

Upcoming Beth Torah Events

Ongoing Adult Education Offerings:

- ◆ **Wisdom on Wednesday (WoW):** The WoW crew is reading Rabbi Mark Levin's book, *Praying the Bible*. We meet in the Bride's Room for lunch **Wednesdays** at **noon**, and study from **12:30-1:30 p.m.** Newcomers are welcome anytime.
- ◆ **Lunch and Learn** Join Rabbi Cattapan for lunch and a learning session on **Thursday, May 25th**, from **noon** to **1:30 p.m.** Call the office by May 24th if you would like to order a sandwich from Jimmy Johns.
- ◆ **Discussions on the Writings of the Torah:** Join the community in discussion every **Shabbat morning** from **9:00-10:15 a.m.** in the Sader/Shimkin Chapel & Library.

Early Bird Registration for the 2017-18 School Year at Beth Torah's ARJE Accredited Weiner Religious School. Stop by the table in front of the display case and a volunteer will help you locate the pre-printed registration forms for your family. Check over the form and make sure that all the information is correct and make any changes you wish. There will be blank registration forms available for you to register new students, as well. CBT members will not pay religious school tuition again this year. An activity fee will be charged to your account in August, but your paperwork will all be completed NOW.

Passover Worship at Beth Torah The last day of Passover worship will be **Monday, April 17th** at **10:30 a.m.** in our sanctuary and will include a Yizkor service.

CBT's Weiner Religious School Pre-K through 2nd Grade Family Social Bring a picnic lunch and your bicycles if you'd like and meet your Pre-Kindergarten thru 2nd Grade friends on **Sunday, April 23rd** from **12:30-2:00 p.m.**, at Franklin Park, located at Roe Avenue and Somerset Drive in Prairie Village. Franklin Park has a great playground and bike trail. No cost! **Invite your friends.**

Calling all writers and actors — Storah Troupe needs your help! Storah building begins on **April 23rd**. Be a part of the art of Jewish ritual theatre at Beth Torah. Come to CBT on **Sunday, April 23rd** at **10:00 a.m.**, for a writing and casting session. Rehearsals will be held **June 8th** and **15th**, for Storah Telling during Erev Shabbat services on **June 16th**.

Large Chorus to Lead Havdalah at Installation We need your voice to mark this milestone: **Saturday, April 29th, 6:30 p.m.**, *the Installation of Rabbi Cattapan*. Sign up with Emily to help lead the opening and closing songs at this momentous event. All that's required is two things: 1. Attend at least 1 rehearsal, and 2. Be in place by **6:00 p.m.** on **April 29th**. For rehearsals, two options are laid out for each major group, but this season we can cross-pollinate--you can come to whichever one fits your schedule the best: **Kids Choir: Sundays, 9:00 a.m.-9:20 a.m., 4/16** and **4/23; Men's Group and Women's Group: Sundays, 11:10 a.m.-12:00 p.m., 4/16** and **4/23; Adult Choir: Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.--8:30 p.m., 4/19** and **4/26**. This your moment, now--To make a visible, audible, unmistakable statement to the congregation, to our rabbi, and to the entire town: "We love our rabbi, we are so happy he is here, and we believe our collective future is bright!"

CBT Bagel Walk 'n Talk Grab a friend or family member(s) to walk either 1 mile or 5K with you on **Sunday morning, April 30th** at **8:00 a.m.** and once you have crossed the finish line, celebrate by noshing on a bagel! Head to the CBT web site to sign up early and get the T-shirt, featuring Benji the Bagel! Event proceeds to benefit the Installation Weekend! And, as with so many CBT events, having a social justice component continues to be important to our community and so our committee has chosen to make a donation to the Speak Up Foundation which works in the Kansas City community to reduce the stigma of mental illness and to promote education aimed at suicide prevention.

