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The New Normal...?

While our Rabbi is on sabbatical the Board is starting to discuss reopening and what our new normal will soon look like. It appears our pandemic is being recognized as an endemic that we will have to live with. But what does that mean for Temple Beth? We know that the Rabbi is definitely considering keeping one service a month on Zoom. And he also wants to consider live streaming in person services on Facebook Live and possibly continue to stream on Zoom as well.

But what about other parts of what we do? We know we will need a greeter corps. The Board generally did the greeting and hosting on Friday nights and some Saturday services but we have Board members who are immunocompromised or have family members who are, and as such are still wary of attending anything in person with large groups. And so, there aren't enough Board members for in person greeting or hosting. So if you are interested in being a greeter or in person general announcement host please let myself or Kayla know. Maybe we can start a roster of interested congregants. A suggestion

was made that perhaps for safety purposes we ask people to pre-register for services. Would that be comfortable for us or would that make TBH seem unwelcoming? We would want greeters to take a quick safety training but that should be fairly easy. What about Onegs? When might we feel comfortable starting Onegs again? And who will set up and who will clean? Who will close TBH after services are over? Same with our Salons in person. We will need to establish set up, cleaning and closing help. We know from our pre-pandemic years that cleaning plates and the kitchen, and closing after Onegs and Salons, were areas that needed extra assistance. And of course, I am open to hearing everyone's ideas!

The good news is that in person TBH is appearing to be just over the horizon again. Once the Rabbi returns the Board will start working with both the Rabbi and Kayla on our new normal in the midst of an endemic. But one thing is for certain...the time is coming when we will soon be able to see each other in person again. And for that... I can't wait!

Thank You Volunteers!

Shabbat Leaders

Allyson & Andree
Brooks
TBH Kol N'Shama Choir
Craig Wallace

Michele & Richard Jackman
Michelle & Andrew Gaines

Zoom Hosts

Allyson Brooks
Leslie Goldstein

Laura Hurtado-Webb

Grounds Work

Jill & Bill Dole

BLINTZAPALOOZA 2022

(limited 2nd edition)

We're not fully back to the indoor festival, but we'll have frozen blintzes for pickup again this year and we're bringing back books for sale.

WHEN: April 10, 2022/ *11:00 am until 1:00 pm

HOW: [Pre-order online](#)

COST: \$20.00 per dozen

BOOKS: Walk-up book sale 10:00 until 1:00 pm with coffee available. There will also be aprons available for \$15. Please bring cash or check if you plan to participate. Since this is a much smaller event, we are not accepting book donations this year.

BENEFITS: All net proceeds to Interfaith Works homeless services

QUESTIONS? Email tbh@bethhatfiloh.org

*TBH community members are encouraged to come earlier between 10:00 and 11:00 am for better traffic flow control. Others can come earlier if needed.



Together Again

BIENNIAL
GALA,
DINNER, &
LIVE AUCTION

MAY 22, 2022 | 4:30 PM | INDIAN SUMMER GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

After two long years of physical distancing, TBH members are finally coming together in person again! Please join us on Sunday, May 22nd at the Indian Summer Country & Golf Club for an evening of community engagement and giving!

Summers in the Pacific Northwest are undoubtedly glorious! It is when we, Washingtonians (by birth or osmosis), find every excuse under the sun to go outside, socialize and travel. At this year's auction and gala event, we want the focus to be about renewing Jewish life in our community, as well as an opportunity to financially support Temple Beth Hatfiloh. So join us — even if you don't want to bring your checkbook! Just by attending, you are contributing to our goal of raising \$35,000!

Here are just a few of the many things you will enjoy at the Gala:

- Live auction items including Mariners tickets, Jerusalem hotel lodging, and specialized food events
- Cash bar available

SPACE IS LIMITED TO 110 GUESTS!

