

Temple Beth Torah

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January 2020 TEVET - SHEVAT 5780



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CELEBRATE A NEW YEAR WITH TBT LEADERSHIP SHABBAT SERVICE INCLUDES INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS and HONORING the 2019 TEAM

Friday, January 10: DINNER 6:30 PM / SHABBAT SERVICE AND
BOARD INSTALLATION 7:15 PM

The December 27 semi-annual meeting of Temple Beth Torah produced the election of a new Board of Directors for Temple Beth Torah. The congregation elected the following officers for 2020: **Elected Officers:**

President: Jeremy Blumin

Vice President: Hy Penn

Secretary: Emma Brawn

Treasurer: Andrea Miller

Delegate: Dale Vine

Delegate: Elana Safford

Delegate: Lenny Simmons

Delegate: Pat Klemz

Past President: Brian Eoff

Appointed Chairs:

Education Chair: Carrie Keith

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Building Chair: Wes Goble

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Men's Club Pres: Mike Miller

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Caring Chair: Sarah Miller

At the January 10 service, we will also be honoring our outgoing board members, delegate **Vitaly Aizenberg** and Vice President **Marty Lorin**. A special note of appreciation goes to outgoing Vice President, **Marty Lorin**, who was instrumental in developing and implementing the new security procedures at the temple. And of course, our out-going president, **Brian Eoff**, who provided stability and leadership in his role this past year. We look forward to his continued guidance on the board. We are also grateful to Jeff Kaufman, who chaired the nominating committee, and remains active as membership chair.

There are many ways to get involved. YOU can make a difference by getting involved on a committee, whether it is for a single event or ongoing program. Please feel free to speak with Jeremy, Hy or any of the board members. Even if you are not sure how you want to get involved, our board members are interested in helping you find a role.

Come enjoy an evening to celebrate the New Year, as the incoming board will host dinner at 6:30 PM prior to services. Please **RSVP** to admin@tbthumble.org by **January 9** so we will be prepared for the proper number of people for dinner.

TBT Potluck Dinner and Game Night Saturday, January 18th - Dinner at 5 PM Games till 8 PM

Bring a dish to share for dinner

(kosher style- no pork or shellfish and keep dairy dishes separate.)

Bring board games, card games,

And fun family games to share. It will be a fun night.

RSVP by January 16th to education@tbthumble.org

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.

President's Message

I hope you had a wonderful Hanukkah and a Happy New Year. A New Year is upon us and even more.... a NEW DECADE is upon us, so I would also like to say Happy New Decade.

For this upcoming TBT year of 2020 as your new president, I would like to let you know what I have planned. I hope to have at least two fundraising events for TBT. One near the last day of Sunday School in May and one in December. I hope that everyone will be able to contribute in a small way to these fundraisers and I am looking for volunteers to build a large fundraising committee. Please email, call, or text me if you are interested in being part of this fundraising committee.

Temple Beth Torah was built — and continues to thrive — on the strength of volunteers. It is the spirit of volunteerism that enables all members to feel an ownership for our community. Teamwork makes it happen. Rather than one volunteer trying to run an entire aspect of the temple, members can help members. Individual talents and energy will help us reach our full potential. We are looking for committee members to help in Fundraising, Security, Onegs, Building Maintenance, Billing Solutions, Treasurer Support, Social, Ritual, Sisterhood, Men's Club, Passover Planning, and Thank you Gifts.

Please let me know if you would like to be on one or some of these committees. Thank you for your support.

Jeremy Blumin

Shabbat and Events in January

Please note different times

Friday, January 3	7:15 PM	Shabbat Service
Friday, January 10	6:30 PM	Potluck dinner provided by the NEW TBT Board – RSVPs required
	7:15 PM	Shabbat Service and 2020 TBT Board Instillation
Friday, January 17	7:15 PM	Shabbat Service
Friday, January 24	6:00 PM	TOT Shabbat
	7:15 PM	Shabbat Service
Friday, January 31	7:15 PM	Shabbat Service

CAMPFIRE STORIES WITH RABBI DAN IN HUMBLE JESSE JONES PARK AND NATURE CENTER

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 5:30 PM

Long before he came to Temple Beth Torah, Rabbi Dan Gordon was known by his alter-ego, *Dante, the Teller of Tales*. The Jesse Jones Park and Nature Center has asked Rabbi Dan to re-create this character with a special presentation of his program entitled "Adventures in Storyland." The park is partnering with Young Audiences of Houston www.yahouston.org to bring this event, which is open to the community.

