

Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley

Sun City, AZ

SHOFAR

March 2024 151 21 Adar - 21 Adar II 5784



A Special Congregational Meeting

3/20/24 at 2:30PM

Temple Beth Shalom



**Please VOTE and return your ballot or
bring in person to the meeting**

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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>

Our New High Holiday Machzor

An outstanding new prayer book *Mishkan Hanefesh* will make its debut at the start of our congregation's High Holy Days.

It'll be wonderful to introduce these prayer books to you that offer many new perspectives. At the same time, the books are similar to their predecessor Mishkan T'Filah.

I highly recommended this prayer book to the temple I served in Alabama. It was embraced by all and used as I led services to this machzor for two years.

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.

The Machzor works like our Siddur, the Shabbat prayer book. *Mishkan Hanefesh* and is multi-layered. There are three kinds of pages.

1) There are white pages with three basic elements which include a traditional Hebrew prayer, a more or less 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.

2) There are gray tinted pages for alternative translations, poems, counter-texts, and creative readings.

3) There are blue tinted pages for study texts or silent meditations. Many of these readings come from rabbinic sources, beginning with the classical rabbinic tradition all the way up to contemporary reform rabbinical thoughts.

The prayer book reflects a modern Reform philosophy of prayer which includes the following elements:

There will be something for everyone. The Machzor offers options for Torah readings, as well as new commentary, study texts, poetry, alternative readings, meditations, and abstract illustrations. Editor Rabbi Ed Goldberg says, "We seek an integration of tradition and innovation, prayer and music, speech and silence, the struggle with God and the struggle with being human."

There is a serious attempt at creative innovation to address contemporary Jewish concerns. Rabbi Hara Person of the CCAR, says the book serves to "embrace the rich liturgical voices of the Jewish past and the aspirations of our people today".

Continued Message From Rabbi Kaplan

There are varied theological approaches that enable a diverse congregation to share religious experience and spiritual growth without feeling that they all have to believe the exact same thing.

There is an inclusive and egalitarian spirit to the prayers allowing everyone to feel that they are included.

There is an attempt at intellectual honesty meaning that we don't want to say things that we know to be untrue historically or theologically.

At the same time there is an attempt to emphasize the religious nature of the prayers that not everything has to be reduced to what we think might be factual.

It is consistent with Reform Judaism and yet 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".

It tries to be faithful to Jewish tradition and maintains many of the traditional High Holy Day prayers even when some Reform Jews might not entirely be comfortable with them.

There is a good balance between the desire for communal worship with opportunities for individual prayer and plenty of readings that can be looked at individually while the communal prayer is ongoing. In this context the title is significant: "Mishkan" (sacred dwelling) evokes communal prayer "Hanefesh" (the soul) reflects individual repentance.

Moving forward, I will be suggesting to the adult education committee that we offer a course on this new high holiday prayer book in September. Rosh Hashanah begins October 2nd, 2024 and we look forward to greeting the new year with our new ***Mishkan Hanefesh: Machzor for the Days of Awe.***

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 our gift of life, and let us say Amen.





NOTES FROM OUR CANTOR

The Singing Voice AND the Speaking Voice: Handle with Care!

What is the one and only musical instrument which we take with us wherever we may go? (To the beach, to the chlorinated pool, to loud restaurants or sports events, not to mention shouting matches?) You most likely know the answer: It is our own delicate but vastly important voice. The bad news is that it must do double duty as our main method of verbal communication aside from being a musical treat or aural disaster. The good news is that many tips will be given here to avoid hurting this precious instrument which should be treasured or, at least, maintained.

Incorrect speaking can ruin a decent singing voice, and the fate of the misused singing voice is reflected in our speech. Silence may, indeed, be golden, but a tarnished voice may even lead to medical problems. Let us explore simple means of preserving this unique gift with which we have been blessed.

Firstly, here are some symptoms of vocal abuse: hoarseness, throat clearing, breathiness, excessive vibration, inability to sustain full passages/sentences, inability to modulate pitch, and pain in the laryngeal area. These problems apply equally to singing and speaking.