Visit www.bethhatfiloh.org/gala to purchase your tickets early to ensure your seat! Or, contact Kayla in the TBH office at (360) 754-8519 or tbh@bethhatfiloh.org to reserve your tickets. Ticket prices - \$75 per person. Thirty and under - \$60 per person We look forward to seeing you there!

How Should TBH Be Helping Refugees?

"You shall love the stranger for you were strangers." Once again, refugee situations in the world cry out for us to practice our Jewish values by welcoming and helping the stranger. The plight of the Ukrainian refugees is now added to the resettlement of Afghan refugees which was added to the problems of refugees at the southern border, those coming from Haiti, and from war torn countries throughout the world.

The TBH Immigration and Refugee Task Force has primarily focused on southern border refugee issues and particularly on providing Sanctuary. Because the case is still going through the legal system, our Sanctuary family still requires financial support (donations needed and welcome!) However the situation of the family is stable and they are doing well.

As the Task Force begins to address some of these new and overwhelming refugee challenges, we are realizing we need new ideas, perspectives, and energies. If you are a congregation member who is interested in these issues, we would like to know your priorities and how you would like to be involved in working with immigrants and refugees.

For example:

AREAS OF INTEREST

Afghan or Ukrainian refugee resettlement
Undocumented worker's rights
Northwest Detention Center
Ending Title 42 expulsions (the use of the pandemic to expel asylum seekers)
Support for our Sanctuary family
Support for Jewish Ukrainian refugees
and....

PARTICIPATION INTERESTS

Join Task Force
Fundraising
Advocacy
Communication/Education with Congregation
Liaison with other organizations
Tech support to Task Force
Individual/family resettlement
and.....

Please email Linda Rubin at linda.rubin23@gmail.com

TBH members have long been dedicated to helping immigrants and refugees and we will continue to welcome the stranger as we face these new challenges. Please remember the weekly email lists some ways to donate to Ukrainian refugees during this crisis.

CHESED + TZEDAKAH = MITZVAH SUCCESS Monthly Donation Drives by the TBH Homelessness Task Force

Thank you to everyone who dropped off survival items in February for the Point In Time Count drive and food for the March Purim drive. You all made a huge difference in the lives of those who are homeless and unsheltered.

In February we collected the following which was delivered to Partners in Prevention & Education (PIPE) who organized this year's count of homeless folks in our area:

- 250 pairs of new socks
- 8 boxes of hand and foot warmers
- 50 toothbrushes
- 25 pairs of gloves
- 25 reusable water bottles and several thermoses
- 1 new sleeping bag
- Several warm jackets & sweaters
- Several new pairs of warm slippers and shoes.

In March we collected the following which was delivered to the Thurston County Food Bank and The Olympia Downtown Association/Alliance (ODA):

- 99 boxes and cups of macaroni and cheese
- 65 bottles/cans/tetra packs of drinks (water and juice)
- 224 protein bars
- 65 nut and fruit snack packs
- 15 cans/tetra packs soup or beans
- 25 single serving fish packages
- 16 misc other food items

See page 5 for this month's donation drive



Support the TBH Team for the Thurston Hunger Walk NOW through May 1.

Erev Shabbat

[Zoom>>](#)

1st FRIDAY, APR 1/MAY 6

7:30 pm Choir Shabbat Service

2nd FRIDAY, APR 8/MAY 13

6:00 pm Shabbat Salon@Home

3rd FRIDAY, APR 15/MAY 20

6:00 pm Apr: No Shabbat Service
May: Growing Shabbat

4th FRIDAY, APR 22/MAY 27

7:30 pm Hybrid Service

5th FRIDAY, APR 29

7:30 pm Regular Service

Shabbat Morning

[Zoom>>](#)

1st SATURDAY, APR 2/MAY 7

10:00 am Tot Shabbat (in person)

2nd SATURDAY, APR 9/MAY 14

10:00 am Torah Study

3rd SATURDAY, APR 16/MAY 21

10:00 am Mussar
*April: Passover study with
Michele & Richard Jackman*

4th SATURDAY, APR 23/MAY 28

10:00 am Talmud Study

5th SATURDAY, APR 30

No Shabbat Morning program

UPCOMING EVENTS

This is only a partial calendar. Please see the [weekly email](#) for a complete list of upcoming events and programs, and for any Zoom links.

