



CONGREGATION
BETH TORAH

Friday, July 12
• Double Simcha Shabbat

Sunday, July 28th
• Tikkun-KC Tear Out and
Clean Up Party

Visit
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for the complete
Beth Torah
July calendar

Beth Torah Summer Office Hours

Monday: Office Closed

**Tuesday, Wednesday
and Thursday:**

9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Friday:

9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Office hours will be
extended on
Wednesday evenings
in the fall.

Shabbat Schedule

- **Erev Shabbat**
 - Nosh: 6:00 p.m.
 - Worship: 6:30 p.m.
- **Shabbat morning**
 - *Sichat Shabbat*: 9:00 a.m.
 - Worship: 10:30 a.m.

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A Note from Rabbi Javier Cattapan

Small Groups: Connecting to Each Other in 5780



As I begin my fourth year at Beth Torah, I feel blessed to have started building connections with our congregational family. The months and weeks since High Holy Days have been filled with coffee! I am close to reaching my goal of 100 coffees from Sukkot to Shavu'ot. I have met with many of you over a cappuccino (please, know that I am always available to continue having coffee meetings outside of that program, just let me know). My guiding principle was to listen to your stories, to hear what brought you to Beth Torah, what kept you, and what your hopes are for the future. The theme of having made a communal connection at one point in the past was present at every meeting; tied to this past connection was the concern that many of our congregants feel disconnected from one another. I heard a version of "I come to services or a program, and I don't know anyone anymore," over and over.

I firmly believe that a central message of Judaism is connecting with each other. While we can pray alone, our tradition teaches that prayer is a group activity, a minyan, a minimum count of ten individuals is required to live out our Judaism. As I first came to Judaism at age sixteen, I found a congregation, a community that opened up to me and that I embraced, long before I converted. When I finally converted at age twenty-one, it felt like an afterthought; I was already part of the Jewish people, through the small group of congregants with whom I studied Torah on Shabbat morning.

So, the small groups of which we feel a part, as Dr. Wolfson teaches, "allow us to lead more meaningful lives." I know that our communities are full of groups of people who come together around shared passions and commitments: vocal ensembles, reStart volunteers, *Sichat* Shabbat study group, and our regular Shabbat morning worshippers, to mention just a few.

But Dr. Wolfson and his team mean something else. They teach that "small group" is a particular approach to building and supporting lay-led groups of (usually eight to twelve) congregants who come together on a regular basis—weekly, biweekly, or monthly over the course of a programming year—in order to deepen their connections to one another, to the broader community, to Jewish tradition, and perhaps ultimately to God. Each leader of a small group sets the agenda, the meeting times, the topic, the location. There is also a time-limit: Each small group lasts about one year. Yes, one year, because the goal is for each of you to become "expert" at making new connections with other congregants. Our clergy provide training, support, and encouragement so those small groups will flourish.

As we move into a new Jewish year, we will create opportunities for all our congregants to participate in small groups. The first year, our goal is to have ten new small groups. A large congregation in Atlanta, GA, has cur-

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Our Pillars

We are a vibrant, modern Reform Jewish congregation where everyone matters.

Congregation Beth Torah:

Embraces
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Responds

Energizes
Inspires
Connects

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rently more than 50 small groups with titles like “Bereavement,” “Books Worth Studying,” “Dads and Donuts,” “Empty Nesters Interfaith,” “Sunday Run Day,” and my favorite, “What Are We Making for Dinner? ... Reservations!” As you can see, the possibilities are endless. We need

your enthusiasm, your creativity, and your willingness to be part of a transformative process that our congregation can go through in the coming years. Join us in the journey towards a more connected congregation—I promise, our lives will be enriched and our Judaism will grow.

Contact Rabbi Cattapan at jcattapan@beth-torah.org, and put in the subject, “Small Group.”

If you need examples, please, click below:

relationaljudaismhandbook.com/resources/temple-connect-groups-at-the-temple

So, you think you may have an idea for a small group that you may want to LEAD?

If you have a theme and how the monthly gatherings will unfold, please, let us know. What small groups would you like to see being offered in 5780?

August 16th will be the deadline for submitting your proposals.

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT JUDAISM AND JEWISH TRADITIONS?

