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From the Editorial Board

Making a Difference

What better way to follow Thanksgiving than with stories of how our congregants give of their time and effort to help others.

Back in September when we asked congregants to tell us what organizations outside of TBS they help as volunteers, they happily flooded our inbox. The outpouring of giving that comes from within Temple Beth Shalom and spreads throughout our community and beyond is beautiful. Whether inspired by a personal event, drawn to something remote from one's life, or simply responding to a call for help, our members are making a difference in the world.

Just as we have given thanks on Thanksgiving, on Shabbat, and day in and day out, we can only imagine the gratitude that people feel when others give of their time and energies to help them. Each of us at TBS can feel a notch prouder knowing the good that's among us – and feel a notch more inspired to keep volunteering.

This month's Project Ezra and Blood Drive (see page 9) are two opportunities to make an immediate difference. Reach out and help!

In this issue, we also report on the results of our reader survey. See Page 6 for the details.

As 2016 comes to a close, the Scroll Editorial Board and I would like to wish you and your family a happy and healthy secular new year. 2017, we're ready for you!

- Joni Burstein on behalf of the Editorial Board

TBS Daily Lay-Led Minyan Services

Throughout the week, members of our community gather for a number of warm and inclusive lay-led services. These services take place even if there are fewer than ten participants, last about 20-30 minutes, and are a meaningful way to start or end your day.

Monday and Thursday mornings at 7:00 AM in our TBS Beit Midrash

Sunday through Thursday evenings at 6:45 PM in our TBS Sanctuary

Friday afternoons at 4:00 PM at Wingate Residences (235 Gould Street, Needham, at the Assisted Living Building in the back). TBS members and clergy, along with residents of Wingate and their family members, share in an early Shabbat service complete with candle lighting, grape juice, challah, prayer, and songs.

Saturday mornings at 8:30 AM in our TBS Beit Midrash

From the Clergy

Being Doers

By Rabbi Todd Markley



Rabbi Geoffrey Haber* retells the story of a cartman whose horse one day collapsed and died in the midst of his morning deliveries. The owner was distraught. He needed this horse in order to run his business and provide for himself and his family. A crowd of people gathered around to behold the spectacle of this man mourning for his fallen horse. They murmured to one another, “Oh, that’s really too bad.” “Isn’t that too bad?” “I really feel for him.”

A rabbi who had joined the crowd took a paper bag from his satchel, placed ten dollars in it, and said, “Friends, I’m sorry for this man, ten dollars worth. How sorry are you?” When the crowd followed his lead, they went from being observers to being doers, from people with feelings to givers of *tzedakah*.

We all have people, causes, and organizations about which we care... even care deeply. Our Jewish tradition encourages us to get off the sidelines and to actively participate in the betterment of one another’s lives and in the work of institutions that align with our passions. We are commanded to give *tzedakah* – from the Hebrew root *tzedek*, meaning “justice” or “righteousness” – in order to help others in need. Yet, of course, our contributions need not only be monetary. In many cases we can make even more of an impact when we give of ourselves, of our time, and of our energy to the communities and organizations that align with our values. To be sure, our Temple Beth Shalom congregation could not exist without the tireless dedication of our members, so many of whom give of themselves for the better of the whole, and – I hope – receive at least as much back from this holy community.

This edition of the *Scroll* is dedicated to the spirit of volunteerism, and I hope that you find within these pages ample reminders of the benefits that come when we transform ourselves from observers to doers. Particularly as we approach Chanukah – our Festival of Lights – we are reminded that it often does not take much to bring a spark of brightness to an otherwise darkened world. May the lights of the menorah inspire us to not only give material gifts to the ones we love this year, but also to give of ourselves for the sake of making our world a more radiant place for one and all.

*Yom Kippur Readings, Ed. Rabbi Dov Peretz Elkins. Woodstock, VT: Jewish Lights Publishing, 2005. 163-164. Print.

DECEMBER 2016 SERVICES

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2 (3 KISLEV 5777)

6:15 PM — Tot *Shabbat* Service (Sanctuary)
7:15 PM — Contemplative *Shabbat* Service (*Beit Midrash*)
7:15 PM — *Simchat Shabbat* Service (Sanctuary)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3 (3 KISLEV 5777)

Torah: Toldot, Gen. 25:19 — 28:9
8:30 AM — *Shabbat* Morning *Minyan* (*Beit Midrash*)
9:00 AM — *Torah* Study (*Beit Midrash*)
9:00 AM — Finding Our Jewish Values in *Torah*
(Conference Room)
11:00 AM — *Shabbat* Morning Service (Sanctuary)
B’nei Mitzvah: Laura Garf and Max Abeles

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9 (10 KISLEV 5777)

6:15 PM — *Kehillah* Kids *Shabbat* Service (*Beit Midrash*)
7:15 PM — *Shabbat* Evening Service (Sanctuary)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10 (10 KISLEV 5777)

Torah: VaYetze, Gen. 28:10 — 32:3
8:30 AM — *Shabbat* Morning *Minyan* (*Beit Midrash*)
9:00 AM — *Torah* Study (*Beit Midrash*)
9:00 AM — Finding Our Jewish Values in *Torah*
(Conference Room)
11:00 AM — *Shabbat* Morning Service (Sanctuary)
Bar Mitzvah: Matthew Smalley

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16 (17 KISLEV 5777)

6:15 PM — *Shabbat* Evening Service (Sanctuary)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17 (17 KISLEV 5777)

Torah: VaYishlach, Gen. 32:4 — 36:43
8:30 AM — *Shabbat* Morning *Minyan* (*Beit Midrash*)
9:00 AM — Finding Our Jewish Values in *Torah*
(Conference Room)
9:00 AM — *Torah* Study (*Beit Midrash*)
11:00 AM — *Shabbat* Morning Service (Sanctuary)
Bat Mitzvah: Zoe Spiegel

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23 (24 KISLEV 5777)

6:15 PM — *Shabbat* Evening Service (Rashi School)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24 (24 KISLEV 5777)

Shabbat VaYeshev, Gen. 37:1 – 40:23
8:30 AM — *Shabbat* Morning *Minyan* (*Beit Midrash*)
9:00 AM — *Torah* Study (*Beit Midrash*)
9:00 AM — Finding Our Jewish Values in *Torah*
(Conference Room)
11:00 AM — *Shabbat* Morning Service (Sanctuary)
B’not Mitzvah: Sophie and Julia Goldberg

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30 (2 TEVET 5777)

6:15 PM — *Shabbat* Evening Service (Sanctuary)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31 (2 TEVET 5777)

Shabbat Miktetz, Gen. 41:1 – 44:17
8:30 AM — *Shabbat* Morning *Minyan* (*Beit Midrash*)
9:00 AM — *Torah* Study (*Beit Midrash*)
9:00 AM — Finding Our Jewish Values in *Torah*
(Conference Room)

Consider Yourself Asked!