Senior Schmooze

Tuesday, April 5 & 19, 12:00 pm

The first Tuesday of the month will be an in-person Schmooze and the third Tuesday will be an online gathering.

Pesach Donation Drive

Friday, April 8 5:00-6:00 pm

See page 5

April Salon@Home: Brandon Block

Friday, April 8, 6:00 pm



Join us for our monthly Shabbat Salon@Home. Erev Shabbat Service will begin at 6:00 pm, and our featured presentation will follow.

This month's speaker will be Brandon Block, investigative reporter for Crosscut and previously for The Olympian.

Dinner pick up will be at TBH on Friday early evening. You don't have to purchase a meal to attend!

Blintzapalooza (Mini)

Sunday, April 10, 10 am - 1 pm

See page 2

Advancing in Hebrew

Thursday, April 14, 7:00 pm

Community Seder@Home

Saturday, April 16, 6 pm

See page 5

Omer Oracle Class

April 17 - June 4



[Join Kohenet](#)

[Nomy Lamm for an 8-week class,](#)

with weekly songs, blessings, teachings and reflections

throughout the Omer period.

Class will take place on Saturdays from 5-6:30 Pacific Time, except for the first week which will be on Sunday. TBH members can use discount code TBHSPECIAL at checkout.

Book Group

Tuesday, April 19, 7:00 pm

Three Floors Up - Eshkol Nevo

[See the 21-22 reading list here.](#)

Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 20, 6:00 pm

Yom Hashoah

Thursday, April 28

Senior Schmooze

Tuesday, May 3 & 17, 12:00 pm

Book Group

Tuesday, May 17, 7:00 pm

The Hilltop: A Novel - Assaf Gavron

Lag B'Omer Picnic

Wednesday, May 18, 5:00 pm

Healing & Havdalah

Saturday, May 21, 7:00 pm

Biennial Gala & Auction

Sunday, May 22, 4:30 pm

See page 2.

WELCOME

New Members

Liz and David Kohlenberg

Pesach Donation Drop Off

Friday, April 8, 5:00-6:00 pm

CHESED + TZEDAKAH = LEAVENED MITZVAH

Sponsored by the TBH Homelessness Task Force

Just before Pesach it is traditional to give charity to those in need so they can celebrate the seders and holiday. This is called *ma'ot hittim*, literally “money for wheat.” As part of our monthly tzedakah project to support our neighbors we are collecting household cleaning products. As we clean out our homes let us help those who do not have enough resources after buying food to purchase cleaning products. The Other Bank which is a program of the Thurston County Food Bank will be the recipient of our Pesach household cleaning product drive.

Donations may be dropped off on Friday April 8, from 5-6 at TBH (this coincides with the Shabbat Salon dinner pickup). If you have a donation and are unable to make this time, contact Kayla to drop off at TBH prior to Pesach.

Remember the focus of the Pesach drive is household cleaning products. Things like laundry detergent and dish soap. Please make sure containers are not leaking. If you want to donate a case of product, bring that directly to one of the Thurston County Food Bank Drop off sites. A case will be too large and heavy for our volunteers to transport.

The needs of our homeless neighbors are many. If you want more information about what is being done in our local area to support the unhoused and unsheltered [check out our event page](#) for a list of organizations where you can donate money, supplies, or time directly.



Community Seder@Home Saturday, April 6, 6:00 pm

Passover is Coming! Once again we will be hosting TBH's Community Passover Seder virtually, with a full [Seder meal provided by Nineveh available](#) for pick up.

