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JUNE 2017 SIVAN - TAMMUZ 5777



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Security Presentation

*Safeguard your home and Temple against attackers:
be prepared and know what to do.*

SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 11:15 AM

Today, it is especially important to be prepared for the unexpected. Sunday, June 11, Temple Beth Torah member Chris Baur will give a presentation on security preparedness at home and in the Temple. Registration and snacks at 11:15 am, with the presentation following. Questions and answers will follow the presentation. Please let us know if you would like to attend, but reservations are not required. Please email Stacey at admin@tbthumble.org. Childcare will be available at no charge, but reservations for childcare must be made by June 5 by emailing admin@tbthumble.org.

This program could save your life.

Chris Baur is a Graduate of several schools and programs at the US Treasury Academy, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center.

His experiences include time as an officer in the US Army Military Police, as a criminal investigator with the US Customs Service, as a Federal flight deck officer with the Department of Homeland Security, and as Chair of the Security Committee of the Air Line Pilots Association. He is a licensed private investigator.

Chris has been recognized and decorated for achievements by federal, state and local agencies for arrests, seizures and heroism in the line of duty, including the Medal of Valor from Attorney General Janet Reno.

Shabbat / Shavuot Service **Friday, June 2, 7:15 PM**

Shavuot is a two-day festival that begins 49 days (seven weeks) after Passover. This year, it begins Tuesday night, May 30, and is traditionally observed with all-night study. Temple Beth Torah will observe Shavuot at Shabbat evening services June 2, along with the bar mitzvah of Abraham Ramirez. An evening of dedication: as Abraham dedicates himself to a life of Judaism, the rest of the Jewish world is reminded of our commitment to the Ten Commandments.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES AT TBT

Adult Education continues this summer. See page 5 for more information

TBT Pool Party on Sunday June 4th, 10:00 AM. See page 11 for more information

Camp Ruach - July 31 – Aug 2nd
1-3pm for ages k -5th grades. See page 12 for the registration form

Congregational Meeting - June 30th at 6:45 PM - to vote on the 2017-2018 budget

MISSION STATEMENT

Temple Beth Torah is a congregation that embraces the philosophy and values of Judaism in the following ways:

Spiritually, by celebrating the richness and traditions of Torah, prayer, holidays and life cycle events;

Educationally, by encouraging learning, increasing Jewish knowledge and enriching understanding for children, teenagers and adults;

Compassionately, by caring for our members and others in the Jewish community in times of need while also fostering positive relationships with our non-Jewish neighbors.

Temple Beth Torah embraces the spirit of inclusion for Jewish individuals and families who represent a variety of backgrounds and family compositions.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I've been looking forward to summer since winter. There is a saying that deep summer is when laziness achieves respectability. That may be true but Temple Beth Torah activities will be going on throughout the summer. Even when Rabbi Dan is taking his well- deserved vacation we will be getting together on Shabbat for worship, community and some interesting activities. Our Social Action team efforts will be continuing through the summer. We'll also be getting together at Minute Maid stadium in July to see the Astros.

I'm proud to be part of a temple where people care about each other and care about those around us. I hope to see you all throughout the summer.

JEFF KAUFMAN

Shabbat Services in June

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| Friday, June 2 | 7:15 PM Shabbat Service and Bar Mitzvah of Abraham Ramirez |
| Friday, June 9 | 6:00 PM TOT Shabbat 7:15 PM Shabbat Service |
| Friday, June 16 | 7:15 PM Shabbat Service |
| Friday, June 23 | 7:15 PM Shabbat Service |
| Friday, June 30 | 7:15 PM Shabbat Service |

REMEMBER we have New Entry Procedure for Temple Beth Torah During Shabbat Services

To provide Temple Beth Torah members and guests with safety and comfort during Shabbat services, a new system for entry to the Temple has been initiated. When services begin, both the front and rear doors will be locked. A sign on the front door instructs individuals arriving when the door is locked to ring the doorbell, which activates a small receiver carried by a designated congregant, who then goes to the door and admits the member or guest. A sign on the rear door directs individuals to the front door. We appreciate your cooperation.

