

UPCOMING EVENTS



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USY GROUP DYNAMIX OVERNIGHT

21 January, Saturday, 8:30 PM (Offsite)

Contact Ralph Landau / USY@congregationbethtorah.org

Come kick off the second semester and spend the night doing group challenges, low and high ropes course activities, high energy games, karaoke, movie watching, and more! Open to all Dallas/Fort Worth area USYers (8th–12th grade). \$45 for USY members, \$50 for non-members!

SISTERHOOD INTRA-FAITH LUNCH

22 January, Sunday, 12:30 PM (Oneg)

Contact Anna Segal / segalanna@hotmail.com

Come hear Natalie Nanasi, Director of the Judge Elmo B. Hunter Legal Center for Victims of Crimes Against Women and Assistant Professor of Law SMU Dedman School of Law. \$20/person with lunch catered by CBT. Contact Anna Segal about seating availability.

SHALL WE DO TO THE PALESTINIANS AS WE WERE COMMANDED TO DO TO THE CANAANITES?

22 January, Sunday, 7:30 PM (Sanctuary)

Contact Earl Bills / EarlBT@gmail.com

The Jewish People has returned to its ancient homeland after 2000 years of exile. What does Jewish tradition say about how we should relate to the non-Jewish people in our midst? Taught by Rabbi Hanan Schlesinger.

BOARD MEETING

23 January, Monday, 7:30 PM (Oneg)

Contact Lisa Miller / Board-Secretary@congregationbethtorah.org
Monthly board meetings are open to all CBT members with Minyan starting at 7:15 PM.

SCHMOOZING WITH THE MIDDLE

28 January, Saturday, 8PM (Offsite)

Contact Gloria Stayman / TheMiddle@congregationbethtorah.org

The Middle is a purely social, all-inclusive, non-exclusive group of post-carpool, pre-retirement age people. If this sounds like you and you're looking for a little fun, join us!

MUSICAL OPEN HOUSE

28 January, Saturday, following CBT Shabbat lunch until 4PM (Offsite)

Contact RabbiZelony@congregationbethtorah.org

Following Congregation Beth Torah's Shabbat lunch, join the rabbi in her home for a musical open house. Bring your instruments and voices. Come and make music. All are welcome. Nosh will be served. RSVP for address.

SAVE THE DATE—



KAREN LEYNOR MITZVAH DAY

Mark your calendar for April 30 and look for information to come on the many volunteer opportunities. Interested in leading a project or just have questions about it? Contact Beth Mond at Social_Action@congregationbethtorah.org.

DOING JEWISH—KASHERING THE KITCHEN

29 January, Sunday, 1:30–3:30 PM (Offsite)

Contact Rabbi Zelony / RabbiZelony@congregationbethtorah.org

Many of us might associate the word *kosher* with *complicated* or *archaic*, but the word can also be associated with a higher consciousness when we eat. If you'd like to know more about *kashrut* and how to take some steps toward kosher eating, join us for this *Doing Jewish* class at the home of Eileen & Howard Kessner.

FESTIVE FIRST FRIDAY

3 February, Friday, 8PM

Join us for our special monthly service where we celebrate upcoming birthdays and anniversaries.

HAVDALAH WHISKEY—TASTING

4 February, Saturday, 7:30–10:30 PM (Oneg)

Contact Brian Rubenstein / Mens_Club@congregationbethtorah.org
Join Men's Club for havdalah followed by a whiskey-tasting with spirits provided by Trinity River Distillery. We'll sample their signature Texas Silver Star Whiskey and other products from their Fort Worth distillery.

FJMC ANNUAL WORLD WIDE WRAP

GET READY TO WRAP AND ROLL

5 February, Sunday, 9AM (Offsite)

Contact Brian Rubenstein / Mens_Club@congregationbethtorah.org
Join the World Wide Wrap hosted at Anshai Torah this year (5501 W Parker Rd 75093). There will be no minyan at Beth Torah. Contact MensClub@anshaitorah.org or 972.473.7718 for questions.

TALK 'N FOLD (M3)

8 February, Wednesday, 2PM (Oneg)

Contact Lisa Miller / Board-Secretary@congregationbethtorah.org

Come help fold, seal, label, and postage the monthly mailing. This mailing is done the second Wednesday of each month at 2PM. Put it on your calendar!

KNITTING CIRCLE

8 February, Wednesday, 7PM

Contact Kimber Miller / kimberhm1@yahoo.com

Experienced knitters and beginners welcome. Bring your current project and questions, or work on items to donate! Join us if you can and invite others who may be interested. Please check in at the Member Lounge.

ANNUAL KASHRUT AND SHABBAT POLICY MEETING

12 February, Sunday, 10–11AM (Sanctuary)

Contact Heather

RabSec@congregationbethtorah.org

Please join Rabbi Zelony for the annual review of our congregation's kashrut and Shabbat policies. This will be an opportunity to learn what policies we have, ask questions about the policies, and we'll examine how they have worked in the community over the past year.

KADIMA GOES TO WHIRLYBALL (Grades 6 to 8)

12 February, Sunday, 12:45 PM (Offsite)

Contact Megan Fehler / Kadima@congregationbethtorah.org

Come join Kadima for a fun Sunday afternoon of Whirlyball. \$10 for Kadima members, \$15 for non-members. You may bring extra money to play laser tag or arcade games if you would like. **RSVP by February 3.**



17 February, Friday

6:30 PM (Dinner)

7:30 PM (Services)

Let's get cozy with family and friends with some hot and spicy Chinese food.

Learning Center and Youth will lead **Friday Night services** following dinner **at 7:30 PM**. This is a Joyful Noise A Cappella evening which happens on the third Friday of every month. Dinner is \$10 per person, \$36 per family of four (\$10 per additional person), and free for children under 5. RSVP today at <http://cbt.news/cbtdinner>.

ONGOING CLASSES

INTRO TO JUDAISM: *ON ONE FOOT*

24, 31 January, Tuesday, 6:30 PM (Library)

Contact LC-Office@congregationbethtorah.org

This course covers the sweep of more than 3,000 years of history, encounters texts and teachers both ancient and contemporary, and most importantly—gives you the opportunity to reflect on your place in the narrative of the Jewish people.

JEWISH SPIRITUALITY

22, 29 January, Sunday, 8AM (Room 11)

Contact Rabbi Zelony / RabbiZelony@congregationbethtorah.org

The Mystical Tradition and How it Speaks to Our Everyday Lives: Come explore essays of the Chassidic masters and modern scholars to understand what Judaism has to say about God, inner transformation, spiritual practice, compassion, healing, *tshuva*, *halacha*, and *mitzvot*.

JEWISH & CHRISTIAN STUDY

6 February, Monday, Noon (Oneg)

Contact Earl Bills / EarlBT@gmail.com

A unique interfaith study group of Jews and Christians learning about each other as we study primary source texts (Bible, Mishnah). We are currently looking at the development of early Christianity.

SISTERHOOD TORAH DISCUSSION GROUP

9 February, Thursday, 5:45 PM (Oneg)

Contact Nancy Siegel / nansiegel@verizon.net

Dinner is available for \$10 by RSVP and the discussion is based on Rabbi Barry L. Schwartz' *Judaism's Great Debates: Timeless Controversies from Abraham to Herzl*.