One creative procedure for improving speech production is to find your optimum use of pitch. The notes, slightly above your lower tones, should be in the median range. Practice saying, "hm, hmm," and then more sustained, "h m, h m m m," followed by speaking easily and in a spontaneous manner on that pitch. Use these words, for instance: "hello," "really," "call me".

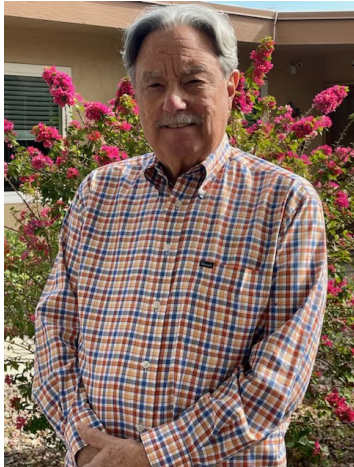
Avoid hard glottal attacks. Practice initiating all beginning vowel sounds with the letter "H" "Hit the ball," "How are you?" "Have you seen this?"

Also, try yawning aloud and then, on a sigh, say: "you, you, you." Practice speaking on that pitch. Maintain that level at the end of a sentence, not dropping it down or letting it get caught in the throat. Practice words beginning in voiced consonant fricatives, e.g. Z, Th, and B. These will also help support the tones by engaging the diaphragm. Breathing with proper support alleviates pressure on the larynx, which could result in numerous maladies instead of melodies.

Even for speaking, utilize a technique culled from the esteemed otolaryngologist, Dr. Friedrich Brodnitz. Start a chewing exercise in one's middle range, both descending and ascending on the same five notes on the sound, "myum, myum, myum," etc. This non-abrasive exercise helps place the voice in a relaxed and forward placement, excellent for all usages.

A few simple tips for vocal health include drinking at least six glasses of water daily, avoiding cold air on the throat's exterior. One must vehemently avoid shouting, screaming, and speaking without first breathing sufficiently. Follow these easy steps to reach a healthy level of vocal prowess. Enjoy your voice. It's priceless!

Baruch Koritan



MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Stephen Bold

This article will be a collection of important issues facing the Temple today.

Machzor - Prayer books for the High Holiday Services

When you read the Rabbi's Shofar article this month you will learn about this approach to the High Holidays. It includes new features, and one of the most important is transliteration of most prayers.

We have obtained 100 copies of the books through a donation by myself & my wife. That will cover a little more than half of our congregation.

To alleviate this issue, we are going to have a process to allow members to order copies for their personal use or donation to the Temple. These books will be inscribed with your name and a message of dedication.

The process to order is still being finalized, but will entail ordering online. The orders will be combined into one and then delivered to the Temple for distribution to you. There will be a discount of 20% off the cost for the books using this order method.

You will be notified when it is time to order your Machzor.

Security

The work that the Homeland security grant provided for has been completed. Please thank Fay Henning-Bryant for her work in pushing through the paperwork for this improvement.

The improvements included new exterior lighting, replacement of all cameras and bollards in front of each door. There is more work we would like to do, but the Temple will need to find additional sources of funds to complete new work.

Secure Community Network (SCN)

The Secure Community Network (SCN), a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, is the official homeland security and safety initiative of the organized Jewish community in North America. Founded in 2004, under the auspices of The Jewish Federations of North America and the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, SCN serves as the central organization dedicated exclusively to the safety and security of the American Jewish community, working across 146 federations, 50 partner organizations, over 300 independent communities as well as with other partners in the public, private, non-profit and academic sectors.

If you would like to get the daily update from the SCN, then follow this link.

[Daily Update Signup](#)

Services

At the request of a number of members, the Temple will be offering a Saturday morning service at the Temple. This service is in no way to distract from the existing home based Saturday Service.

The first Saturday morning service will be March 23. Additional information will be forthcoming, but if you have specific questions, please feel free to contact me.

