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**“The Holocaust: A Maritime
History”
A Virtual Presentation with Gregg
Philipson**

Monday, November 8 at Noon

Gregg Philipson returns virtually to TBT for another engaging and colorful presentation! The talk examines the people, the organizations, the ships and the events that shaped the Holocaust from a maritime perspective.

It is a little known yet fascinating and important part of the history of WWII and the Holocaust. Gregg is a noted historian and collector, former Commissioner of the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission, and a past board member of Holocaust Museum Houston. The link can be found in the weekly email or contact admin@tbthumble.org

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5 - 7:00 PM
SPECIAL SHABBAT SERVICE
WITH RABBI DAN GORDON
AND SPECIAL GUEST
CANTOR FRANCYNE JACOBS
DAVIS**

Native Houstonian Cantor Francyne Davis Jacobs returns to TBT to join our own Rabbi Dan for this Shabbat service! Come in person or watch virtually for a fun and musical Shabbat evening.

**Hanukkah Store at TBT
Sunday November 7th and 14th
9:30 AM – 11:00AM**

The Religious School will be hosting a Hanukkah Store at TBT on Sunday, November 7th and 14th from 9am – 11am. As you do your Hanukkah shopping, please consider donating nonperishable food (cornbread mix, canned chicken/tuna and 1 lb packs of dry pasta are being requested) as well as toys and gift cards for Humble Area Assistance Ministries (HAAM). See article on page 5.

**COMING SOON: OUR ANNUAL NER
TAMID FUNDRAISER
HONORING JONI LEVY**

Tickets Now on Sale!!!

Date: Saturday, December 4, 2021
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Place: In person at TBT or Virtually
Program: Exciting entertainment featuring Andrew Briggs*
Toasts to Joni
Hannukah Menorah Lighting and Havdalah Service

Purchase your tickets early! Limited capacity for in-person seating.

To purchase tickets and for more information, go to:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2nd-annual-temple-beth-torah-ner-tamid-eternal-light-award-tickets-170232011529>

Please visit our online auction at www.TBThumble.org from 5:30 PM CST Nov 14th, 2021 to 10:00 AM CST Nov 28th, 2021.

WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR HELP FOR OUR ONLINE AUCTION.

If you have an item or items you would like to donate or know of a restaurant or business who would like to donate products or gift certificates for our auction, please contact Donna Glaser at admin@tbthumble.org.

*Andrew Briggs is a Professor of Music at Houston Community College. He has performed in venues throughout the country, as well as locally with the Houston Grand Opera Chorus, Lone Star Lyric Opera and with the Three Texan Tenors.

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.

Celebrate Shabbat Virtually Thanksgiving weekend with Rabbi Dan **Friday, November 26 at 7:00 pm** **No In-person Worship**

Join Rabbi Dan for a virtual only Shabbat service on Friday, November 26th at 7pm. Welcome in Shabbat the day after Thanksgiving with prayer and song. The Zoom link will be found in the weekly email, or contact admin@tbthumble.org

Oh Hanukkah, Oh Hanukkah! BRING ON THE LIGHT **WITH RABBI DAN AND CANTOR FRANCYNE** **Friday, December 3, 7:00 PM – In Person and Virtually**

It's the sixth night of Hanukkah, and Temple Beth Torah's sanctuary will be filled with light and warmth! Rabbi Dan Gordon and Cantor Francyne Davis Jacobs will team up with music and stories, while we all enjoy the beauty of the Hanukkah lights. Feel free to bring your own menorah, as it's always exciting to see the variety as well as the flickering flames of the season. The cantor will have festive tunes to share and the rabbi will have a surprise or two up his sleeve to make it a truly memorable holiday.

The link to attend virtually can be found in the weekly email or contact admin@tbthumble.org.

Jewish Meditation and Mindfulness **Join Sunday morning's "Cup of Wisdom" for a Special Virtual Session**

Sunday, November 21. 11:30 AM

Temple Beth Torah's "Cup of Wisdom" group meets every Sunday to explore spirituality with various books and scholarly writings. They begin each session with three minutes of meditative silence to help focus matters of the heart. Each week's session is open to all, whether or not you have been actively reading the selected book. Participants often read selections out loud and then have open discussion.

On the week before Thanksgiving, the group has invited a special guest facilitator to lead a 90-minute Zoom webinar on Jewish meditation and mindfulness. This is designed as both an introduction for those who are unfamiliar with meditation as well as those who may already have some experience. Rabbi Ariel Sholklapper (also known as Rav Ariel) helps teach how a meditation practice can help people deepen their personal connections with the Divine as well as cope with everyday pressures and stress. In addition to this special session with Temple Beth Torah, Rav Ariel leads bi-monthly classes and offers private coaching and Jewish mindfulness retreats. For more information about Rabbi Sholklapper, visit www.ravariel.com

A Zoom link for this special session will be provided by November 14. If you do not receive one, please contact admin@tbthumble.org For more information about the regular Cup of Wisdom sessions, please contact Bruce or Susan Pollard.

