



Temple Beth Torah

Melville NY

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Temple Beth Torah Melville Provides Unique Chanukah Celebration at its December 16th Shabbat Service

*Congregants bring menorahs and candles for lighting; Teen band plays;
Traditional holiday dinner follows service*

Melville, NY – Temple Beth Torah (TBT), an active and inclusive Reform Temple in Melville, held its unique Chanukah celebration at 6:30 PM Friday December 16, 2016 at 35 Bagatelle Rd in Melville.

TBT's special Chanukah tradition is for every family to bring their own menorah to the Shabbat service. At the high point in the service, the candles are all lit together as the entire congregation recites the Chanukah candle lighting blessing in unison. As a special treat, TBT's wonderful teen band led by Cantor Sarene Appelbaum and Music Director Joe Graffeo perform contemporary and classic Chanukah music.

Memorable Chanukah stories are told and the service is followed by a traditional Chanukah dinner, to which the entire community is invited (\$10 pp). TBT's Chanukah Shabbat service is open to everyone.

“We are very excited to share this wonderful Chanukah experience with our temple members and friends,” said Susie Moskowitz, Senior Rabbi at Temple Beth Torah. “We do this celebration every year and each one seems to top the last one.”

About Temple Beth Torah Melville

Founded in 1969, Temple Beth Torah Melville is an active and inclusive Reform Jewish Congregation of over 600 families serving the Western Suffolk and Eastern Nassau County areas of Long Island. Its extended temple family shares rich educational, spiritual and social experiences through a full spectrum of programming -- including religious and nursery school, religious services, and teen and adult activities. Members come to Temple Beth Torah to pray, to learn and to celebrate. Its culture is diverse and inclusive, and encourages participation by all age groups. For more information, visit <http://www.tbtny.org>.

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