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SUMMER IS HERE!

From President Tikva Glantz

Warm Greetings from your new Board President! I am both excited and nervous about this new undertaking; I guess this is what is described as nervous excitement.

I want to thank outgoing Board President, Laura Schrager, for her dedicated service to TBH. Laura has agreed to lead a new arts and culture group. I am confident we will benefit from the programs and events this group will provide us!

Laura is the only Board member stepping down. A few officers shifted positions, and Marilyn Gisser joined us. We are an enthusiastic and committed Board, ready to work on behalf of our congregation!

I was in this role once before, from July 2002 through June 2003. Two momentous events occurred during that time. The first was that we hired Rabbi Seth. He served as our student Rabbi during the High Holidays that year. I remember thinking we would be incredibly blessed if he agreed to serve as our full-time Rabbi.

All these years later, I still agree with that assessment.

Also, during my previous term, we purchased our current building after many years of searching. We have now prayed, celebrated, mourned, studied and of course, eaten in this building many times. And this year, we finally paid off the mortgage!

I don't know what momentous events will occur in the life of TBH this year (although I have some ideas). I do know this: **what** we do is not nearly as important as **how** we do it. Especially in these divisive times, Temple Beth Hatfiloh is a place where we can experience *shalom*, peace with one another. I hope we continue to treat one another with respect, kindness and compassion, even if we do not agree. I look forward to taking this journey with you!

Please contact me at tikvatbh@gmail.com.

B'Shalom,



TBH Biennial Gala is a Big Success!



On June 4, TBH held its 2018 Gala and Auction at the Olympia Golf and Country Club. Ninety members and friends of TBH showed up for an evening of fun and to raise money for the temple. This year's auction was a record-breaker, raising over \$30,000 after paying expenses. While everyone was enjoying tasty appetizers, raffle-machers Bernie Friedman, Elie Halpern and Sam Schrager started the evening by encouraging attendees to buy raffle tickets and raised \$1,800, 50% of which went to TBH and 50% went to the winners, Marcia David and Fred Goldberg. Fred and Marcia generously donated their winnings back to the Temple. Our auctioneer, Mark Streuli, got things rolling with a rapid-paced, live auction that brought in over \$17,000 in donations. Next was the "raise-the-paddle" auction where attendees made generous, unrestricted donations, totaling \$7,600. Last, was the Dessert Dash, where tables vied with each other for the privilege to select their dessert of choice. The highest bidding table's top choice was Ruby Martin Franklin's exquisite lemon pink extravaganza.



We owe the success of this year's gala to our wonderful planning committee, including: Judith Barnes, Edie Bean, Beth Dubey, Leslie Goldstein, Sue Goldstein, David Hanig, Felicia Hanig, Kayla Iverson, Michael Krasnokutsky, Scott Royer, Erin Syversen and to the generosity of all participants.

David Hanig

FORKids Update

TBH volunteers have successfully completed another school year of filling bags of food once a month for the Thurston County Food Bank. Each month over 2,000 students each and every week throughout this past school year in North Thurston, Olympia and Tumwater school districts received a bag of food to take home over the weekend. In May and June, the students also received fresh vegetables once a month. A special thanks to those who came on the second Tuesday, June 12: Bernie Friedman, Alex Zwolinski, Sue Goldstein, Betty Goldstein, Edie Bean, Beth Dubey and Ezra Paskus. We will take a break in July and August and start bagging again on the second Tuesday of September.

The Food Bank also has a summer lunch program, Monday through Friday, when a Food Bank van travels to about eight different low income locations, and kids can get five different items, including protein, vegetables and fruit. During the summer months away from school, this program fills the stomachs of a lot of kids who do not have enough to eat.

TBH has many years of volunteer history with the Food Bank. TBH was the very first faith community to volunteer to fill bags for the ForKids program over ten years ago. Ben Bean was a long time member of the Food Bank Board of Directors, perhaps from the beginning of the Food Bank. Also, Bernie Friedman, Edie Bean and Beth Dubey have been loyally donating their time since the very beginning of the ForKids program at the Food Bank. Everyone who volunteered this past year and during prior years is much appreciated!