Consider becoming a Seder Plate Sponsor. Includes: 2 meals, Seder Plate & ritual foods, a bottle of wine, AND sponsors 2 meals for others that might not otherwise be able to participate. Meal orders not required to attend, choose your level of participation.

April/May Birthdays

APRIL

- 1 Jacob Weiss
- 1 Juliet Van Eenwyk
- 2 Lorna Eder
- 3 Raquel Montoya-Lewis
- 5 Ari Niederhauser
- 5 Elizabeth Kohlenberg
- 5 Shayna Gaines
- 8 Dahlia Proffitt
- 8 William Gallin
- 10 Andrew Iverson
- 10 Judith Barnes
- 13 Thomas Taylor
- 14 Alan Reichman
- 15 Victor Kogan
- 15 Marilyn Gisser
- 16 Max Selwitz
- 16 Rachael Jamison
- 17 Julie Mankin
- 17 Gail Pollock
- 20 Sally Reichlin
- 21 Karen Greene
- 22 Barak Gale
- 23 Beatrice Reynolds
- 24 Jacob Berman
- 26 Rebecca Rutzick
- 26 Jeff Kleinberger
- 27 Eliana de Jesus
- 29 Ken Berg
- 30 Jill Rosenkrantz

MAY

- 1 Jeffery Reiner
- 5 Kayla Gertje
- 6 Anne Hirsch
- 6 Joel Greene
- 6 Laura Citrin
- 8 Celia Brockman
- 8 Len Trabka
- 8 Michele Jackman
- 10 Carole Kowitt
- 10 Magdalena Cristo-Frank
- 10 Orin Zinn
- 13 Charles Shelan
- 13 Daniel Farber
- 14 Robert Carmel
- 15 Andrew Gaines
- 15 Joseph Selwitz
- 16 Kay McKenzie
- 16 Melissa DiFilippi
- 16 Nicole Moulton
- 18 Vincent Schwent
- 19 Jack Kowitt
- 21 Gabrielle Sacks
- 21 Joshua Halofsky
- 21 Linda Blustein
- 23 Greg Moulton
- 24 Beth Halpern
- 28 Mary-Lynne Reiner
- 29 Avshalom Beaugard
- 29 Doug Littauer
- 29 Zoe Alig
- 31 Abigail Taylor

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OF GREATER SEATTLE



JEWISH FAMILY LIFE & LEARNING PROGRAMS (JANUARY - MARCH)



Shalom y'all! I'm recently back from the Reconstructing Judaism Convention and I'm inspired and energized about new possibilities. I'm working on exciting programming for next year as well and

that plan is being informed both by

what is successful now as well as the thoughts that come from collaborative opportunities like the Reconstructing Judaism Convention. Here at TBH, the calendar is full of programs for families.

Here is a basic list of the Family Life and Learning Programs through June.

Pesach Play and Learn – Sunday, April 10 - 10am

Kids and their caregivers can learn about Passover traditions as we enjoy story time, crafts and play. Best for kids 4-8, but welcoming all ages.

Lag B'Omer Picnic in the Park – May 18 - 5pm

Join us as we come together to eat, play and celebrate Lag B'Omer. All ages welcomed.

Shavuot Ice Cream Party - June 5 - 1pm

Kids and their caregivers can learn about Shavuot traditions through story time, activities and ice cream. Best for kids 6-10, but welcoming all ages.

Family Mezuzah Workshop – June 12 – 10am – learn about mezuzot and create your own glass version with Jessica Carmel and Leslie Goldstein. Cost:\$36 per family

Spring holiday spotlight! - April 24, May 1, May 15 & May 22 - 10am

Enjoy learning about the Spring Holidays through stories, songs, games and snacks! Sara Eve will lead students ages 7-11 on a journey through the holidays we celebrate in Spring. We will learn through activities, music, books, and food about Pesach, Lag B'Omer, Yom Ha'atzmaut, and Shavuot. We will explore the origins of the holidays, and how they are celebrated in Jewish communities around the world. Cost: \$36

Hebrew Havurah – designed for the 9-12 age range

These small groups of 3-4 kids learn Hebrew with the assistance of a group leader. Groups are currently meeting in person on Mondays and Wednesdays but can expand to other days or remain entirely virtual, depending on the needs of the families. Cost: \$90

PJ Our Way Book Club – April 14 & 28, May 12 & 26, June 9 - designed for the 9-12 age range

This book club is an opportunity for our kids to strengthen their Jewish friendships while discussing books they choose together with Jewish themes and values.

