Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley

Sun City, AZ

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TBS WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

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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

September 2024 Our New High Holiday Machzor

We're going to be able to start praying from our new High Holy Day prayer Book *Mishkan HaNefesh* next month. We want to thank Steve and Gloria Bold for donating 100 of these sets, starting the process of our Temple being able to acquire enough machzorim for all. We want to thank everyone who has donated additional sets as well as those who have purchased copies for their personal use.

I wrote about this wonderful machzor in the March Shofar and I wanted to give you additional information. *Mishkan Hanefesh: Machzor for the Days of Awe* is the Union of Reform Judaism's official prayer book for the High Holidays. It is published by the CCAR Press, the publishing arm of the Reform movement. There is a gold-colored prayer book for Rosh Hashanah and a silver colored one for Yom Kippur. The Mishkan HaNefesh text is in Hebrew, English, and transliteration.

One of the adult education courses in September is going to focus on high holiday prayers as reflected in Mishkan HaNefesh. Taking this course will help you to familiarize yourself with this particular prayer book which will help to make the services more familiar and more meaningful. We will also go through some of the songs of the High Holy Days which will help you to understand and appreciate this music.

One of the things I like is there is an inclusive and egalitarian spirit to the prayers allowing everyone to feel that they are included. For those of you who have taken the course America's Four Gods which we ran three or four times over the past few years, you are aware that in our Temple we encourage people to develop one of four perspectives on what you believe God is.

What is wonderful is that these High Holy Day prayer books offer prayers that correspond to these religious perspectives. We may have very different beliefs, but we can pray as a unified community utilizing a pluralistic and diverse prayer book. There is intellectual honesty meaning that we don't want to say things that we know to be untrue historically or theologically.

The structure of Mishkan HaNefesh will be familiar to those of us who have already been praying from Mishkan T'Filah. The machzor works like our Siddur, the Shabbat prayer book. *Mishkan HaNefesh* is multi-layered. There are three kinds of pages – there are white, gray and blue pages.

Let me tell you about each color page. The white pages have three basic elements which include a traditional Hebrew prayer, a faithful translation, and importantly a transliteration to allow those who don't read Hebrew letters to use English sounds to be able to read with us even in Hebrew. The gray tinted pages are for alternative translations, poems, counter-texts, and creative readings. The blue tinted pages are for study texts or silent meditations. These readings come from rabbinic sources, beginning with the classical rabbinic tradition all the way up to contemporary Reform rabbinical thoughts.

It is a distinctively Reform prayer book and yet so modern. It reflects a modern sensibility and sensitivity. Editor Rabbi Ed Goldberg says, "We believe the Reform nature will be evident in its commitment to the equality of men and women'; in its faithfulness to the ethical dimension of Judaism and, perhaps most of all, in its effort to deal with the tension between the historical theology of the High Holy Days and more contemporary beliefs."

Our God and God of all generations before us, May It Be Your Will in the coming year to grant us a year of blessings bestowed and received. Grant us a year of gratitude to you for the most profound blessings – your gift of life – and let us say, Amen. Rosh Hashanah begins on the evening of October 2, 2024 and we look forward to greeting the new year with our new *Mishkan HaNefesh: Machzor for the Days of Awe*.



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NOTES FROM OUR CANTOR

Our High Holy Days frequently coincide with the month of September --- but not *this* time. On October 2nd, 5785 will be heralded by the great sounding of the shofar. However, it's never too early to contemplate the promise of these special events. And one may ask, and what promise do they portend...for me? The Days of Awe can change what we may choose to change about ourselves, that's all. So, I ask, what is a surefire method that can achieve such an end without a direct attack? What mode floats beyond bounds and material blockages? (This page is, "Notes from the Cantor," so the answer must be....music!) A soulful melody cannot be imprisoned nor its message erased from one's memory. The first step into the world of the soul is to be free of material boundaries. Music accomplishes this seemingly impossible act very deftly.

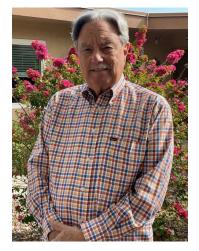
The Kabbalists profess that freeing ourselves from the lowest soul level (*nefesh*, the survival level) requires shedding dependence on biological life demands and traps since the survival mode creates a myriad of habits, patterns, and vows that bind us. We must be free from constraints to truly grow. Accordingly, Kol Nidre (*All vows will be null and void*) is repeated three times, which corresponds to the three soul garments of thought, speech, and action. This may sound a bit deep but, again, 'sound' is the key word.