RABBI'S MESSAGE

Gratitude Now

Thanksgiving is not a Jewish holiday. Yet, I have heard many Jewish people say that Thanksgiving is their favorite holiday. There are many things about Thanksgiving that are consistent with Judaism. Of course, a holiday that is focused on food certainly seems Jewish. But the Jewishness of Thanksgiving is rooted in key values that go far deeper than turkey and sweet potatoes.

The very word “Jewish” comes from the word for gratitude. Judah (or *Yehudah* in Hebrew) was Jacob and Leah’s fourth son, and his name comes from the word *hoda-ah*, which means, “to thank.” According to the Torah, by naming her son Judah, Leah was the first person to actually express thanks to God in words. Leah was grateful to have another child after the first three. On his deathbed, Jacob praised his son, Judah, above all his other children. While our people were often called Hebrews or Israelites in the Torah, our continued relationship with the word Jewish, or *Yehudim* helps emphasize that gratitude is a core value of Judaism.

Mussar, the Jewish concept of cultivating inner virtues, teaches that gratitude is the ability to appreciate blessings in any situation. It is easy to be grateful when everything is going the way we want it to go. But true gratitude means embracing the challenging task of accepting difficult times with an open heart. It is interesting to note that President Abraham Lincoln established Thanksgiving for the first time in 1863, in the middle of the Civil War. Lincoln, perhaps, wanted Americans to express gratitude even during a time of war and tragedy, acknowledging that no matter how harsh the world seems, we still have reasons to be thankful.

During the Passover seder, we sing the joyous song, *Dayeinu*. We repeat the wondrous feats that God performed for us, each time expressing “it would have been sufficient,” if God had done one thing but not another. We cheerfully sing, “*If God had split the sea for us, and not brought us to dry land, it would have been enough...*” Our tendency is to want everything to be perfect and complete. The strength of our survival has been to accept the hard times and find the brightest spots.

We are now about to celebrate a second Thanksgiving during a pandemic. While things have gotten much better, we still have to be careful. We’ll take great care to stay safe and healthy. Let’s also take care to feel grateful for all of our blessings and all of our challenges. Even when the challenges seem great, we are blessed. Shortly after Thanksgiving, we’ll be celebrating Hanukkah, a joyous festival comes at the darkest time of the year. Watch the light brighten the darkness, and celebrate every spark of joy!

L’shalom,

Rabbi Dan Gordon

Shabbat Services and Events in November

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| Friday, Nov. 5 | 7:00 PM | Shabbat Service with Rabbi Dan and Cantor Francyne In Person AND VIRTUALLY |
| Monday, Nov. 8 | 12:00 PM | LUNCHTIME LEARNING - Virtually with Rabbi Dan via Zoom |
| Friday, Nov. 12 | 6:30 PM 7:00 PM | Virtual Tot Shabbat Service Shabbat Service with Rabbi Dan – In Person and Virtually |
| Friday, Nov. 19 | 7:00 PM | Shabbat Service with Rabbi Dan – In Person and Virtually |
| Friday, Nov. 26 | 7:00 PM | Virtual ONLY Shabbat Service with Rabbi Dan |
| Sunday, November 7 and 14 | 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM | Drop off your items for HAAM and FamilyTime on days of Religious School See the article from TBT Cares for the items we need on page 5 |
| Friday, Dec. 3 | 7:00 PM | HANUKKAH Celebration and Shabbat Service with Rabbi Dan and Cantor Francyne – In Person and Virtually |
| Saturday, Dec. 4 | 6:30 PM | NER TAMID AWARD PROGRAM in Honor of Mrs. Joni Levy – In Person and Virtually |

Temple Beth Torah In-Person Shabbat Worship Guidelines

Registration Not Required to Attend in-Person Shabbat Worship

Our attendance protocols have not changed (see below) and all those entering the building will be asked questions regarding their health. We want everyone coming to worship at TBT to be safe. Please feel free to let us know if you have any questions.

Shabbat In-Person Worship Guidelines:

1. Everyone is welcome to attend Shabbat worship services. The CDC recommendations, everyone eligible for vaccination against COVID-19 should be vaccinated.
2. Do not come to Temple Beth Torah if you are ill with a communicable disease or if you have had possible or known exposure to COVID-19.
3. Everyone in the building must wear a mask except those speaking from the pulpit.
4. Distance yourself from others outside your family or friend “pod.” The sanctuary capacity will be limited.
5. An usher will be available in the sanctuary to help with seating and answer any questions.
6. There will be no food served in the building.