TEMPLE BETH TORAH OUTING AT THE ASTROS GAME SUNDAY, JULY 16, 1:10 PM

TBT will be having an outing at Minute Maid Park on Sunday afternoon July 16 at 1:10 pm sponsored by the Men's Club but open to everyone. We'll have field box seats on the 1st base side. Tickets are \$42 each. Contact Bruce Pollard to reserve tickets, at admin@tbthumble.org.

RABBI'S MESSAGE

Ruth: A Legacy of Kindness

Perhaps my favorite book of the entire Tanakh (Hebrew Bible) is the Book of Ruth. For those less familiar with the story, it starts with a family that was rather well-off until tragedy struck. Three men die around the same time, leaving three widows: Naomi and her two daughters-in-law, Orpah and Ruth. While grieving for her husband and two sons, Naomi doesn't want to burden the young women. She implores them to return to their home tribe of Moab to find new husbands. Orpah graciously accepts Naomi's suggestion, but Ruth offers one of the kindest statements in all Biblical teachings: "Do not urge me to leave you. Wherever you go, I shall go; wherever you live, I shall live; your people shall be my people and your GD my GD." (Ruth 1:16-17).

The Book of Ruth is traditionally read on Shavuot, the same time that we commemorate the reading of the Ten Commandments. Both are stories of dedication and devotion. When the Israelites accepted the Ten Commandments in the desert, they did not know what the future would bring. They had faith that following GD's path would lead them in the right direction. Ruth and Naomi, two penniless widows, did not know what lay ahead for them. While Naomi was brave enough to continue alone, Ruth refused to abandon her, despite the uncertainty of the future. She had confidence that her choice was the right thing to do, and that it would turn out well.

When faced with difficult choices and an uncertain future, we must consider many factors. What is the easy choice, the safe choice, the logical choice or the most profitable choice? Which choice will be best for me, for my loved ones or for the world? Often, there is more than one possible answer, and very often, the multiple possible decisions could conflict with each other. We may not readily understand the impact of our choices, but sometimes, like with Ruth, the right thing seemed obvious. Of course, what is right for one person may not be right for the other.

Orpah is not considered "bad" for following her mother-in-law's suggestion. On the contrary, she did what Naomi insisted that she do. But it is not the Book of Orpah that we read on Shavuot. Ruth's determination stood out, and she became an example. While Orpah did what was expected, but Ruth took the next step, a more extraordinary measure. I find that when I err on the side of kindness, like Ruth, I might not always be 100% right, but I feel better about my choice.

Things did work out for Ruth. She was introduced to Boaz, a relative of her late father-in-law, who took an interest in her and they married...and developed a legacy. According to the Bible, Boaz was the great-grandson of Nachshon ben Amminadab, credited with being the risk-taker who was the very first person to set foot into the Red Sea when it began to part (according to Midrash). And the great-grandson of Ruth and Boaz becomes King David.

What did Nachshon and Ruth have in common? They made difficult choices, taking risks because something inside told them it was the "right" thing to do. It is not always easy to trust our instincts. Periodically, someone asks me the question, "What does GD want me to do?" The right thing to do may not be easy, but it's often obvious.

We pray for the courage to face the most difficult choices, and find that part of GD inside of us that guides us along the right path.

L'shalom,

Rabbi Dan Gordon

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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CORNER

Another school year has come to a close. We had a great time at our annual Education Day on May 21st. Everyone enjoyed a buffet breakfast, had a fun bubble play time and then an enjoyable end of the year sanctuary time. Cantor Vadim and Rabbi Dan led songs and prayers for all those in attendance. Mr. Dan Kullman shared very wise words for our students to find G-d and Torah this summer.

Congratulations to all our students who successfully completed this year's Judaic and Hebrew lessons. Thank you to all our teachers and madrichim for making this a fun and educational year. Thank you to our teachers: Rachel McConnell, Paige Daniels, Morgan Wadsworth, Pat Klemz, Loren Gordon, Will Pollard, and Susan Pollard. Also thank you to our madrichim Rebecca Shuman, Ethan Hambrecht, Louie Emilianni, and Josh Hambrecht. Our substitute teachers, Brad Heller and Sharon Heyman stepped in to just about every class this year. Ms. Rina Mesarwi added much needed depth to our Hebrew instruction and will continue to enrich our educational programs this coming school year. As always, Rabbi Dan adds so much to our educational instruction at TBT.