By Jeffrey Shapiro, TBS Executive Vice President

Absolutely. Definitely. Yes, that would be great. We can certainly work with you. Whatever you are able to do, that would be fantastic. For sure, we could not provide all that we do without this type of assistance.

These are the answers. Curious what the questions are?

- I cannot make a large commitment of time; can I volunteer for one particular event during the course of the year? *Absolutely.*
- I like working with people and am not so comfortable working with a computer; is there a volunteer opportunity that fits me? *Definitely.*
- I am a CPA and am only available to meet once a month on Friday mornings, before work; can I join the Finance Committee? *Yes, that would be great.*
- I want to volunteer but I do not know what you need, what I can offer, and do not want to overextend myself; is there still an opportunity? *We can certainly work with you.*
- Some weeks I have lots of free time, other times I have lots of scheduled events; I also go away for the winter months. Is there a role at TBS for me? *Whatever you are able to do, that would be fantastic.*
- I have young children and cannot commit, but I do enjoy Social Justice, Social Action and caring for the environment; can I get involved with only one project at a time that sparks my interest? *For sure. We could not provide all that we do without this type of assistance.*

The depth and breadth of the programming we offer at TBS; the community-wide activities we engage in; the community connections we offer within our TBS hub and across town; the lifetime of learning, from pre-K to teen to young adult to Adult Learning to Three Score and More; the administrative structure that supports TBS; our arms and committees; our monthly Scroll; our various worship and cultural activities: none of this would be possible without the hundreds of volunteers and the thousands of hours they donate each year to the TBS community. We are grateful for all those who step forward and volunteer to make our community as vibrant as possible. We are equally excited to ask those that have not yet had an opportunity to volunteer their time and share their talent with us to take that step and do so.

The first ask is always the hardest! The first time I volunteered at TBS was simply because I was asked to help. Thank you, Peggy Gassman and Jonathan Kappel, for asking! While TBS did benefit from my time and effort, the real winner was and continues to be me! There is a sense of fulfillment when one volunteers for an organization with a meaningful mission and purpose, there are lifelong friends to be made, and the underlying effort is often more like fun than work. I am certain that if you volunteer for any of the numerous opportunities available at or available through TBS, you too will feel this sense of purpose. Consider yourself asked!

If you would like assistance connecting with a volunteer opportunity at TBS, please contact Marguerite Dowd, TBS Director of Community Engagement and Administration, mdowd@tbsneedham.org, or me at jsshapiro@rcn.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Shofar Appeal: Year-End Tax Planning

David Grebber and Jeffrey Popkin, Co-chairs

Have you made Temple Beth Shalom part of your year-end tax plan? Do you need a tax deduction in the form of a charitable contribution? Have you received a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from an IRA this year that might be directed, in whole or in part, to the Temple? Please consider the Annual Shofar Appeal.

Your generous contribution to the Annual Shofar Appeal supports the extraordinary programming, education opportunities, and first-class clergy and staff that our Temple provides to each of us. Please join your fellow Temple members in our commitment to the continued strength and vibrancy of our Temple community. Our fundraising goal is \$118,000 and through your continued generosity, we are close to reaching that goal.

Kindly return your donation card to the Temple today, or donate online at www.TFAforms.com/258077.

Questions? Contact: Marguerite Dowd (781-444-0077, mdowd@tbsneedham.org)

TBS Children's Center Registration for 2017-18 Has Already Begun!

Reserve your space now for the 2017-18 school year!

At Temple Beth Shalom Children's Center (TBSCC), children are thinkers who construct knowledge through interacting with the world around them. Working together as a community of learners they ask questions and explore big concepts. Jewish values are woven into the daily curriculum as the children learn to live by our guiding principles: We take care of ourselves, we take care of each other, and we take care of our world. From joyful holiday celebrations to supporting each other through life transitions, the families of Temple Beth Shalom Children's Center form a warm and welcoming community extending beyond the classroom. At TBSCC learning comes alive!

We offer part-time and full-time options for children from 12 months through kindergarten. Explore the details and

register online at:

<http://www.tbsfamily.org/childrens-center.html>.

Questions? Contact: Ellen Dietrick, Director of Early Childhood Learning (edietrick@tbsneedham.org, 781-444-0077)

An Important Volunteer Opportunity with Our TBS Chesed (Caring) Community

Join our ranks of volunteers who are making a difference in the lives of fellow congregants every day with deliveries of food, an expression of sympathy, a visit, a call, a card, a hand knitted caring wrap, a baby gift, a caring cup. Add your name to our volunteer list; when a need arises we will notify you, and you can raise your hand to help when it's convenient for you and your family. Just send your contact information to Wendy Shulman at chesed@tbsneedham.org or wshulman1@gmail.com and we will reach back with a phone call or email to discuss how you would like to help. Our community thanks you!

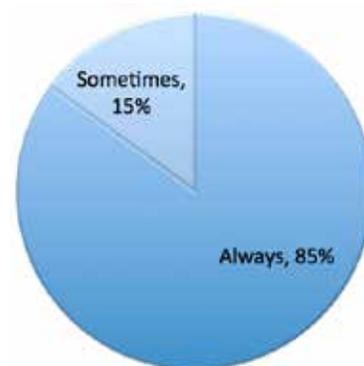
Scroll Survey Results

Compiled by Steve Sherry

The Scroll Editorial Board would like to share the results of our recent anonymous Scroll survey. Foremost, we would like to thank all 68 individuals who responded (or perhaps the one individual who responded 68 times!). Most of all, we appreciate the specific detailed comments that you provided.