When the cantor chants the ideas or the cello plays the iconic melody --- truly, an "unchained melody," one may find it difficult to resist its pervasive pleading. First, it offers the willing listener a harmonic whisper that invites you to come into its rich lair of disavows coated with commanding notes which defy distraction. By the third rendition's finale, one should be unable to resist the beckoning of the music's inherent quality which is programmed to remove the involved listener from lugubrious labyrinths that led nowhere. Thus, the score board will show: All vows: dead; New year: freedom to 'return again" --- and the winner is... the New Year!

These seemingly long hours of learning, repetition, and attention should make way for true growth. Sincere undisturbed attention is often hard fought these days. Each participant may develop an overwhelming desire to make this opportunity a reality:- to be given another go at it! Well, commitment means much honest work is ahead. Oh, and there is no free lunch, especially on Yom Kippur. What must be done now is a review of all the wrongs that may or may not have been committed. The lofty goal is to accept responsibility for change after partnering with God:- to give and take forgiveness with humility and resolve. "O God who is awesome indeed," (*El Nora Alilah*) a soul waking hymn, attributed to Moses in Ezra of 11th Century Spain, proclaims: "Pardon at Thy people's cry/As the closing hour draws nigh,." It refers to the last hours of the Day of Atonement, when God opens all of the gates of heaven. This time-tested catharsis, which is Yom Kippur, will soon be complete. We may resume our daily lives with a sense of having lived through delicate operation and survived renewed.

And so, after the onslaught to all our self-pats on the back, the rabbi will have laid down the law, the cantor will have lifted up the voice, and after much stomach grumbling is added to the mix, our ever-perfecting personal world is made whole again!

Baruch Koritan



MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT Stephen Bold

Security at the Temple

One of the most important aspects of my position as President of TBS is keeping the Temple and our flock secure. But I don't do it alone, we have Bonnie Longmire and her security team of dedicated Temple members.

There are many more agencies providing security focus, including local and national law enforcement.

One group that has been operating in the shadows specifically working to insure the safety of the Jewish Community is the "Secure Jewish Network" <u>https://www.securecommunitynetwork.org/</u> They provide TBS with training and access to resources to help protect TBS.

The SCN recently made the evening news. Please click on the link below to learn more about the organization.

How one group is leading the nationwide effort to track antisemitic threats

https://www.cbsnews.com/news/nationwide-effort-track-antisemitic-threats-secure-community-network/? intcid=CNM-00-10abd1h



Machzor Sales for the High Holidays

Sept 3, is the last day to get your order in for normal shipment of HH machzor. Please call the office with your order.

Genizah

Do you have some old bibles, machzor, Haggadah's or other religious books that have been gathering dust and should be properly disposed of? Well, the Temple has old books also. We will have a ceremony September 18th at a Genizah (a burial facility) set aside for that purpose. So, any religious book that you would like to dispose of please take them to the Temple and put in the alcove to the right of the front door. Your books will be taken care of. Feel free to join us at Sunland Cemetery on Sept 18th at 8:30 AM with your books for burial.

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Wearing a Tallit for Honors at Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley

Members of Temple Beth Shalom – or any other Reform Jewish congregation – are not required to wear a tallit or kippah at any time during religious services, although many of our members do so – especially during the High Holy days. Neither the Union for Reform Judaism (URJ) nor the Central Conference of American Rabbis (CCAR) require persons who hold or carry a Torah, or who recite the blessing before or after the reading of the Torah or the Haftorah, to wear a tallit.

When Carrying or Holding a Torah or Reciting a Blessing

It is the practice at TBS to wear a tallit when carrying or holding a Torah. Similarly, many at TBS choose to observe this practice when reciting the blessing before or after the reading of the Torah or the Haftorah. Rabbi Kaplan thinks it is a practice we should observe. However, it is not a mandate to do so.

When Sitting on the Bimah

Members of TBS who accept the honor of sitting on the Bimah (with or without responsibilities) during a service are not expected to wear a tallit. However, Rabbi Kaplan thinks it would be nice for Bimah participants to wear one and for our Temple community to see members on the Bimah wearing a tallit. We hope that members who accept Bimah honors will give serious consideration to doing so.

TBS provides a tallit rack with tallitot in the lobby just before the entry doors to the sanctuary. These tallitot are available to anyone to borrow for wearing during a service. We just ask that if you borrow one, you fold it and return it to the rack after the service. There is usually a "spare" tallit or two folded up and sitting on the top of a bookshelf along the wall leading to the sanctuary. Any of these can also be borrowed for wearing during a service.

Please let the Rabbi know if you would like to discuss anything related to this matter of wearing a tallit at TBS.