We may have a few more last minute offerings as well as more details coming out as events get nearer. Keep an eye out for something that appeals to you!

L'shalom,

Grounds Work Resumes!

May 1 & 22, June 12 from 10-noon

Once again, it's the season to tend to the grounds at TBH. Bring your own gloves and hand tools if you have them. Limited tools will be available for use. [Email Catherine for more info & questions.](#)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

Mark Kaufman

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Jay Goldstein & Jill

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Oscar Rosenkrantz

RABBI'S SUPPLEMENTAL COMPENSATION

Andrée Brooks

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Katherine Davis-Delaney
in memory of Katherine
Hogarty Delaney

Sam Armour

Ann Evans & David
Lazar

Frank Herman *in memory*
of Gerard Herman

Sarah McWilliams *in honor*
of Patricia Barr's birthday

Design for Courtyard & Parking Lots Move Forward

With the Board's approval of a contract with Howard Godat Pantier as the landscape architecture firm, and the New Property Improvement Team meeting fortnightly, progress on design of the expanded courtyard and new parking lots has entered the "Design Development" stage.

Many detailed decisions, such as the type of landscaping, appearance of lighting fixtures and camera types and locations are still to come. The most significant issue being explored by the design team over the next few weeks is the type of barrier that will surround the courtyard. Will it be a see-through fence? A view blocking wall? Or some combination of visual attributes and security considerations?

The design team is putting together an analysis on these various options.

Feel free to contact either of us if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions.

Gary Schneider and Daniel Farber

ANACHNU - Jill Dole

Submitted by Tikva Glantz. Anachnu means "we" or "us" in Hebrew. This column highlights a marvelous member of our congregational community!



Jill Dole, her husband Bill, and younger son Bill Jr. moved to Olympia from Port Angeles in 2016. The family is originally from Southern California and that is where their older son Alex, and their grandson Noah reside.

Jill explains that TBH is one of the reasons they chose to move to Olympia. She notes that TBH is a welcoming community, and that Rabbi Seth was attentive and kind when they first met him (and he still is!).

Jill donates her time and talents at TBH in numerous ways. Prior to the COVID pandemic, she volunteered at the Blintzapalooza book sale. Jill enjoys helping in the office on a variety of tasks, including assembling newsletters and delivering Shalach Manot bags during Purim. The Dole family are regular sponsors of the monthly Shabbat Salon.

This year, Jill accepted the role as Chair of our Homelessness Task Force. The Task Force is working to keep the area around our synagogue clean, as well as providing support for local agencies that house people.

TBH Board President Allyson Brooks observes, "Jill Dole is one of those people who always sees the best in humanity and strives to make our world a better place. She doesn't just talk about society's problems... she actively works to make a difference."

Life is a busy place! When asked why she chooses to dedicate her time to our congregational community, Jill responded, "TBH is my community center, my people, my tribe."

And you are OUR people, Jill! Todah rabah (thank you very much), for all that you do, and all that you are!!

Legislation for Gun Responsibility

Legislators passed several gun violence prevention bills during the legislative session which ended March 10, 2022. Here is a brief summary of measures to increase public safety regarding firearms:

ESSB 5078 Restricting High-Capacity Magazines

Restricts magazines that hold more than 10 rounds of ammunition. The law prohibits their manufacture, importation, distribution and sale. It does not prohibit the possession of high-capacity magazines.