Green Team Update

We have heard from many of you in our congregation, as well as larger community, who are glad to join the effort to reduce our environmental footprint. Through recycling, composting, turning off lights and appliances, checking thermostats, and spreading the word, we are making a difference. Thanks for everyone for making this happen, and please keep up the good work!





We meet monthly and encourage your participation. For more information, contact Spencer Orman at spencer.2bsure@gmail.com.

JULY EREV SHABBAT SERVICES

July 6	7:30 pm	Shabbat Service An oneg will follow the service hosted by friends and family of Jacob Cohen.
July 13	6:00 pm	Shabbat Service You are encouraged to share Shabbat dinner with friends and family after the service.
July 20	6:00 pm	Shabbat Service An oneg will follow the service hosted by Bernie Friedman and Pamela Gentile-Friedman.
July 27	7:30 pm	Shabbat Service We are looking for someone to host the oneg after the service.

JULY SHABBAT DAY ACTIVITIES

JEWISH WITH MEANING

No meeting this month

The Jewish with Meaning group will take a break in July and August. We will meet next on September 1st, when we will engage in preparing ourselves spiritually for the High Holidays.

TORAH STUDY

2nd Saturday, July 14, 10:00 am

Prayer and study are equally holy activities; and we will do both. We'll share a snack and study the Torah together. All are invited. No experience is necessary!

MUSSAR

3rd Saturday, July 21, 9:30 am

Mussar is the Jewish school of thought which seeks to root personal character development and right behavior in Jewish tradition and text. We meet monthly to share food and learn more about this tradition and how it may benefit our lives.

TALMUD STUDY

4th Saturday, July 28, 9:30 am

The Talmud is a compendium of law and lore that is the basis on which biblical interpretation and contemporary Jewish practice rest. Rabbi Seth will lead us as we dive deep into this complex and fascinating text.

From the Ritual Committee

Starting after the High Holidays, TBH will initiate two new Shabbat morning service opportunities. One will be quarterly, on months with a fifth Saturday. Rabbi Seth will lead a Shabbat service, including Torah reading, followed by lunch. The other will happen the first Saturday of each month, from 9:00 to 10:30 am before Jewish with Meaning. Anaya Balter will be leading this service, with support from others.



Genizah Ceremony

Jacob Cohen Bar Mitzvah 1st Saturday, July 7, 10:00 am

Please join us as Jacob Cohen, son of Kenny Cohen and Bat-Sheva Stein, is called as a Bar Mitzvah.

Jacob just graduated from the 7th grade at Bush Middle School in Tumwater. When he is not socializing, Jacob can found at World Marital Arts working toward his next belt.



Family will travel from Israel, Canada and across the USA to join in celebration with the TBH family.

AUGUST EREV SHABBAT SERVICES

August 3	7:30 pm	Shabbat Service We are looking for someone to host the oneg after the service.
August 10	7:30 pm	Shabbat Service An oneg will follow the service hosted by friends and family of Ella Sarliker and Isaiah Raine.
August 17	6:00 pm	Shabbat Service An oneg will follow the service hosted by Mike Tobia. Samantha Moody and Sunshine Cook.
August 24	6:00 pm	Shabbat in the Park

August 31 7:30 pm Shabbat Service

The service will be lay-led by Sam Kates-Goldman. We are looking for someone to host the oneg after the service.

See details on page five.

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No meeting this month.

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TORAH STUDY

No meeting this month due to the B'nai Mitzvah.

Torah Study will resume on the second Saturday of next month, September 8th at 10:00 am.

MUSSAR & SERVICE

No meeting this month.

We will have our Annual Alpaca Shabbat on Saturday, August 18th. See page five for details. Mussar will resume on the third Saturday of next month, September 15th at 9:30 am.

TALMUD STUDY

4th Saturday, August 25, 9:30 am

The Talmud is a compendium of law and lore that is the basis on which biblical interpretation and contemporary Jewish practice rest. Rabbi Seth will lead us as we dive deep into this complex and fascinating text.