Mitzvah Day Join us on **May 7th** for a day full of mitzvot and community at the Aleza Myer Memorial Mitzvah Day in conjunction with our Joel Winston Social Justice Program. Details in the Beth Torah e-news, Tekiah, and on our website. Deadline: **April 21st!**

Upcoming Beth Torah Events

CBT 2017 Annual Meeting: May 7th, 10:10 a.m. Join us after family worship as we plan for fiscal year 2017/2018 with these items on the agenda: budget, Board of Trustees slate, by-Laws changes upcoming Beth Torah programs and plans! You will be receiving your packet in the mail by the end of April, including your proxy. If you cannot make the annual meeting, please fill out your proxy and return it to Beth Torah. Email proxies stating who you would like to give your vote to are accepted. Email those to Laura Intfen at lintfen@beth-torah.org.

CBT Blood Drive Congratulations to Scott Franklin and Jeff Altman on a very successful blood drive on February 1st. Please mark your calendar for our next Blood Drive, **Wednesday, May 10th, 2:30-6:30 p.m.** We would love to add new donors to our drive!

CloudBurst: A Jewish Poetry Event, Sunday, May 21st from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Poets of all faith traditions are invited to read their original poems on Jewish themes at our 2nd Annual Jewish Poetry Event at Congregation Beth Torah. Held in a traditional coffeehouse format including refreshments, the program is open to everyone in the community. Poets may read two short original poems or one long original poem to ensure a wide and diverse experience for the audience. Community members of all ages and all faiths are invited to email martha@POUNCEmarketing.com by **May 1st** to sign up to read at **CloudBurst**. All forms of poetry are welcome, including traditional verse, free form, Haiku, sonnets, spoken word, and slam poetry. The only requirement is that each poem touch on a Jewish theme.

Save the Date for the 14th Annual CBT Golf Classic on **Monday, August 14th** at **Oakwood Country Club**. We welcome our new title sponsor, **Sterneck Capital Management**. Frank and Robin Sterneck are longtime members of Congregation Beth Torah. More information coming soon!

Upcoming Community Calendar of Events

2017 SevenDays®-Make a Ripple, Change the World Interfaith discussions, blood drives, organ donor registration and a community-wide Faith, Love & Walk are just some of the activities planned for the series of events **Tuesday, April 18th-Monday, April 24th**. **SevenDays** is an effort to spread kindness and enhance interfaith understanding and dialogue following the hate murders outside Jewish facilities in April 2014 that claimed the lives of 14-year-old Reat Underwood, Dr. William Corporon and Terri LaManno. For more information, contact Ruth Baum Bigus, (913) 707-7746 or at ruthwrite1@gmail.com. Additional information is also available at www.giveseven.org.

Yom HaShoah Lunch & Learn The community is invited to attend a program remembering and honoring those of the Holocaust on **Thursday, April 20th**, from **12:15-1:15 p.m.**, in the MAC Room at the JCC. Focusing on art created by prisoners of ghettos and concentration camps from 1940-1945, Professor Milton Katz, Vice President of Academic Affairs at The Kansas City Art Institute will present "Creative Defiance." Lunch \$6 members / \$8 non-members. Pre-register by calling (913) 327-8044. This program is co-sponsored by Jewish Family Services, Midwest Center for Holocaust Education and the Heritage Center.

Yom HaShoah This year's Yom HaShoah Community Memorial Service, entitled *Interpreting the Images*, is scheduled to take place **Sunday, April 23rd** from **1:30-3:00 p.m.** in the Lewis and Shirley White Theatre located at the Jewish Community Center.

Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art Tour – April 23, 2017 for CBT Members Please join us in a docent led tour and FREE tour of the new Bloch Impressionist and Post-Impressionist collection at the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art. Your response is needed no later than **Sunday, April 23rd**, at **3:00 p.m.** **Space is limited and reservations will be accepted on a first come basis.** Please respond ASAP if you wish to participate (afprogram@aol.com).

Civil Debate About the Future of Israel's Soul Join us on **Tuesday, April 25th** from **7:00-9:00 p.m.**, for a critically important debate about the Jewish homeland featuring **Jonathan S. Tobin** and **JJ Goldberg**. This event will be at The Temple, Congregation B'nai Jehudah, 12320 Nall, Overland Park, KS. \$12/person includes light reception. To register call (913) 327-8007.