How often do you read the Scroll?

85% Always – 15% Sometimes



The results of this question made us very happy until we thought that you had to read the Scroll just to find the survey. However, we did realize that we advertised the survey through multiple channels and were happy again.

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What current topics did you rate as most important?

All topics were rated about the same.

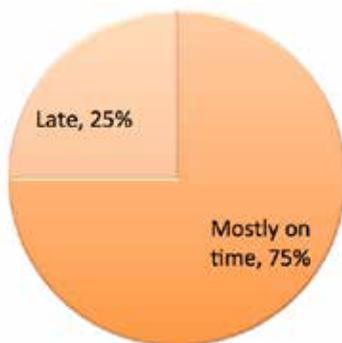
There was not a lot of spread between the highest and lowest rated topics. However, children-related topics did receive the lowest ratings while “Upcoming Events” received the highest rating.

What potential new topics should we include?

Topics within Judaism and topics related to Israel were the most highly rated. Opinions, letters to the editor, and humor had the lowest ratings. We had the biggest chuckle that 18% of our responders do not want any humor in the Scroll at all. For you 18%, be forewarned: do not open your April issue.

How would you rate the timeliness of the Scroll?

75% Mostly on time – 25% Late



We strive to get the Scroll to you on or by the first of each month of publication. Please email us at scroll@tbsneedham.org if you have any delivery issues (please include your mailing address).

Have you downloaded the PDF version of the Scroll?

12% Yes – 63% No – 25% What? I can read it online?

Every issue of the Scroll going back many years is available on the TBS website. They are protected according to



Temple policy. You need to log into the TBS website as a member (at upper right) to access the back-issue PDFs. If you have any questions, please contact us at feedback@tbsneedham.org.

How happy are you with the various visual and textual aspects of the Scroll?

Most people liked the look and feel of the Scroll. We will continue to try to make improvements.

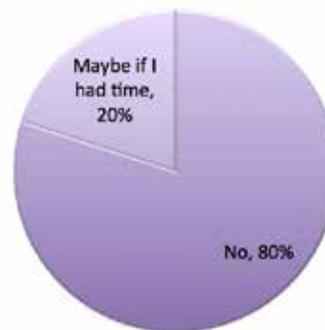
Other suggestions

We received a number of wonderful ideas for articles to include in future Scrolls. We will do our best to cover them. There were a number of individuals who suggested that we offer a means to receive just an electronic version of the Scroll. The clergy and Board discuss this issue on an annual basis and we will give them that feedback. Consistent with good Judaism, there were other comments and suggestions that directly contradicted each other. We as a Board will continue to consider all options.

Would you like to join the Scroll Editorial Board?

80% No – 20% Maybe if I had time

After drying our eyes, we realized that just the fact that you answered the Survey is like being on our Editorial Board.



You are helping us improve the product. We have all kinds of contributors to the Scroll – from individuals who write one article a year, to those who help us on a monthly basis. Please send us an email at scroll@tbsneedham.org if you are interested in learning more

about being part of our team (at any level of contribution) and/or have more suggestions for the Scroll.

DECEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

For the most current and complete event notices, please see the TBS calendar (<http://tbsneedham.org/calendar>), the website, and the weekly email. Planning an event? Submit it here: <http://bit.ly/tbs-scroll>

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Tot Shabbat Dinner and Tot Shabbat Services

December 2, 2016 (and January 6, 2017)

Shabbat Dinner: 5:30 PM, in TBS Simon Hall. Join us for a child-friendly dinner before Tot Shabbat services. \$30 per family.

RSVP and register online for one or more dinners at: bit.ly/totshabbatdinner.

Shabbat Services: 6:15 PM in TBS Sanctuary. Whether or not your family will come for dinner, join us to celebrate Shabbat with songs and prayers in this 30 minute service designed especially for young children and their families. Stay afterwards and join us for cookies and challah! Free.

Questions? Contact: Ellen Dietrick, Director of Early Childhood Learning (edietrick@tbsneedham.org, 781-444-0077)

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Lego Menorah Build, Ages 3-12

Sunday, December 4, 2016 at TBS

Come be a part of building the world's largest Lego menorah ... right here at Temple Beth Shalom! Geared towards families with children ages 3 - 12. Includes a bagel brunch with all the fixings prepared by Brotherhood. The whole family is invited to participate. Space is very limited, so get your tickets today! Two sessions available; \$10.00 per child (adult free). Register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/worlds-tallest-lego-menorah-build-tickets-28664851342>

Session One starts at 9:15 AM, and Session Two starts at 12:00 Noon

Questions? Contact: Ellen Dietrick, Director of Early Childhood Learning (edietrick@tbsneedham.org, 781-444-0077)

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Chanukah Fair for Kids 7 and Under

Sunday, December 11, 9:15 AM - 11:15 AM at TBS

Come for a morning of Chanukah crafts, snacks and games geared towards children ages 7 and under and their whole families.

Questions? Contact: Ellen Dietrick, Director of Early Childhood Learning (edietrick@tbsneedham.org, 781-444-0077)

DECEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

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TBS Brotherhood Community Blood Drive

Sunday, December 11, 2016, at TBS, 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Do a mitzvah! Donate blood! And volunteer to help out at the annual Blood Drive event - we need your help to set up the tables and chairs, to greet donors, and to clean up at 4:00 PM.

Register online now: <http://tiny.cc/tbsblood>

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TBS Sisterhood Chanukah Party

Thursday, December 15, 2016, at 7:30 PM in TBS Simon Hall

Come eat latkes and celebrate Chanukah with Sisterhood! Please watch for an email with more detailed information.

