

Repairing the World

Tikkun Olam

תיקון עולם



A Just Harvest

November 30, 2017

March 29, 2018

May 31, 2018

A Just Harvest is the largest community soup kitchen in the Chicago metro area. Temple Beth-El partners with them to provide meals, volunteers, and nonperishables multiple times a year. Volunteers (12 and older) are needed to prepare and cook the food, set up the dining room, and serve meals.

Reflection: _____

Dreidel Project December 2017

Temple Beth-El, in conjunction with the Jewish Children's Bureau, is excited to once again participate in the Dreidel Project. Look for the Dreidel Display in the Temple foyer in November. Each dreidel on the display indicates the age and gender of a child in need and the child's wish for specific gifts. Choose a dreidel and purchase the gifts to fulfill this child's wish.

Reflection: _____

Martin Luther King Day of Service

January 15, 2018

Northbrook comes together for a day of social action work. The day begins with a call to action and culminates with many service projects throughout the area.

Reflection: _____

Blood Drive

January 28, 2018

Help save a life by participating in Temple Beth-El's 16th annual blood drive in loving memory of Robert Kaiser.

Reflection: _____

KoBE Feed My Starving Children

March 5, 2018

Children in grades 3-7 will take a trip to Feed My Starving Children to pack boxes of food to feed the hungry. Adult participation welcomed too.

Reflection: _____

L'Taken

March 15-19, 2018

L'Taken is a transformational 4-day weekend focused on Jewish values, *tikkun olam* and public policy. The program exposes 11th and 12th grade students to public policy issues, explores the Jewish values surrounding these issues and helps them become effective social justice advocates. Teens will have the opportunity to speak truth to power by sharing their views with leaders on Capitol Hill. While exploring Washington, D.C., teens build and strengthen their congregational community and experience their own individual capacity to create change. See Mandy Herlich for further information.

Reflection: _____

Gidwitz Birthday Parties

3rd Wednesday of each month at 1:00 - 3:00 PM

RSVP: Marcia Kanarek at imokydoky@aol.com

Help make a senior's birthday a special day. Volunteers will help set up the birthday party at Gidwitz, assist the residents to their seats and serve beverages. Gidwitz Assisted Living Center birthday party for residents takes place each month at 1:00 pm.

Reflection: _____

Uptown Cafe

909 West Wilson Avenue, Chicago

Dates to be announced (TBA)

RSVP: Elaine Koffman bennettk@aol.com

Come and serve food and converse with guests at the Uptown Cafe. The JUF Uptown Cafe provides hot meals in a restaurant-style setting. It also brings dignity and hope to people in need. Volunteers (ages 12+ with an adult) are encouraged to enjoy a meal with guests, as many diners are socially isolated and in need of person-to-person contact.

Reflection: _____

Maot Chitim

Packing for Rosh Hashanah: Sept. 10 from 11:30 - 2:30

Deliver Rosh Hashanah Packages: Sept. 17 beginning at 9:30 am
Pesach dates TBA

“Maot Chitim” refers to the centuries old custom of gathering wheat to provide the poor with matzoh (and other items for the observance of Rosh Hashanah and Pesach.) Make sure everyone has a holiday meal! Help make boxes, pack food and deliver the packages.

Sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4daca623a2f49-tikkun>

Reflection: _____

Temple Beth-El Community Garden

Summer 2018

We just completed our second year hosting the Northbrook Community Garden at Temple Beth-El. As part of this initiative, we have the first opportunity to plant and work these gardens. Each year, a portion of produce is donated to the Northfield food pantry.

Reflection: _____

JourneyCare

Fridays

Deliver a Shabbat bag to Jewish hospice patients Fridays between 11 am - 3 pm. Contact Susan Harrison to sign up and for more information: sgharrison77@gmail.com

Drive a congregant to services

Several congregants would like to attend Shabbat services and events but are unable to drive. Please call the Temple office if you can help out.

Keep your eyes on the Temple Bulletin for additional Tikkun Olam-related opportunities throughout the year!



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