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January 2019 TEVET - SHEVAT 5779



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Nature Day with Temple Beth Torah

Campfire Havdalah Program

Saturday, January 12, 3:00 PM – Dark

For All Ages

LAKE HOUSTON WILDERNESS PARK

25840 FM 1485, New Caney, TX 77357

Enjoy a nature walk, group discussions, friendship and fellowship in a beautiful setting. Feast on kosher hot dogs, followed by everyone's favorite **S'MORES**.

The day will end with songs and stories around the campfire and a Havdalah service.

Havdalah is the brief, candle-lighting ceremony that concludes Shabbat, blending the holiness of the Sabbath with getting ready for the coming week.

PLEASE ARRIVE ON TIME TO ENJOY ALL THE ACTIVITIES

COST INCLUDES ADMISSION TO THE CAMPGROUND, FOOD AND ACTIVITIES

TBT MEMBERS: \$8 FOR ADULTS \$5 FOR CHILDREN UNDER 12

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PLEASE see the flyer on page 9 for RSVP instructions **BY JANUARY 4, 2019.**

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Limited seating available! Make your check payable to TBT and mail it today!

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More information about Joe Buchanan please see page 2 and Flyer on Page 9

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

This will be my last President's Message as the outgoing President of the Board of Directors after three years in office. I'm not sad though. I'm looking forward to the great new slate of officers coming in that includes several new faces. Brian Eoff will be replacing me as President and I will still have a role on the Board as the immediate past President.

A few months ago, one of our youngsters asked me about my favorite thing about being President. I told her that we are extremely fortunate at TBT to have many great people who are willing to devote their time and effort to the temple. My job as President was to help get these great people together to do great things.

As a Board of Directors, our job is to provide opportunities for our congregants to: practice their religion, continue to learn about their Jewish heritage, be part of a Jewish community that cares for each other, educate their children and celebrate simchas that are part of the Jewish life cycle. Furthermore, our job is to provide a safe and welcoming atmosphere for all of our members and other people of good faith who join us.

I hope that over the last three years we have succeeded in these goals.

Jeff Kaufman

Thank you so much for the honor of serving as your new temple president. I am excited to serve our community and am grateful to have so many returning board members to lead us as we move into the new year. Together, we will help TBT continue to grow as a wonderful place of worship, learning, and fellowship.

I look forward to growing my faith and our TBT community as we move into 2019 and hope that many of you will join me in this journey.

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RABBI'S MESSAGE

WINTER READING LIST, 2019 SEVEN SPECIAL SELECTIONS

The beginning of a calendar year is always a good opportunity to renew our old, GOOD habits. One of mine is to find good books. Sometimes, I like to re-read something I've read long ago to see if I have a new perspective. Other times, I find a book on my shelf that I haven't finished yet. I'm always finding something interesting on Amazon (of course, remembering to log into AmazonSmile first so a portion of my purchase goes toward TBT *tzedakah*)! As the nights are cooler and it gets dark earlier, January is a good time for reading. Here are some titles that I've enjoy (or plan to enjoy soon):

To Life! A Celebration of Jewish Being and Thinking, by Rabbi Harold Kushner

Rabbi Kushner's writing style is simple, pensive and complete. He celebrates ways to be Jewish, and gives the personal touch that can make anyone feel as if you're carrying on a one-on-one conversation. Without judgment, he explains the *why* as well as the *what*.

Jewish Stories One Generation Tells Another, Retold by Peninnah Schram

This is a classic from my own mentor in Jewish storytelling. Ms. Schram is known as the Godmother of Jewish Stories. Look for anything with her name attached, and you know you'll have a winner. Many of the folk tales I share are adaptations of her adaptations.

When do the Good Things Start? A Therapist Looks at Life's Ups and Downs (with a bit of help from Charlie Brown and his friends), by Rabbi Abraham Twerski, M.D.