Questions? Contact: Laura Greenstein (laurengreenstein@icloud.com) or Tricia Sherman (tjsherman314@yahoo.com)

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Project Ezra - A Mitzvah You'll Never Forget

Sunday, December 25, 2016

Temple Beth Shalom will once again join hands with the Needham Community Council to provide Christmas dinners to members of the community. Each year the need seems to increase, so please help us; we cannot do this Mitzvah without you. Please participate! Volunteers are needed to:



** Carve the turkeys * Assemble the dinners * Deliver the dinners * Bake "finger desserts"*

Know of someone who needs a dinner on Christmas Day? Please, let us know.

To sign up for any one or more of these tasks, contact: Lois Sockol (781-449-1226) or June Atkind (617-462-4350)

Join one of these groups meeting in December..

Group Name	Meeting Date/Time	Email for More Information
Sisterhood	Monday, December 5 @ 7:30 PM	sisterhood@tbsneedham.org
Brotherhood	Tuesday, December 6 @ 7:15 PM	brotherhood@tbsneedham.org
Communications	Wednesday, December 7 @ 7:15 PM	communications@tbsneedham.org
Garden Club	Wednesday, December 7 @ 7:00 PM	gardenclub@tbsneedham.org
Chesed	Thursday, December 8 @ 7:15 PM	chesed@tbsneedham.org
Three Score and More	Monday, December 12 @ 7:30 PM	threescoreandmore@tbsneedham.org
Adult Learning	Wednesday, December 14 @ 7:30 PM	adult_learning@tbsneedham.org
Teen Engagement	Monday, December 19 @ 7:30 PM	teen_engagment@tbsneedham.org
Library	Wednesdays in December @ 10:00 AM	library@tbsneedham.org

SAVE THE DATE

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Shabbat Story Time

Saturday, January 7, 2017, 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM at TBS

Come for story time, challah baking, and playtime geared towards children ages 7 and under and their whole families.

Questions? Contact: Ellen Dietrick, Director of Early Childhood Learning (781-444-0077, edietrick@tbsneedham.org)

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Shabbat Fair

Saturday, January 21, 2017, 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM at TBS

Come for a morning of Shabbat crafts, challah baking and games geared towards children ages 7 and under and their whole families.

Questions? Contact: Ellen Dietrick, Director of Early Childhood Learning (781-444-0077, ext. 87, edietrick@tbsneedham.org)

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TBS Sisterhood Presents College Night

Wednesday January 25, 2017, 7:30 PM in TBS Simon Hall/Beit Midrash

Join us for college night. TBS members Eric Stutman and Cheryl Weisman-Cohen will be on hand to navigate the college selection and testing process. Watch your emails for more information.

Questions? Contact: Sisterhood@tbsneedham.org

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Three Score and More Presents the Movie "Raise the Roof"

Sunday, March 19, 2017, in TBS Social Hall - 2:30 PM

Come join us for a screening of the documentary "Raise the Roof." According to the press release, "this uplifting film captures the journey of Rick and Laura Brown of Handshouse Studio as they reconstruct the elaborate roof and painted ceiling of the Gwoździec synagogue, an 18th century structure that rivals the greatest wooden architecture in history."



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See the trailer: <http://www.polishsynagogue.com/movietrailer/>. This event is open to the entire TBS community.

Cost per person: \$10.00. Please send your check payable to Temple Beth Shalom to Millie Cohen, 100 Rosemary Way #226, Needham, MA 02494 no later than March 6, 2017.

Questions? Contact: Jean Sands (781-449-1817, joensands@gmail.com)

FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

Wee Weekenders (0 - 3yrs)

Come meet and mingle with other Bumps, Babies and Beyond families. This class will meet one Sunday morning each month, and will offer the opportunity for your little ones to participate in circle-time with songs and parachute play, developmentally appropriate activities, and finish with bubbles and a book. The whole family is welcome, including older and younger siblings. Choose one or sign up for the whole series! \$30.00 per individual class, \$240.00 for all classes.

Sunday mornings, 10:15 AM - 11:00 AM, at TBS

Dec. 11, 2016, Jan. 22, Feb. 5, March 5, April 2, May 7, and June 4, 2017.

Questions? Contact: Liz Berkman or Dawn Ellis, Child Development and Parenting Specialists (tbsfamily.org; bbb@tbsneedham.org; 781-444-0077)

Mama To Be (2nd and 3rd Trimesters)

This group will meet Wednesday evenings in December and January, and will provide community and support for women who are experiencing their first pregnancy. A place to discuss at length all the questions and concerns that are not covered in books or during your often brief doctor's appointments. A space to honor the transition into motherhood, offer resources, self-care techniques, and friendship that will carry through into motherhood. \$200.00.

Wednesdays, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM at TBS

Dec. 7, Dec. 14, Dec. 21, 2016, (no class Dec. 28), Jan. 4, Jan. 11, Jan. 18, 2017.

Questions? Contact: Liz Berkman or Dawn Ellis, Child Development and Parenting Specialists (tbsfamily.org; bbb@tbsneedham.org; 781-444-0077)

Jewish Jingle and Jam (1-4 Years)

Celebrate with a year of joyful music with your child! Join Cantorial Intern DJ Fortine to sing, dance, and play instruments together as we explore each season through song. Stay after class to play on the playground. The whole family is welcome, including older and younger siblings. Pick and choose the sessions that work for you. \$10.00 per session.

Sunday mornings, 9:15 AM - 9:45 AM at TBS

Jan. 22 and April 2, 2017

Questions? Contact: Liz Berkman or Dawn Ellis, Child Development and Parenting Specialists (tbsfamily.org; bbb@tbsneedham.org; 781-444-0077)

FEATURE STORY

Reaching Out From Within: Where TBS Members Volunteer

ENHANCING THE LIVES OF CHILDREN

LITERACY AND EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN



For the past two years our family has volunteered for a small nonprofit organization called **Siblings Connections**, based in Somerville, MA. This past spring Wendy joined the board. The organization sets up programming for siblings who are placed in separate foster care placements in Massachusetts. One Sunday a month, volunteers pick up the children at their placements and bring them together at an activity such as bowling or rock climbing. We now have a weekend retreat for the siblings, and every August, there is a one-week sleep-away camp for the siblings as well. For many of the siblings, these events are the only quality time they have together during the year. The kids are charming and so appreciative of their time together. We run the program on a shoestring budget with two employees and a group of volunteers. Interested in learning more? Contact Wendy at bostonperl@comcast.net.