Thank you to all the parents who volunteered their time and energy to help this school year. Parents helped with Chanukah, Purim, Passover, and all the special activities that we had throughout the year. A big thank you to Merissa Stein for purchasing and organizing the students' snacks each week. Your help was invaluable to the teachers and the students. THANK YOU!

We are saying good bye for now to a few of our classroom teachers. Ms. Pat Klemz will be taking on a different role as special programs teacher. She will teach lessons to all the students about her travels beginning with her trip to Israel this summer. Ms. Loren Gordon is taking a break to work on her own degree and professional work. Mr. Will Pollard and Mr. Brad Heller will be attending college in the fall at UT Dallas. We wish them the best of luck. Will and Brad have been excellent members of our TBT staff for the past four years.

As we say good bye to some teachers, we are also welcoming to our staff Sarah Couch and Stacey Blumin. They will be a wonderful addition to our staff. Thank you for sharing your valuable time with our students.

Fun for the Summer:

June 4th will be the annual TBT Pool Party at the Oaks Pool, 5792 Forest Timbers in Atascocita. It will be from 10 am – 12 pm. Bring lunch, towels, pool toys and sun screen. Snacks will be provided. Thank you Robin Sulpizio for arranging this event for us.

Camp Ruach will be July 31, August 1, and 2 from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. It is for students, kindergarten through 5th grade. We will have fun summer activities. Look for the registration form in this newsletter.

Have a wonderful summer. Remember to enjoy a long walk, read a really good book and make a new friend.

Carrie Keith

SAVE THE DATE

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TO VOTE ON THE BUDGET FOR THE 2017 – 2018 YEAR

FRIDAY, JUNE 30, 2017

6:45 PM BEFORE SHABBAT SERVICE – PROXY WILL BE EMAILED TO MEMBERS

TOT Shabbat Friday, June 9, 6:00 PM

Join us for a fun, kid friendly Shabbat service led by Rabbi Dan. Then bring a kid friendly food item to share for our pot luck following service. Please RSVP to Rachel McConnell at admin@tbthumb.org.

For HAAM

Sneakerdoodles: Every kid deserves **new**, back to school sneakers. We want to provide new sneakers for every child grades K-12. Please bring in new sneakers and drop them off in the brown basket through August 15th. Help us help the kids in our community! Every item helps!

Thank you for your support.

TBT Awarded Check for \$6000 from the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston at City-Wide Legacy Giving Event.

Temple Beth Torah has been awarded \$6000 for completing the requirements for participating in the Houston Jewish Community Foundation's Life and Legacy program. The program has been generously underwritten by the Harold Grinspoon Foundation. Thanks so much to the 36 families that signed Letters of Intent to participate in the program and leave a legacy to TBT!!

We are entering year 3 of this program which is overseen by the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston. Legacy giving options including leaving a gift to TBT in your will, donating from your retirement assets, making TBT the beneficiary of a life insurance policy, etc. If you have not signed up, it is never to late! Contact Steve Heller or Hy Penn for more information.

Congratulations again to TBT!!



Membership Forms Are Due July 1st

All TBT members should be receiving their membership renewal forms in the mail in June. Please return your form to TBT by July 1st. Thank you for supporting TBT!

Please contact president, Jeff Kaufman, with general questions at president@tbthumble.org or treasurer, Bruce Pollard at treasurer@tbthumble.org with any financial questions. For admin questions please contact Stacey at admin@tbthumble.org.

Interested in joining TBT? Please contact us—we would love for you to be part of our family!!

ADULT EDUCATION - TORCH (TORAH OUTREACH RESOURCE CENTER OF HOUSTON)

Start your Sundays with Adult Learning at TBT. Come at a new time for summer, 9:30 AM for bagels and coffee and then join us for class at 10:00 AM led by Rabbi Wolbe from TORCH. Each session a different Torah portion will be discussed. Participants may come to as many as they can. There is no charge for the class and optional gifts of tzedakah are welcome.

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| Sunday, June 4 | Parsha Behaaloscha |
| Sunday, June 11 | Parsha Shelach |
| Sunday, June 18 | Parsha Korach |
| Sunday, June 25 | Parsha Chukat |

SPIRITUAL TRAVELERS CONTINUE THE JOURNEY BOOK DISCUSSION Continuing with "CUP OF WISDOM"

SUNDAY MORNINGS, 11:15 A.M.

