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## A MESSAGE FROM RABBI KAPLAN

Please check out Rabbi Kaplan's Blog  
For photos, interesting notes and more at:

<https://www.danakaplan.com>

### A Snippet of Reform Jewish history - Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise and the Trefa Banquet

I want to tell you a little bit about the history of Judaism in America and particularly that of Reform Judaism. As a Reform Temple, we are the heirs of a long and rich history. As you might imagine, much of that history was quite contentious. But while today most of our conflicts seem to be personality-based, in the old days it was both personality and ideology that determined who was going to be fighting whom. There were two major approaches to Reform Judaism in nineteenth-century America. Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise, who arrived from Bohemia in 1846, became the undisputed leader of the moderate wing. Wise has been one of my rabbinic heroes throughout my career.

Wise was interested in creating a distinctively American Judaism that would be compelling to Jews of all kinds living throughout the United States. He was not trying to create an American Reform movement, something that might surprise many of us. Rather he was trying to create a broad set of organizations that could cater to almost all American Jews, ranging from almost to orthodox to extremely Reform. Wise would fail to do this and much of the blame at the time was attributed to one fancy catered dinner!

Wise wrote prolifically for his own newspapers and published a number of books, but he was regarded by some of the East Coast rabbis as a self-taught dilettante who was constantly confusing concepts and Warping serious theological ideas. While there may have been some truth to this impression, it was entirely beside the point. Wise was an institution builder, not a theoretician. Wise had a tremendous amount of energy and he was constantly traveling throughout the Midwest and beyond to help congregations. I know this because I looked at the microfilm of his newspapers in which he recorded all of his activities.

Wise began his rabbinical career at Congregation Beth-El in Albany, New York, where he got into a conflict with some of the members of the board. Part of the reason may have been that he was pushing for reforms that the board members felt were too radical. Yet Wise was also insisting that board members should close their stores on Shabbat, which was hardly something you would expect from a radical left-winger. In any case, the conflict escalated and in the fall of 1850 the board sent him a letter effectively ending his employment just before Rosh Hashanah.

He refused to accept the dismissal and showed up in the synagogue anyway, provoking Louis Spanier, the president, who then took a swing at Wise! It was just as the ark was being opened to begin the Torah service and Wise stepped forward to take the Torah out of the Ark. I guess the president thought that if he let Wise do that, the entire congregation would think that Wise was still the rabbi, so he must have thought quickly and he decided to try to knock the rabbi down or perhaps knock the rabbi out!

The sanctuary erupted in chaos and services had to be stopped. Wise's supporters then established a new congregation, Anshe Emeth, the People of Truth. When they were looking for a building, they found a church for sale, but it did not have anywhere they could put a women's section. As a result, Wise's congregation—and subsequently all American Reform congregations—sat men and women together.

Wise later took the pulpit of Congregation B'nai Jeshurun in Cincinnati, where he spent the rest of his life building what became the largest American Jewish denomination. That was not, however, his original goal. Like a number of other American Jewish leaders, Wise was trying to unify all American Jewry under a single banner. Already in 1847, Wise prepared a manuscript of a prayer book, entitled "Minhag America," which he intended for use by all the congregations in the country. The Hebrew minhag literally meant custom, but in this context it referred to a ritual style considered normative among a certain group. Wise expected his liturgy would become the American Jewish approach to prayer. He was to be disappointed.

Wise wanted congregations to adopt the same prayer book as the first step toward creating a union of congregations that could help to minimize the prevailing religious anarchy. In 1848 he issued a call to ministers and other Israelites to come together to begin planning a national union of Jewish congregations. Others had advocated the same idea but had been unable to bring together the many combative personalities, all of whom were zealously trying to guard their own turf.

But Wise persevered. He established his own newspaper, the Israelite, in 1854 (renamed the American Israelite in 1874), and traveled around the country—particularly the Midwest—helping numerous congregations and performing various ceremonies. Finally, in 1873 he was able to help one of his lay leaders establish a national synagogue organization, called the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC). The name of the organization is telling—the word Reform is nowhere to be found. This omission was by no means coincidental.