September 2024

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Labor Day—Temple office is closed.

<u>9/4</u>

11:00 AM Torah Study

<u>9/5</u>

10:00 AM Why did the Bible begin? class

<u>9/6</u>

7:00 PM Shabbat Evening Service

<u>9/8</u>

9:00 AM Religious School Welcome

<u>9/9</u>

10:00 AM High Holy Days Prayer Class

9/10

10:00 AM Outreach Meeting

1:00 PM Program Committee Meeting

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11:00 AM Torah Study 1:00 PM Adult Education Committee Meeting

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10:00 AM Why did the Bible begin? class 1:30 PM Team TBS Meeting

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7:00 PM Shabbat Evening Service

<u>9/14</u>

10:30 AM Shabbat Saturday Service

<u>9/15</u>

9:00 AM Religious School 10:00 AM General Board Meeting

<u>9/16</u>

10:00 AM High Holy Day Prayers Class 2:00 PM Sisterhood Chai Tea 9/17 3:00 PM Trivia Game Competition 9/18 8:30 AM Genizah Burial 11:00 AM Torah Study 9/19 10:00 AM Why did the Bible begin? class 11:30 AM Religious Practices Meeting <u>9/20</u> 7:00 PM Shabbat Evening Service 9/22 9:00 AM Religious School 3:00PM Ice Cream Social-Open House & Welcome Back 9/23 10:00 AM High Holy Days Prayers Class 9/25 11:00 AM Torah Study 9/26 10:00 AM Why did the Bible begin? class 1:00 PM Security Meeting 9/27 7:00 PM Shabbat Evening Service 9/28 6:00 PM Selichot Oneg and Discussion 7:00PM Selichot Service 9/29 9:00 AM Religious School 9/30 10:00 AM High Holy Days Prayers Class

Torah Discussions

Torah Discussion Group – Every Wednesday at 11:00 AM via Zoom

Our next Torah Discussion Zoom meeting will be at 11 a.m. September 4,2024.

The reading is, Shofetim, Perek Bet "Don't Destroy the Environment, God's Precious Gift!," Pages 143-145 of A Torah Commentary for our Times, Harvey J. Fields, Volume Three: Deuteronomy.

Zoom link: <u>https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87000784481?</u> pwd=ZodLTkIvSEFHU2NjOWM5ZHpKdnpnQT09

Meeting ID: 870 0078 4481 Passcode: 079190



New participants are always welcome to our free and lively study of Torah. Please contact the TBS office at 623.977.3240 to register for the discussions if you have not previously done so.

Ritual Assistant (s) Wanted

The Religious Practices is looking for one or more individuals who will be willing to serve as Ritual Assistants on Friday night Shabbat Services. Duties would include helping to unwrap and wrap the Torah, sitting on the Bimah to open the ark, and help setting up the Shabbat candles. If more than one person would like to do this, it can be done on a rotating basis. Please contact Rabbi Kaplan or Religious Practices Chair, Nan Rubin-Lieber at 480-215-8006.





Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley will be conducting a ceremony to bury its holy books that can no longer be used.

Join us for a brief ceremony on Wednesday, September 18, 2024, at 8:30 AM at the Sunland cemetery in Sun City for a **Genizah** ceremony, which will be conducted by Rabbi Kaplan.

A **Genizah** is a repository for no longer usable Jewish books and religious articles. In keeping with the Jewish tradition, anything containing the name of God is to be respectfully buried and should never be deposited in the trash. This includes books, frayed tallit and other Jewish ritual items. At the ceremony on September 18, we will be burying bound books only.*

Members of TBS will have the opportunity to deposit their own personal copies of unusable holy books in the Genizah at this time. Please bring them with you to the ceremony.

Because covered seating will be limited, reservations are requested. Please email Patti Weiner at <u>patti.tbsaz@gmail.com</u> or call the Temple office at 623.977.3240 if you are planning to attend. A brief reception will follow the conclusion of the ceremony.

* Since this ceremony will be limited to the burial of bound holy books only, we will have another Genizah ceremony at a later date at the TBS Genizah to bury other Jewish ritual items such as a frayed tallit, old unused tefillin, etc.

WHY DID THE BIBLE BEGIN?

THURSDAYS • SEPTEMBER 5, 12, 19, & 26 • 10 - 11 AM

Have you ever asked yourself this question? Probably not!

Many books on the Bible answer the 4 W's of historical scholarship —— who, what, when, and where? Jacob Wright, of Emory University suggests that a fifth "W" question is the most intriguing, which is why?

This September, anyone interested in this topic will have the opportunity to explore this fourth question. In this four-part series we're going to look at why the Bible was written by going beyond the Bible's religious teachings to its political and social dimensions by using the writings of Jacob Wright.