This took six years to get passed!

HB 1630 Rejecting Armed Intimidation

Last year a bill passed prohibiting open carry at our state capitol, protests and demonstrations. HB 1630 extends the prohibition to include public local government meetings, school board meetings and election related offices and facilities.

HB1705 Closing the Ghost Gun Loophole

Ghost guns are untraceable firearms without serial numbers. Sometimes sold at gun shows or through kits which include all parts and equipment to build at home. This bill restricts the manufacture, assembly, sale, transfer, purchase, possession, transport and receipt of ghost guns.

In addition, legislators allocated \$8.41 million in funding for the Office of Firearm Safety and Violence Prevention (created last year). This money will provide grants for community based violence prevention, have a focus on youth violence prevention and improve firearm removal in domestic violence situations and more.

None of these victories would have been possible without the dedication of hundreds of volunteers across Washington State, dedicated legislators and tireless supporters. Thank you to everyone who contacted their legislators to support these bills!

Laura Hurtado-Webb on behalf of Thurston Gun Sense, a chapter of the Alliance for Gun Responsibility

<https://www.facebook.com/Thurston-Gun-Sense-1795822987369472/>

APRIL & MAY YAHRZEITS

APRIL	20	Murray Glantz	1	Rabbi Myron Kinberg	14/30	Alan (Allie) E. Goldberg	
1	Ronald Philip Denitz	20	Evelyn Friedman	1	Eva Posner	16	Max Blustein
1	Joseph Shill	20	Betty Robinson	1	Gary Utpadel	17	David Levy Asher
1	Al Levinson	21	Ann Okun	3	Janie Ray Cherry	17	Jacqueline Rosenkrantz
2	Daniel Koledin	21	Helen Pollock	3	Anne Bean	17	Esther Pollock
3	Jules Bank	21	Sylvia Weiner	3	Anne Bean	17	Rose Mogal
4	Sue Endres	22	Lisa Anne Silva	3	Grace Evelyn Kaydus Cooper	17	Hyman Posner
4	Elizabeth Brocha	23	David Aaron Solomon	4	Naomi Siegel	18	John William Fay
5	Edith Mollan	23	Barbara Jean	4	Catherine Fay	21	Estelle Grant
6	Samuel Brinn	24	Rose Rome	5	Paul Davis	21	Perle Schragar
7	Dave Alexander	25	Irving Samsky	5	Michael Schon	21	David Wedogsky
7	Nathan Schwartz	25	Reta Nightingale	5	Dorothy Davis	21	Pauline Snyder
7	Jonathan Michael Oren	25	Paul McCrea	5	Julius Sokoloff	24	Eugene Balter
7	Robert Mann	26	Joseph Kolker	6	Ada Blanke	25	Samel Turkheimer
10	Hartley Goldman	26	Nancy Mandenberg	7	Leonora Leizerman	25	Alan Orman
10	Irving Glickman	26	Paul Holman	9	Kenneth Royer	26	Bessie Cotler
10	Ruth Samsky	27	Max Bard	9	David Goldstein	26	William Patrick Halpern
10	Blanche Lieber	27	Rose Siegel	11	Isaac Robinson	26	Morris Dobrin
13	Leah Herenzon Yakimovsky	28	Gale Hope Matis	12	June Bean	26	Marilyn Lampert Littauer
16	Vincent Montoya	29	Judah Ben Rosen	12	Lee Hollander	28	Marv Reiner
16	Morris Halpern	29	Sam Stein	13	Lawrence Scheier	28	Helen Finkel
16	Irvin Gottfeld	30	Joseph Jenkins	13	Jerry Grotzky	30	Yaela Hertz Berkson
18	Morris Rivkin		MAY	14	Jean Medley	31	Sidney Barshter
19	William Mann	1	Murray Brodoff	14	David Levy Asher	31	Joseph Asher
19	Gerard Herman			14	Chana Sokoloff		

*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!***