Fanny Schwartz, Charles Goldman, Samuel Blacher, Morris J. Bloom, Rose Drogin, Elizabeth Bland, Sol Levine, Ruth Mae Dolgins, Harry Gross, Nathaniel Daybock, Irving Sanowitz

December 7-13/17-23 Kisley

Dr. Elizabeth Bollag, Harold Block, Efraim Cohen, Samuel Berkowitz, Ruth Wasserman, Hannah G. Kohn, Max Nayor, Barney Hart, Harry Steinert, Anna Wertheimer, Jean Penchansky, Louis Greenberg, Marvin B. Epstein, Ruth Lourie, Max Levine, Reuben Greenberg, Maeyer Herman, Sally Derechin, Nathan Handler, Hannah Soloway, Adolfo Max Perl, Arthur "Archie" Eisler

December 14-20/24-30 Kislev

Florence Rosenfeld, Irving Goldman, Maurice Dorn, Elsie A. Levy, Morris Finkelstein, Goldie Frank, Philip Freeman, Edward Marks, William H. Wolff, Dr. John Bedrick, Charlene Hyman, Fred D. Goldman, Elsie Hockstein, Pauline Schwartz, Irving B. Sugerman

December 21-27/1-7 Tevet

Herman Drogin, Louis Samuels, Dorothy Shopkin Murro, Carole H. Goldman, Estella Herman, Hyman Baer, Phyllis Botwinick, Genendel Berlin, Herman M. Schulman, Dr. Morris Samuel Frank, Samuel Flax, Benny Eisler, Victor Resnick, Rae Zuckerman Lifschitz, Hyman Frank, Dr. Samuel W. Green, Rose Kravitz, Sol Iskowitz

December 28-January 3, 2026/8-14 Tevet

Miriam Toffel, Isodor Feldman, David Soloway, Leah B. Perwin, Jeanette Greenberg, Dora Blaustein, Abraham Burg, Jacob Eisenstat, Herbert Rothman, Estella Lavine, Samuel Goodman, Dina Wein, Nathaniel Cohan, Edward J. Guterman, Aaron Marshak, Sidney A. Rose, Sidney M. Penner

December 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8BOARD	9	10	11	12	13
14	15erev Channu- Kah	16	17	18	19	207th candle celebration Rosh Chodesh
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve			

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