Introduction to Judaism

Whether you were born Jewish, are interested in choosing Judaism, or love someone who is Jewish, join us for a year of learning and exploring together.

Hebrew 101 is also available.

Classes will begin after the High Holy Days.

Contact Rabbi Cattapan or Rabbi Kleinman for more information and to let them know you're interested.



CONGREGATION
BETH TORAH

President's Corner

Scott Franklin, President
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Before this month, I never attended a Shavout service. Neither had my wife, despite the fact that we were raised as Conservative Jews. Rabbi Kleinman refers to Shavu'ot as "the lost Jewish holiday." When honoring the Torah, Simchat Torah certainly receives higher visibility with its elements of music, dancing, and revelry (Jewish style).

In early June, not only did we celebrate our first Shavu'ot, but Amy and I were treated to a Confirmation ceremony and Havdalah on the same evening. Due to a variety of circumstances, Abby Hanson was a Confirmation class of one. Abby is the daughter of Ron and Jody Hanson, who are long-time members of Beth Torah. My personal relationship with this family is primarily based on their continuous involvement with reStart. On an icy and windy day when the Hanson family and Franklins were the only volunteers, Ron skillfully led me through the nuances of deep frying potatoes.

On this Shavu'ot night, Abby led the service and read from the Book of Ruth

in both English and Hebrew. Her mom joined her in some readings. The congregation was captivated by Abby's constant beaming throughout the service. The ear-to-ear smile expressed her pride in confirming her Jewish commitment and her joy of celebrating this moment with her family. The congregation beamed along with her.

Like many members of Beth Torah, the Hansons are an interfaith family. Ron is Christian and Jody is Jewish. In her speech, Abby paralleled the choice that Ruth made to stay with Naomi with the choice she made to select Judaism as her chosen faith. Her religious choice does not preclude her from attending Christian holiday services with her father or gleaning insights from other religious traditions. Abby commented that experiencing other religious perspectives provided a deeper appreciation of Judaism.

What made this night so special? Certainly, three major celebrations in a single evening was uplifting. More importantly, though, the message that Abby brought

to us was unique from past Confirmation speeches I've heard. Most other young people focus on holidays, food, and relatives as their greatest attraction to Judaism. Abby's comments centered on the themes of choice, respect, loyalty and family and how those values led her to select the religious path of Judaism. Her words caused me to reflect on my own commitment to Beth Torah, and the importance of this institution as partners with family to instill Jewish values. Abby did not need to stand as a Confirmation class of one. She took the road less traveled and made the choice to share her commitment to Judaism before her parents and her Beth Torah family. We are all so delighted that she did.



Fiscal Responsibility is one of the goals of this year's Board of Trustees. In order to achieve that goal we need your help.

If you have not done so, please return your 2019-2020 Commitment form to the Beth Torah office. You can fax it to 913-498-1071, scan it and email it to lintfen@beth-torah.org, mail it, or drop it off in the basket located in our office. This process is critical to our financial health as it provides the vast majority of our revenue and is what allows us to continue offering a warm, welcoming home for modern Reform Judaism. If you have any questions, or need another copy of your Commitment form, please contact the Beth Torah office at 913-498-2212 or info@beth-torah.org.

Thank you to all of you who have already returned your form.

Mazel Tov

To Howard and Gloria Pitler on the birth of their grandson, Theo Ross Pitler. Theo was born on June 8, 2019 in Dallas, Texas.

To Michael Ginsberg for winning a Silver Stevie award at the HCL Business Award Show in New York City for Transformational Sourcing Relations Leadership.

To Jennifer Savner-Levinson on being named by Ingram's as one of their 2019 Top 50 Kansans.

Torah Portion

**July 5/6 | 3 Tamuz
Korach**

**July 12/13 | 10 Tamuz
Chukat**

**July 19/20 | 17 Tamuz
Balak**

**July 26/27 | 24 Tamuz
Pinchas**

"When two human beings engage each other in a face-to-face encounter, relationship exists in the between. It is in that space that relationship can turn into 'engagement.' The goal of Relational Judaism is to foster the relationships that will bring people into deep, lasting engagement with the Jewish experience." From *Relational Judaism, Using the Power of Relationships to Transform the Jewish Community* by Dr. Ron Wolfson.