What do you get when you pair a deeply spiritual, Hasidic rabbi with a brilliant psychiatrist who specializes in treating depression and chemical dependency? That's Rabbi Dr. Twerski, who also comes from a long line of rabbis. But with this book (and its sequel, ***Waking up Just in Time***), Twerski calls upon the wisdom of Charles Schultz and the Peanuts gang. Learning Judaism and psychotherapy from the comic strips is a unique experience!

Wisdom of the Jewish Sages: A Modern Reading of Pirke Avot, by Rabbi Rami Shapiro

Rabbi Shapiro, who visited Temple Beth Torah as a scholar-in-residence several years ago, has written many books. His works are regularly discussed on Sunday mornings at TBT at the 11:15 a.m. adult education sessions. With the style of a poet, Rabbi Rami looks at some of the most poignant teachings in Judaism and gives them a modern feel.

Jesus, First Century Rabbi, by Rabbi David Zaslow

Rabbi Zaslow takes a bold, fresh look at the historical Jesus and the Jewish roots of Christianity. In it, he compares Talmudic teachings with the Gospels; both works were completed after Jesus' death, but both may have been part of his Jewish development. I have personally studied with Rabbi Zaslow, and he has also been a guest rabbi at TBT in the past.

The Path of Blessing: Experiencing the Energy and Abundance of the Divine, by Rabbi Marcia Prager

Rabbi Prager is another one of my teachers. She takes a deep look at specific words that make up Jewish blessings, and helps find inner meaning in Jewish prayer.

God is a Verb: Kabbalah and the Practice of Mystical Judaism, by Rabbi David Cooper

The Hebrew spelling of God's sacred name is a mystical beginning to understanding of the holiness of "Being." Rabbi Cooper explores the four worlds of Kabbalah while bringing a close connection with God and the holy name.

All of the authors listed above have produced multiple books. If you find one you like, find others by the same author.

Happy reading!

L'shalom,

Rabbi Dan Gordon

Shabbat Services and Events in January

Friday, January 4

7:15 PM Shabbat Service

Friday, January 11

7:15 PM Shabbat Service and 2019 Board of Directors Installation

Saturday, January 12

3:00 PM Havdalah Nature Program

Friday, January 18

6:00 PM Tot Shabbat and Potluck

7:15 PM Shabbat Service

Friday, January 25

7:15 PM Shabbat Service - Lay led

Friday, February 1

7:15 PM Shabbat Service

Special Shabbat Service Honoring our Board of Directors Friday, January 11, 7:15 pm

Please join us for this special Shabbat service as we say thank you to our outgoing board and welcome our new incoming board.

These individuals work hard behind the scenes to keep our synagogue strong!

Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Dan

Tuesday, January 15, 12:30 PM

Nourishment for the Body, Mind and Soul - Once a Month

Rabbi Dan Gordon facilitates a relaxed discussion on a variety of topics, including mitzvot, Torah, holidays, current events and Jewish Practices. Each month is a different topic, and everyone gets a chance to participate. Bring your own lunch and get ready to nourish both your mind and your body! No RSVP necessary, feel free to just show up!

SAVE THE DATE CELEBRATING RABBI DAN GORDON 20 YEARS AT TBT APRIL 13, 2019

In September of 1998, when a “young” storyteller named Dan Gordon became the spiritual leader of Temple Beth Torah, nobody anticipated this would be the beginning of a generation-long relationship. Now, as his former students are getting married and having children of their own, Rabbi Dan is still continuing those relationships with community members of all ages.

April 13, we plan to celebrate Rabbi Dan’s FIRST TWENTY YEARS, with hopes that the NEXT TWENTY will be just as enriching!

This will be Temple Beth Torah’s first major fundraiser in several years, and there will be many opportunities to get involved in large and small ways. Let’s come together to help set a foundation for the future.

Note: Planning is in progress and will accelerate in January. Anyone interested, please contact Bruce Pollard at bpollard@tbthumble.org.

