

Upcoming Beth Torah Events

Ongoing Adult Education Offerings:

- **Rabbi Lunch N' Learn:** Join Rabbi Cattapan for lunch and learning, **Thursday, February 15th, 12:00-1:30 p.m.** Call the office by **Wednesday, February 14th**, to order a sandwich.
- **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.

Upcoming Music Events **New Moon Lab:** with babysitting, 6:30–7:30 p.m., Saturday, January 20th. **Shabbat Shirah:** 6:30 p.m., Friday, January 26th.

Travel to Israel with Rabbi Cattapan in 2019. Plan on a trip of a lifetime. There will be an organizational meeting on **Monday, January 29th from 6:00-6:45 p.m.** Come with ideas on what you would like the trip to look like.

Camp Scholarship Deadline is Approaching **February 4, 2018** is the deadline to apply for scholarship assistance for your camper. If you are a first time camper and attending an overnight Jewish camp, we have financial help available for you regardless of need. There are other need based funds available. Email Laura Intfen at lintfen@beth-torah.org to get the scholarship forms. All forms must be complete and back to Laura by the deadline.

Have a Heart...Save a Life Join us for the next Congregation Beth Torah Blood Drive on **Wednesday, February 7th, 2:30-6:30 p.m.** Schedule your donation online today at www.esavealifenow.org (click on "find a drive" and sponsor code "bethtorah"), or contact Scott Franklin at (913)645-1036, email sfranklin8@att.net or Jeff Altman at (913)530-2687. **Give Blood—The Ultimate Sustainable Resource**

Congressional Candidate Forum Congregation Beth Torah will host a Candidate Forum for all declared candidates for the KS 3rd Congressional District. The event will be in the sanctuary at Beth Torah from **2:00-3:30 p.m.** on **Sunday, February 11th**. Nick Haines, Executive Producer/Public Affairs for KCPT Public Television, will moderate the event. Our goal is to have a civil discussion of key issues that Congress will face in the next two years. To ensure civility, we will use rules devised by American Public Square (APS). Congregation Beth Torah members can register for this free event on the Beth Torah website.

2018 Purim Spiel In a not-so-distant future (**February 28th at 7:00 p.m.**), in a galaxy right next to you (the CBT sanctuary), we are trading in our music stands for don't-let-the-light-go-out sabers. Stay tuned for details about a new spiel-venture! The farce will be strong with this one.

HELP WANTED!



Beth Torah's 30th anniversary is coming up and we are looking for volunteers to serve on a task force to brainstorm ideas for how to celebrate throughout the year (April 2018 through April 2019). If you think you might have an interest in participating in this committee, please contact Laura Intfen at lintfen@beth-torah.org or Barry Katz at bkatz12306@gmail.com.

Say "Yes" to Beth Torah!

Upcoming Beth Torah & Community Events

Sunday Night Dinner at SAVEhome For 25 years, CBT volunteers have provided dinner on Sunday Nights to SAVEhome, a supervised residence for up to 8 people with HIV/AIDS, plus one staff member. Cook at home, at SAVEhome or bring take-out. If you are interested in learning more, contact Lauren Aaronson at aaronson.lauren@gmail.com.

What Celebrations Do you Have Coming Up at Beth Torah? Here are some ways to **SPREAD YOUR JOY!**

- **Sponsor a breakfast** or some fancy creamers or cream cheese for our Sunday morning breakfasts
- **Purchase a leaf** on our Tree of Life in the Ulam
- **Sponsor a nosh** for an Erev Shabbat Friday night worship

Help with Shabbat Childcare Needed! Congregation Beth Torah relies on our 7th-12th grade students to assist our Professional Adult Childcare Provider each Friday night (Erev Shabbat) and Saturday morning (when there is a Bar or Bat Mitzvah). Teens may receive credit for community service for performing this important task. The younger children LOVE having these awesome teen role models play with them! It's easy to sign up! Contact Tess Gerson, Shabbat Childcare Coordinator directly at (913) 428-6696 or tessgerson2000@gmail.com.