Dr. Ron Wolfson came to share stories, ideas and community with us in December. In a session with Beth Torah's lay leadership he shared the nine levels of relationships. He explained that relationships are formed by what happens **between**, or **in the connection**. The Hebrew term for this space is *bayn*. At the time I began this series, there were nine months until High Holy Days, and there happens to be nine levels of relationships. This series on Relational Judaism at Beth Torah will reveal, over the next few months, the "*bayns* of our existence." Look for more information about Relational Judaism at Beth Torah during the High Holy Days of 2019, but in the meantime, you can look to this space to put Dr. Wolfson's teachings into your Beth Torah life.

The Seventh Level:

Bayn Adam l'Yisrael—Israel

About three years ago I discovered the series: *Anthony Bourdain: Parts Unknown*. Coming in late to the game on this

wonderful show I enjoy binging once and awhile during time off when the rain is just relentless. Which seems like all the time during some weeks. It was during one of these marathons that I watched Anthony Bourdain take his crew, his curiosity and his appetite for food and realism to Israel. Besides all the wonderful food and interesting stories that he shared during the show, I was captured by the even-handedness of the reporting part of the episode. I enjoyed the entire hour as Mr. Bourdain straddled the Green Line, the Wall separating the Israelites from the Palestinians and the Gaza Strip as he interviewed people to discuss recent senseless deaths and ancient misconceptions that have spawned hate. One of the things that amazed me is that no one called anyone else names, no one belittled or bullied, threw rocks or slanderous comments. The carefully picked subjects of the interviews spewed compassion and tried to explain their situation without judgment or contempt. It was amazing.

We could do that! We could practice Relational Judaism here within our walls by discussing Israel with other CBT congregants without taking sides. Have you been? Dr. Wolfson, in discussing this seventh level, reports in his book, that while over 80% of American Orthodox Jews have traveled to Israel, 36% of American Reform Jews have made the trip (according to a 2012 survey conducted by the American Jewish Committee). We

American Jews wrestle with Israel and that is incredibly appropriate.

Dr. Wolfson

reminds us, "...the very word *Yisrael* has 'wrestle' at its heart. Struggle or agree, defend or critique—what matters is to be in the relationship with the Jewish homeland in all its complexities and glories..."

When you are here, within Beth Torah walls, why not take a break from the heated arguments of politics of our own country and share your view of Israel with another Beth Torah member? If you've been; share a memory. If you are feeling disconnected and far away, ask someone who has been what speaks to them while they are there. The land of Israel is a great conversation starter at Oneg or while walking out into the parking lot. *Am Yisrael Chai*. The Jewish Nation Lives. Let's get Relational about it.

Summer is in Full Swing

We have lots of fun things going on at the Gift Shop. Come see all the new items. The Gift Shop at CBT summer hours are Wednesday and Friday 10:00 a.m. to noon or by appointment.

Are you planning an upcoming simcha? Please come in or call to start your registry. We have a wide variety of gift ideas and wonderful volunteers to help you find that special item for any occasion. The Gift Shop at Congregation Beth Torah offers many items for anniversary or birthday gifts.

Please look for more information on our upcoming new tallit for the New Year sale in September. The Gift Shop at CBT offers many items for fun birthday gifts. The Gift Shop also would like to cater to everyone, so please send any ideas for new gifts to: CBTgiftshop@gmail.com.

Remember the Gift Shop at Congregation Beth Torah is the place "Where Shopping Turns into a Mitzvah."

Shalom, Kelly Kaplan



Time to get to work...

Tear out and clean up party.

Two Tikkun-KC houses located at 3525 Indiana and 3532 Indiana, as part of our 3500 block of Indiana redevelopment project.

Sunday, July 28th from 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Looking for a large group, and hope to make this a media event.
Must be 18 or older.

Larry Myer | 816-215-2685



Repairing our corner of the world one house at a time

What does an inclusive sanctuary look like?

Recently I saw a Facebook post from a Muslim friend during Ramadan that read, “The Ottomans would say, If you don’t have children playing at the back of your *masjid* [mosque] whilst you’re praying - then you don’t have a bright future ahead of you.” The exact same sentiment can be said for our Jewish sanctuaries and sacred spaces.