## NOTES FROM OUR CANTOR

If you have decided that this column is probably about asking singers to come forth and volunteer to potentially be a part of our once-a-month choir, you may be on to something. However, I should begin with a sales pitch on what the act of singing (in or not in the choir) can offer to one. Firstly, any attempt at singing, be it beautiful or painful to the ear, will, by its very nature, have some feeling attached to it. Whatever the emotion it evokes, that feeling may find its expression in a healthful manner. In fact, singing has long been a source of expression and, quite importantly, healing. King Saul found relief, albeit temporary, from his post-traumatic stress from hands-on war, by listening to the soothing voice and harp-plucking of David, the shepherd.

These days, the human voice sings to induce many moods and, ominously, may soon be imitated by a soulless artificial intelligence. A.I. will have it much easier than we humans, because the 'real' voice is a relentless task master. Unlike other instruments one might play, there is no putting the voice on a shelf or in a case for safe keeping. One's voice goes wherever one goes: ball games to cheer them to victory; noisy restaurants, trying to converse with friends many seats away; outside in the worst weather. Then there are colds, sore throats, and plain yelling, and yet, whispering may prove just as harmful to laryngitis. So, is all this fuss for singing's sake a bad investment? I mean, really...how do we learn to use an instrument we can't buy or even see? Is it worth it? Well, no other instrument is capable of such a range of emotions. Birds may seem to 'sing', but our singing voices combine heartfelt tones in melody (now, here's the biggie) with words! We *homo sapiens* may express ourselves using more than simply one method. Now, perhaps, add some liturgy and inwardly recreate the depth and beauty of our Torah while adding God's gift to us: the human voice.

Not all voices are created equally. Some are magnificent, others prove to be usable. Unless trained by a professional or by natural gifts, one cannot know what one's developed voice is going to sound like. God only knows. I have been assured that to Adonai, all those whose voices are raised in prayer, are blessed. Singing is not just for those professionals; all who come to musical prayer with a heart yearning to be heard, should and truly must sing. Personally, I am not waiting to see if I make the angel choir before I can sing openly. So, let's sing together, right here at TBS, whether in the choir to be formed, or in the congregation, or even at home with us on YouTube. Let us, "make a joyful noise unto God"!

*Baruch Koritan*



## MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

**Fay Henning-Bryant**



Dear Members of Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley,

It was almost two years ago that I sat down at my desk to write my first message to you after being elected President of this congregation. I was humbled to have been entrusted with this honor. I also wrote that I believe that serving as President of a synagogue is not just a leadership responsibility - it is an emotional link to generations of Jews who have gone before us, and those who will come after us. I feel that same way today, only more so.

I had previously served on the Board of Directors of Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation for 12 years in various leadership positions, including President-elect, and I had served as President of several not-for-profit organizations in Indianapolis and Goodyear (AZ). I understood – from my friendship with other Reform congregation Presidents - that serving as a temple President was not an easy job. I accepted the commitment and the obligation with my eyes open. I thought I was prepared for the two-year road ahead. In retrospect, I'm quite sure that past presidents of TBS will agree with me that there is no way anyone can be fully prepared for what lies ahead for a new Temple President!

As I reflect on the past two years, I have to thank the Board of Directors as a collective body for taking the time, struggling with, and ultimately taking action with respect to many difficult, and some controversial, subjects. The list is long, but these are examples:

- Responding to the many challenges presented to the congregation by the COVID-19 virus, not the least of which was the difficult decision to require our members and guests to provide proof of having been vaccinated in order to attend services in person at TBS (and the resulting loss of members because they disagree with the position of the board)
- Approving new categories of membership at TBS as one way to help grow the congregation
- Spending months researching and adopting a policy that prohibits members and visitors from carry weapons into our building
- Doing the research that enabled the Board to learn that our financial difficulties did not take root in the COVID pandemic, but that the Temple had been experiencing income shortfalls for many years and had become dependent on the Endowment to make up the difference
- Realizing that we had to find a way in which we could encourage our members who had the ability to pay higher dues than the basic dues at TBS by introducing the “Above and Beyond” program
- After careful study, discussion of options, requesting input from members, and studying what other congregations have done to accept the reality that to keep our doors open we will have to lease out part of our large and underutilized building.

## MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT CONT'D

I thank our staff for all the help they have given me to make sure I knew the administrative things the President of a small congregation has to do. They are very patient and they have been so supportive and generous with their time.

I am also indebted to Rabbi Kaplan for his wisdom and guidance when my knowledge as a lay leader just wasn't enough. My job was made easier because our Rabbi loves being with people and is always available when asked by a congregant for help or support with a personal or family matter. I also benefited from his intellect and his commitment to teaching and learning.

In 2018, when I was asked by a member of the Nominating Committee if I would agree to be nominated for a VP position at TBS, I responded that I didn't think it was a wise thing to do. Although I had 12 great years in lay leadership positions with another Reform congregation, and I had been very fortunate to have benefited from lay leadership training provided by the URJ, I had only been a member of Temple Beth Shalom (the second time) for a year. I believed that my lack of TBS institutional knowledge and the fact that I didn't know many members (and most members didn't know me) was detrimental to the congregation. I finally agreed to accept being nominated, with the understanding that temple leaders who had this knowledge would be available to me when I asked for help. Six months later I became 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, with the understanding that I would be nominated 1 ½ years later for the position of President. That made my concern about my lack of institutional knowledge all the more important to me. That concern was magnified when I did become President, because I did not have an immediate past president who I could call on for information. So, I did ask these leaders— on many occasions. Not once did they decline. They know who they are and I am indebted to them and I have thanked them repeatedly for how generous they have been with their time, their institutional knowledge, and their support. I would like to thank them publicly, but they are not the type who want public recognition, for which I have further deep respect.

Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley is a wonderful congregation. I always had the best interests of this congregation in everything I did as President. It truly has been an honor to serve as President for the past two years. I plan to stay involved and I look forward to being a supportive member of this congregation. As a former employee once said to me, "It's time to just be a Jew in the pew".

Thank you for your help, your support, and for having given me this opportunity to service this congregation for the past two years.

Shalom.

# BULLETIN BOARD

June 2023

**6/2 Friday**

7 pm Shabbat Services

**6/6 Tuesday**

6:30 pm Membership Meeting

**6/7 Wednesday**

11:00 am Torah Study

1:00 pm Caring Committee

**6/8 Thursday**

2:00 pm Executive Board Meeting

**6/9 Friday**

7:00 pm Shabbat Services

**6/14 Wednesday**

9:00 am Outreach Committee

11:00 am Torah Study

**6/15 Thursday**

11:00 am Religious Practices Meeting

**6/16 Friday**

7:00 pm Shabbat Services

**6/18 Sunday**

10:00 am General Board Meeting

**6/21 Wednesday**

11:00 am Torah Study

**6/23 Friday**

7:00 pm Shabbat Services

**6/28 Wednesday**

11:00 am Torah Study

**6/30 Friday**

7:00 pm Shabbat Services

## Every Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Zoom

Our next Zoom meeting is on Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. The reading is Numbers, Parashat Shelach-Lecha, Perek Bet, *The Meaning of Wearing Tzitzit, or "Fringes"*, pages 42-44 of A Torah Commentary for our Times, Volume Three: Numbers and Deuteronomy by Harvey J. Fields.

### June Torah Discussions

**June 7, 2023 Numbers, Parashat Shelach-Lecha, Perek Bet, *The Meaning of Wearing Tzitzit, or "Fringes"***

**June 14, 2023 Numbers, Parashat Korah, Perek Alef, *Korah's Rebellion: A Deadly Dispute***

**June 21, 2023 Numbers, Parashat Korah, Perek Bet, *Magic and Miracles in Jewish Tradition***

**June 28, 2023 Numbers, Parashat Chukat, Perek Alef, *The Parah Adumah: What is the Meaning of This Strange Ritual?***

New participants are always welcome to our free and lively study of Torah. Our discussions are led by Rabbi Kaplan. We read the text in English and consider the individual topics in each parsha. Throughout each section we cover the most important themes and present the varying, and often clashing, opinions of Jewish interpreters throughout the ages. With each session we ask two basic questions: "What is the Torah session about?" and "What meaning can this portion have for us?"