Wendy Perlman and Peter Antoszyk and Family

Sophie Small has been volunteering at **Diaper Depot** in Waltham, MA, for her bat mitzvah project. Diaper Depot is a diaper bank providing diapers to infants & toddlers age three and under. It is open to Waltham residents who show a WIC (Women, Infants and Children Assistance Program) card or other referral from a local agency. For each child, they currently provide 30 diapers per month.

Jenny Small



I volunteer for **REACH**, which offers supportive services to help survivors of domestic violence. I bring my PTSD therapy dog Angel, a Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever, to the children's therapy groups to help children talk about their feelings in a safe, nurturing environment. If you would like to talk about what is going on in your relationship, call REACH for support 24 hours/day: 1.800.899.4000 www.reachma.org.

I also volunteer in the **Children's Library at Newman Elementary** and with the **Newman Music Program's Library**.

Beth Belinky



I am on the National board and a volunteer weekly at **READ to a CHILD**. With headquarters in Boston, it is a national organization that works around the country putting adults together with underserved children at some of our neediest schools. Each volunteer goes into the classroom on the child's lunch hour every week (two people can share a child and alternate) and picks up a book from the school library. We then read together for about an hour. It is a joyous way to open a child's eyes to the wonders of reading and the stories about other people, places and times. I have developed a close bond with my student, Juel, at the Neighborhood Renaissance School in Dorchester. And I will read to him again now that he has moved up from first to second grade this year. We are always looking for more readers and I encourage you to consider doing this. info@Readtoachild.org or 781-489-5910 My contact is rbramson@comcast.net. Thanks.

Ruth Bramson



BuildOn was founded 25 years ago by Jim Ziolkowski to help break the cycle of poverty, low expectation and illiteracy through service and education in the urban U.S. and abroad. In that time, the organization and its volunteers have built over 900 schools in the poorest areas in developing countries and run service programs in over 50 U.S. high schools. I serve on the Boston-area board and support local events alongside high school participants from two high schools in Boston, and raise money for the organization through awareness and events. I hope one day to go with my family to build a school in Africa. <https://www.buildon.org/what-we-do/us-programs/boston/>

Kara Gilbert



The Social Action committee of Temple Beth Shalom has chosen to focus on three pillars of need – hunger, shelter, and literacy – through these organizations: Family Table, Circle of Hope, and Greater Boston Jewish Coalition for Literacy.



Needham Steps Up (NSU) works to pair income-eligible Needham students with teacher mentors at Needham High School to bridge the opportunity gap between students with easier access to financial and enrichment resources. So many

Needham students take for granted the option of extra tutoring or the help of parents in doing financial aid forms, editing college applications, or getting help with post-secondary plans. Students selected for this program are paired with a mentor in 9th grade and they work with this mentor through senior year. The mentoring and educational support NSU provides helps make college and post-secondary success a reality. The program offers the entire cohort of mentored students and their mentors monthly programs addressing areas such as exploring post-secondary options, how to do an interview, personal finances, team building, etc. Students are also given the opportunity of applying for a one-time \$500 summer program scholarship for a summer program that they may have not been otherwise able to afford, like band camp, for example.

I am a board member along with TBS congregants Amy Goldman and Jan Cohen. At the 2015 annual NSU fundraiser, Beth Pinals was honored with the *Steps Up For Education Award* for her work on the Own Your Peace project, which aims to inspire the Needham High School community to “support our own and each other’s well-being.” If you want to learn more about Needham Steps Up or make a donation please visit our website.

<http://www.needhamstepsup.org/>

Ellen Sheetz

I volunteer for an organization that alerts people to the fact that American children are being commercially exploited for sex. Only when I started learning about this issue did I understand that *there is no such thing as a child prostitute*. They are children who are repeatedly raped for the financial benefit of someone who has lured and entrapped them. Child exploiters and their networks lure vulnerable youth in the very schools we assume are safe havens for our children. It’s happening in wealthy communities as well as poor ones. Thankfully, organizations exist to help educate girls and boys so that they can recognize and resist the elaborate tactics of sex traffickers.

By the way, if you think Jews are untouched by this, read on: in the early 1900s, wealthy Jewish men went to shtetls in Europe ostensibly looking for wives. Parents, heartbroken to part with their daughters but eager for them to have better lives, willingly sent them with their suitors to America. Rather than becoming brides, these girls were forced into prostitution. The National Council of Jewish Women found out and began working to stop this practice.

For more information and to help, look up **My Life My Choice** (local), **PolarisProject** (national hotline) and **Jewish Coalition to End Human Trafficking**.

Name Withheld by Request



Greater Boston Jewish Coalition for Literacy (GBJCL), under the Jewish Community Relations Council of

Boston, serves partner schools in and around Boston by providing volunteer tutors to work one-on-one with kindergarten through 5th grade students to support their reading literacy. I volunteer in Roslindale at the Mozart School, which has enjoyed a special connection with Temple Beth Shalom for over 20 years. Much more than helping student practice skills and complete assignments, we as volunteers nurture **RELATIONSHIPS**. We model and encourage a respectful and caring exchange with each child, and the children gain confidence as well as understanding and transferable adaptive learning tools. The work is enriching for the volunteers as well. It is incredibly satisfying to help children strive to improve their learning and reach their potential.

The Mozart School is a small neighborhood school: one classroom per grade in a six-room schoolhouse. Its size means everyone knows everyone and the teachers are better able to mentor the students’ development in all forms of literacy. An emphasis on music energizes the whole school community, with music education and group instruction in violin, clarinet, flute and trumpet. It has been a joy to see the students be responsible and disciplined with their many talents.