Most of the important activity related to the creation of the Bible occurred in and around the time of the Babylonian exile. The Babylonians conquered Jerusalem in the summer of 586 BCE. It was expected that this would be the end of the Judeans. But that did not happen.

Instead a small group of Judeans eventually returned from Babylonian exile to their homeland in Judea. They rebuilt the temple with the permission of the Persians and tried as best as they could to reconstitute national life. At the same time groups of scribes created, edited and redacted what became the Hebrew Bible.

The scribes who worked on biblical texts during this time are much less known than the later rabbis but they may be as or more important. We will try to look at what the experience under the Babylonians was like and what they thought about the important issues of the day.

The question that we will ask is why did they do that? What were they trying to demonstrate? Did they have one central belief that was of paramount importance to them or did they have many agendas some of which may have been conflictual?

You will never be able to see the Bible again in the same way!



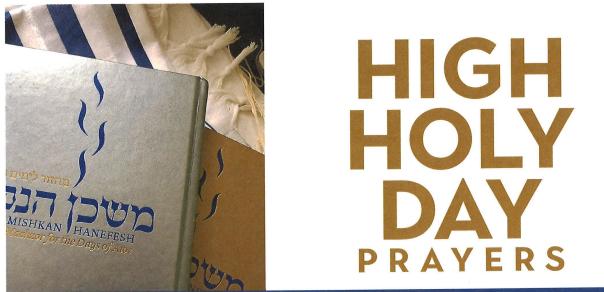
TBSWV now has coupon books for its Adult Education courses that can be used for any 4 courses beginning September 2024 through June 2025.

The cost for a book of 4 coupons for TBS members is \$65 (a 19% discount) and a book of 4 coupons for non-members is \$120 (a 17% discount). Coupon books are available at the TBS Office.

Persons who are interested in enrolling in this course should call the Temple Office at 623-977-3240 between 9 am & 3 pm, Mon. - Thurs. by September 3rd to register and pay the course fee.



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MONDAYS • SEPTEMBER 9, 16, 23, & 30 • 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley (TBSWV) presents this four-part series course that will look at some of the more important prayers of the High Holy Days. This year we will begin using a new prayer book for RoshHaShanah and Yom Kippur, called the Mishkhan Hanefesh, or the "Machzor for the Days of Awe." Although our use of this prayer book will be new for us at TBS, it was adopted by the Union for Reform Judaism several years ago and is used by Reform congregation throughout the United States.

During these four weeks, we will examine some of the more important prayers of the High Holy Days as well as look at how this prayer book differs from its predecessors. We will focus on specific liturgical compositions that are of great significance to these "days of awe." In additional to studying them carefully in English, we will listen to the music of several of them so that we will be able to identify them when they are sung during our services. This is a "hands-on" workshop for anyone who wants to learn about our High Holy Day prayers in theory and in practice.



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WHAT IS HAPPENING NOV & WHY IN ISRAEL?

MONDAYS October 7, 14, 21 & 28 10 - 11 Am



Rabbi Dana Evan Kaplan is the spiritual leader of Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley in Sun City, He has been traveling yearly to Israel – recently returning at the end of July – where he studied for this rabbinic ordination as well as for his PhD in history. The existential conflict in Iran and its proxies against Israel reaches the one-year mark the first day of this course. The massacre in Israel perpetuated by Hamas on October 7, 2024, continues to reverberate in Israel, throughout the region, and now in many parts of the world.

Over the 4 weeks of this course, we will examine what is happening right now in Israel politically and militarily. By the time this course starts, events may have changed, just as they may change during the 4 weeks of the course. So we will see what happens in real time as we meet together to discuss the continuing tumultuous events.

• The Iranian government fired missiles and drones toward Israel in an attack that would have been seen as a declaration of war under normal circumstances. Iran has very weak defenses and Israel could have easily pounded the Islamic Republic into oblivion, changing the entire dynamics of the Middle East. Why did they not do that?

• On the ground in Gaza, Israel is searching for the hostages but seems unable to find more than a few, Why?

• Hamas, seemingly on it's last legs, refuses to agree to a short term cease fire that would see it receive hundreds of important Hamas leaders and soldiers captured by Israel. Why?

The State of Israel is facing extremely serious security threat from terrorist groups based in Gaza, the West Bank, South Lebanon, Syria and Yemen – all of them supported by Iran. While this situation is extremely serious, it is also fascinating and will provide us with a great deal of information to discuss, analyze, and debate.

