



## This Week at Chabad Lubavitch of Maine



CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES  
FOR  
PORTLAND:

Friday, Nov. 5 5:08 pm

Torah Portion: Toldot

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## Message from the Rabbi

Dear Friends,

When our patriarch Isaac blessed his son Jacob, the Midrash says that the language he used implied a continuous stream of blessings coming from G-d for the Jewish people.

As Jacob's descendants, we are not only the beneficiaries of this amazing blessing, but we actually play a role in its continuity. Sure, we are blessed, but an even greater blessing is to be able to share with others.

For every blessing that you receive, be sure to share at least as much with someone else. That is how we will keep the promise to Jacob alive in perpetuity.

Shabbat Shalom.

Rabbi Wilansky



## Menorah Parade &

# Lighting- Reserve Your Menorah Today!

**LET THERE BE LIGHT**

SECOND ANNUAL CAR TOP MENORAH PARADE

**START**  
The JCA  
1342 Congress St.  
Portland  
POLICE ESCORT

**END**  
City Hall  
389 Congress St.  
Portland

**GRAND MENORAH LIGHTING AT CITY HALL 4:15 P.M.**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28**  
No charge to participate - sponsor & keep your own car Menorah for \$100  
No affiliation necessary - open to the entire Jewish community  
Sign up by November 24th to secure your spot and car menorah for the parade at [CHABADOFMAINE.COM/PARADE](http://CHABADOFMAINE.COM/PARADE)

**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

- LIGHTING OF MAINE'S LARGEST MENORAH
- WORDS FROM OUR MAYOR KATE SNYDER
- LIVE MUSIC WITH THE MAINE MESHUGGYIM
- JUGGLING SHOW • HOT LATKES & DOUGHNUTS
- DREIDELS • KIDS' CRAFTS
- CHOCOLATE GELT DROP • DOUGHNUT MAKING

For more info email [RABBI@CHABADOFMAINE.COM](mailto:RABBI@CHABADOFMAINE.COM)

Join us on Sunday, November 28, as we parade around Portland with our car-topped Menorahs and meet at City Hall for a grand Menorah Lighting!

Reserve your car menorah today! [chabadofmaine.com/parade](http://chabadofmaine.com/parade)



## Jewish Heritage Night with the Maine Mariners

# 2ND ANNUAL JEWISH HERITAGE NIGHT WITH THE MAINE MARINERS

**SUNDAY, DEC. 5 AT THE CROSS INSURANCE ARENA**

**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**

First 50 tickets bought will receive a free JHN t-shirt!

**2:00pm**

Pre game Chanukah party with Beacon the Puffin

**3:00pm**

The Game Starts

**CHANUKAH FUN FAN EXPERIENCE THROUGHOUT THE GAME!**

**MENORAH LIGHTING ON THE ICE AT THE END OF THE FIRST PERIOD**



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Reserve your spot today!

Sunday, Dec 5 | 2:00 pm | Cross Insurance Arena



## Menorah Hop



Brought to the front lawn of your home, enjoy hot latkes & donuts, dreidels, gelt, crafts, the Big Chanukah Book, and a grand Menorah Lighting! [Reserve your slot here.](#)

To learn more about Chanukah, [click here.](#)




## What Makes a Hero? Jewish Insights



## WHAT MAKES A HERO?

The Zohar's story about Abraham, Rashi's story about Jacob, and the Rebbe's story about Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai. What do the stories have in common? And what was the common denominator which made them eternal Jewish heroes?

 [Sunday, 11/7, 1:00 pm](#)

 [chabadofmaine.com/zoom](https://chabadofmaine.com/zoom)



## JEWISH INSIGHTS

A TASTE OF THE REBBE'S TEACHINGS

PARSHAT VAYETZE

Sunday, 11/7, 1:00 pm

[chabadofmaine.com/zoom](https://chabadofmaine.com/zoom)



## Service Times

### Thursday

7:00 am

### Friday night

5:30pm

### Shabbat day

10:30 am



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Help us continue our work



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VIDEO

### Life After Death

How can we connect to our loved ones, once they've passed? What do Jews believe about the afterlife? In this all-new ChabadU course, we take a glimpse behind the veil and get to understand Judaism's take on the age-old question: What happens when we die? Join us for a four-part journey into the world to come.

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PERSPECTIVE

### Is Inequality the Root of All Evil?

How do we understand these disparities from a spiritual perspective? Why is life so unfair? Why are resources distributed in such a lopsided way, with some people having so much more than they need while others struggle for survival? How did inequality enter the world?

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# Parshah in a Nutshell

## Parshat Toldot

**Isaac** and **Rebecca** endure twenty childless years, until their prayers are answered and Rebecca **conceives**. She experiences a **difficult pregnancy** as the children **struggle** inside her; Gd tells her that there are **two nations** in your womb, and that the younger will prevail over the elder.

**Esau** emerges first; **Jacob** is born clutching Esau's **heel**. Esau grows up to be a **cunning hunter**, a man of the field; Jacob is a **wholesome** man, a dweller in the **tents of learning**. Isaac favors Esau; Rebecca loves Jacob. Returning exhausted and hungry from the hunt one day, **Esau sells his birthright** (his rights as the **firstborn**) to Jacob for a pot of **red** lentil stew.

In Gerar, in the land of the Philistines, Isaac presents Rebecca as his **sister**, out of fear that he will be killed by someone coveting her beauty. He **farms** the land, reopens the wells dug by his father Abraham, and **digs a series of his own wells**: over the first two there is strife with the Philistines, but the waters of **the third well** are enjoyed in tranquility.

Esau marries two Hittite women. Isaac grows old and blind, and expresses his desire to bless Esau before he dies. While Esau goes off to hunt for his father's **favorite food**, Rebecca dresses Jacob in **Esau's clothes**, covers his arms and neck with goatskins

to simulate the feel of his hairier brother, prepares a similar dish, and sends Jacob to his father. **Jacob receives his fathers blessings** for the **dew of the heaven** and the **fat of the land** and mastery over his brother. When Esau returns and the deception is revealed, all Isaac can do for his weeping son is to predict that he will live by his **sword**, and that when Jacob falters, the younger brother will forfeit his supremacy over the elder.

Jacob leaves home for **Charan** to flee Esaus wrath and to find a wife in the family of his mothers brother, **Laban**. Esau marries a third wife **Machalath**, the daughter of **Ishmael**.



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