

☆ BETH ISRAEL COMMITTEES ☆

In addition to building a new shul, it is important for us to continue building an infrastructure within the synagogue that fosters an engaged, “caring community.” To that end, all are invited to participate in the following committees which are currently in formation:

Programming Committee (Leo Golubitsky (*Chair*), Alla Golubitsky, Elizabeth Cato, Alan Smason, Jackie Gothard and Judy Antin)

Sets up children’s programming, adult programming, etc. To join or learn more, contact Leo Golubitsky at leo@smileinc.com or Rabbi Uri at Rabbi@BethIsraelNOLA.com.

Membership Committee (Lee Kansas (*Chair*))

Recruits new members through advertising and responding to inquiries, to host various functions to welcome new members, to move people from participation to the next step of membership and to seek to involve new members by encouraging them to join committees and participate in synagogue life. To join or learn more, contact Lee Kansas at ldk2000@aol.com.

Finance & Administration (Richard Katz (*Co-Chair*), Eddie Gothard (*Co-Chair*), Jacob Kansas and Alan Smason)

Helps chart and manage current and future financial requirements as well as dealing with administrative matters. To join or learn more, contact Richard, at rlknola@hotmail.com.

Building Committee (*No Chair*, Irwin Lachoff, Joel Picker, Judy Antin Lachoff and Leon Pesses)
(*a sub-committee of the Finance & Administration Committee*)

Will work on plans for the layout and usage of the new building and, once built, ongoing maintenance and upkeep. To join or learn more, contact Rabbi David at Office@BethIsraelNOLA.com.

Dues Committee (Irwin Lachoff (*chair*), Marshall Gerson, Mike Gertler and Neil Schneider)

Reviews and compiles data regarding membership dues. It will recommend to the board a standard dues policy for membership as well as create a standardized special circumstances policy which will be created in consultation with the rabbi. To join or learn more, contact Irwin Lachoff, at ilachoff@hotmail.com.

Finance Resource Development Committee (Roselle Ungar (*chair*), no members yet!)

Designs and implements the total financial resource development activities of the congregation. This includes all income streams: annual giving, above dues; project funding; endowments for specific projects and general operating funds; capital development and maintenance; grants and third party income; entrepreneurial activities; etc. To join or learn more, contact Roselle Ungar at roselleungar@aol.com.

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Chesed Committee (Barbara Polikoff Katz (*chair*), Alan Katz, Lilach Taylor, Jenn Schnedier and Tzipa Chaim)

Coordinates such activities as meals for families of newborns, coordinating with the Chevra Kadisha, meals and other aid to shiva homes, visiting the sick, etc. To join or learn more, contact Barbara Polikoff-Katz at barbara.polikoff@gmail.com.

Education Committee (*no chair, no members yet!*)

Works with the rabbi, administrator and chazzan to build a comprehensive offering of Jewish and community education experiences for all members. It also represents the Congregation in community wide educational programming planning. To join or learn more, contact Rabbi Uri at Rabbi@BethIsraelNOLA.com.

Governance/Legal Committee (Sid Cotlar (*chair*), Jacob Kansas and Michael Katz)

Concerns itself with both the legal issues and contracts of the congregation as well as the decision making processes undertaken by the board. It also is responsible to periodically review and update the congregation's By-Laws so that they conform with the current wishes of the board and membership. To join or learn more, contact Sid Cotlar, at SCOTLAR@hhkc.com.

Ritual Committee (Irwin Lachoff (*chair*), Alan Katz, Myron Goldberg)

Directs duties of ushers at services, coordinates aliyot and readings by members during the High Holy Days services, studies ritual practices at its meetings with clergy for greater understanding and personal enrichment, works with clergy to develop service structure and ritual practices within the synagogue and to educate the congregation about those developments. To join or learn more, contact Irwin, at ilachoff@hotmail.com.

Hospitality Committee (*no chair, no members yet!*)

Prepares all meals served in the synagogue, welcoming new members by providing a newcomers package, making sure people who want home hospitality for meals and/or the full Shabbat experience have a place to stay, etc. To join or learn more, contact Rabbi David.

Accessibility Committee (*no chair, no members yet!*)

Its mission is to create a synagogue community that provides the full halachik opportunities for all worshipers to participate in religious and communal life. Contact Rabbi Uri for more info.

Cemetery Committee (Marshall Gerson, *chair*)

Oversees the management of Beth Israel's cemeteries.

All are invited to participate in these committees to help strengthen our congregational community. Be a part of our story.