Course fee \$20 for members or \$35 for non-members or 1 coupon from TBSWV coupon books. Book of 4 coupons for TBS members is \$65 and a book of 4 coupons for non-members is \$120.

To enroll in this course or to purchase a coupon book call the Temple Office at 623-977-3240 between 9 am & 3 pm, Mon. - Thurs. by **October 1**st **to register & pay the course fee**. (Office will be closed from noon on October 2-5 for Rosh Hashanah holy days.)



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Help Wanted

The TBS Outreach and the TBS Membership Committees are combining their resources to accomplish a new objective, "In-Reach". We'll need additional people to accomplish this objective, so we're inviting applicants to help us.

Our overall goals are to engage more members in TBS life. For those who have recently joined, we want to introduce them to mentors within the congregation to welcome them and make introductions to the committees in which they've expressed potential interest.

For those "quiet" members that are not yet active, and who wish to become more so, we'll do the same.

If you are interested in helping out, please email Jon Green at <u>JMGreenCPA@gmail.com</u> to set up a call or meeting for more information, and an invitation to a planning meeting.

We are an equal opportunity employer, with great benefits to offer.

Social Opportunity

The mighty TBS Outreach Committee will sponsor a recruiting event for membership in a new club Arts & Culture. Members of this club will investigate area performance and art show type opportunities, arrange group tours or tickets, pre-event dinners, and after-event discussions. Members of the current TBS Book Club are welcome with no additional cost.

If you are interested in helping us organize and are eager to participate, please contact Jon Green at <u>JMGreenCPA@gmail.com</u>.

SATURDAY SHABBAT SERVICE & POTLUCK BRUNCH

Please join us on September 14th for Saturday Shabbat Service at 10:30 AM at the Temple, followed by a potluck brunch.







Ellyn Ventura is our New Caring Committee Chair. If you are ill or know someone who is ill and needs our prayers, please contact Ellyn at 602-595-9303 or 1bronxgal@gmail.com.

Yom Kippur Memorial Book

Please fill out the form below and drop it off or mail it to the Temple office. If you have any questions, please contact the office at 623-977-3240.



YOM KIPPUR MEMORIAL BOOK

Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley 5785-2024 YOM KIPPUR OCTOBER 12, 2024

In keeping with Jewish tradition, on Yom Kippur, our most Holy Day, Jews everywhere recall their loved ones who have passed on by reciting the Yizkor Memorial Service. This year, our **Yizkor Memorial Book** will be published for use during the Yom Kippur Memorial Services.

Members of the Congregation for many years have placed their loved ones' names in our pages of Remembrance as a way of performing the requirement on this holiday giving Tzedakah or by making a gift in their loved ones' name to the Temple.

If you wish to avail yourself of this opportunity this year, please print your name, address, and phone number along with the names to be listed "in memory of" in the proper area below. All names must be printed clearly.

You may memorialize your loved ones with either a line listing, a beautifully laid out ½ page, % page or full page. Check one from below for each insertion.

Full Page	\$234.00
½ Page	\$162.00
¼ Page	\$108.00
Line Listing	\$ 36.00 for 3 names
	\$ 18.00 for each additional line

NOTE: Last Year's listing is available in the Temple office if you wish to use it as a guide.

Print Deadline Wednesday, September 18, 2024

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE INFORMATION TO ASSURE ACCURACY Return to Temple Office with check.

CONTRIBUTOR(S) NAME: _

TELEPHONE AND EMAIL ADDRESS:

PUBLISH THE FOLLOWING NAMES: (If more lines needed, print on back side)

Temple Beth Shalom Attention: Memorial Book 12202 N. 101st Ave. Sun City, AZ 85351 (623) 977-3240



3pm to 5pm starting Tues. Sept. 17, 2024

HAPPY HOUR - BYOB

JOIN IN THE FUN THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH ! BRING \$5 (CASH) AND SNACKS FOR YOUR TABLE. FORM YOUR OWN TEAM OF 4-6 PEOPLE OR COME AND JOIN OTHERS FOR A TEAM !

> Call Gloria Bold (302) 245-0049 for further information. **No RSVP's needed.**

Where did the word TRIVIA come from?





WESTERN MUSIC, RAFFLE TICKETS, CAKEWALK, PONY RIDE



Reservations only by October 17 Call TBS office to charge or use Zefy

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Join us on October 7, 2024 for an Interfaith Commemorative Service from 3:00-4:30pm for the victims of the massacre of October 7, 2023



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There is no admission fee, but an RSVP would be appreciated so we know how many people plan to attend.

Easiest way is to go to this link: https://shorturl.at/ZlbS9 and fill out the form. Thank you.