There is no charge for the program, but reservations are required, and space is limited. You can reserve a space any time after January 2 by calling (281) 446-8588. This is not a TBT Program, so please make your reservation directly to the park.

The Jesse Jones Park and Nature Center is located at 20634 Kenswick Drive, Humble, TX 77338

RABBI'S MESSAGE

Listening, Hearing and Moving Forward

Shammai said: Make a fixed time for learning your Torah.

Say little and do much and receive everyone with a cheerful face. Pirke Avot 1:15

Embracing the beginning of a new year and a new decade gives us the opportunity to examine those areas in which we, as individuals and as a community, can improve. It's no secret that wide gaps in opinions have led to uncomfortable divisiveness. When people or groups become so focused on their personal viewpoint, they can come to believe that their own perception is the absolute truth and anyone who disagrees is either foolish or lying. A popular story from the Talmud illustrates how passionately opinionated disagreements can create unfortunately deep chasms.

A group of rabbis were discussing whether a certain clay pot was kosher. The recognized expert in this matter was Rabbi Eliezer, who offered his ruling. Rabbi Joshua, however, disagreed, and three fellow rabbis sided with Rabbi Joshua. Rabbi Eliezer sought to prove his point by making magical predictions that came true, including causing a tree to uproot on its own and a stream to change directions. Each time, Rabbi Joshua refused to accept these tricks as proving the truth, until a voice from Heaven intervened to endorse Rabbi Eliezer's expertise. Rabbi Joshua did not even accept the Heavenly voice, but justified his viewpoint by quoting from Torah: "...*This instruction is not beyond your reach...It is **not** in the heavens...but close to you, in your mouth and in your heart...*" (Deuteronomy 30:11-14)

By the time they were finished, the clay pot had been forgotten. Truth was no longer an issue, only who could win the argument and which techniques were most effective. Eliezer used irrelevant magic tricks to demonstrate his power. Joshua quoted Torah out of context and used his "gang" of other rabbis to suggest that a majority opinion can establish and even overrule the truth. By ignoring the real issue, these rabbis revealed that even respected leaders, when they let their egos take over, can childishly make a mess of things. The result of this disagreement? Hurt feelings, humiliation, loss of respect and the end of civil discourse among these rabbis.

Hundreds of years later, we can make the same mistakes. We can put ourselves and others into labeled categories, cheering everything on one side of the coin and vilifying everything on the other side. Or we can listen to each other. We can disagree respectfully without interrupting and interjecting our views before someone else is finished speaking. We can look at people as complete, thinking individuals whose thoughts are not defined by a label. We can humbly acknowledge to ourselves that we don't know everything about everything. As Shammai suggested, we can learn regularly, saying little, doing much, and just as importantly, receive *all* others with a smile.

Our most sacred teaching: *Shema Yisrael Adonai Eloheinu Adonai Echad*. Listen, Israel. The Eternal is our God; the Eternal is One. It begins with "listen." It ends with "one." Our unity as a people *requires* listening with an open mind and an open heart. Let's give it a try this year. Our future is at stake. Happy New Year, and let's enjoy the 2020's together...as one!

L'shalom,

L'shalom,

Rabbi Dan Gordon

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

Happy 2020!!

I hope everyone had a very happy Chanukah with family and friends. Thank you to all the parents and teachers who made our December Religious School celebration a fun time. We rededicated our newly mulched playground, enjoyed music with Motzy, heard the Chanukah story, and ate a delightful lunch.

Our first day of class for the new year will be January 12th. All classes begin at 9:00. Confirmation students will be meeting also.

We have an exciting Family Potluck Dinner and Game Night coming up on Saturday, January 18 at Temple Beth Torah beginning at 5:00 pm. Please bring a dish to share. Remember to keep it kosher style- no pork or shellfish and keep dairy separate. Also, please bring your favorite family games to play. Rena Lubin from the ISJL will bring giant games to share.

Save the date for Temple Beth Torah Havdalah in the Park on Saturday, February 22nd at Lake Houston Wilderness Park. Details to follow.

Lots of Learning and Activities at TBT Religious School planned for 2020!!

