

# New Children's STORY and ACTIVITY Book, 'The Legend of Captain Chanukah,' Explores the Spirit and History of Chanukah

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- The Legend of
Captain Chanukah" by Neil Fried and
Rickie Fried offers a playful and
engaging exploration of the beloved
Jewish holiday of Chanukah. The book
introduces children to the story's
titular hero, Captain Chanukah, who
embodies the joyous spirit of
Chanukah and its values of freedom,
giving, and dedication.



#### About the Book:

Beyond the character of Captain Chanukah, "The Legend of Captain

Chanukah" digs into the historical origins of the holiday. It recounts the brave struggle of the Maccabees against religious oppression and the miracle of the long-lasting oil. The book emphasizes themes of resilience as the Temple was restored and encourages readers to find ways to rededicate themselves to their own values.

## Restoring the Temple:

The Maccabees' fight to reclaim their Temple after a new king came to power and tried to change the way Jewish people used to pray symbolizes a powerful message within Chanukah. It reminds us that even in difficult times, we have the strength to restore what's been broken and create something beautiful from the pieces.

# A Symbol of Joy and Light:

Captain Chanukah isn't just a character; he represents the happiness, freedom, and giving spirit at the heart of the Chanukah celebration.

The Miracle of the Oil and Captain Chanukah's Arrival:

The story links the miracle of the long-lasting oil to the appearance of Captain Chanukah, showing how traditions keep the spirit of the past alive.

## The Origins of Captain Chanukah:

This book leaves room for children to explore the origins of Captain Chanukah with their imaginations, highlighting the role creativity plays in shaping their understanding of the holiday.

#### Values of Chanukah:

Captain Chanukah teaches that everyone can embody the values of Chanukah – joy, freedom, charity– and make the world a better place.

## Sharing the Light of Chanukah:

The emphasis is on how Chanukah celebrations bring families and communities together, strengthening bonds and making the holiday more meaningful. Kindling the menorah each night symbolizes bringing light into the darkness.

#### Tzedakah:

Captain Chanukah highlights the importance of charity and helping those in need, a key value of Chanukah.

## The True Gifts of Chanukah:

While the presents are fun, the story reminds children that the most important things during Chanukah are the traditions, spirit, and values it celebrates.

### About the Author:

Neil Fried was born in 1951. He is an experienced psychotherapist with an experience of over 45 years. He is a widowed father of two residing in Florida. He enjoys the arts, gardening, and the written word. Neil holds a Ph.D. in Social Work.

## Availability:

Available on <u>Amazon</u>, "The Legend of Captain Chanukah" invites young readers to discover the meaning behind the holiday while engaging with the playful and inspiring story of this symbolic character.

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