TBT Cares Donations for November and December!

November

We continue our Thanksgiving food collections on November 7th and 14th between 9:30am and 11:00am. We are collecting cornbread, canned tuna and chicken, and other nonperishable foods.



December

Drive and Drop Off on Sunday, December 5th between 10am and 11:30am at TBT

HAAM is collecting new, unwrapped toys and Gift cards to Target and Walmart. We welcome any donation of nonperishable food as well. If you want to give but can't join us that day, please contact Susan at spollard@tbthumble.org or you can go directly to HAAM and make a monetary donation <https://haaministries.org/empy-stocking-toy-drive/>



Thank you to everyone who has donated HAAM's Seasons of Sharing. We are helping to feed many families in our community. This quarter alone HAAM has provided food for over 1000 families!

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Nominating Committee Has Been Formed

The TBT nominating committee is busy preparing a slate of officers for 2022. If you are interested in serving on the TBT Board of Directors, please contact Stacey at admin@tbthumble.org.

Baseball Art Raffle – A GREAT Success!!

TBT's Baseball Presentation and Art Raffle was a huge success. TBT is so thankful for everyone who participated. We sold over 200 tickets. Congratulations to Mike Stark for winning the Baseball Art Painting. He is still deciding who will be painted in it. Greg Harris gave an entertaining presentation, and the video is available on the website at www.TBTHUMBLE.org. The painting in the Temple will be available in the Ner Tamid Auction from November 14-November 28th. See the website for all information and items available to bid on.

Give-a-Gift to TBT An Easy Way to Help TBT

TBT is in need of the following items this month. If you would like to donate any of these items, please send a message to giveagift@tbthumble.org to ensure we do not get too many of a needed item. The items can be brought to TBT whenever we are open, or we may be able to arrange for a pick-up.

Items needed this month: Paper towel rolls - Facial tissue-square boxes - Glass Cleaner (Windex) refills - Hand wipes - Copy paper - Bottled water – Kids face masks

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

The Future of Temple Beth Torah

Don't be told something is impossible. There's always a way. A quote by film maker Robert Rodriguez.

Temple Beth Torah has come a long way from the early 1983 meetings at Iris Kelley's kitchen table or in Joni Levy's living room. We have grown and we have changed. TBT has been such a big part of my life over the last 35+ years and it has been wonderful to see how we have affected so many lives. Including mine!

As I begin to conclude my third term as the temple's president, I often think about where we are heading, and what will our future be. What will our little humble synagogue look like five, ten, or even twenty years from now? Is it possible for Kenny and Ziggy's to open a location in our community while Jewish migration flows in with it? Someone once said, *we struggle to climb, or we struggle to fall. The thing is to discover which way we are going...* So true!

We obviously have to be realistic with our survival plan but we need to strive for our dreams and plan for our future. We have been fortunate to have Rabbi Dan Gordon as our spiritual leader—a person who is well respected in the greater Jewish community. We are so fortunate to have a strong lay-led religious school which was recently praised by a member of the education team with the local Jewish Federation. We have been able to provide award winning programming and meaningful worship services. So where do we go from here?

I do not know all the answers, but I do know that we are going to need more volunteers to step up to the plate (my World Series analogy!). We are going to need members to volunteer to serve on committees and take board positions. We need more of our younger members to take over and own the future of TBT. I also know that we are going to need more financial support if we are going to continue to use the same model that has served us well for many years.

I hope everyone will be able to participate in our big fundraiser of the year, the 2nd annual Ner Tamid Award program as we honor Joni Levy. Joni and her husband, Burt (of blessed memory), were among the leadership that started TBT, with Burt serving as our first president. Joni is a person who never says no. She is always willing to help our congregation in any way she can, and is an inspiration for others to leap forward.

The event will be held on Saturday evening, December 4 which is also the 7th night of Chanukah. Just as "Ner Tamid" means "Eternal Light," the bright lights of Chanukah help remind us of the spark that Joni helped ignite in 1983...a light that keeps shining today!

Chanukah means "dedication," so let's show just how dedicated our community can be. Please join us in person or virtually for this fun evening as we honor someone very special to our community and donate to TBT to keep our corner of Judaism alive...because nothing is impossible...

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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CORNER

There are lots of exciting things planned for Religious School for November and December at Temple Beth Torah.

On November 7th Premier Martial Arts-Kingwood will present a special demonstration on Krav Maga. Krav Maga is the official system of the Israeli Military and is used by hundreds of Law Enforcement agencies throughout the world. It is a dynamic technique and a practical approach to self-protection. The demonstration will begin at 10:00. Thank you to Mike Miller for helping to bring this program to TBT.