Carrie Keith

Religious School Principal

Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Dan

Wednesday, January 15 at 12:30 PM

Nourishment for the Body, Mind and Soul

Rabbi Dan Gordon facilitates a relaxed discussion on a variety of topics, including mitzvot, Torah, holidays, current events and Jewish Practices. Each session 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!

Tot Shabbat Friday, January 24, 6:00 PM

This month we will have Tot Shabbat on Friday, January 24th at 6:00 PM. Come for a fun, lively service at 6:00 PM, then stay for a kid friendly potluck at 6:30 PM. Please let us know what you can bring so we have enough food. Parents can eat, too. Please RSVP to Stacey at admin@tbthumble.org

For HAAM - (Humble Area Assistance Ministries) and FamilyTime

TBT collects food for HAAM and FamilyTime on an ongoing basis. Whenever you attend services, classes, or events at TBT, please remember to bring nonperishable items with you to help stock HAAM's pantry and FamilyTime. Every item helps!

Thank you for your support

SAVE THE DATE HAVDALLAH AT THE PARK SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 AROUND 3:00 PM LAKE HOUSTON WILDERNESS PARK

More details to come in the following weeks. Bring your chairs and outdoor games for all to enjoy. Please contact Carrie Keith if you would like to help with this event. education@tbthumble.org

BOOK DISCUSSION ON SUNDAYS at 11:15 A.M.

The Golden Rule, by Rabbi Rami Shapiro, is the current book being discussed during this lively Sunday morning get-together at TBT.

Join us on Sunday mornings resuming on Jan 12th as we explore reading and discussion and how it can change the way we view our lives. For more information, please contact Susan Pollard at spollard@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

Start your Sundays with Adult Learning at TBT. Come at 9:00 AM for nosh and coffee and then join us for class at 9:30 AM led by Rabbi Wolbe from TORCH. The class has studied every portion in the Five Books of the Torah and is now moving on to another sacred text. Each week will include new ethical issues from Pirke Avot, The Ethics of our Ancestors and The Mitzvah Series where each of the 613 mitzvot of the Torah are examined. Participants may come to as many as they can. There is no charge for the class and optional gifts of tzedakah are welcome.

ONEG INFORMATION

The NEW Year is HERE!!!! It's time to sign up for your oneg date for the 2020 year. Please Sign up 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 yahrzeit 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.

AMAZON SMILE

Please make sure you are using Amazon smile for all your purchases.

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

ADULT HEBREW Sundays at 11:30 AM

A new group has formed. The Adult Hebrew self-study group is meeting every Sunday when there is Sunday school. The adults can learn at the same time the children are learning. We are using The First Hebrew Primer 3rd edition and currently are up to Chapter 3. If you are interested in joining, please purchase the book and email Mike Miller with any questions,

admin@tbthumble.org.

https://www.amazon.com/First-Hebrew-Primer-Beginners-biblical/dp/0939144158/ref=sr_1_6?crd=3S6VG9CHM64JX&keywords=hebrew+for+beginners&qid=1569534443&s=gateway&sprefix=hebrew+for+be%2Caps%2C172&sr=8-6

2020 Temple Beth Torah Membership Directory

Directories will be going out at the beginning of the new year. Please let us know if your information has changed since the last directory or when you filled out your membership form. Correct addresses, phone numbers, emails, anniversary and birthdates are needed. And if you would like your occupation in the directory, please let me know. Email Stacey at admin@tbthumble.org Thank you!

Simchas in January

Birthdays

- 5 *Tony Sullivan*
- 5 *Bob Swaim*
- 5 *Felipe Ramirez*
- 7 *LiJuan Aizenberg*
- 8 *Judy Adler*
- 8 *Ellen Delap*
- 8 *Ann Dominick*
- 8 *Bobbylee Ruskis*
- 10 *Benjamin 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*

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 our new Caring Committee Chairperson Sarah Miller. Sarah and her team: Alice Kaufman, Ellen Grayson and Gail Ambrose Pilman are available to assist in hard times. E-mail admin@tbthumble.org or leave a message at TBT, 281-446-5611.

ONEGS

Thank you to those who prepared and/or sponsored the Oneg Shabbat refreshments in December:

- December 6 – Wesley Goble – In memory of Barry J. Liss
- December 13 – The Ellsworth Family – In Memory of Shari’s Aunt, Zelda Wolfson
- December 20 – The Pollard Family – In honor of their new Grandson, Theodore Elumba, son of Meredith and Missy.
- December 27 – The Keith Family – In memory of Mildred Denbina

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.