For everyone's safety, PLEASE, no backpacks or purses will be allowed in the event. You can utilize a clear purse or clear plastic bag. Otherwise, please leave your items in your car. There will be a security guard on site. Please join us for



Break the Fast

Immediatly following services on

Yom Rippur Day

October 12. 2024

Sponsored by the

Temple Beth Shalom Sisterhood

\$20 Der Derson,

Children 12 and under - no charge

Menu: Juice, Egg Salad, Tuna Salad, Sliced Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Noodle Kugel, Bagels, Cream Cheese, Sliced Cheeses, a Variety of Pastries, Coffee and Tea

Reservations are required by Oct. 8th prior to the event by contacting the Temple at 623 977-3240 and utilizing credit card, check, cash, or Zeffy

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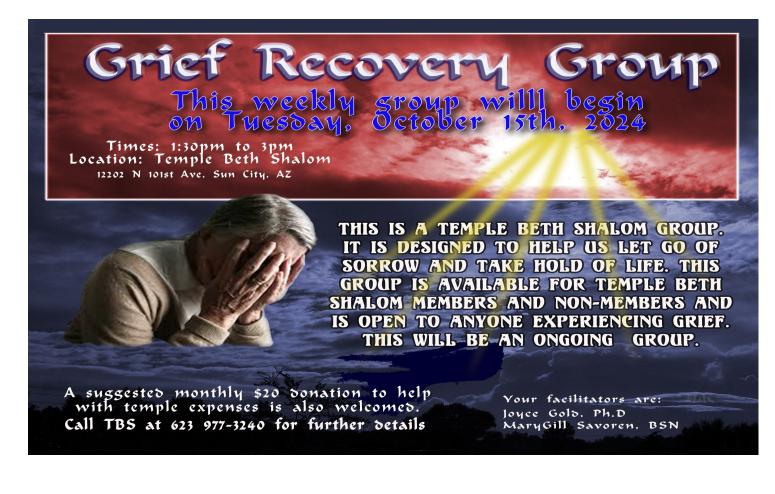
TREE OF LIFE



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



Temple Beth Shalom Social Action Item to bring this month of Committee SEPTEMBER

The Committee is asking you to bring the following items this month and place them in the designated space in the lobby

CAKE MIXES, FROSTING, FLOUR AND SUGAR



All of this will be benefiting the Valley View Food Bank

The Committee thanks you, the Food Bank thanks you, but most of all, you will be helping those that are really in need.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- Miriam Rosenthal 9/3
- Geraldine Travis 9/3
- Randy Rosen 9/4
- Ellen Winderlich 9/6
- Russell Robbins 9/8
- Stephanie Rogall 9/8
- Helena Wroblewski 9/10
- Theresa J. Schneider 9/12
- Suzan Giloni 9/13
- Eugene Mitofsky 9/21
- Brian Ross 9/21
- Carmen Berkowitz 9/24
- Riva Meyerovitz 9/24
- Rosalind Goldstein 9/27





SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Louis & Sharon Gadless	9/1	56th anniversary
Marvin & Sherry Weinstein	9/1	58th anniversary
Anthony & Leah Taddei	9/3	18th anniversary
Herb & Riva Meyerovitz	9/5	53rd anniversary
Christopher Shryock	9/11	29th anniversary
Bernie & Monica Arum	9/17	57th anniversary
Russ & Gloria Robbins	9/19	3rd anniversary

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 Loving Memory of:

Jacob Bold Steve & Gloria Bold Amy Chase Carol Corenthal Nan & Rich Lieber **Max Fischer** Helene Fox Amelia Gordon Harvey Gordon Frieda Harris Norman Plotkin **Robert Stainberg** Marilyn Meyerowitz Gertrude Waronker Lee Siegelson **Dr. Sy Schor** Dr. Irving Zelkind Bobbie & Glen Zelkind Prayer Book Fund In Loving Memory of: Paul Winegrad Sally & Howard Lonn

Choir Fund In Loving Memory of: Charlotte Stein Benita Stein

Endowment Fund In Loving Memory of: Reba & Robert Blum Nancy Urbach Sidney Roberts Sara Jane Feldman Lillian Scheier Cooper Judith Adams Ben Sitzman Steven Sitzman

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In Loving Memory of:

Curtis Reed Janice Reed Education Fund

In Loving Memory of: Howard Makler Mariane Anderson

Mattal Library Fund In Loving Memory of:

Neil Reicher Maggie Williamson

Security Fund

In Loving Memory of:

Simon Cutler Dennis Cutler Julius Bland Benita Stein

Biblical Gardens Fund

In Loving Memory of: Eliana DuBrin Meneses Joyce Gold Ada Gluck Ernest Marton Estelle Schwartz Judy & Larry Feinstein

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.