While the first service is being determined by a committee, future services will be based on input from attendees. We want this service to be a collective effort and meet the needs of our members.

Shalom,
Steve

BULLETIN BOARD

March 2024

3/1

5:30 PM K'Vod Awards Dinner
7:00 PM Shabbat Evening Service
7:00 PM Kavod Awards

3/3

12:00 PM Golf Tournament

3/4

10:00 AM Basic Hebrew

3/5

1:30 PM Endowment Committee Meeting
1:30 PM Grief Group

3/6

11:00 AM Torah Study
1:00 PM Caring Committee Meeting

3/7

2:00 PM Social Action Meeting
4:45 PM Mini Religious School

3/8

5:30 PM Choir Rehearsal
7:00 PM Shabbat Evening Service
8:30 PM Oneg–Stephen Lent 80th

3/11

10:00 AM Basic Hebrew

3/12

1:30 PM Grief Group

3/13

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

3/14

1:30 PM Team TBS Meeting

3/15

7:00 PM Shabbat Evening Service

3/17

4:00 PM Brotherhood Spring Training Game

3/18

10:00 AM Basic Hebrew
12:00PM Sisterhood Meeting & Luncheon
2:30 PM General Board Meeting

3/19

1:30 PM Grief Group

3/20

11:00 AM Torah Study
1:30 PM Outreach Meeting
2:30PM Spec Membership Meeting

3/21

11:30 AM Religious Practices
4:45 PM Mini Religious School

3/22

7:00 PM Shabbat Evening Service
7:00 PM Purim Megillah Service

3/23

10:00 AM Saturday Morning Service & Potluck Brunch
at TBS

3/25

10:00 AM Basic Hebrew

3/26

1:30 PM Grief Group

3/27

11:00 AM Torah Study

3/28

1:00 PM Security Meeting
4:45 PM Mini Religious School

3/29

7:00 PM Shabbat Evening Service

2024 Spring Adult Education Offerings at TBS

2024 Spring Adult Education Offerings at TBS - Update

The Adult Education Committee has had to make some changes to the calendar of courses available to our members, due to the Rabbi's vacation schedule. Here is a quick overview of each, with the dates.

Watch for a detailed flyer for each. All offerings are at 10:00 – 11:00 AM..

MARCH

Mondays: Beginning Hebrew, continued – taught by Mariane Anderson. Enrollment is limited to those students who started the course in February

March 4, 11, 18, 25.

APRIL

Mondays: Antisemitism – lead by Rabbi Kaplan

In recent months, antisemitism has increased dramatically. Many people have been shocked by this. Antisemitism, they reasoned, was a historical phenomena. In light of the Shoah, all civilized people were shocked and determined to avoid any type of anti-Semitism at all cost. But in the aftermath of October 7th, antisemitism seems to have made a dramatic resurgence. What has happened? This is a question that all civilized Americans need to ask. This four-part series will look at contemporary antisemitism and attempt to analyze its sources and likely results.

April 1, 8, 15, 29

Thursdays: Two Perspectives of the Gospels: Christianity and Rabbinic Judaism – lead by Rabbi Kaplan and Bruce Scott, a Christian minister.

These two religious leaders and educators will look at four Central topics in the development of Judaism and Christianity, as found in the Gospels. The course will be a great opportunity to compare Jewish and Christian perspectives on a variety of important foundational principles. The four topics they will cover are:

1) the mitzvah to love your neighbor as yourself; 2) the synagogue; 3) Shabbat; and 4) forgiveness.

April 4, 11, 18, 25

MAY

Mondays: Learning Hebrew – taught by Mariane Anderson

More information available at a later date.

May 6, 13, 20, 27

JUNE

Mondays: Israel Update – lead by Rabbi Kaplan

More information available at a later date.

June 3, 10, 17, 24

Thursdays: The Spanish Inquisition and the Conversos – lead by Rabbi Kaplan

More information available at a later date.