You may not realize it, but we have already taken steps to promote inclusion in our service. *Mishkan T’filah* is a *siddur* that makes use of clear Hebrew fonts, transliteration, color, and layout to help engender meaningful worship for readers of all different styles. Our visual *T’filah* helps complement verbal announcements with visual cues, as well as artwork that helps visual learners better understand the content of our prayers.

The new sound system installed last year helps ensure that voices and music sound crisp and clear; wheelchair and walker accessibility have been part of our Beth Torah experience since the beginning.

But what else can we be doing to ensure as many people as possible feel welcome and at home in our worship space? Our next change requires no outlay of finances or construction. All it asks of us is opening our hearts and minds.

The discontinuation of babysitting during Friday evening services, as approved by the Board, is a step in ensuring that Beth Torah is a home for everyone, regardless of age or ability. While maintaining the prayers and songs we so adore, we will open our hearts, and sanctuary doors, to the young people in our community. The book of Proverbs tells us, “Train up a child when they are young, and when they are old they will not depart from their ways.”

The next question may be, what does this training look like in all practical terms? You may see more strollers in the sanctuary (remember that accessibility! It comes into play here, too!). Little ones standing on pews, taking in the sights and sounds around them will hopefully become the norm rather than the exception. Children learn by modeling, and it is our task to ensure a future generation of involved and committed Jewish people. This may result in a little more noise in the sanctuary and a cry here and there amongst our singing voices. But remember, the cries today could morph into the synagogue president of tomorrow.

Our *Vahavta* prayer, which follows the *Shema*, says “you shall teach them to your children.” The word “teach” here can also be rendered as “repeat.” It is our task to not only repeat our traditions verbally, as in describing them, but to also enact them with our children present. In the upcoming school year we will invite our religious school learners and their families to join us on Friday evenings in grade-level Shabbat experiences.

As always, please use your personal agency to make worship meaningful for you. If it’s chilly, bring a sweater; if the sun is in your eyes, slide down the pew; if someone tall sits in front of you, please utilize the freedom of space our sanctuary gives us.



Are you interested in reading more about family-friendly sanctuaries? Check out what others have written on the topic:

“Taking Your Kids to Services” Carla Naumburg
kveller.com/article/taking-your-kids-to-services

“Children in the Sanctuary” Rabbi Menachem Creditor
huffpost.com/entry/children-in-the-sanctuary_b_5283826

“Why I Will Be Bringing My Kids to High Holiday Day Services” Jordana Horn
kveller.com/why-i-will-be-bringing-my-kids-to-high-holiday-services

“To the Woman Who Told Me My Kids Don’t Belong in Synagogue” Rochelle Kipnis
kveller.com/to-the-woman-who-told-me-my-kids-dont-belong-in-synagogue

“Seriously, Stop With the Shushing” Emily Aronoff Teck
kveller.com/seriously-stop-with-the-shushing



Set it and Forget it!

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wonderful year ahead!**

www.beth-torah.org/Weiner-Religious-School

Music Program

Lezlie Revelle Zucker, Music Coordinator
lzucker@beth-torah.org

Today was just like any other because today was not like any other....

I wrote those words a long time ago. They became the anchor for my song "Today," which I recorded in 2010. Right around the time I started working as Linda Sweenie's backup worship leader. I was already saying yes to almost every musical opportunity that presented itself at Beth Torah, so it made sense to say yes to one more. Over the years I've sung in almost every High Holy Day choir, helped garner Boogie-to-Broadway victories, and spieled my way through Purim. I participated in our Yom Kippur creative afternoon service, then directed it, then was allowed to re-envision it. I've represented Beth Torah in the community, becoming a staple musician at the JFS Gathering for Spiritual Peace and Wholeness. Beth Torah became a musical home of sorts. And you all became family. Showing up at gigs and plays, sitting

in the heat at Spin! Pizza, taking a chance on high school theatre, or navigating the madness of the Fringe Festival to support my creative endeavors.

And now I'm honored to show up for you in a new...ish way.

June first was like any other Saturday since April. Except that it wasn't. Like the two previous months, I had helped lead worship as part of the music team Friday night and I was doing it again that morning. Only this time as an official staff member.

It's July now, which means the High Holy Days are just around the corner. It feels bigger this year, somehow. But whenever I feel intimidated or afraid

that I'm not up to the task, not enough to give/ create/provide what you deserve,

I take a breath and remember the love and support you've showered me with from the very beginning.