BIMAH FLOWER & FOOD BASKET FUND

Contributions are always appreciated. Make checks payable to

TBS Sisterhood and send them to the office.



IN MEMORY OF	.RELATIO	NSHIPC	CONTRIBUTOR	BIMAH FUND	FRIDAY NIGHT DATE
Max Gushansky	Grandfa	ther	Lou Gadless	Food Basket	08/09/24
Eliana DuBrin Menes	ses Gra	anddaughter	Joyce Gold	Food Basket	08/02/24

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.



INFORMATION FROM YOUR TBS SISTERHOOD PRESIDENT ROZ GOLDSTEIN

On the third Monday of the month, Sisterhood has a luncheon program. Our luncheons are delicious and the programs are always interesting and fun. In October we had a presentation on Breast Cancer Awareness conducted by Mary Gill Savoren, a long time Sisterhood member. In the following months there will be a Chanukah meeting with entertainment and our yearly women's Seder. Further discussion and details to be announced at a later date.

Every month we also help the synagogue pay for our weekly security guard.

Your TBS Sisterhood supports the area Food Bank. Any donations that we receive for Food Baskets or Flower Baskets in memory of someone, or celebration of birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, new babies, etc., are sent to the designated fund the donor chose and to the Valley View Food Bank.

At the end of our fiscal year, we donate a good portion of our funds to the temple operating fund maintaining the synagogue or for new equipment or repairs, especially in the kitchen.

Please join us. If you are a new TBS member, the dues are free for your first year and \$30.00 in the years that follow, I'm happy to answer any questions or listen to any suggestions you may have about our group. Please don't ever hesitate to contact me.

Roz

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



TBS Sisterhood



All women Temple members are invited to join the Sisterhood. First year Temple members receive a complimentary membership to Sisterhood

WE:

- Are a group of Jewish women supporting our Temple
- Are an active, friendly group offering many opportunities for women
- Share our many talents and interests
- Provide activities that enable caring and bonding experiences
- Maintain the Judaica Boutique
- Send Yahrzeit reminders
- Raise funds all year to benefit Temple Beth Shalom through our many activities
- Meet the 3rd Monday of each month from October thru May
- Sponsor the Oneg Shabbat after the Friday night service

President	Roz Goldstein	Send in this coupon to join TBS Sisterhood for 2024-2025
Vice president	Marsha Gratz	Dues are \$30.00/yr.
Recording Secy	Shari Young	
Membership / Corresponding Secy	Mariane Anderson	Name Address
Treasurer	Sara Jane Feldman	Email
Bima Flower/Food Baskets		Phone
Program Committee	Sharon Gadless Bonnie Longmire	Check #
Publicity	Lori Baker	TBS Sisterhood, Temple Beth Shalom, 2202 N 101st Av
Hospitality Committee	Yolanda Schatz	Sun City AZ 85351 Please email Mariane at: marianelie18@yahoo.com
Judaica Boutique		with your email address changes.
Sunshine	Mariane Anderson	
Directors		
Emails	Roz Goldstein	



We would like you to be involved in all of our Brotherhood events by joining. Sirst year temple members are free.

Dlanned dinners, outings, brunches, helping the temple, and working with Sisterbood are only part of what we do. But most of all, we can all enjoy a great camaraderie. We are all from different parts of the country with different and wonderful ideas and it is our communal efforts that make TBS great. This year we have brand new officers and

they are energetically planning for an eventful year.

For further information, please call the Temple at 623 977-3240





Become part of the backbone of Temple Beth Shalom. Join a group that knows how to help. Join the Brotherhood today.



First year members of TBS are given a free membership in the Brotherhood. Just submit this form and let us know you are a first year member of TBS. Returning members need to submit this form and a \$25 payment for the year. You can bring it in to the office or mail it to:

Temple Beth Shalom 12202 N 101st Ave. Sun City, AZ 85351.

Make sure you write "Attention: TBS Brotherhood" on the envelope, and that your checks are made out to: Temple Beth Shalom Brotherhood.



Please enroll me as a member of Temple Beth Shalom Brotherhood for the year:

2024-2025

I have some expertise in the field of ______, and/or _____, and willing to help in other ways for the benefit of the Brotherhood and temple.