Please contact the TBS office to register for the discussions if you have not previously done so.

Phone 623-977-3240 or email Charlotte Trujillo at [charlottetbsaz@gmail.com](mailto:charlottetbsaz@gmail.com) and a copy of the weekly text will be emailed to you.

Charlotte Trujillo  
Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley  
[tbsaz.org](http://tbsaz.org)





## CONGRATULATIONS TO TEMPLE MEMBER KAREN CARNOW

Karen Carnow's artwork to be exhibited at Eisenberg Gallery IN OMAHA, NEBRASKA FROM JULY 1 TO AUGUST 1, 2023.

A painter and visual artist, Karen was raised in a tight-knit Jewish community in Omaha. She moved to Arizona to attend Arizona State University where she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Education. Karen has been an art educator for over 30 years focusing on K-8 education and she created an art program for the Temple Chai preschool.

Pictured is some of her artwork which will be on exhibit. View more of Karen's artwork (which are available for sale) on her website, [karencarnowart.com](http://karencarnowart.com). Karen also does commission work and pet portraits, [Dogdoodler.com](http://Dogdoodler.com)



Menorah, mixed media on canvas



The Sea, mixed media, 12"x 12



Old Market, acrylic on canvas, 20" x 24"



**Saturday morning shabbat service group**

**Thank you Judy & Gene Neigoff for hosting the Saturday Shabbat Services and  
brunch.**

**A wonderful time was had by all.**





# BROTHERHOOD MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

MAY 7, 2023

**A BIG THANK YOU TO BROTHERHOOD FOR HOSTING A FABULOUS MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH. BESIDES THE WONDERFUL FOOD AND COMRADERIE, WE WERE ENTERTAINED BY THE UKELADIES, A FUN GROUP FROM THE SUN CITY UKELELE CLUB. A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL!**



TEMPLE BETH SHALOM SHOFAR

SUN CITY, AZ



# LIBRARY NEWS

4/27/2023

## CHECK OUT THE NEW LOOK AND NEW BOOKS IN THE TBS LIBRARY

Recently the library committee requested that the Larry Mattal Trust fund, established in honor of Larry's wife Edith, fund the purchase of two groups of National Jewish Book Award winners for the TBS Library. We're happy to report that the first group of new books is now on the shelves in the Edith Mattal Library. Books may be checked out for 2 weeks, except for reference materials.

Each of the new books listed below won a 2021 National Jewish Book Award (see <https://www.jewishbookcouncil.org/>). The list does not include works for children or teens, but their needs can be addressed later. The purchase of the 2022 National Jewish Book Award winners is also being funded by the Mattal Trust. The 2022 award books will be available in the library later this summer. These 2 groups of books will provide TBS congregants with a broad selection of well-regarded current books.