Thank you.

Now. Let's go make some music!



SASS-MoKan Suicide Awareness Survivor Support Remembrance Walk

The 16th Annual Remembrance Walk sponsored by SASS-MoKan (Suicide Awareness Survivor Support MO and KS) will take place on September 8th at Loose Park. The walk is for anyone

who has lost a loved one by suicide or supporting those who have. Also included is homicide or other traumatic loss. Registration is \$25 in advance at sass-mokan.com/sass-walk or \$30 that day.

The walk includes a t-shirt, bag, and other items.

All monies collected aid area loss support groups and prevention. Included in the walk is a name remembrance, song, and flowers. If you have questions, please contact Bonnie Swade at bonswade@gmail.com.



Suicide Awareness Survivor Support
Serving the KC Metro area

The CBT community is pleased to welcome Lezlie Revelle Zucker as Beth Torah's Music Coordinator.

On top of her local contributions and recognition, Lezlie is a published composer for the national Jewish Music publications, Transcontinental Music.

Her song "Or Chadash" is in the latest publication *Shabbat Anthology IX*.

And her "Happy Little Niggun" will be included in the upcoming *Niggun Anthology III*.

You can welcome Lezlie one-on-one as well. Her email is lzucker@beth-torah.org

Our 30th Anniversary Pick-a-Parties Were a Big Hit!

Thank you to everyone who coordinated, hosted and attended these fun, relational parties. We had such a great response that we are going to add more parties on in the fall of 2019. Let's have some more parties to celebrate a new year, 5780.

If you are interested in hosting a party, sign-up forms can be found here:

beth-torah.org/pickaparty-round-2

or contact Debbie Bass at debbiebass1966@gmail.com

Deadline for submission is August 15, 2019.

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WRS ADOPTS A ROOM!

CBT's largest fundraiser of the year, the 16th annual Golf Classic, needs you – REALLY NEEDS YOU!

Not a golfer? No problem!

You can still help us make OUR congregation's event a success.

For 16 years, a handful of people have been coordinating our congregation's largest fundraiser yet least attended event by our congregation's members.

This is the first year in many where we do not have a title sponsor, and therefore we need more of your help to make this event a success.

This will likely be the last year of this longstanding event, and so we want to make it a fantastic and memorable event.

Can you provide any of the following items to help our event be a success?

Contact Samantha Hammontree (913-484-3021) or Sharon Altman (913-498-2212) for more details.

- ✓ Gift cards to your favorite restaurants or shops ranging from \$10-\$25. We will create gift card booklets which have been a hit, thanks to Stephanie and Adam Elyachar who gave us this idea a few years back!
- ✓ Bags of candy (i.e. M&M's)
- ✓ Make 75 Jello shots for day of the event
- ✓ Cases of beer for golf cart and meals
- ✓ 1 oz. bottles of various alcohols for golf cart
- ✓ Tickets to KC events for auction items: Royals, Chiefs, theatre tickets, community events (Treads and Threads, Jazzoo, etc.)
- ✓ One-week timeshares are a BIG hit!
- ✓ Foursome golf at any area golf course with cart

Sponsor any of the following:

- ✓ \$200 for a hole sponsorship with your name on signage
- ✓ \$150/player or \$600/team
- ✓ \$1000 for dinner (logo placement on dinner tables and in all marketing materials)
- ✓ \$500 commemorative gift (logo placement on item and recognition in all marketing materials)
- ✓ \$250 for a HOLE in ONE!!





16TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

MONDAY,
AUGUST 19TH,
2019

OAKWOOD COUNTRY CLUB
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 CONGREGATION BETH TORAH

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Join us at the
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If you are unable to play in the tournament, sponsorships are greatly appreciated.

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Overland Park, KS 66209
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I am unable to attend this year.

I have enclosed a donation in support of the CBT Golf Classic.

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS OR PRIZE DONATIONS:

Type of donation:

Name to use for recognition in program:

AS A PLAYER

\$150: INDIVIDUAL PLAYER

Includes Green Fees, Meals, Refreshments on course, Gift Bag, Awards Ceremony and a Commemorative Gift.

Please assign me to a team with the names I have listed below.
You may list from 1-3 names.

Each team member must turn in a separate form.