The next book study we will be doing is a program called "Cup of Wisdom". This is a program developed by Rabbi Rami Shapiro and his cohorts to help bring people together in conversation. We will have a special guest join us - Frank Levy - a partner of Rami who lives here in Houston who has helped develop this program. We will be starting on Sunday, June 25 at 11:15am.

If you decide to join us, you will be given a new book written by Rami and a branded coffee mug. Someone has already paid for our books and mugs as an act of "paying it forward".

As a mitzvah we are asked to pay it forward for the next group by donating \$25 to allow the book and the mug to be produced and given to the next group that wants to study. Symbolically we are contributing to repairing the world...tikkun olam.

Yes you can buy the book on line for under \$20. And in the spirit of tikkun olam please consider letting the book be given to you, and give to pay it forward. If you have a copy already it will be nice that you have two and can give one away.

Please RSVP by Sunday June 18 to admin@tbthumble.org, if you are planning to join us so we will know how many books and mugs to have on hand. We are planning for this to be a 12-14-week program. Further details on the June 25th.

TBT Donate a Brick Campaign On Going

Please notice the path has continued with Abraham Ramirez's Mitzvah project and now includes all the inscribed bricks.

As many of you know, Will Pollard has built a brick path in front of our Sukkah as part of his Eagle Scout project. We are now giving everyone an opportunity to donate an engraved brick for the path with **all donations** going to support Temple Beth Torah!

This is a wonderful way to remember a loved one or honor a friend/family member. You can also use it to commemorate an occasion, like a bar/bat mitzvah, a wedding anniversary or a memorable birthday.

Each brick can be inscribed with 3 lines and 20 characters per line (letters, numbers, spaces, punctuation and other keyboard symbols are considered characters). Various approved clip art designs can be made available for an additional \$20 donation per brick. If clip art is used, the text is limited to 15 characters per line.

All brick donations will be at these special prices:

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| 1 Brick= | \$100 |
| 2 Bricks= | \$180 @ \$90/each |
| 3 Bricks= | \$240 @ \$80/each |
| 4 Bricks= | \$280 @ \$70/each |
| 5 Bricks= | \$300 @ \$60/each |
| 6 or more Bricks= | \$50 a brick |

We hope you will be interested in participating in this mitzvah to support TBT!

This is an ongoing fundraiser. We have received our second order!! When we receive at least 5 brick orders we will submit the next order.

Questions? Please contact Stacey Blumin at admin@tbthumble.org.

Please see the order form at the end of the newsletter on page 13.

Bar Mitzvah of Abraham Ramirez Friday, June 2 - 7:15 PM

Everyone is invited to attend Shabbat services on Friday, June 2 at 7:15 PM as Abraham Ramirez is called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah. Abraham is the son of Meida and Felipe Ramirez. For his Bar Mitzvah project Abraham chose to continue a project started by one of his teachers, Will Pollard. Under Jeremy Blumin's guidance they did a fabulous job. It is a permanent place of reflection and will continue to grow through your donations. To learn more about dedicating a bring in honor of an occasion or memorialize a loved one, please see pages 6 and 13 of this newsletter. Mazel Tov to Abraham and his family. Please come of Friday to help the Ramirez' celebrate the first Bar Mitzvah in their family.



ORDER MEMORIAL PLAQUES NOW FOR HIGH HOLIDAYS

Now is the time to place your order for memorial plaques on the wall of the sanctuary. Synagogues all over the country put their orders in over the summer so the plaques will be ready for Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur. The company that makes the plaques is overwhelmed with hundreds of orders, so please get your order in now if you want the plaque to be here in time.

The cost of the plaque is a minimum \$300 donation, made out to Temple Beth Torah. Once you have sent in the donation, please email rabbidangordon@gmail.com with the following information:

1. English name as you wish it to appear on the plaque
2. Hebrew name if known
3. Date of death

Deadline to place the order, in order for it to be ready by Rosh Hashana is June 20, 2017.

NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome these new members to our TBT family.