Also Coming up in February:

Family Shabbat Service Friday, February 8, 6:30 P.M. (note early start time)



Cantor Vadim joins Rabbi Dan and the Religious School students to lead a musical Shabbat service. Enjoy an early service, a special Oneg, and see our enthusiastic youth share their learning.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

Happy 2019!!

We have an exciting Havdalah Retreat coming up on Saturday, January 12 at Lake Houston Wilderness Park beginning at 3:00 pm. Confirmation students will meet at our reserved group camp site at 2:45 pm for a discussion with Rabbi Dan. Do you like s'mores around a camp fire? Singing songs and enjoying nature? We will celebrate Tu B'Shevat and Havdalah with a nature walk, crafts, songs, a kosher hot dog lunch and snacks. We will conclude the evening with Havdalah around the camp fire. Look for details and directions to the park in this newsletter on page 8.

Then on Sunday, January 13, we will be back at Religious School for Tu B' Shevat activities.

Coming up next month, we will have a student led Family Shabbat service at 6:30 pm on Friday, February 8th. Sarai and Hanah Stein will become B'not Mitzvah on Saturday, February 23 at 10:30 am. We will also celebrate Shabbat with their families on Friday, February 22 at 7:15 pm.

Lots of Learning and Activities at TBT Religious School.

Carrie Keith
Religious School Principal

TOT Shabbat

Friday, January 18, 6:00 PM

This month we will have Tot Shabbat on Friday, January 18 at 6:00 PM. Come for a fun, lively service geared for children under 10 years old (but all are welcome) at 6:00 PM, then stay for a kid friendly pot luck at 6:30 PM. Please let us know what you can bring so we have enough food. Parents can also eat, too. Please RSVP to Stacey at admin@tbthumble.org

“OPEN SECRETS” SPIRITUAL TRAVELERS CONTINUE BOOK DISCUSSION ON SUNDAYS 11:15 A.M.

"Open Secrets" is the current book being discussed during this lively Sunday morning get-together at TBT. This is a program developed by Rabbi Rami Shapiro to help bring people together in conversation.

Join us weekly as we explore insights of Perennial Wisdom and how it can change the way we view our lives. For more information, please contact Howie Arner at admin@tbthumble.org.

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

Classes Begins at 9:30 AM with coffee and refreshments served at 9:00 AM

The Mitzvah Series: Each week we will survey one of the 613 mitzvot of the Torah. The class will cover a basic overview of the mitzvah, offer some tips regarding its application, detail some interesting or unusual aspects of that mitzvah, and share some of the pertinent teachings gleaned from our Sages in the Talmud. There is no better way to familiarize yourself with the 613 mitzvot!

The Pirkei Avot Series: Pirkei Avot, Chapters or Ethics of our Fathers, is the curated teachings of the Sages of the Jewish Nation in the First and Second Century. These short axioms are loaded with meaning and depth and can open up for us new vistas of understanding into human nature, good character, and the ideals and morals of the Torah. Each class will begin with a biographical sketch of the author of that teaching and continue with dissecting the teaching itself and trying to discover its essence.

Jewish Holidays Primers: Before major holidays and Festivals, we will prepare with a primer on that occasion. In those classes we will discuss the history of the holiday, its origins, themes, laws, and other aspects to make it more understandable and meaningful.

Class each Sunday in January.

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 Stacey Blumin by e-mailing admin@tbthumble.org or by leaving a message at TBT, 281-446-5611.

AMAZON SMILE

Shop on amazon and give tzedakah to TBT. Type this web site and log into your amazon account and choose TBT (Temple Beth Torah) and a percentage or your shopping will go to TBT. [smile.amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com)

KROGER card to support TBT

Kroger has recently upgraded their Community Rewards system and as a result TBT has a new account number-VE980. Please use this new number when linking your Kroger card to TBT so we can receive a percentage of your Kroger purchases. It's an easy way to help TBT earn some money. While the previous number will continue to be associated with our organization, it will not be visible to members when enrolling. New members can enroll by searching for either VE980 or Temple Beth Torah. If you are a Kroger shopper, please link your Kroger card to TBT at no cost to you.

