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The Monthly Newsletter of Temple B'nai Israel

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SECOND CALL FOR BOARD NOMINATIONS

Robert Goetz is chair of the 2018 Nominating Committee, in charge of the the important task of finding next year's leadership. If you're asked, please say "yes!" Any member in good standing of the Congregation interested in being considered for a position on our Board can contact Robert at TBlpcWebmaster@gmail.com. Any member wishing to run for office can directly submit his or her name, and the office for which they wish to run, in writing, to Temple Secretary Linette Sternlicht. Nominations will be closed following the May Board meeting, to allow for notification to the congregation, prior to the Annual Meeting, of the nominations, including the Board's recommended slate. Election of officers and trustees will be held at our Annual Congregational Meeting in June.



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Important note from the Treasurer

An IRS required Statement of Donations is available upon request by contacting TBI's Treasurer at treasurer.templebnai israel@knology.net.



2018 Holocaust Remembrance Ceremony scheduled for April 26 at NSA Panama City

Chaplain John Gibson at Naval Support Activity (NSA) Panama City invites TBI members to join the US Navy for their annual Holocaust Remembrance ceremony, in honor of Yom HaShoah. The event will be held Thursday, April 26 at 10:00 am in the Long Glass building.

Due to security requirements, if you would like to attend, you will need to provide your name to Chaplain Gibson or Ms Onisha Simmons no later than Friday April 20th, the week before the event. Chaplain Gibson can be contacted by phone at 850-341-7210 or email at john.w.gibson2@navy.mil. RP3 Simmons can be contacted by phone at 850-234-4427 or email at john.w.gibson2@navy.mil. RP3 Simmons can be contacted by phone at 850-234-4427 or email at john.w.gibson2@navy.mil.

From the Temple President by Mike Starkman

First and foremost I would like to thank Alma Glass, the Sisterhood, and all the volunteers who made our Passover Seder a wonderful event. It was nice to have our own Rabbi lead us in the Seder this year. It is that time of year again where we will be preparing for our Annual Congregational Meeting, which is currently scheduled for June 10th. We will be electing a new board and officers. We need volunteers to fill positions on the board. If you are interested, please contact Robert Goetz, Nominating Committee Chair

at robertjaygoetz@gmail.com.

If you are contacted please seriously consider his request, as we are a very small congregation and truly need your help.

L'Shalom Mike

April Shabbat Candle-Lighting Times

Take a break from the hectic work week and mark the Day of Rest with lighting of the candles.

TODAH RABAH March Donations for Mitzvot and to Remember

Tzedakah is a mitzvah, a unique privilege granted to every Jew. Remembering friends and family in this manner is an appropriate way to show our feelings towards both our loved ones and our community. We want to thank the following for their contributions:

Wishing continued improvement & Refuah Sh'lemah to Alvin Gingold from – Judith Scott & Sarah Farkas Jerry & Sonya Goodman

Wishing continued improvement & Refuah Sh'leimah to Sharon Yordon from – Judith Scott & Sarah Farkas Mike & Mary Starkman

Wishing Shirley Theberge, mother of Steve Theberge, a speedy recovery from – Judith Scott & Sarah Farkas

In memory of Leah Starkman, mother of Mike Starkman, from – Nate & Heather Mewhinney Robert & Joanne Goetz Judith Scott & Sarah Farkas

Donations to Abramson Center for Jewish Life in memory of Leah Starkman from – Sonny & Alma Glass Greg & Sharon Yordon

Additional Passover donations from – Ric Stryner Marla Clark and Cindy Arnold

If you'd like to make a donation, please contact Mary Starkman at mary_starkman@comcast.net.

Mike and Mary Starkman wish to thank the TBI family for all their prayers, love and support at this difficult time. Our heartfelt thanks to all!

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APRIL JOYS & REMIEMBRANCES

	YAHRZEITS - THEIR MEMORIES ARE FOR US A BLESSING	
03/20	Charlotte Minkowitz - Congregation Founder & Charter Member	
04/08	Bernard Wetchler - Father of Gayle Painter	
04/13	RUDOLPH F. RIGANO - FATHER OF MARY STARKMAN	
04/13	ESTELLE PINK - MOTHER OF JOANNE GOETZ	
04/14	EVELYN DRESNER NASH - MOTHER OF LOIS OSWALD	
04/26	IRWIN SICKERMAN - FATHER OF STEPHEN SICKERMAN	

	BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES	
04/01 04/03	ELIZABETH SUTTON JOSH SOSTHEIM	04/13 Brian Humboldt & Gayle Paynter 04/20 Stephen & Carolynn Sickerman	
04/03 04/07 04/11	JAKE SOSTHEIM MARY STARKMAN ELIZABETH SICKERMAN	If your Joy or Remembrance is missing or	
04/16	JACOB SICKERMAN	incorrect please e-mail theazoy@gmail.com	

APRIL CALENDAR

SUN	04/01	No Religious School – Passover
SAT	04/07	Last Day of Passover
SUN	04/08 9:30 am	Religious School - History of Yom HaShoah
WED	04/11 6:30 pm	Monthly Temple Board of Directors Meeting
FRI	04/13 7:00 pm	Lay-led Shabbat Service
SAT	04/14 12:00 pm	Lunch & Learn
SUN	04/15 9:30 am	Religious School
TUES	04/17	Tax Day!
WED	04/18 6:30 pm	Sisterhood Meeting
SUN	04/22 9:30 am	Religious School with ISJF Fellow Carly Abramson – Yom Ha'atzmaut / Earth Day
THUR	04/26 10:00 am	Holocaust Remembrance Day event at Naval Support Activity Panama City You must pre-register to attend this event - please see page 1 for more information
FRI	04/27 7:00 pm	Lay-led Shabbat Service
SAT	04/28 12:00 pm	Lunch & Learn
SUN	04/29 9:30 am	Religious School