DONATIONS

RABBI DISCRETIONARY FUND

John and Bobbylee Ruskis

*Pastors Kristin Galle and Brent Hampton
20 years and Counting with Rabbi Dan Gordon*

Dale Vine

Jeff and Alice Kaufman – In memory of Scott Eric Kaufman

**Allison and Ryan Winograd*

**Matthew Grayson*

**Penny Oldfather*

GENERAL FUND

Lynn Gordon and Hy Penn

*In memory of Ele Amos
In Honor of the TBT Outgoing Board of Directors and the
Incoming Board of Directors*

Leah Theriot

*In memory of my Dad, Tom Theriot, and In Honor of my
Mom, Castine Theriot.*

Arnold and Manette Farber

*In appreciation of Rabbi Dan Gordon and Temple Beth
Torah*

**Elliot Gershenson*

**Hans Mayer*

**Dale Vine*

**Roger Poser*

**John Romeo*

**Ralph Chaiet*

**Kenneth Horwitz*

SECURITY

Chris and Alyce Baur

Judith Coleman

**Special Thank to everyone who donated for the end
of the year Fundraising Appeal*

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 yahrzeit (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. 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 website, www.tbthumble.org, to make use of this mitzvah. Or SEE THE DONATIONS FORM ON PG 12

Torah Portions for January 2020

Summarized by Rabbi Dan Gordon

January 3-4, 2020 Vayigash, Genesis 44:18-47:27

After a stolen goblet is found in Benjamin's bag, Judah asks that he be held prisoner in his brother's place. Joseph cannot hide his identity anymore, and has a tearful reunion with his brothers. He invites the whole family to move to Egypt, where he has achieved power. On the journey to Egypt, God speaks to Jacob in a vision. He solidifies that Jacob will now be known as "Israel," and promises to be with his people in Egypt and to eventually bring them home. The entire tribe migrates to Egypt, where they are permitted to live peacefully.

January 10-11, 2020 Va-Y'chi, Genesis 47:28-50:26

Jacob, at 147 years old, blesses his grandchildren, Ephraim and Menasseh, blessing the younger before the elder, despite Joseph's objection that the elder should come first. The blessing for Ephraim and Menasseh becomes part of a modern custom to bless sons (daughters are blessed in the spirit of Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel and Leah). Jacob makes Joseph promise to have him buried with his forefathers in Canaan. Jacob calls all his sons to him, and tells each what he thinks of them – mostly critical. After his death, Jacob's sons are fearful Joseph will want vengeance for their previous actions, but he assures them his forgiveness was sincere. The sons take Jacob to Canaan for burial and then returned to Egypt. Joseph dies at 110 years old, after reconciling with his brothers again. His bones will be saved and brought back to the Holy Land when Moses leads the Israelites back home.

January 17-18, 2020 Shemot Exodus 1:1-6:1

The sons of Israel and their families have settled in Egypt, but a new king arises who did not honor the relationship Joseph had established. Because of Pharaoh's fear of a revolt, male Hebrew babies are ordered to be killed. With the help of conspiring midwives, Shifra and Puah, Moses' mother saves him by putting him in a basket where he is later found by Pharaoh's daughter and adopted. Moses kills an Egyptian taskmaster and flees to Midian. He marries, and while watching his father-in-law's sheep, G-d appears to Moses out of a burning bush that is not consumed. G-d reveals His plan to free the Israelites, and sends Moses and his brother Aaron to speak to Pharaoh about freeing the Hebrew slaves.

January 24-25, 2020 Va-eira 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, and he does not free the Hebrew slaves.

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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.

January 31-February 1, 2020 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.



**TBT
Potluck Dinner
And
Game Night!
Fun for all ages.
Saturday, January 18th
Dinner at 5 PM
Games till 8 PM
at**



TEMPLE BETH TORAH

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RSVP by January 16th to education@tbthumble.org

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 _____

*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 2020 TEVET – SHEVAT 5780

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
					7:15 PM Shabbat Service	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
NO Religious School 9:30 AM Adult Ed – TORCH class NO Adult Ed – Book Club NO Adult Hebrew					6:30 PM Dinner Provided by the New Board – RSVP is a must 7:15 PM Shabbat Service	5:30 PM Rabbi Dan Storytelling at Jesse Jones Park
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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