John and Sharon Kennedy and their daughter Amy

*Cody and Elana Safford and their daughters
Seraphina and Shoshanna*

Howard Arner

Simchas in June

Birthdays

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| 1 | 20 |
| Hy Penn | Alan Solovay |
| 5 | 24 |
| Zina Perelman | Aaron Karash |
| 8 | 28 |
| Carmen Auerbach | Julia Rhines |
| Carrie Keith | 29 |
| 9 | Dan Kullman |
| Joe Wadsworth | Ellen Winter |
| 10 | Landon Zweifel |
| Jeff Kaufman | 30 |
| John Kennedy | Emma Brawn |
| 13 | |
| Elsie Kullman | |
| Tina Sachs | |

Anniversaries

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| 3 |
| Jeffrey and Joanie Spalter |
| 4 |
| Chris and Alyce Baur |
| 9 |
| Felipe and Meida Ramirez |
| 11 |
| Bernard and Hannah Lewis |
| 12 |
| Chris and Diana Hambrecht |
| 14 |
| Bart and Alla Myers |
| 19 |
| Jamie and Leya Nossal |

Torah Portions for June 2017

Compiled by Rabbi Dan Gordon

June 2-3, Shavuot Observance – Exodus 20:1-14

For our observance of Shavuot, we will hear the Ten Commandments from the Torah. This comes from the Torah portion Yitro, named for Moses' father-in-law. The Israelites accepted the Ten Commandments before hearing them, saying to Moses, "All that the LORD has spoken, we shall do!" (Exodus 19:8) The commitment of the Jewish people is renewed seven weeks after Passover.

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June 9-10, Beha'alotecha Numbers 8:1-12:16

The Israelites complain to Moses about their living conditions in the desert, and a disgusted Moses complains to God about them. God's response is to instruct Moses to delegate his power. Later Miriam and Aaron, Moses' brother and sister, demonstrate their jealousy by criticizing Moses, especially his choice of a Cushite wife. Miriam is punished with leprosy for her jealousy, but Moses pleads to God, "Heal her – heal her now!" Miriam's affliction lasts just seven days.

June 16-17, Shelach-Lecha Numbers 13:1-15:41

After hearing that the land of Israel is filled with giants, the people tell Moses and Aaron that they want to go back to Egypt. God furiously threatens to disown them and create a new nation, but Moses appeals to God's concern for His own reputation and God pardons the ingrates. Two of the twelve spies, Joshua and Caleb, give an optimistic report that shows their faith in God. Moses tells the people that the "ger" or stranger is to be treated like an Israelite, the Sabbath must be observed and *tzitzit* (fringes) must be worn to remind them to observe all the commandments.

June 23-24, Korach, Numbers 16:1-18:32

Korach is a relative of Moses and Aaron. He joins a group of followers to challenge the leadership of Moses and Aaron. Moses responds to the challenge by calling upon God's support, and the ground swallows up Korach and other participants of the rebellion. This story is often troublesome to scholars, who may feel that Korach's questions were justified "Does God talk only to you? Doesn't He speak to all of us?". Perhaps the story of Korach helps us to understand a saying of R. Elazar HaKappar in *Pirke Avot* (4:28): "Envy, irrational cravings, and honor take a person out of the world." Ultimately, Korach's ego became his downfall.

June 30-July 1, Chukkat, Numbers 19:1-26:35

This portion includes the mystery of the red heifer, and the purification rituals connected with it. Water plays a major role in the description of purification procedures. Miriam, who throughout the desert journey had helped the people find water, dies. Fearful that without Miriam, they will have difficulty finding water, the people cry out to Moses and Aaron. Moses, still recovering from his sister's death, hears the instructions from God about how to provide water. God instructs him to speak to a rock, but in anger, Moses strikes the rock twice. The water comes forth, but Moses failed to do it the way God had instructed. This is ultimately one of the reasons why Moses is denied entry into the Promised Land.

DONATIONS

GENERAL FUND –

Raymundo and Gloria Mendez – in honor of Abraham Ramirez Bar Mitzvah

Carrie Keith –

In honor of all the teachers and students at Temple Beth Torah.

In honor of the Bar and Bat Mitzvahs this school year: Paige Nossal, Amy Nossal, and Abraham Ramirez.

In honor of the confirmation of Josh Hambrecht and Brandon Curtis.