YOUR INFORMATION

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Address: _____

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Method of Payment

Check MasterCard Visa Discover

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Signature: _____

Want more information? Contact Sharon Altman at Beth Torah: saltman@beth-torah.org or 913-498-2212

• COMMUNITY NEWS •

Learn Laugh & Love July Programs

As we age, some things in life become more challenging. Learn Laugh & Love's July 11th program will focus on JFS's Older Adult Services. "You're Not in This Alone: Support for the Aging Journey" will feature Laura Gillman, JFS Director of Older Adult Services, and Kelly Loeb, JFS Older Adult Care Manager, sharing the continuum of services JFS provides to help older adults along their journey to live with resilience, strength and dignity. JFS is here with comprehensive and compassionate care to help older adults live healthy, independent and meaningful lives. Programs address aging-related issues such as support to maintain a home, transportation, health, mobility, grief, isolation, emotional concerns, and more. This program is perfect for seniors and their adult children.

All Learn Laugh & Love programs are free but reservations are requested by calling The Heritage Center reception desk at 913-327-8044. Both programs are from 1:00–2:00 p.m. in the MAC Room, Jewish Community Campus.

jfskc.org/improving-strength-through-daily-living/

JFS and The Heritage Center Partner on Genealogy Series; Three Sessions Left

Discover and document your family history.

Participate in a free genealogy series presented by Jewish Family Services and The Heritage Center of the Jewish Community Center. Ron Doctor, Ph.D., is facilitating four distinct sessions held monthly. All sessions will take place in the MAC room at the Jewish Community Campus, from 1:00–2:00 p.m.

Programs include:

- July 11th: "Exploring JewishGen, Part 2"
- August 8th: "Getting the most from Ancestry, MyHeritage and FamilySearch"
- September 12th: "Putting it all together in your family tree software"

Attend the sessions that interest you! Read more detailed session descriptions at www.jfskc.org.

While the program is free, registration is requested by calling The Heritage Center at 913-327-8044.

Getting Unstuck Monthly Program Offered Free During Summer

Summer means vacation for many but it's the perfect time to kickstart your job search through Career Skills & Connections (CSC), a joint program of Jewish Family Services and Jewish Vocational Service.

CSC is offering a special summer promotion for its monthly Getting Unstuck program series for sessions on July 9th and August 13th. These group meetings address the emotional impact of unemployment and provide support and guidance from a counseling professional.

The one-hour sessions begin at 1:00 p.m. in the Sosland Room of JFS' Brookside East location, 425 E. 63rd St., in Kansas City, Missouri. Those interested in attending a Getting Unstuck summer session should RSVP to Cari Boasberg at cboasberg@jfskc.org or call her at 913-730-1449.

jfskc.org/services/career-skills-connections

Friends of the Family Set for August 21th

Join KCPT's Executive Producer of Public Affairs Nick Haines, host of Friends of the Family breakfast on Wednesday, August 21st, at the Grand Street Café on the County Club Plaza. The event will highlight various JFS programs and services. Reservations are required. For more information, please contact Ilyssa Block, Event Coordinator, at 913-730-1470 or email her at iblock@jfskc.org.

Food Pantry Seeks Donations

Summer is here, but hunger doesn't take a vacation! Consider donating items to Jewish Family Services Food Pantry. With two locations—at the Jewish Community Campus and Brookside East—the food pantry helps hundreds of people each month who face food insecurity. Non-perishable and personal care items are always welcome. For more information on how you can help, please visit www.jfskc.org/food-pantry or contact Jo Hickey, JFS Food Pantry Director at jhickey@jfskc.org or call 913-327-8257.

Career Skills & Connections Offers Free Coffee Club Every Monday

Join Career Skills & Connections (CSC) every Monday at 9:00 a.m. in the Jewish Community Center of Greater Kansas City Board Room for Coffee Club. The first hour, led by a Career Coach, includes an educational component on a job search related topic; the remaining time provides an opportunity for networking. The fourth Monday of the month is led by the Midwest Alliance for Mindfulness. Speakers will present topics relevant to job seekers and the emotional side of the job search. Monday morning Coffee Club is FREE, and you need not be a client of CSC to attend. Light refreshments are served. For more information contact employment@jfskc.org or 913-730-1449. jfskc.org/services/career-skills-connections