Volunteers typically work for an hour per week with one or two students, directed by the classroom teachers to address particular learning skills or support their reading, writing, and listening competencies. GBJCL prepares tutors to work with the students, supporting diverse populations in high-need settings. Temple Beth Shalom supports the Mozart School’s literacy initiative through book and supply drives as well as the personal weekly volunteer hours. We are looking for more volunteers so please contact me if you’re interested. npkmk1@gmail.com 781-444-2032

Nancy Krieger



HELPING THOSE IN NEED OF CARE



**Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital
Needham**

Volunteering at **Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital Needham** (BIDN) is deemed extremely important to the doctors and nurses whom we support. As “Main Entrance Greeter,” I assist the front desk in greeting and helping patients and the people that accompany them so that they can register or find the area that they are looking for. The BIDN is a full-service hospital with many departments. I even have a cheat sheet because I forget where some of the departments, doctors, waiting rooms and nursing stations are. People are so appreciative of being escorted to where they are going as opposed to having to remember which hallway, door or left and right turns they would need to navigate.

The other role that I have is in Escort Service, in which various professionals call us to help. Of prime importance is transporting labs from various departments like Emergency, Operating Rooms and PACU areas to the appropriate laboratories for testing (at no time is there any risk of exposure to the volunteer). Other major duties are helping discharge patients by wheeling them from the various departments to the parking areas and escorting patients from one department to another. If all of the volunteer roles are carried out correctly, the patients leave with a positive attitude toward their experience at BIDN... and to a large degree “volunteers” make it happen.

I know that BIDN is in need of more volunteers. In-fact, a brand new department called “Breast Care” was opened on September 16, 2016, and we need volunteers for that new unit. The Director of Volunteer Services is Tracy Murphy, who can be reached at tvmurphy@bidneedham.org.

My other volunteering, at the **VA Hospital** in West Roxbury, is a totally different feeling from my experience at BID Needham. The patients enter the lobby as part of a “family,” with most wearing something that displays the service they were in as well as the conflict/war. As soon as they sit in the waiting room they have a connection to the person sitting next to them. As a volunteer the feeling I get is, “How do I serve them? I owe them something!”

I tend to play two roles. As an “ambassador,” I try to help them in finding their way, answering their questions or escorting them to a particular department. One is overcome with respect as they ask directions to places like the prosthetics department.

The other role is “Patient Visiting.” In this role I ask the wards if there is anyone who might like a visitor; as examples someone that seems alone, depressed or someone who would just like someone to talk to. It’s a very different world than the one that I have been brought up in, and very broadening and rewarding. If you have had prior armed services experience, you will especially be able to relate to the veterans.

Gerry Koss



**Beth Israel Deaconess
Medical Center**



As a Concierge Representative at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, I greet all patients and families in the Ambulatory Surgery Department. This involves checking in patients and visitors, and maintaining communication among families, physicians, and recovery room staff.

When I retired from nursing (in the same peri-operative area where I had worked), I offered to volunteer - hopeful that I would bring comfort to anyone awaiting surgery. Each Tuesday I act as a liaison between the pre-op waiting area and those who enter the ambulatory surgery area. It’s a wonderful opportunity to help patients (and their family and friends) cope during a potentially frightening and stressful situation. I find that a sense of humor coupled with sensitivity to each individual can be a remarkable combination to allay fears and provide comfort to all.

Anne Riskin



**NEWTON-WELLESLEY
HOSPITAL**

I volunteer at
**Newton-Wellesley
Hospital** and

have been doing so for about six years. I work in the Patient Representative program. I visit patients to see if they are satisfied with the care they are receiving. If they aren’t, I follow through and make an effort to get to the root of the issue. I also help patients who are interested complete a Health Care Proxy. Patients really appreciate the opportunity to discuss their hospital experience so most of the time this is a satisfying experience for me and a way for me to give back to the community.

Harriet Randall



Jeff Popkin founded the **Ellie Fund** in memory of his mother, Eleanor (“Ellie”) Popkin. The

mission of the Ellie Fund is to provide essential support services for breast cancer patients to ease the stresses of everyday life. The services include transportation to medical appointments, childcare, housekeeping, and prepared meals -- all offered completely free of charge. The goal is to help relieve a patient’s burden while they are in treatment, and allow them to focus on family, recovery, and healing. Jeff started the Ellie Fund in 1995 in honor of his mother’s courageous battle against breast cancer and in recognition of her giving spirit. He remains very involved to this day, currently serving on the Board of Directors as Founding Director. <https://elliefund.org/>

Heidi Popkin



For the past 6+ years TBS members Margie Glou, Bobbi Niss, Linda Lourie, and

Linda Gersten have been experiencing the joy of bringing smiles to the residents on the Memory Support Unit at **NewBridge on the Charles**, a senior living community on the HSL Dedham campus. We have done this by visiting on Mondays and leading the three households in sing-a-longs. The reality is that none of us can really sing, but thankfully the residents haven’t figured that out yet! One of the major rewards we have received is when a resident who hasn’t spoken in years starts mouthing the words to “Old MacDonald Had a Farm” or “The Wheels on the Bus.” They definitely give us far more than we give them. Margie is the coordinator of the program, as well as a trustee on the Board of Hebrew SeniorLife.

Bobbi Niss and Margie Glou



Hebrew SeniorLife (HSL), which includes Hebrew Rehabilitation Center for the Aged, is a national leader in the field of senior care, providing communities and health care for

seniors, research into aging, and education to professionals in the field. There are nine campuses and communities in the Boston area, including Orchard Cove in Canton where my mother lives, and Newbridge on the Charles in Dedham where my husband’s mother lives.

Volunteering at HSL has been central to my husband’s family life for generations but it came a little later for me and my husband Bill. A friend of Bill’s had been diagnosed with a rare form of Parkinson’s Disease. Bill visited him often and, though we’d had profound losses of our own, he found himself providing comfort and care in a way that he had never had to before. It was here that he encountered Hospice Volunteers and began to understand the incredible impact this work has on people’s lives.