June 6, 13, 20, 27

Watch the Weekly Bulletin and The Shofar for additional information each week/month.

Torah Discussions

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

Our next Torah Study Zoom meeting will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 6. The reading is

Parashat Vayakhel-Pekude Perek Alef, “The Sabbath Is for Celebration, for Rest, Not Work!”, pages 88-90 of A Torah Commentary for our Times, Harvey J. Fields, Volume Two: Exodus.

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89608882856?pwd=Q3VoTzhXWVpwZW5USGZpUWxuMUhZUT09>

Meeting ID: 896 0888 2856
Passcode: 762386

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.

TWO PERSPECTIVES OF THE GOSPELS: CHRISTIANITY & RABBINIC JUDAISM

This 4-part series will be jointly taught by a rabbi and a Christian minister. Together they will look at four central topics in the development of Judaism and Christianity, as found in the Gospels. This will be a great opportunity to compare Jewish and Christian perspectives on a variety of important foundational principles.

THURSDAYS • APRIL 4, 11, 18, 25 • 10:00 - 11:00 AM

THE FOUR TOPICS ARE

The commandment to love your neighbor as yourself. How have different Jewish and Christian thinkers analyzed this commandment and what were the differences between the perspectives?

The synagogue. When did it develop as a center for prayer as opposed to serving a more communal function? What can we learn from Christian sources about the synagogue?

Shabbat/the Sabbath. How does the Bible describe Shabbat observance and what did the rabbis add to this perspective? Jesus talks about Shabbat in several key passages, what did Christians decide to do vis-a-vis observance of the Sabbath?

Forgiveness. Both Jews and Christians believe in forgiveness but how do their views differ?

For this course, the leaders will be using the text of the Gospels and *Rabbinic Judaism: A Study Guide*. Excerpts from the book, which include primary sources, will be provided to students, but those who prefer their own copy will find it available from Amazon for about \$16.

These two religious leaders and teachers have very different approaches to the subject matter not only because they believe in and practice different faiths, but also because they have different viewpoints about religious studies. This will be an exciting and unique opportunity to learn about religion from contrasting points of view.

Author of the book *The Feasts of Israel: Seasons of the Messiah*, Bruce Scott is a graduate of Central Baptist Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity degree. Bruce is the Director of Program Ministries of The Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry, a worldwide evangelical Christian ministry founded in 1938. In his current position, he oversees online educational programs, educational excursions to New York City's Jewish neighborhoods, and volunteer trips to Israel.

Dana Evan Kaplan is the Rabbi at Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley, a Reform Jewish congregation located in Sun City. While serving as a pulpit rabbi for 25 years, he is recognized as an authority on the history and development of Reform Judaism, challenging Reform leaders with respect to the future of the Reform movement. Among the several books he has authored, the most recent are *The New Reform Judaism: Challenges and Reflections* and *A Life of Meaning: Embracing Reform Judaism's Sacred Path*.



\$20 FOR MEMBERS | **\$35** FOR NON-MEMBERS
or 1 COUPON FROM BOOK



DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: 12:00 NOON ON APRIL 2
TO REGISTER AND PAY THE COURSE FEE, CONTACT THE TBS OFFICE AT 623-977-3240



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antisemitism noun

an-ti-sem-i-tizm, an-tē-'se-mə-ti-zəm,

or less commonly antisemitism : hostility toward or discrimination against Jews as a religious, ethnic, or racial group

antisemitism

MONDAYS • APRIL 1, 8, 15, 22 • 10:00 - 11:00 AM

After the murder of 6 million Jews by the Nazis during World War II, all civilized people have been determined to avoid any type of antisemitism at all cost. Antisemitism, they reasoned, was a historical phenomena. But then in the aftermath of October 7th, antisemitism seems to have made a dramatic resurgence.

WHAT HAS HAPPENED? THIS IS A QUESTION THAT ALL AMERICANS NEED TO ASK.