Create Your Jewish Legacy at Temple Beth Torah

A Happy New Year to everyone, and what better way to start the new year than an EASY way to help Temple Beth Torah remain a force in our community to inspire individuals and families to embrace Jewish values and practices that strengthen Judaism's role at home, in the synagogue, and in the general community.

Temple Beth Torah was selected to participate in the Houston Jewish Community Foundation's "Create a Legacy Program." We are one of about 20 organizations in the Houston area that were chosen to be part of this.

You can participate by simply signing the one page "Letter of Intent," which declares your intent to leave something (the amount is optional) to Temple Beth Torah at the time of your passing.

The formalization can come later, and you DO NOT have to change an existing Will or Estate plan to do this. Your IRA, 401k or Life Insurance policy is generally separate from your Will. A simple "Change of Beneficiary" form for your IRA or Life Insurance Policy document, easily obtainable at the financial institution that holds these assets, can be used to allocate any amount you choose to TBT at the time of your passing. There is no minimum.

To begin this simple process, please visit: www.tbthumble.org. Click on "Give" and choose "Legacy Giving" A letter of intent can be downloaded to fill out. You can also feel free to contact Steve Heller, Dr. Hy Penn or Rabbi Dan Gordon at admin@tbthumble.org or call 281-446-5611.

Thanks to those who have already returned their Letter of Intent—we truly appreciate your support! We met both our 2016 and 2017 goals of attaining 18 letters each year and received \$6000 from the Jewish Foundation for each year. Because five new people added their names to the list in 2018, we will be receiving another incentive grant from the Houston Jewish Community Foundation. These grants and pledges are helping TBT in both the present *and* the future. Thanks to all who are lending their support today and tomorrow.

Simchas in January

Birthdays

5 *Tony Sullivan*
5 *Bob Swaim*
5 *Felipe Ramirez*
7 *LiJuan Aizenberg*
8 *Judi Adler*
8 *Ellen Delap*
8 *Ann Dominick*
8 *Bobbylee Ruskis*
10 *Benyamin Ramirez*
11 *Joanna Sullivan*
16 *Grayson Miller*
20 *Tom Graf*
20 *Hanah Stein*
27 *Ian Adler*
28 *Lenny Simmons*
30 *Rachael Blumin*
30 *Alexander Zweifel*

Anniversaries

1 *Robert and Mabel Abrasley*
25 *Richard and Miranda Shuman*

January Yahrzeits

The following names will be read each week during January 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.

*Louis Silverman, Mike Kelley, Bernard Kullman,
Dr. Jacob Belofsky, Goldie Bernstein, Samuel Levy,
Harry D. Smith, Roslyn Wolf, Erwin Cahn,
Henry Lesser, Ann Wolfsohn, Elsie Kullman,
Ruby Bluestein Kemble, Blossom Levy,
Ella Eidelhoch, Shirley Lubin, Alfred Heyman,
Marvin Charak, Harold Rubin, Molly Rosenberg,
Sara Solomon, Spurgeon Dunnam, David Kharasch,
Joseph Abbell, Leah Denbina Wexler,
Magdalena Rauba, Stanley Sonenfield*

Torah Portions for January 2019

Summarized by Rabbi Dan Gordon

January 4-5, Va-era Exodus 6:2-9:35

G-d reveals His sacred name to Moses and tells him that he is the first one to know it. G-d assures Moses that He will be with him as he negotiates with Pharaoh. The plagues begin: blood, frogs, vermin, locusts, cattle disease, boils and hail; but each time, Pharaoh's heart is hard. He does not free the Hebrew slaves.