Calendar of Events

Saturday, April 15th

9:00 a.m. "Discussion on the Writings of the Torah"
10:30 a.m. Shabbat Worship
Noon Torah Talk with Rabbi Cattapan
6:30-9:30 p.m. BTTY Lounge Night

Sunday, April 16th

9:00 a.m. Kids Choir Rehearsal
9:00 a.m. Family Matzah Breakfast
9:30 a.m. Religious School K-5
11:10 a.m. Men's Group / Women's Group Rehearsal

Monday, April 17th

Last day of Passover / Office Closed

10:30 a.m. Worship with Yizkor Service

Tuesday, April 18th

Office Closed

Wednesday, April 19th

Noon Wisdom on Wednesday
7:00 p.m. TAG
7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal for Installation

Friday, April 21st

NFTYMV Spring Chavurah in Denver (thru Sunday)
Noon Ray Davidson Yiddish Class
6:00 p.m. Nosh
6:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Worship
7:45 p.m. Oneg Shabbat
7:45 p.m. Stay & Play

Saturday, April 22nd

9:00 a.m. "Discussion on the Writings of the Torah"
10:30 a.m. Shabbat Worship

Sunday, April 23rd

Yom HaShoah begins at Sundown
9:00 a.m. Kids Choir Rehearsal
9:30 a.m. Religious School K-5
11:10 a.m. Men's Group / Women's Group Rehearsal
1:30 p.m. Community Yom HaShoah Program at the JCC

Monday, April 24th

Yom HaShoah / Holocaust Memorial Day
5:30 p.m. SevenDays Faith, Love & Walk

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Shabbat Songs & Blessings

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם, שגמלני כל טוב.

Baruch atah Adonai Eloheynu melech haolam shegemalani kol tov.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe who has bestowed every goodness upon us.

Shehecheyanu (Pik)

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melach haolam shehecheyanu v'kiy'manu v'higianu laz'man hazeh, Amen.

*Blessed are You, Adonai our God,
Sovereign of the universe,
for granting us life, sustaining us,
and helping us to reach this season.*

Adir Hu / God of Might

Adir hu yivneh beito bekarov
Bimheirah, bimheirah beyameinu bekarov
El b'neih, el b'neih beit'cha bekarov

God of might, God of right,
Thee we give all glory;
Thine all praise in these days,
As in ages hoary;
When we hear, year by year,
Freedom's wondrous story.

Friday Night Kiddush

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם, בורא פרי הגפן. ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם, אשר קדשנו במצותיו ורצה בנו, ושבת קדשו באהבה וברצון הנחילנו זכרון למעשה בראשית, כי הוא יום תחילה למקראי קדש, זכר ליציאת מצרים, כי בנו בחרת ואותנו קדשת מכל העמים, ושבת קדשך באהבה וברצון הנחלתנו. ברוך אתה יי, מקדש השבת.

Baruch ata Adonai, Elohaynu melech ha'olam, boray p'ri hagafen. Baruch atah Adonai, Elohaynu melech ha'olam, asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav v'ratza vanu, v'Shabbat kodsho b'ahava uvratzon hinchilanu, zikaron l'ma'aseh v'raysheet. Ki hu yom t'chila l'mikra'ay kodesh, zecher l'tzi'at Mitzrayim. Ki vanu vacharta v'otanu kidashta mikol ha'amim, v'Shabbat kodsh'cha b'ahava uvratzon hinchaltanu. Baruch ata Adonai, m'kadaysh hashabbat.

Mi Shebeirach List

Maggie Adler, Jeff Antoniewicz, Janine Bensman, Larry Blumberg, Rania Bouzahzah, Mary Helen Brauninger, Rabbi Rachel Cowan (Rachel bat Abraham v' Sarah), Bev Craven, Caroline Danielson, Stanley Eisenberg, Elaine Evnen, Nancy Ezrin, Evonne Ferguson, Tom Fasbinder, Carrie Field, Sandy Gale, Helen Gandal, Stan Goldman, Deborah Goldstein, Jerry Groshang, Makai Guinto, Michelle Heffron, Louise Hipsh, Jake Houd, Sue Hurwitz, Kristina Imber, Steve Israelite, Alice Jarrell, Lee King, Joel Krichiver, Marjorie Lantz, Ronnie Lerner, Bobbie Levy, Mikel Levy, Joann Mader, Gavin Martin, Heidi Maynard, Robert Micco, Audrey Myers, Marcus Nolan, Robin Olderman, Theresa Randal, Myra Rieger, Amy Salva, Jack Scott, Loys Scott, Simon Shames, Gay Beth Skobac, Rabbi Joshua Taub, Bud Willer, Don Wylan