RABBI DISCRETIONARY FUND –

Jeff and Alice Kaufman

Stephen and Ellen Stapleton – in memory of Harold Gordon

Mitch and Rozalie Jereome – In honor of Rabbi Dan Gordon's Birthday

June Yahrzeits

The following names will be read each week during June to acknowledge those who have passed away who were connected with our community. If there are mistakes or omissions, please e-mail the temple at admin@tbthumble.org or leave a message at 281-446-5611.

Betty Ryder, Bill Avery, Leon Bluhm, Charles Carney Hauptman, Charles Deutsch, Doris Klein, Elenor Kharasch, Emma Mounger, Estela Abrocio, Ethel Berger, Hannah Rosenberg Schalet, Ilse Julie Ballin, Irving Hauptman, Isidore Kharasch, Martha Sonnenfeld, Mary Hirsch, Max Sussman, Perry Pollard, Robert Greenfield, Robert Rose, Rosa Auerbach, Rose Kharasch, Sam Kharasch, Sandy Pollard, Sara Kharasch, Sydney Lovitt, Robert Arner, Shirley Rosenfield

THE CARING COMMITTEE

The Caring Committee can help in stressful times, such as family illness, death, birth, etc. We can provide a meal and offer sympathy, transportation, childcare, or congratulations for simchas. If you know of a congregant who could use a little caring, contact Joy Fields by e-mailing tbtcaringcommittee@gmail.com or by leaving a message at TBT, 281-446-5611.

DONATIONS

Making a donation to TBT is a perfect way to honor a joyous occasion, like a birthday, anniversary, wedding/engagement, new home, job change, or retirement. It is also appropriate to honor someone who has passed away with a donation in his/her memory at the time of the passing or on the yahrtzeit (anniversary) of the passing. All donations to Temple Beth Torah are tax deductible. You can choose where you would like your donation to be applied.

GENERAL FUND

Any donation that is not specified to another specific fund goes to the General Fund, which helps maintain the operating budget of the temple. Building expenses, insurance, staff salaries and all program expenses that are not underwritten come out of the General Fund, as well as support for the Religious School.

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

This separate tzedakah fund enables the rabbi to make confidential contributions to help individuals and causes that may be in crisis. The rabbi may also use this fund to help support unbudgeted programs that will benefit the temple or community.

BURT LEVY MEMORIAL LIBRARY FUND

This fund maintains the library and helps purchase new books. Our library, located in the back of the sanctuary, is named after TBT's founding president, Burt Levy, who was a major inspiration in starting Temple Beth Torah.

TRACY TOBIN JOHNSON MEMORIAL EDUCATION FUND

This fund provides scholarships to Jewish summer camps for children and for educational conferences for teachers. It also helps support special educational programs that are not in the general budget. The fund honors Tracy Tobin Johnson, who was an active TBT member, volunteer and teacher before passing away at a young age.

TOM THERIOT MEMORIAL PROGRAM FUND

This fund supports special dynamic programs, often related to the arts. It is named after Tom Theriot, a lover of the arts, who was a constant presence at TBT and supported every cause.

DONATIONS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

You can now make donations online for any fund donation except for dues payments and the Building Renovations Fund. Now there is an easy way to honor the memory of loved ones or acknowledge a joyous occasion by giving tzedakah. Tell your friends and family to visit our newly named website, www.tbthumble.org, to make use of this mitzvah. Or SEE THE DONATIONS FORM ON PG 9

Please consider making a donation to support Temple Beth Torah's many worthy endeavors. You can indicate which fund you would like your contribution to support on the form below, as well as the names of those you wish to honor or remember.

You may contact the Temple by calling 281- 446-5611 with any questions.

THANK YOU

**Please mail your donation and form to the Treasurer at:
Temple Beth Torah 320 Shallow Drive Humble, TX 77338**



**TEMPLE
BETH TORAH**

Donation Form

Thank You!