HSL had just begun a program of hospice care and Bill joined their second class of volunteer training. He learned there that the mission of **HSL Hospice Care** is to maintain the dignity, comfort and spiritual well-being of seniors and to empower them and their families to make well-informed decisions as they move through the end-of-life experience. Hospice volunteers, they told him, are at the heart of this mission, sharing of their time, energy, and compassion for others at their most vulnerable time of life.

Visiting his first client was challenging for Bill but with each new client his comfort in this role has grown. In the two years that he has been volunteering, he has attended to more than 30 individuals and their families. Some have been a brief encounter before death; others have been months-long relationships that have touched him in profound ways. He has met some incredible people and has found deep satisfaction in seeing these people and their families through the most difficult of times. He has also found support and friendship in the community of professionals and other volunteers at HSL Hospice.

My husband brings his humor, insight, and caring spirit to every visit, sometimes laughing, sometimes singing, sometimes listening, sometimes holding a hand and always bringing comfort.

Wendy Shulman

*I am happy to have Bill Shulman’s involvement highlighted above. I have known his family since birth and count his mother as one of my inspirations for being so involved at HSL. I am currently on the Board of Directors of **Hebrew SeniorLife** and serve as the Chair of the Development Committee and as a member of the Finance Committee.*

Jeff Drucker

FEATURE STORY (CONTINUED)

HELPING THOSE IN NEED OF FOOD AND SERVICES



Our family volunteers with **Jewish Family and Children's Services**

Family Table in monthly food distribution: we assist with pre-distribution set-up of the food pantry and then pack and deliver groceries to four families in Allston.

Temple Beth Shalom supports Family Table, the only kosher food pantry in New England, by providing 100 cans of tuna and 20 cans of salmon each month. Family Table distributes healthy provisions for 350 families from all over the Boston and Eastern MA area each month. Please bring tuna to TBS to donate!

Adam Blumenstein



I volunteer at the **Needham Community Farm (NCF)** and have recently joined the board. All produce grown at the farm is donated to families and individuals in our community who experience food insecurity and may not otherwise have access to fresh produce. It is distributed either at the Needham Community Council Food Pantry or the Needham Housing Authority sites. The NCF also offers gardening classes and other educational opportunities. A part-time farmer oversees farm operation but the work is largely done by volunteers. I love arriving at the farm in the morning for my weekly harvest volunteer time, seeing how things have changed over the course of a week, and connecting with the other volunteers over picking and packing the produce. The farm is located off Pine St. - some people will know the location as the old Nike site, adjacent to Ridge Hill. <http://needhamfarm.org/>

Jane Evans

Community Cooks mobilizes individuals, businesses, civic, educational, and faith-based groups to prepare home-cooked food for vulnerable populations seeking assistance from human service agencies in the Greater Boston area. I participate as a team lead for a group of 12 volunteers through the Rashi school. We provide a home-cooked family-style meal (entrée, side, vegetable/salad, dessert) monthly for a Day Treatment program in Newton. Community Cooks has close to 800 contributing volunteers - they are a great organization to work with and it is wonderful to get to volunteer in such a hands-on way. <http://communitycooks.org>

Rebecca Loren



International Institute of New England

During my gap semester before college, I have been interning at the **International Institute of New England (IINE)**, directly working with refugees/immigrants to help make their

transition to the U.S. easier and eventually to become self-sustaining citizens with the help of the U.S. government. I have formed close bonds with the people the IINE works to support by seeing them both in a professional setting in Boston and in a casual setting in Lynn. In Boston, I support people by helping them in finding jobs by filling out applications, practicing interview skills, accompanying them to job fairs and above all forming lasting relationships with their employers. In Lynn, I problem-solve by handling everyday needs such as going to the Department of Transitional Assistance, setting up apartments, getting cell phones, social security cards and accompanying people to health appointments. <http://iine.org/>

Elisa Cifiello



The Yom Kippur food drive stocks the **Needham Community Council's food pantry**, which serves families in the town of Needham.

<http://needhamcommunitycouncil.org/food-pantry/>

FEATURE STORY (CONTINUED)



I have been a volunteer at **Women's Lunch Place** (WLP) since 2006 and on the Board of Directors and continuing as a volunteer since 2009. Women's Lunch Place, a shelter that has been helping women for 34 years, treats women with the dignity and respect they deserve and understands that many women who frequent WLP have suffered trauma.

At 7:00 AM on Newbury Street women can come for breakfast. Lunch is served at noon. 50% of the guests at WLP are homeless; some are employed but need food to supplement their income. Last year we served almost 86,000 meals. In addition to eating healthy and hearty meals, women can nap, do their laundry, shower, see a doctor or nurse, use computers, take a book from our extensive library, use phones, get their mail, see their friends and receive services from social workers and lawyers.

Because federal funding would require collecting names and other data on our guests, WLP takes no federal funding. Our donors are individuals and corporations. Volunteers can serve in many capacities in the welcome center, the kitchen, or the resource center.

I am happy to discuss more about WLP and give tours to anyone interested. saffitz@gmail.com www.womenslunchplace.org

Sauci Saffitz



The **Circle of Hope**, based in Needham, provides clothing and basic necessities to homeless children, women and men in the greater Boston area. They serve community programs, individuals, and family shelters. Donations of clothing/shoes (new and gently used), as well as towels, bedding and new toiletries (in full and travel size) are accepted at Circle of Hope at 65 Rosemary Street in Needham.

The Circle of Hope depends on its volunteers to help deliver and sort clothing/bedding, as well as fill orders from constituent organizations (such as ATASK Domestic Violence Shelter, United Homes Men's Shelter, and Rosie's Place). They also provide new "Welcome Baby Baskets" to babies born at the shelters. Often these baskets are the only gifts the baby will receive. <http://www.circleofhopeonline.org/>



LOCAL GOVERNMENT

I am currently vice-chair of the **Needham Human Rights Committee** where we address matters pertaining to human and civil rights while working to reaffirm the worth and dignity of every human being. We advocate appreciation and respect for human and civil rights through education. We organize and sponsor community events to promote diversity, respond to issues, provide advice and assistance to the Town Manager, Chief of Police and other Town offices in response to issues that challenge the human and/or civil rights of any individual or group in our town. <http://needhamma.gov/humanrights>

Marlene Schultz

I volunteer for a variety of organizations, including being an elected **Needham Town Meeting** Member.