Mi Shebeirach List

If you have someone in your family who is currently ill, whose name you would like to appear on our Mishebeirach List, please send an email to robryan@beth-torah.org and put in the message line: Mi Shebeirach List, or call the Beth Torah office and let us know. Thank you.

Recent Deaths

LAID TO REST THIS PAST WEEK: SHIVA

RECENTLY LAID TO REST: SH'LOSHIM:

Earl Unell (father and father in law of Eileen and Bruce Kershenbaum, and grandfather of Emma Kershenbaum)
Shirley White (mother of Sandy Fried and mother-in-law of Ed Fried)

Yahrzeits

Esther Abend (mother of Steve Abend) **Joseph Abend** (father of Steve Abend) **Minnie Apple** (grandmother of Robert Bloom) **Annabelle Butler** (mother of Leon Butler) **Marlene Czarlinsky** (sister of Will Czarlinsky) **Duana Linville Dralus** (loved one of Jan and Tom Harness and Sandy and Maureen Salz) **Jack Eiler** (father of Joan Levinson) **Morris Ellis** (father of Howard Ellis) **Teresa Estrada** (sister-in-law of Barbara Gutierrez) **Meyer Fish** (grandfather of Joel Fish) **Doris Flam** (stepmother of Nina Shik) **Dorothy Frank** (aunt of Robert Bloom) **Sam Fried** (father of Ed Fried) **Judy Gilgore** (sister of Stan Goldman) **William E. Horn** (father of Jeff Horn) **Harold A. Hunt** (grandfather of Rivy Parker) **Rose Sara Klopper** (grandmother of Karen Agron Flattery) **Larry Levine** (cousin of Nancy Jonas Wilson) **Sam J. Lewis** (father of Edis Parkans) **Madeline Medman Markowitz** (great grandmother of Mackenzie Haun and grandmother of Shanna Haun) **Mary Miller Meyer** (mother of Wally Meyer, Jr.) **Eileen Broscow Porter** (loved one of Marlene Kahn) **Susan Pyne** (sister of Laura Intfen) **Irving C. Rubin** (cousin of Diane Mielke) **William D. Rueberg** (father of Ellen Sommi) **Les Schneiderman** (grandfather of Emily Trenton and father of Debbie Trenton) **Edward Serlin** (father of Tina Shea) **Evelyn Epstein Simons** (mother of Sue Miller)

Shabbat Shalom! Shabbat Shalom! Shabbat Shalom!

Congregation Beth Torah

Welcome to Shabbat Services

*We Embrace *Energize *Illuminate *Inspire *Respond *Connect*

Weekly Torah Portion—Hol HaMo'ed Pesach

Exodus 34:1-8 Plaut Chumash (red) pp. 658-659

Ezekiel 37:1-14 Plaut Chumash (red) pp. 1660-1661

- ◆ Friday night worship leadership team: **Rabbi Cattapan, Randy Deutch, Weber Ingersoll, Tim Intfen and Emily Tummons.**
- ◆ Thank you to our BTTY volunteers: **Tess Gerson and Mackenzie Hammontree** for assisting our babysitter on Friday night.
- ◆ Saturday morning Worship leadership team: **Rabbi Cattapan, Tim Intfen and Emily Tummons.**
- ◆ The Shabbat calendar this week says to **“Tell the Passover Story to All.”**

Congregation Beth Torah celebrates the installation of Senior Rabbi Javier E. Cattapan April 28-30, 2017

There are opportunities all weekend to learn from Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Rami Shapiro, participate in the Installation celebration and to volunteer. There will even be a Sunday morning Bagel Walk 'N' Talk Party!

Be sure to check out your April Tekiah or our web site for more information and your *tzedakah* opportunities associated **with this joyous moment in Beth Torah's life.**

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