From: _____

In honor of In memory of

Name _____

Please apply donation to (check one):

- General Fund
- Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
- Burt Levy Memorial Library Fund
- Tracy Tobin Johnson Memorial Education Fund
- Tom Theriot Memorial Program Fund

Please send acknowledgement of the donation to:

Name _____

Address _____

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JUNE 2017

SIVAN – TAMMUZ 5777

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | 7:15 PM Shabbat/Shavuot Service and Bar Mitzvah of Abraham Ramirez <i>Oneg: TBT Sisterhood</i> | |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 10:00 AM -12:00PM POOL PARTY 10:00 AM Adult Ed – TORCH Class 11:15 AM Adult Ed – Book Discussion | | | | | TOT Shabbat and Pot Luck 6:00 PM Shabbat Service 7:15 PM | |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 10:00 AM Adult Ed – TORCH class 11:15 AM – Security Presentation at TBT | | | | | Shabbat Service 7:15 PM | |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| FATHER'S DAY 10:00 AM Adult Ed – TORCH Class | | | | | Shabbat Service 7:15 PM | |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | JULY 1 |
| 10:00 AM Adult Ed – TORCH class 11:15 AM Adult Ed – Book Discussion | | | | | Congregational Meeting 6:45 PM Shabbat Service 7:15 PM | |

Fun, Fun, Fun



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Temple Beth Torah Pool Party!!

June 4th

10am - 12pm

*Members, Parents, Youth Group,
Confirmation, and Religious School Students*

Come to the Oaks Pool

5702 Forest Timbers Dr.

Humble, TX 77346

Bring a picnic lunch, pool toys, & sunscreen

Snacks will be provided.



Camp Ruach Returns!

July 31, August 1, 2 1:00-3:00 PM



TBT's summer camp for elementary-age students is back! This year, Camp Ruach will be held on July 31, Aug.1, 2 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at TBT. All children ages Kindergarten through 5th grade, are welcome! Please fill out the form below and return it to Temple Beth Torah or email it to education@tbthumble.org. If you have any questions or concerns, please leave a message at the temple office (281-446-5611) or e-mail education@tbthumble.org.

Parent's Name _____

Child's Name _____ age _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email addresses _____

Allergies _____

Special Needs _____

Medications or dietary restrictions _____

Emergency contact _____

The following people have permission to pick up my child from Camp Ruach

| Name | Phone |
|------|-------|
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I release Temple Beth Torah from all responsibility during supervised activities.

I agree to:

_____ Assume all risks of injury or illness to my child during in route to or from, or as a result of the activities and the medical care checked on this emergency form.

_____ Release Temple Beth Torah from all liability for the activities and medical care checked on this emergency form.

_____ Indemnify and hold harmless Temple Beth Torah from all costs (including litigation expenses) related to or claimed to be related to the activities or medical care checked on this emergency form.

_____ I give permission to post pictures of my children to the TBT website.

Parents signature _____

Cost per child: Temple Beth Torah member \$20.00 guest \$30.00

Please make checks payable to Temple Beth Torah and send with this form to:

Temple Beth Torah
320 Shallow Dr
Humble, TX 77338

We would all children K-5th^h Grade to be able to attend Camp Ruach. If you are unable to afford the full price, please contact Rabbi Dan Gordon At Rabbidangordon@gmail.com or 281-446-5611. Your request will be handled confidentially

Temple Beth Torah Donate a Brick Campaign

TBT member Will Pollard has built a brick path in front of our Sukkah as part of his Eagle Scout project. We are now giving everyone an opportunity to donate an engraved brick for the path with **all donations going to support Temple Beth Torah!**

This is a wonderful way to remember a loved one or honor a friend/family member. You can also use it to commemorate an occasion, like a bar/bat mitzvah, a wedding, an anniversary or a memorable birthday.

Each brick can be inscribed with 3 lines and 20 characters per line (letters, numbers, spaces, punctuation and other keyboard symbols are considered characters).

Various approved clip art designs can be made available for an additional \$20 donation per brick. If clip art is used, the text is limited to 15 characters per line.

Brick donations are:

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| 1 Brick= \$100 | 4 Bricks= \$280 @ \$70/each |
| 2 Bricks= \$180 @ \$90/each | 5 Bricks= \$300 @ \$60/each |
| 3 Bricks= \$240 @ \$80/each | 6 or more Bricks= \$50 a brick |

Please send your check with the engraving information to TBT:
320 Shallow Drive, Humble, Texas 77338.

Questions? Please contact project coordinator Jeremy Blumin at admin@tbthumb.org.

Name of donor: _____

Phone number or email address: _____

Engraving details (please print):

Brick 1:

Line 1 _____

Line 2 _____

Line 3 _____

Brick 2:

Line 1 _____

Line 2 _____

Line 3 _____



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