January 11-12, Bo, Exodus 10:1-13:16

The plagues continue with Pharaoh's lack of response predictable, as G-d reveals to Moses, "*I am hardening Pharaoh's heart in order to increase My wonders - so you will tell your children and grandchildren how I toyed with Egypt, and the wonders I put in them. And they shall know that I am God.*" (Exodus 10:1-2) For years, scholars and commentators wonder why ten plagues were necessary. The Torah suggests that the plagues had to be memorable enough for us to continue to retell the story. The Israelites receive the instructions to place blood above our doorposts as a sign for the angel of death to "pass over" our homes, and we receive the laws about how to remember Pesach in the future.

January 18-19, Beshalach Exodus 13:17-17:16

Finally set free by the Pharaoh, the Israelites depart from Egypt, only to be pursued by the ambivalent Pharaoh. God instructs Moses to lift his staff, and the Sea of Reeds parts for the Israelites to walk through on dry land. When Moses and the Israelites see the Egyptians drown in the Reed Sea, they sing a song of praise to God. Bitter reality of their journey causes them to complain to Moses their leader. In response, God sends manna to appease their hunger.

January 24-25 Yitro Exodus 18:1-20:23

Yitro, the portion named for Moses' father-in-law, begins with the Midianite priest's stunning confession that "the Lord is greater than all gods." Wise Jethro sees that Moses is taking too much on his own shoulders, and counsels his son-in-law to delegate his authority. The Ten Commandments are given by God in *Yitro*, amidst thunder and lightning, through Moses' voice. These commandments begin our relationship as a people with a special covenant with God that includes special responsibilities. They are not referred to as "Ten Commandments" at this point, and later called in Hebrew "*Aseret Dibrot*," or "Ten Utterances." How the ten are divided differs between Judaism and Christianity, as well as within some Christian denominations.

DONATIONS

RABBI DISCRETIONARY FUND

*Bernard and Edith Stolbun Family Foundation
In memory of Bernard and Edith Stolbun*

*Jeff and Alice Kaufman
In memory of Scott Eric Kaufman*

GENERAL FUND

*Elaine Pockmire
In appreciation of a welcoming High Holiday
experience*

Give a Gift to TBT!

“Give a Gift to TBT!” Please look for items needed by TBT **on the easel as you walk toward the sanctuary**. Take the paper with the item you would like to donate and bring the item to TBT. It’s that simple!!

Some of the needed items are **kitchen/bathroom supplies, Oneg supplies, and office/school supplies**. Items can be left in the kitchen to the right of the stovetop. Please place a note on your item so you can be acknowledged.

We will even take checks to defray some of our **ongoing expenses**. These needed donations will also be listed on cards on the bulletin board. Checks for monetary donations can be made payable to Temple Beth Torah.

Please contact admin Stacey Blumin at admin@tbthumble.org with questions or suggestions. We hope you will be interested in participating in this program of “tzedakah” and help our synagogue.

ONEG INFORMATION

**The 2019 calendar is available.
Save your Date Today!!!!**

Thank you to everyone who has provided an oneg recently. They have been delicious and a highlight to every Shabbat. Thank you also to those who have sponsored an oneg with your generous donations. Preparing an oneg is a wonderful way to celebrate a special event. It is also a way to commemorate a yearzeit for a loved one. If you would like to do an oneg, or find out dates available, please leave a message for Stacey Blumin at 281-446-5611. Or email Stacey at admin@tbthumble.org.

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

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TEMPLE BETH TORAH BY **JANUARY 4, 2019.****

You may also email education@tbthumble.org with your response

*Scholarships available. If you would like to attend, but cannot afford the full cost,
please contact rabbi@tbthumble.org*

FAMILY NAME _____ # ADULTS ____ # CHILDREN ____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

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*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
- Temple Security Fund

Please send acknowledgement of the donation to:

Name _____

Address _____

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January 2019

TEVET - SHEVAT 5779

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
					7:15 PM Shabbat Service	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
NO Religious School 9:30 AM Adult Ed – TORCH class 11:15 AM Adult Ed – Book Discussion					7:15 PM Shabbat Service and Installation of New Officers	3:00 PM – Havdalah Nature Event at Lake Houston Wilderness park
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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@tbthumble.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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