### THE BOOK LIST

| <b>2021 Award Name</b>                         | <i>book name in italics</i> (includes a link to information on the book).<br>Author, Publisher.  |
|--|--|
| <b>American Jewish Studies</b>                 | <i>A Fortress in Brooklyn: Race, Real Estate, and the Making of Hasidic Williamsburg,</i><br>Nathaniel Deutsch and Michael Casper, Yale University Press   |
| <b>Autobiography and Memoir</b>                | <i>The Empathy Diaries: A Memoir,</i><br>Sherry Turkle, Penguin  |
| <b>Biography (Jewish Book of the Year)</b>     | <i>To Repair a Broken World: The Life of Henrietta Szold, Founder of Hadassah,</i><br>Dvora Hacoheh, Foreword by Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Harvard University Press   |
| <b>Book Club</b>                               | <i>The Golem and the Jinni (Book 1), and The Hidden Palace (Bk. 2),</i><br>Helene Wecker, HarperCollins Publishers for both volumes  |
| <b>Contemporary Jewish Life &amp; Practice</b> | <i>People Love Dead Jews,</i><br>Dara Horn, W. W. Norton & Company   |
| <b>Debut Fiction</b>                           | <i>A Play for the End of the World,</i><br>Jai Chakrabarti, Alfred A. Knopf  |
| <b>Education and Jewish Identity</b>           | Hardcover <i>Jewish Cultural Studies</i> 478 pages,<br>Simon J. Bronner, Wayne State University Press  |
| <b>Fiction</b>                                 | <i>The Netanyahu's: An Account of a Minor and Ultimately Even Negligible Episode in the History of a Very Famous Family,</i><br>Joshua Cohen, New York Review Books. (It also won the 2022 Pulitzer Prize for fiction) |
| <b>Food Writing &amp; Cookbooks</b>            | <i>Bene Appétit: The Cuisine of Indian Jews,</i><br>Esther David, HarperCollins Publishers India   |
| <b>History</b>                                 | <i>The House of Fragile Things,</i><br>James McAuley, Yale University Press  |
| <b>Holocaust</b>                               | <i>The Ravine: A Family, a Photograph, a Holocaust Massacre Revealed,</i><br>Wendy Lower, Mariner Books (previously Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)   |
| <b>Modern Jewish Thought &amp; Experience</b>  | <i>Torah in a Time of Plague: Historical and Contemporary Jewish Responses,</i><br>Erin Leib Smokler, ed., Ben Yehuda Press  |

## LIBRARY NEWS CONTINUED

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|---|---|
| <b>Poetry</b>                             | <i>The Book of Anna</i> ,<br>Joy Ladin, EOAGH Books   |
| <b>Scholarship</b>                        | <i>Jews and Their Roman Rivals: Pagan Rome's Challenge to Israel</i> ,<br>Katell Berthelot, Princeton University Press  |
| <b>Sephardic Culture</b>                  | <i>The Memory Work of Jewish Spain</i> part of a series, Sephardi and Mizrahi<br>Studies,<br>Daniela Flesler and Adrián Pérez Melgosa, Indiana University Press |
| <b>Women Studies</b>                      | <i>The Light of Days</i> , The untold story of women resistance fighters in<br>Hitler's ghettos,<br>Judy Batalion, William Morrow                               |
| <b>Writing Based on Archival Material</b> | <i>International Jewish Humanitarianism in the Age of the Great War</i> ,<br>Granick, Cambridge University Press  |

VISIT SOON. ENJOY THE MATTAL LIBRARY'S NEW LOOKS & NEW BOOKS  
The Library Committee: Ellen Klingsberg, Roberta Jacobson & Beryl Jacobson





*A chavurah is a small group of like-minded Jews who assemble for the purposes of sharing communal activities, experiences such as lifecycle events, or Jewish learning.*

TBS members with similar interests, let's get together and create some Chavurots! Attend regularly and make your small group a priority. Work together to make the meetings something to look forward to. There are current TBS members who joined a Chavurah 20 years ago and are still connected to this day.

If there's sufficient interest, we'll have a large group meeting where you'll come together here at the temple then break off into small, like-minded groups. You'll take it from there, deciding the details about meeting times and places. Members will take turns hosting, planning, and executing. Enjoy!

Here are a few ideas:

- New TBS Member
- Cooking or Baking
- Photography
- Crafts
- Cards or Games (Bunco, Rummy Q)
- Illinois Bunch for Brunch
- New York Bunch for Brunch
- Duolingo Hebrew
- Coffee Connoisseurs
- Homemade Ice Cream Socials
- Tea Parties
- Music and the Arts
- Bowling

Please call the TBS office (623.977.3240) or email Charlotte Trujillo [charlottetbsaz@gmail.com](mailto:charlottetbsaz@gmail.com) and let us know your ideas, suggestions, and interests.



# JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 6/1 Howard K. Lonn
- 6/9 Joan Perlis
- 6/9 Lee Shedroff
- 6/12 Louis Gadless
- 6/17 Richard Lieber
- 6/17 Susan Rankin
- 6/24 Jeffrey Blum
- 6/25 Kelvin Arthur
- 6/25 Miriam Burdette
- 6/25 Donna Fischer
- 6/25 Fay Henning-Bryant



# JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 6/1 Warren & Fern Bentkover 37th
- 6/5 Jeffrey & Susan Blum 46th
- 6/11 Norman & Ellen Winderlich 51st
- 6/16 Arnold & Andrea Alpert 55th
- 6/16 Beryl & Roberta Jacobson 57th
- 6/24 David & Barbara Rudzin 41st
- 6/25 Alan & Dr. Marilyn Meyerowitz 56th
- 6/29 Eugene & Elizabeth Mitofsky 54th



## TEMPLE BETH SHALOM GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGES THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS

You may donate to the Temple in many ways. The designated Temple Funds are listed below with a brief description of each. When making your donation, please designate your fund of choice.

### General Operating Fund

#### In Memory of:

**Helen Rothschild**

Jonathan Green

**Selma Ephross**

Lee Siegelson

**Gloria Sitzman**

Steven Sitzman

**David Mendelsohn**

David & Sheila Lovinger

**Brandon Edelstein**

**Revenn Edelstein**

David Edelstein

**Faye Katz**

Dave & Pam Katz

**Dora Seawald**

Sylvia Brown

**Lillian Bentkover**

Warren Bentkover

### In Appreciation & Support of:

**Temple Beth Shalom**

Bernard Feinberg

### Congratulations

**Roz Goldstein on becoming**

**President of Sisterhood**

Nan & Rich Lieber

### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:

#### In Loving Memory of:

**Morris Savage**

Miriam Burdette

**Sarah Jay**

Minia Kalish

**Simon Horowitz**

Susan Rankin

### Education Fund:

#### In Loving Memory of:

**Anna Rudzin**

David & Barbara Rudzin

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#### In Memory of:

### Mattal Memorial Library Fund:

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Maggie Williamson

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**Benjamin Scheier**

**Anna Hermann**

Judith Adams

**Jack Sokofsky**

**Jennie Winderlich**

Norman & Ellen Winderlich

### Choir Fund:

#### In Memory of:

**Al Corbin**

Rob Corbin

**Sam Pezzner**

Brenda Linderman

Honor the memory of a beloved family member or friend with a **memorial plaque** mounted in the Sanctuary. You may also celebrate a simcha with a leaf on our Tree of Life displayed in the lobby.

## FRONT DESK HELP

IS NEEDED TO GREET AND CHECK IN GUESTS FOR FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES. IT IS VITAL THAT WE HAVE SOMEONE AT THE FRONT DESK.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO TAKE AT LEAST ONE FRIDAY NIGHT. I WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE THE HELP.

PLEASE CALL CARMEN BERKOWITZ 623-444-6156

## TREE OF LIFE



Consistent with our belief, our Tree of Life on the Lobby wall next to the office commemorates simchas and life cycle events, such as special birthdays, anniversaries, or Bar & Bat Mitzvahs with an engraved leaf. We look forward to members making a contribution to the Temple and honoring their loved ones or commemorating an event by adding a leaf to the tree in their name.

Each leaf is a **\$200.00 donation to the synagogue**. This is a lovely way to commemorate a special milestone for your family and support Temple Beth Shalom.

Please call Nan Rubin-Lieber at 623-933-1412, or the Temple office at 623-977-3240, to order your special leaf.



## INFORMATION FROM YOUR TBS SISTERHOOD PRESIDENT ROZ GOLDSTEIN

The Sisterhood meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month. Check your calendars for dates and join us.

### *Judaica Boutique*

The Boutique is located in the main lobby. We stock a lovely selection of cards, holiday items, candles, jewelry, mezuzahs, tallit, and other gift items.

