

Congregation Beth Shalom
Committee Reports
February 2023

Finance

Cheryl Braude, Howard Freidin, Ray Rokni

- No written report

Fundraising Report

Ellen Grossman, Fundraising VP

- No written report

House Report

Arlen Lasinsky, House VP

1. FEMA Grant Projects

A. The FEMA grant has been filed. We are awaiting to hear back regarding our submission.

B. Security Protocol - The vendor has completed a draft of the manual. The sub-committee is currently working on the procedure manual.

C. The Northbrook Police visited the synagogue on Monday, January 30, 2023 to discuss security tools we have installed and procedures currently in place. The Northbrook Police made suggestions and we will be following up and implementing those suggestions.

2. Data Breach/Cyber Security and Cyber Insurance

A. Awaiting to hear back from broker

3. Streaming and Sound System-Michael met with Solus. Further follow up will take place and we are still discussing the expectations of the systems

Membership Report

Sue Lampert, Membership VP

- Movie Night was a success. 85 people enjoyed an evening of movies, pizza, popcorn, candy, pjs and engagement with their CBS family and friends.
- Havdalah & Wine Tasting cancelled due to low registration. As mentioned, February became an over-scheduled month, but it provided our members many opportunities to engage with us in programming of their choice.

Programming Report

Randy Samborn, Programming VP

Current Programming and Adult Education highlights include:

CBS U & Programming Highlights

We are currently offering 13 classes this semester. Full descriptions of each class can be found on the CBS website under Learn>Adult Education/CBS University. Some highlights are:

1. Israel In Depth 2023 — Upcoming Sessions

- **February 19--Israel's Place in the Region:**
- **April 23--What Does It Mean To Be Pro-Israel?**

Instructor: Carl Schrag

Date: Sundays 2/19 & 4/23

Time: 10:00 – 11:15 am

Fee: No charge for CBS members; \$50 per semester for non-member friends of CBS

2. Beginning Hebrew: From Aleph to Tav — by Permission Only



Instructor: Susan Stoehr

Date: Mondays beginning January 30 – May 22

Time: 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Fee: No charge for CBS members; \$100 per semester for non-member friends of CBS

3. “Torah Talk” for Parents – In-Person

Instructor: Rabbi David Chapman

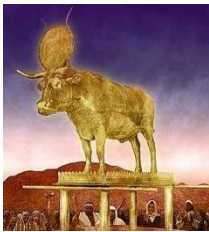
Date: Tuesdays beginning February 12

Time: 5:20 – 5:40 pm

Fee: No charge for CBS members

4. Talmud in Translation — Strange Magic: A Close Read of Tractate

Avodah Zarah



Instructor: Rabbi David Chapman

Date: Tuesdays beginning February 14

Time: 6:30 – 7:40 pm

Fee: No charge for CBS members; \$50 for non-member friends of CBS

5. Great Jewish Plays of the 20th Century



Instructor: Rabbi David Chapman

Date: Tuesdays beginning May 2 – May 23

Time: 6:30 – 7:40 pm

Fee: No charge for CBS members; \$50 for non-member friends of CBS

6. Contemporary Issues in Jewish Law



Instructor: Rabbi Aaron Melman
Date: Tuesdays 4/18, **Thursday 4/27**, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23
Time: 7:00 – 8:30 pm
Fee: \$50 for CBS members; \$100 for non-member friends of CBS

MCLE approved for attorneys for 9 CLE credits

(Including 2 for Professional Responsibility – Ethics)

7. J “OY” of Grandparenting

Instructor: Cantor Steven Stoehr
Date: Wednesdays 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29
Time: 10:30 – 11:40 am
Fee: No charge for CBS members; \$50 for non-member friends of CBS



Yee Haw! Time for
Purim 5783 – 2023

Megillah Mania—CBS GOES COUNTRY

Monday, March 6th, 2023

6:15 pm Mincha/Ma'ariv &
Megillah Reading
(In Person & Live Stream)

8:00pm Purim Seudah/Dinner
Mischief, Merriment, Mayhem



Register here: tinyurl.com/CBSPurim2023



Dinner will include:

Sloppy Joe OR Pulled Turkey Sandwich, cole
slaw, chips, drink, hamantashen and fruit

\$ 18 Adults (13 and older)

\$ 10 Children ages 6 – 12

No Charge Children ages 0 – 5

Prices WILL increase after 2/27/23

Still have questions? Contact
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Leann -- Blue@bethshalomnb.org



Ritual Report

Bill Shulman, Ritual VP

- No written report

School Report

Robyn Rosengard, School VP

- *Mishloach Manot* (Purim Basket) Fundraiser. We hope you will order for all of your CBS friends! Orders will be accepted through February 23rd and baskets will be ready to pick up March 5th through the 7th. The first basket is \$18 with additional baskets costing \$10. There are some group rates as well with all details available when you login from the instruction page. Prices go up after February 1st and we do have a limited number of baskets. This is a school fundraiser and would love to have BOT participate. If you need help placing an order or to ask questions contact Stacy Ybarra at sybarra@bethshalomnb.org.

Social Action Report

Suzy Hakimian, Social Action VP

- February:
"Love our Furry Friends" – Pet supply donations for **Border Tails Rescue in Northbrook**. Border Tails a licensed no-kill animal rescue and welfare organization dedicated to the rescue and adoption of stray dogs across the world, with a unique focus on Mexico. Founded in December of 2019 Border Tails Rescue is registered with Illinois Secretary of State as a not for profit organization. Border Tails Rescue operates entirely on donations and adoption fees.
You can donate the following:
Toys, Treats, Bones/chews, Bully Sticks, Collars (preferably martingale), Harnesses, Leashes, Slip Leads, Bowls
Collection bins will be in the foyer near the coat room until March 15.
- March:
Maot Chitim! Come help out Maot Chitim of Greater Chicago by packing or delivering food boxes for Pesach.
Food packing will take place on **Sunday, March 19th** – location to be announced soon, look for information on the CBS website. Families and individuals are invited to come pack food boxes or even help stuff envelopes. Children must be 13 or older to participate.
Food deliveries will be made on **Sunday, March 26th** – Deliveries can be done by entire families and can be done early in the morning.

Please see the Congregation Beth Shalom Website for other opportunities for social action.

Youth Report

Seth Schrank, Youth VP

- No written report

Men's Club Report

Steve Lessman, Andrew Wagner Co-Presidents

- No written report

Sisterhood Report

Jackie Zerkowitz, President

- Please join us on Sunday, February 26th to play some of the classic table games – Mah Jongg, Canasta and Bridge at the annual Jan Blum Memorial Game Event at the synagogue.
<https://tinyurl.com/SisterhoodGameDayFeb>
- Edwards Florist of Northbrook will be back on Thursday, March 16th to help us decorate floral arrangements for our Shabbat tables. This event is offered both in person and through Zoom. If you wish to attend virtually, you will be able to pick up the flowers directly from Edwards Florist and participate from the comfort of your home.
<https://tinyurl.com/SisterhoodFlowerArranging2023>
- Sisterhood will be baking for Passover *Kiddushim*, and we will need volunteers to help. Robin Bright has, again, generously offered to help us lead the baking which will take place from Tuesday, March 21st through Thursday, March 23rd.
<https://tinyurl.com/SisterhoodPesachKiddushim>