I have also been a member of the **League of Women Voters** (LWV) of Needham since 1998 and have served in leadership roles for over 15 years. The LWV, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy. I am proud to play a significant part in providing voter information as webmaster, keeping our website updated with election information and information about our elected officials. The current president, Karen Price, is also a TBS member. She has been president for seven years and has done great work. <http://www.lwv-needham.org/>

Elizabeth Handler

PERFORMING ARTS

Dedham Choral Society



An organization that I have been involved with for decades is the **Dedham Choral Society**. We perform a Christmas concert at Holy Name Church in West Roxbury every December, and we have been performing our spring concert at the NEC's Jordan Hall for over ten years. The April 30, 2017 concert may be of interest to TBS members. It will be a performance of *Annelies*, by James Whitbourn. This is a choral work for soprano soloist, choir, and instrumentalists, with text translated from the *Diary of Anne Frank* (whose full given name was Annelies). The soloist for this concert, Sonja Dutoit Tengblad, has sung with us before and is phenomenal! I have always enjoyed singing and this is an excellent chorus with an excellent director and assistant director, both of whom have been with us for twenty years. <http://www.dedhamchoral.org/>

Elizabeth Handler



Needham Community Theatre (NCT) has been staging plays and musicals since 1956 – one year after our own TBS incorporated. It is governed and operates through the efforts of volunteers, many from Needham, and many members of TBS. Children and adults collaborate to plan, rehearse, and stage at least two major productions a year in the Newman Auditorium. In addition, NCT stages children's workshop productions, and is planning to offer children's theatre classes in the future.

Julie, Michael, David and Eli Bailit have volunteered for NCT producing and directing shows, acting on stage, stage managing, publicizing shows, coordinating props, building and painting sets, selling refreshments, ushering – most of the tasks involved in making a community theatre function! In addition, Michael currently serves on its board along with TBS members Kathi Cotton, Naomi Goldman and Children's Center parent Nicki Ramshaw. <http://www.needhamtheatre.org/>

The Bailits

SERVICE DOGS



My dog, Dexter, and I are certified as a therapy dog team through **Dog B.O.N.E.S.** (Building Opportunities for Nurturing and Emotional Support). Dexter is also certified as a reading partner, and in the past we were the therapy dog team at Medfield Library. We currently volunteer weekly at Newbridge as part of the Pet Therapy program. If you'd like to learn more about Dog B.O.N.E.S., here is the link to their website: <http://www.therapydog.info>.

Deborah LeClair



We are weekend puppy raisers for **America's VetDogs** (www.vetdogs.org). Dogs are trained during the week in various prisons in the area. Weekend raisers care for the dogs on weekends, with a primary focus on socialization training, exposing and desensitizing the dog to all of the distractions of the outside world that they do not experience during the week. We also work on the behaviors and skills being taught during the week.

Adam Blumenstein

Other organizations for which Temple members volunteer:

- Mass Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired
- Jose Mateo Ballet Theatre/Dance for World Community
- Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
- American Amputee Hockey Association
- Amputee Coalition
- USA Hockey
- Adaptive Sports New England

Mikdash Welcome-Book Messages

Compiled by Robyn Glazier

Here are some observations and insights about our new building taken from the Mikdash community welcome-book:

Welcome, everyone, to our new home. Here we learn about community, kindness and what it means to be a friend. Enjoy this space. Live, breathe, learn in it. One day everything will be worn down and old with memories. Make them good ones. - *Grace Cohen*

The Temple is Awesome!!! - *Daniel Willis*

We love the new teen space! It's perfect. We can't wait to explore, learn, play and make memories in the new building. Thank you so much! -*9th grade girls 2016*

What a beautiful new home for our community! We love it. - *Tessa, Andy & Michelle Webb*

So happy to see such a beautiful dream come to fruition! It's wonderful to be back at home! - *Amy Kahn*

What a beautiful new home we have. We look forward to many years of joy. - *Janet and John Bulian*

What a transformation! This building is extraordinary – a wonderful home for a caring community. - *Beth Gamel*

Unbelievable building! So well done! Looking forward to many great years here! Thank you for our warm, open and lovely new home. With love. - *Julie and Marty Goldberg*

The symbolism is truly inspiring and consistent with our tradition. - *Anonymous*

Such a special space for this wonderful congregation. Thanks to all who made it happen. - *Esther and Arnold Messing*

This sacred space is incredibly warm and comforting. From the clergy within to the walls without, the incredible personal touches have truly touched my heart. A shining beacon of light and learning and love. - *Carol and Ed Ginn*



What an inspirational, spectacular, holy place. - *Anne Riskin*

Many wonderful blessings now and in the future in this sacred new space. - *Carol and Hal Gershman*

May the love and peace that rest in our Temple tonight, be reborn each day forever and ever. - *Lois and Ron Sockol*

Congratulations to all who gave such love and care to create this inspirational space. It's an honor to be part of this sacred community in this sacred space. -

Florence Schumacher

May the congregation continue to grow and thrive in this new beautiful building for many, many years to come. - *Sally and Bob Goodman*

It was absolutely amazing to see the Temple evolve from an idea, to a set of plans, to this beautiful new home for our TBS community! We look forward to engaging in prayer, friendship and learning in this breathtaking space. - *Judy Ravech and Larry Pelletier*

So proud to be part of this Temple. Looking forward to many years of enjoyment. Great job. - *Cheryl and Bernie Segaloff*

What a beautiful space for us to experience G-d while joining as a community of learning, praying and doing good deeds. Jewish life at its fullest for all to live and learn. - *Peggy Gassman*

We are awed by this warm, thoughtful, light-filled space! We are looking forward to celebrating years of joy in this new community. - *Kristin, Katie, Matt and Andy Ritzer*



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Seeing the new TBS is like meeting a new friend.
- *Aviva Bernstein*

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