The world seems to have shifted dramatically. Prior to October 7, no self-respecting person would have admitted to harboring negative feelings toward Jews, and certainly not desiring to murder large numbers of Jews. But this has changed; many are openly calling for the murder of Jews.



In April, Dana Evan Kaplan, Rabbi at Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley (TBS) in Sun City, will be leading a four-part series which will look at contemporary antisemitism and attempt to analyze its sources and likely results. Prior to becoming the Rabbi at TBS in 2019, Rabbi Kaplan served congregations in Georgia, Alabama, Wisconsin, Jamaica, and South Africa. He is a recognized authority on Reform Judaism in the United States and the author of several noteworthy books on Reform Judaism.

\$20 FOR MEMBERS | **\$35** FOR NON-MEMBERS

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**DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: 12:00 NOON ON MARCH 27
TO REGISTER AND PAY THE COURSE FEE, CONTACT THE TBS OFFICE AT 623-977-3240**



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SATURDAY SHABBAT SERVICE & POTLUCK BRUNCH

Please join us on March 23 for Saturday Shabbat Service
at 10:00 AM at the Temple followed by a potluck brunch

Details of service will follow

Please call the temple office to let us know what you would like to bring
623-977-3240



Interfaith Forum “Ask the Clergy”

Sunday , February 4, 2024



Richard Bass moderated the Forum



Father David Halm, C.S.C
St. John Vianney Catholic
Parish, Goodyear

Iman Didmar Faja
United Islamic Center of
Arizona, Glendale

Rabbi Dana Kaplan
Temple Beth Shalom
Sun City

Reverent Pam Reynolds
Lord of Life Lutheran Church
Sun City West

Fay Henning-Bryant
Past TBS President
Adult Ed Chairperson

Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley members participated in the Czech Holocaust Torah Celebratory Commemoration on Feb. 25 at the [Culver Plotkin Jewish Heritage Center](#) in downtown Phoenix. The commemoration marked 60 years since the torahs were rescued from a warehouse in Prague and sent to London's Westminster Synagogue. TBS member Bernie Arum was honored with carrying the Czech torah (maroon cover) from Temple Beth Shalom as part of the commemoration along with members of other synagogues and their Czech torahs. The Czech scrolls are survivors and silent witnesses. They represent not only the lost communities of Bohemia and Moravia, but all those who perished in the Shoah.





Challah Baking at Religious School





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THE TIME FOR THE SELECTION OF OF NEXT
YEARS TEMPLE BETH SHALOM BOARD
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YOUR TEMPLE BY
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OF DIRECTORS. WE NEED
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DEDICATED AND WILLING
TO HELP. IF YOU HAPPEN
TO BE A LEADER, THAT
MUCH BETTER.**

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IT, PLEASE CONTACT
RUSS ROBBINS AT
RUSS.QED@GMAIL.COM
OR CALL
602 370-2821**

MUCH APPRECIATED

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME



Sunday, March 17, 2024

Kansas City against Milwaukee

4:00PM at Surprise Stadium

**Rookie game at 1:00 optional
included in the ticket price.**

RSVP to

Zagerdad@hotmail.com

or drop off at the temple

(12202 N 101st Ave. Sun City, AZ 85351)

RSVP's are not final until payment is received in the TBS office

Due by March 4th

\$40 per seat with \$2.00 going to the Brotherhood

Section Infield 108 Rows M, N, P

24 seats available

Tickets pre-purchased thanks to Mike Zager

Temple Beth Shalom
SISTERHOOD

presents

J.C. Eaton

March 18, 2024

12 noon to 2 pm

Lunch and program are at 12 noon.
\$12 for members \$15 non-members



Ann I. Goldfarb
and
James E. Clapp
Mystery Writers from SCW

Ann I. Goldfarb, writing as J. C. Eaton, along with her husband James Clapp, have authored the Sophie Kimball Mysteries (Kensington), the Wine Trail Mysteries (Kensington Lyrical Underground), and the Marcie Rayner Mysteries (Camel). In addition, Ann has nine published YA time travel mysteries under her own name.