Suggested areas that we can always use help: (✓ if you feel you can help)

Guest Speakers; Welcome back Cookout; Dinners planning;
Spring training Game; Once a month Usher; Key Committee:
Helping set up and take-down for events;

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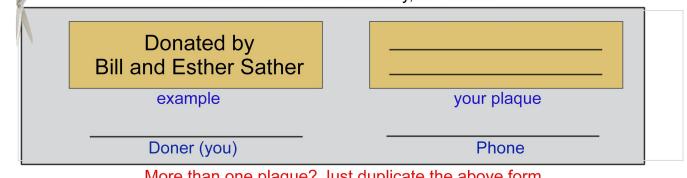
Chair plaques are available for purchase for \$200 each. We only have 30 sanctuary chairs left that don't have sponsor plaques on the back of them.

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

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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**.

The name badge will be made of hard plastic with the TBS logo and magnetic backing to affix to clothing. There will be room for your name and underneath it your title, if you have one. You will have a choice of the type of clasp you wish to order; a pin clasp or magnetic clasp.

ANYONE WITH A PACEMAKER OR ANY OTHER MEDICAL IMPLANT DEVICE SHOULD ORDER A PIN CLASP FOR YOUR NAME BADGE. DO NOT GET A MAGNETIC NAME BADGE AS IT CAN INTERFERE WITH THE OPERATION OF A PACEMAKER AND OTHER MEDICAL DEVICES. YOU SHOULD ORDER A PIN CLASP NAME BADGE.

On the form below, please print your name as you would like it to appear on your name badge and the type of clasp you would like.

NAME: _____

TYPE OF CLASP: MAGETIC BACKING: ______ PIN CLASP:

COST: **\$10** EACH DUE: ASAP

PLEASE SEND PAYMENT TO THE TEMPLE BETH SHALOM OFFICE. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL CARMEN 623-444-6156





In a seperate adjacent section, you can now purchase a memorial brick for your pet. This may not be mixed in with other bricks for individuals. It is purely for remembering a lost pet that you were close to. You can have 22 characters (including spaces) per line, Cost per brick is \$100 Call Helene at the temple at 623 977-3240 or email TBS at templebethshalomaz@gmail.com. **P.S. Bricks are still available for people too**

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BRICK PATHWAY PURCHASE A BRICK FORM

Thank you for your participation in this important project. If you have questions, please feel free to contact the Temple Office at 623-977-3240 or templebethshalomaz@gmail.com.

I/We are purchasing ______ (number of bricks). The cost of each standard sized brick is \$100. You can also add a logo / graphic for an additional \$36 or order an 8"x 8" brick with 6 lines for an additional \$100 each. Contact the Temple Office for more information.

Total amount enclosed \$_____

To expedite your order, enter your information at <u>www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/tbsbricks</u>

If you prefer, please fill out the form below and return it to the office.

Inscription #1 Maximum of 21 characters per line including spaces. All wording will be centered.

Please print.			

Inscription #2

Dated:	SIGNATURE <u>:</u>	<u> </u>
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Remember a departed loved one with a bronze plaque on our beautiful memorial wall located in the hallowed setting of the sanctuary. The cost is \$360.00 Order now for best space selection. For information contact: Nan Rubin-Lieber by phone: 623-933-1412; email: nrubin57@yahoo.com; or the Temple office @ 623-977-3240.

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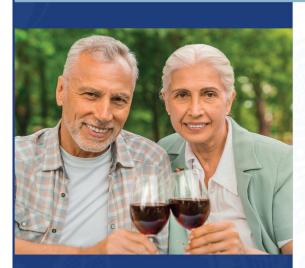
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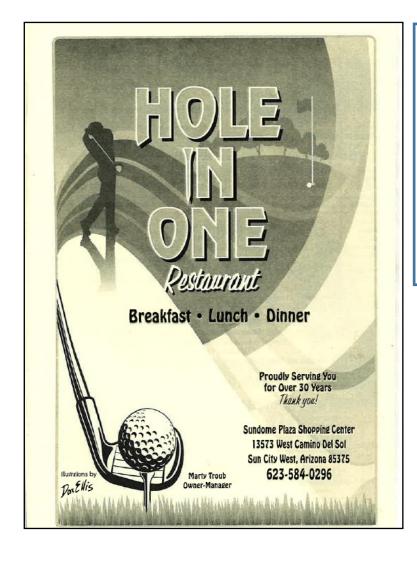


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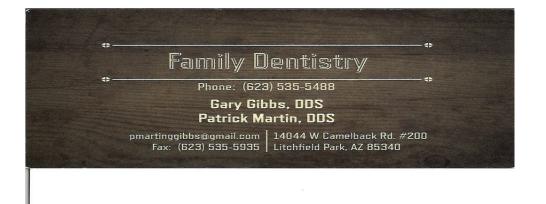
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