Ella Sarliker B'nai Mitzvah 2nd Saturday, August 11, 10:00 am

Please join us as Ella Miri Sarliker, daughter of Shmuel and Sara Eve Sarliker, is called as a Bat Mitzvah.

Ella will be an 8th grader at Marshall Middle School in the Citizen Science Institute this fall. In her spare time (and sometimes also in class) she can be found drawing. Outside of school, she enjoys playing with her dogs (all



three of them) reading webtoons, and watching and creating anime. She has been volunteering at a dog rescue organization this summer as a mitzyah.

Isaiah Raine B'nai Mitzvah 2nd Saturday, August 11, 10:00 am

Please Join us in celebrating as Isaiah Gabrial Raine is called as a Bar Mitzvah. Isaiah will be entering 8th grade at Tumwater Middle School where his favorite areas of study are playing Percussion in Band and History. In his leisure time he enjoys Archery, video gaming and traveling by train. For his community project, Isaiah volunteered with his mom to cook and



deliver meals to a community member with developmental disabilities. Isaiah has family members coming up from Oregon and will be missing his family from Wisconsin who cannot come.

JULY & AUGUST EVENTS _

JULY

Senior Schmooze Tuesday, July 3, 12:00 pm

This month Bernie will share about his latest trip to Mexico. Bring your own brown bag lunch. Dessert provided!

Immigration & Refugee Task Force Meeting Tuesday, July 10, 7:00 pm Tuesday, July 24, 6:00 pm

Learn and participate in TBH efforts to make a positive impact around the ongoing issue of providing sanctuary in the greater Olympia community.

Grounds Keeping Party Sunday, July 15, 10:00 am

Join Catherine from 10 am to noon to help coordinate grounds cleanup and maintenance. Bring your own gloves and small gardening tools if you have them. We'll have supplies here, too. Many hands make light work! Join us for all or any part of the morning. Thank you for helping to keep our grounds looking nice!

Tisha B'Av

Tisha B'Av is the commemoration of the destruction of the ancient Temple in Jerusalem, traditionally observed by an all-day fast. Tisha B'Av begins Saturday evening, July 21st through Sunday, July 22nd. *Watch the weekly for more details*.

Advancing in Hebrew Cancelled for July

This seminar-type gathering will work on advancing Hebrew knowledge, including grammar and roots. Held on the 4th Tuesday of the month. We will meet next on August 28th.

Olympia Sisterhood Meeting Tuesday, August 7, 1:30 pm

Join us at TBH for fellowship and discussion. Topic TBD. Ladies who have questions can contact Myra Paull at (253) 666-3242.

AUGUST

First Aid/CPR/AED Training A Sunday in August - Date TBD

Cost is \$75 per person. The training will be held at TBH on a Sunday in August. If you are interested contact Catherine at beitsefer@bethhatfiloh.org to sign up by August 1st. Once the date is confirmed, everyone registered will be contacted.

Tish with Nancy Sunday, August 4, 7:00 pm

Nancy Snyder will host a Tish on to mark her becoming an Elder in the community. Please join in celebrating this transition. There will be food, song, stories, and ritual. We will begin with dinner and end with Havdalah. It will be a vegetarian potluck, with kugel and beverages provided by Nancy and family. An RSVP is appreciated, but not required: nancy snyder@comcast.net.

Immigration & Refugee Task Force Meeting Tuesday, August 14, 7:00 pm Tuesday, August 28 6:00 pm

Learn and participate in TBH efforts to make a positive impact around the ongoing issue of providing sanctuary in the greater Olympia community.

Temple Tastings Cookbook Are In!

The cookbooks are ready to be picked up. Please stop by the TBH office to pick up your copy. Office hours are Tuesday through Friday from 10 am to 2 pm.

Note - we'll be closed for the July 4th holiday.



Senior Schmooze Tuesday, August 7, 12:00 pm Watch the weekly for details.

Grounds Keeping Party Sunday, August 5, 10:00 am

See July 15 event listing for details!