Help JVS Throw a Party The community is invited to join us on **Sunday, January 21st, from 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.** at the Della Lamb Community Center, 500 Woodland Ave., Kansas City, MO, as we will be partnering with the Jewish Vocational Service (JVS) and The Temple, Congregation B'nai Jehudah. We are anxious to help these newest members of the Kansas City community celebrate their first birthday in our country, and perhaps the first time they have ever received a gift just for them and just for fun. We need volunteers on the day of the event! Children must be 10 years or older and accompanied by a parent. There are 4 two-hour shift options for you to choose from between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in our Sign-Up Genius, <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094fa4a92aa>. **If you are unable to donate your time, we would love any donated gifts for all age groups of \$10 - \$15 so that each child can receive a gift during this first birthday party!**

Teen Driving Program JFS is offering a Driving Risk Awareness class for all area 9th and 10th graders and their parents. The class will be held on **Sunday, February 4th from 10:00-11:30 a.m.** at the Jewish Community Center. Contact Susie Hurst at (913) 327-8259 or at susieh@jfskc.org for more information or to sign up for this workshop.

Calendar of Events

Saturday, January 13th 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	"Discussion on the Writings of the Torah" Anna Latman Bat Mitzvah
Sunday, January 14th 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10 a.m.	Religious School begins with Family T'filah 30th Anniversary Think Tank Women's Group Rehearsal
Monday, January 15th	Martin Luther King Day—Office Closed
Tuesday, January 16th	Office Closed
Wednesday, January 17th 7:00 p.m. 7:00 pm.	TAG Adult Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, January 18th 7:00 p.m.	Melton: The Star and the Crescent in the Library
Friday, January 19th 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Ray Davidson Yiddish Circle Nosh Shabbat Worship Oneg Shabbat
Saturday, January 20th 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	"Discussion on the Writings of the Torah" Shabbat Worship
Sunday, January 21st 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Religious School begins with Family T'filah 30th Anniversary Think Tank Women's Group Rehearsal JVS Birthday Party
Tuesday, January 23rd	Office Closed

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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.

Deaths

LAI D TO REST THIS PAST WEEK: SHIVA

RECENTLY LAID TO REST: SH'LOSHIM

- Stanley Preston Eisenberg (brother of Diana Hurst)
Michele Goldman (wife of Michael Goldman, mother and mother-in-law of Keith and Amy Goldman, and grandmother of Jones and Olive Goldman)
Edward Ginsberg (father and father-in-law of Michael and Barbara Ginsberg, and grand father of Jacob, Daniel and Hannah Ginsberg)
Jerry Barash (cousin of Andie Neuman and Gloria Elyachar)

Yahrzeits

- Esther Aaronson (mother of Lauren Aaronson) Nathan Appelbaum (father-in-law of Betsy Appelbaum) Bala K. Baellow (mother of Norman Baellow and grandmother of Barb Bayer) George Bellotti (father of Richard Bellotti) Hennie Bergh (grandmother of Jackie Her-manson) Jerry Berkowitz (father of Debbie Berkowitz) Riva Bogomolnaya (mother of Valery and Susan Tokar) Julio A. Cattapan (father of Rabbi Javier Cattapan) John Corbett (father of Nicki Wang) Michael Corbett (brother of Nicki Wang) Isaac Dloogoff (father of Marlene Kahn) Dorothy Goldman (aunt of Don Goldman) Nathan Haith (father of David Haith and grandfather of Linda Turner) Henry Hakan (grandfather of Joe Levin) Peggy Harness (sister of Tom Harness) Ida R. Jaben (mother of Etta Brenner) Sherry Kaplan (daughter-in-law of Alice Kaplan) A. B. Konantz (grandfather of Becky Sandhaus) Morton Richards (grandfather of Dan Somberg) Edith Ruben (mother of Marion Altman and grandmother of Jeff Altman and Ron Altman) Norman Weiner (father of Cindy Garfinkle and husband of Jody Weiner) Wyman Wickersham (father of Ari Weindling)

Friday Night Kiddush

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

Congregation Beth Torah

Welcome to Shabbat Services

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

Weekly Torah Portion—Va'era
Exodus 9:12-26 Plaut Chumash (red) pp. 440, 447
Ezekiel 29:3-9, Plaut Chumash (red) pp. 696-697

- Free child care is available in Classroom 1. Thank you to our BTTY volunteer: for assisting our babysitter on Friday night.
Thank you to our Friday night worship leadership team: Carmen Dieker, Judith Evnen, Tim Intfen and Emily Tummons.
Thank you to our Saturday morning worship team: .
Mazel tov to Anna Latman for leading the worship and reading Torah on Shabbat morning in honor of her bat mitzvah
Thank you to Emily and Scott Latman for the luncheon that will be served directly after Anna's Bat Mitzvah



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