Reservations required Deadline -Thursday March 14, 2024

Call TBS at 623 977-3240 for reservations

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TEMPLE BETH SHALOM
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PRESENTS



Nicole Pesce

Sunday, April 14, 2024

2:30 to 4:00 p.m.
(no intermission)

**Enjoy an absolutely
enthralling afternoon
listening to the
piano mastery of
Nicole Pesce.**

World-renowned and a master of most music genres, Nicole Pesce plays keyboards, organ, accordion, guitar and electric bass. As a composer with a catalog of over 300 songs, she wrote and recorded the original music for the "Beams" singer/songwriter series at the ASU Kerr Cultural Center in Scottsdale. Nicole was commissioned to write the title track to the compilation CD "Amada" dedicated to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Following the CD release, her original music was featured in a documentary film for the Komen Foundation.

Cost is \$20 with a paid reservation by 3 p.m. April 11th or \$25 at the door on April 14th payable by check or cash.

You can make reservations by going to our website at tbsaz.org, and follow the link to "Zeffy" to pay online or you can call the temple at 623 977-3240 from 9 a.m to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

For everyone's safety, PLEASE, no backpacks or purses will be allowed in the concert. 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.

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Reserve Now



Passover at TBS

Monday, April 22, 2024
Seder starts at 5:30pm

SEDER WILL BE UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF RABBI DANA KAPLAN

TBS Members and family - \$45 per person
Non-members and guests - \$50 per person
Ages 6-18 - \$18 per person
Children 5 and under - Free

Deadline for Reservations is firm - April 17th.
Also, there are no refunds or cancellations after April 17th

**Reservations are not final until
paid in full by April 17th**
**Attendance to Seder is by
pre-paid reservation only.**



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Methods of payment:
In Mail - **CHECK**
Call to Office - **CREDIT CARD**
Online - **ZEFFY**

Please return this section of Matzoh with your check

Name(s): _____	Contact phone: _____
# of Members & family _____	@ \$45 each = _____
# of Non-members & Guests _____	@ \$50 each = _____
# of Ages 6-18 (under 6 are free) _____	@ \$18 each = _____
Totals: _____	# _____ \$ _____
I prefer to sit at the table with: _____	
If paying by check, please enclose this slip. If charging, please call TBS 623 977-3240	

Temple Beth Shalom Social Action Committee



MARCH



“CAN



DO”



The Committee is asking you to bring a food item each month and place it in the designated space in the lobby

All of this will be benefiting the Valley View Food Bank
Item to bring this month



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



Conservation—Awareness—Resources—Energy

Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley is partnering with We Care Recycling

We Need Your Support

Temple Beth Shalom of the West Valley is hosting a clothing and shoe recycling bin to help keep textiles out of the landfills!

How it Works:

- 1) Clean out your closets and dressers.
- 2) Place all outgrown clothing and shoes into a bag.
- 3) Bring said bag to Temple Beth Shalom and place it in the **blue bin in the parking lot.**



It is estimated every human throws over 80 pounds of textiles into the landfill every year! Once in the landfills, natural fibers can take hundreds of years to decompose. Textile recycling has significant challenges—without community awareness and education our future generations will struggle more than ever!

Our clothes recycling programs reduce emissions and provide affordable clothes to people locally and abroad. The mission of our organization is to partner with local businesses, schools, places of worship, and property owners to help keep clothes and shoes out of the landfill and into homes that are in need.

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

Grief Recovery Group

This weekly group will begin
on Tuesday, Sept. 26th, 2023

Times: 1:30pm to 3pm
Location: Temple Beth Shalom
12202 N 101st Ave. Sun City, AZ



A suggested monthly
\$20 donation to help
with temple expenses is
also welcomed.