Shabbaton Saturday, August 18, 10:00 am

Join our annual Alpaca Shabbat—
a day-long shabbaton at Tim and Lynn
Lipski's alpaca farm in Montesano.
We will eat, study, relax, sing, hike
and celebrate Shabbat together in this
beautiful pastoral setting among lots of
alpaca! Meet at TBH at 10 am to carpool
out to the farm (45 minute drive), else
you can drive yourself. Contact the TBH
office for directions. Feel free to stay
as long as you like. We will conclude
around 8 pm with Havdalah.

Shabbat in the Park Friday, August 24, 6:00 pm

Celebrate Shabbat outside with the annual Shabbat in the Park! We will gather at Priest Point Park Shelter #3 for food, fun and friendship. TBH will provide veggie burgers and salmon burgers, you provide the vegetarian side dish, dessert or drink. After eating we will have a short service, then feel free to explore the woods, the beach, or the playground! If you plan to attend and need an accessible parking space, please contact the TBH office so one can be reserved.

Grounds Keeping Party Sunday, August 26, 10:00 am

See July 15 event listing for details.

Advancing in Hebrew Tuesday, August 28, 7:00 pm

This seminar-type gathering will work on advancing Hebrew knowledge, including grammar and roots. Held on the 4th Tuesday of the month.

FROM CATHERINE CARMEL: FAMILY LIFE AND LEARNING DIRECTOR



Jewish tradition places great value on the sanctity and welfare of children. Children, like all human beings, are created in the divine image. It is the obligation of all of us to protect and nurture this divine spark, enabling children to reach their fullest potential.

Children are the inheritors of the future and must be taught how to be stewards of the world. As it is written, "One who teaches a child Torah is considered to have taught that child and that child's children and grandchildren, to the end of the generations" (Kiddushin 30a). By helping our children develop into thoughtful, healthy and ethical adults, we reaffirm the value of life and G-d's creation.

Judaism is not a religion of dogma. However, we do have some basic values that underlie the ethical choices we make and teach in any given situation. We are called to be stewards of the land, animals, air and water. We recognize the divine image within every human being. Therefore, we are called to treat ourselves and each other with the utmost respect. For example, shalom bayit, peace in the house, is the understanding that we try to keep peace within our households. We are directed not to divide other households as well. It is important to teach our children that while we do not always succeed, these are the goals we strive for when we live our Jewish values. The story of Exodus, our journey from slavery to freedom, is a reminder that our own suffering is a basis for supporting others who suffer. Whenever Torah wishes to impress on us the value of having compassion for the oppressed in society, it reminds us of our similar status during our bondage in Egypt. The story reminds us that we were the strangers and we can never forget what it was like to be strangers in a strange land.

"By the breath of children G-d sustains the world."

Talmud Bavli, Shabbat 119b

Remembering Exodus gives us an opportunity to find meaning and purpose to our sometimes painful history.

While we can spend vast amounts of time telling our children about Torah, letting our children see us putting our values into practice speaks to them, often better than just telling them what those values are. Jews believe that we are all responsible for each other and an injustice against anyone hurts everybody. How can we make the Exodus story meaningful to our children today? Each of us is a living part of a chain of people who for thousands of years have wandered in the desert, worked for a better world and remembered what it was like to be a stranger. What better time than now to show our children what our Jewish ethics look like in action? Pirke Avot tells us 'It is not your responsibility to finish the work of perfecting the world, but you are not free to desist from it either.' In addition to the inherent value of the child and our responsibilities to each of them, Judaism recognizes that the well-being of society as a whole is determined by our treatment of children. How can we help to secure the society we value?

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TBH was named Faith Community of the Year by Interfaith Works!
What an honor!