The Boutique is available:

- During the week the office staff will be happy to open the shop for your purchases anytime between 9:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
- Will open on Wednesdays, by appointment only. Please call Judy Fagen at (623) 210-1684 to set up your appointment.

### *Special Oneg*

Bereavement "Meal of Consolation" Families of a member can call Yolanda Schatz at (623) 566-6686 to make arrangements for a meal at the Temple.

## BIMAH FLOWER & FOOD BASKET FUND

Contributions are always appreciated. Make checks payable to  
TBS Sisterhood and send them to the office.



**IN MEMORY OF.....RELATIONSHIP.....CONTRIBUTOR.....BIMA FUND.....FRIDAY NIGHT DATE**

- Aaron Fogel-----Father-----Sharyn Helbon-----Food Basket-----05/26/23
- Rose Jacobs-----Mother-in-Law----- Phyllis Jacobs-----Food Basket-----05/26/23
- Selma Ephross-----Sister-----Lee Siegelson-----Flower Bouquet-----06/16/23
- Jack Jacobs-----Husband-----Phyllis Jacobs-----Food Basket-----06/23/23

Many People contribute to the Flower Bouquet & Food Basket Funds “in memory of”, but did you know that you can also contribute to these funds “in honor of” to help someone special celebrate a birthday, anniversary or any other kind of Simcha?

This is Sisterhood’s major fundraiser. We use it to make donations to local food banks, but the major portion is given to our temple whenever a need arises, such as a copier, a computer and new kitchen appliances like a refrigerator and dishwasher. We are always there to help.

Please help by contributing.



## **TEMPLE BETH SHALOM CARING COMMITTEE**

Temple Beth Shalom has an active Caring Committee. We specialize in building connections to our congregants during times of health crisis and beyond.

Our connections are personal, physical, spiritual and caring. We do not wish any member to feel alone or afraid during illness. We have been dedicated caregivers for many, many years.

Our first response is to reach out via telephone calls. We will help to answer questions, finding the proper care and the right sources of professional help. We place our at-risk congregants on our Misheberach list on a weekly basis. Prayers have marvelous healing powers. The close contact and gentle embraces we provide help you on the road to recovery.

**If you are ill or know someone who is ill, please contact:**

**Mary Gill Savoren, Chairperson at: 623-266-9707**

**Judy Fagen: 623-210-1684**

**Roz Goldstein: 623-972-3070**

**Larry Gorelick: 602.403.7775**

**TEMPLE BETH SHALOM'S GRIEF GROUP WILL NOT BE HOLDING  
SESSIONS DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS.  
THE GRIEF GROUP WILL RECONVENE IN SEPTEMBER**



# TEMPLE BETH SHALOM OF THE WEST VALLEY

**SANCTUARY CHAIR SPONSOR PLAQUES FINALLY ON SALE AGAIN**



Chair plaques are available for purchase for \$200 each. We only have 30 sanctuary chairs left that don't have sponsor plaques on the back of them.

Plaques are 3" x 3/4 " and there is room for two lines.

Note: Sponsorship does not include private rights to the use of the chair, it will always be open to all.

Members may call the Temple at 623 977-3240 to place their order, or call Nan Rubin Lieber at 623 933-1412 or return this form along with payment to TBS  
12202 N 101st Ave. Sun City, AZ 85351



Donated by  
Bill and Esther Sather

example

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

your plaque

\_\_\_\_\_ Doner (you)

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone

More than one plaque? Just duplicate the above form.

## NAME BADGE INFORMATION

It was recommended by the Membership Committee and voted on by the Board of Directors that the board members, trustees and committee chairs, as well as, TBS staff wear a personalized name badge to all temple functions. Any member of the temple who wishes to purchase a name badge may do so at the cost of **\$10**.

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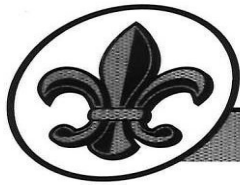
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