Your facilitators are:
Joyce Gold, Ph.D
MaryGill Savoren, BSN

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SHALOM GROUP. IT IS
DESIGNED TO HELP US
LET GO OF SORROW AND
TAKE HOLD OF LIFE. THIS
GROUP IS AVAILABLE FOR
TEMPLE BETH SHALOM
MEMBERS AND
NON-MEMBERS AND IS
OPEN TO ANYONE
EXPERIENCING GRIEF.
THIS WILL BE AN
ONGOING GROUP.**

Call TBS at 623 977-3240 for further details



Do you know what a Chavurah is?...

A Chavurah is small groups within a large group. The large group being Temple Beth Shalom. In many instances the Chavurahs become extended families. They can be Social groups, Study groups, any type of group that you want. Chavurah is open to Temple Members only and the Spouse or Partner of the Member (whether they are members or not).

I have three questions for you:

1. Your name and phone number _____
2. What is your interests _____
3. Are you interested in a Couples group, Single group or Mixed group. _____.

If you are interested or want more information, or want to be on the Committee, contact me. I am Sandy Shedroff 623-376-8737 or my cell phone 623-670-3725. My email is: Shshedroff@aol.com

The great thing about being in a Chavurah is, when you come to Temple or a function, you are not alone or sitting by yourself.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Anne Burris	3/2
David Gratz	3/2
Barbara Kirschner	3/2
Dr. Janice Sodos	3/2
Deborah Liebman	3/6
Stephen Lent	3/9
Gerald Mellis	3/9
Maxine Daitzman	3/19
Scott Goldenhersh	3/23
Lauren Abramowitz	3/25
Sherry Weinstein	3/25
Bobbie Zelkind	3/26
Evelyn Dragiff	3/28
Elizabeth Keyles	3/28
Judith Neigoff	3/30
Leon Miller	3/31
Joan Sheffield	3/31



MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

Howard & Barbara Kirschner 3/1 60th

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

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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.....BIMAH FUND.....FRIDAY NIGHT DATE

Sherman Goldberg	Husband	Sue Goldberg	Food Basket	01/12/24
Toby Gold	Husband	Joyce Gold	Food Basket	02/02/24
Samuel Artz	Father	Lila Hauptman	Food Basket	02/02/24
Jerry Rosen	Husband	Joan Rosen	Food Basket	02/16/24
Jerry Rosen	Husband	Joan Rosen	Flower Bouquet	02/16/24
Eleanor Artz	Sister	Lila Hauptman	Flower Bouquet	02/16/24
Goldie Manas	Mother	Zagar Family	Food Basket	02/26/24

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 lunches 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 \$25.00 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

[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.



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
- ◆ send Yahrzeit reminders
- ◆ raise funds all year to benefit Temple Beth Shalom through our many activities
- ◆ meet each month from October thru May, usually the third Monday
- ◆ sponsor the Oneg Shabbat after the Friday night service and Break the Fast following Yom Kippur services.

President	Rosalind Goldstein
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Recording Secy	Mary Gill Savoren
Membership/ Corresponding Secy	Mariane Anderson
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Publicity	Shari Young
Hospitality Committee	Yolanda Schatz Shari Young
Sunshine	Evelyn Dragiff
Directors	Brenda Bochner

All Temple members are asked to bring in some goodies each month according to the first letter of their last name:

week 2 A-H
week 3 J-R
week 4 S-Z
week 5 A-Z.

Send in this coupon to join TBS Sisterhood for 2023-2024

Dues are \$25.00/yr.

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Brotherhood

of Temple Beth Shalom

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

Planned dinners, outings, brunches, helping the temple, and working with Sisterhood 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.

Contact me (Glen Zelkind) at (303) 514-2895
or call the temple at (623) 977-3240 for an application.

Looking forward to working with you.
Glen Zelkind
Brotherhood President



Brotherhood

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:

2023-2024

I have some expertise in the field of _____, and/or
_____ am 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 ___;
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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.

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P.S. Bricks are still available for people too

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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 www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/tbsbricks

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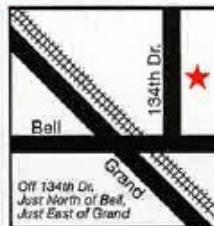
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