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Happy Birthday Yom Huledet Sameach

JULY

- 1 Albert Cohen
- 1 Helene Paroff
- 3 Ellen Wolfhagen
- 7 Susan Finkel
- 10 Sheri Gerson
- 12 Edie Bean
- 13 Robert Perretz-Rosales
- 15 Sam Kates-Goldman
- 19 Diane Kurzyna
- 20 Rabbi Seth Goldstein
- 20 Spencer Orman
- 20 Abby Gross
- 22 Betty Goldstein
- 22 Debra Shapiro
- 24 Leslie Goldstein
- 26 Beverly Court
- 28 Ronnie Hacken
- 29 George Chappell
- 29 Mari Nowitz
- 30 George Chappel
- 31 Cindy Levy

AUGUST

- 1 Dahna Berkson
- 1 Joan Wirth
- 3 Lynne Stockwell
- 4 John Mollan
- 5 Norma Shelan
- 5 Jessi Goodman
- 7 Jean Mandeberg
- 9 Stephen Bylsma
- 10 Richard Jackman
- 10 Scott Rover
- 12 Brad Smith
- 17 Iulianne Gale
- 17 Leslie Shore
- 18 Gary Schneider
- 20 Nancy Snyder
- 21 Allen Roth
- 22 Joel Sacks
- 23 Linda Rubin
- 26 Ashlie Brickman
- 26 Jocelyn Brown
- 27 John Browning

Thank You, Volunteers!

Grounds Keeping: Rob Carmel, James Dolliver and Kay McKenzie

Senior Schooze: Edie Bean and Cindy Levy
Oneg Hosts: Camille Kettel, Gail Pollock, Beth
Dubey, Harriet Strasberg and Leslie Goldstein
Torah Study Brunch Hosts: Richard and Michele

Jackman

Shabbat Salon: Anaya Balter, Linda Blustein, Gail Pollock, Katherine Davis-Delaney, Melinda Holman, Barnett Kalikow, Craig Wallace, Nancy Snyder, Gary Schneider and Many More!

Stars of David July Schedule

July 2nd - Bye week

July 9th - 6:15 pm & 7:20 pm

July 16th - TBD

July 23th - TBD

July 30th - TBD



JULY & AUGUST YAHRZEITS _

JULY

- 1 Lois Strasberg
- 1 Samuel Packer
- 4 Fannie Goldberg
- 5 Gabina Hurtado
- 5 Juanita Warren
- 8 Sidney Jackman
- 9 David Nelson
- 9 Marjorie Stevenson
- 10 Jerry Rutel
- 12 Luba Trabka
- 13 Robert Urstadt
- 13 Robert Greene
- 13 Harold Berebitsky

- 15 Ida Goldstein
- 16 Dan Busman
- 18 Jacob Grauer
- 21 Bessie Franklin
- 21 Lou Hauptman
- 22 David Peckler
- 22 David Shore
- 23 Ben Bean
- 27 Jacob Reiner
- 28 Joanne Kinney
- 29 Jennie Esfeld
- 29 Evelyn Goldstein
- 30 A. Helge Dordal
- 31 Sam Grossman

AUGUST

- 2 Jacob Bean
- 3 Lawrence Markman
- 4 William Jolly
- 5 Albert Shecter
- 6 Victoria Cohen
- 6 Edward Ferber
- 10 Lawrence Bornstein
- 10 Shirley Golbert Albert
- 14 Dorothy Bamberger
- 14 Mannie Paroff
- 15 Kenneth Heptner
- 15 Ann Ostrer
- 15 Mitchell Cohen
- 16 Samuel Shapiro

- 16 Alan Wallace
- 20 Jay Goldstein
- 20 Colleen A. Schumann
- 21 Max Esfeld
- 23 Eva Carr
- 23 Gaylah Balter
- 25 Arnold Goldstein
- 25 Judith Kalikow Mesch
- 26 Roy Greene
- 26 Kenneth Strange
- 27 Mary Wood Chappell
- 29 Edna Shecter
- 29 Ben Rome
- 30 Sydney Rubin
- 30 Claire Paroff

These names will be read from the bimah at Shabbat services before and after the yahrzeit. **Bold type** denotes those inscribed on a plaque on our Memorial Wall. **Please send any corrections and additions to the Yahrzeit listings to tbh@bethhatfiloh.org!**



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