Hanukkah comes early this year on our secular calendar but on Kislev 15th as always. We will pass out candles, gelt and dreidels to all students on November 14th so that you may use these at home to celebrate. We will not have class on November 21st or 28th. The Religious School Hanukkah celebration will be on December 5th when we return from our Thanksgiving break.

Please remember to send in LOTS and LOTS of boxes of CORNBREAD MIX for our HAAM Thanksgiving Food Drive.

Have a wonderful, warm, Thanksgiving with family and friends

Remember all the wonderful things in our world for which we are thankful.

L'Shalom,

Carrie Keith
Religious School Principal

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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)

Lunchtime Learning with Rabbi Dan and Gregg Philipson on Zoom Wednesday, November 8 at Noon

Join for a lively discussion on **"The Holocaust: A Maritime History" with Gregg Philipson**
Watch for the link in your weekly emails or contact admin@tbthumble.org to obtain the Zoom link.

Tot Shabbat Virtually Friday, November 12, 6:30 PM

Please join Rabbi Dan at 6:30 PM on November 12th at 6:30 pm for a fun Tot Shabbat program for our younger children. The Zoom link is the same one used for our 7:00 pm Shabbat service. Rabbi Dan will lead the kids in a fun and creative service with some learning, too! Any questions, please contact Stacey at admin@tbthumble.org.

SUNDAY DISCUSSION GROUP SUNDAYS at 11:30 A.M.

The Sunday Discussion Group is open to all and is discussing: "The Power of Now" by Eckhart Tolle. Please join us for interesting conversations.

If you have questions, please email Susan at spollard@tbthumble.org. The discussion group meets through Zoom. The link remains the same each week and is sent out in our weekly emails or contact admin@tbthumble.org

ADULT EDUCATION - TORCH (TORAH OUTREACH RESOURCE CENTER OF HOUSTON) SUNDAYS AT 10:00 AM VIA ZOOM

TORCH Rabbi Yaakov Wolbe leads a discussion of **Pirke Avot** (Ethics of the Fathers). All meetings will be through Zoom. Any questions please contact admin@tbthumble.org. The Zoom links are sent out in the weekly email.

Simchas in November Birthdays

- 1 Arya Miller
2 Vitaly Aizenberg
2 Luke Brawn
7 Mike Stark
9 Brian Eoff
9 Donna Glaser
10 Larry Rhines
10 Mike Weisberg
17 Bradley Heller
18 Marsha poser
21 Arthur Aizenberg
21 James Eoff
23 Chris Baur
23 Alice Kaufman
23 Emily Levy
27 Isaac Couch
27 Mindy LaCour

Anniversaries

- 8 Marvin and Maxine Sussman
8 Ken and Bernice Troxclair
28 Bob and Debbie Swaim

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.

November Yahrzeits

The following names will be read each week during November 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.

Anna P Abrasley, Freda Rae Cahn, Marie Rackmil, Joseph Schwartzberg, Lena Wallach, Richard Perwien, Nathan Lee Rubin, Myron Gross, Jerry Wolf, Gene Sachs, Morris Penn, Tony Sulpezio, Bill Gaile, Michael Hirsch, Evelyn Haidnick, David Polavsky, Murray Adler, Scott Eric Kaufman, Simon Rubin, Charlotte Kimmel, Maurice Glaser, Frances Rubin, Esther Kaufman, Amelia Perwien, Lenore Greenbaum, Frances Strizzi, Morris Schalet, Dr. Marvin P. Farber, M. Paul Farber, Arnold Kharasch, Freda Kharasch, Yakov Royzengurten, Billie Pollard, Frances Greenbaum, Alfred Lubin, Louise Post, Barry Liss, Norman Berger, Melvin Weiss, Marlene Ertingshausen, Burton Sorkin, Fredric Ofsowitz

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 Caring Committee at admin@tbthumble.org or leave a message at TBT, 281-446-5611.

Join a Committee!

Have you thought about becoming more active at TBT? One way is to join a committee. Some of our committees include the building, ritual, social, membership, fundraising, education, social justice and safety & security committees.

A new committee that is being brought back is the caring committee. This committee is designed to remember members on special occasions, help with meals if ill, and brighten people's lives.

If you are interested in serving on a committee or for more information, please contact Hy Penn at president@tbthumble.org.

DONATIONS

RABBI DISCRETIONARY FUND

John and Bobbylee Ruskis

Dale Vine

Debye Lurie

GENERAL FUND

David Acosta

John and Bobbylee Ruskis

Thank you to all who supported the Baseball Art Raffle.

If you would like to sponsor a TBT service or event in honor of an occasion or in memory of a loved one, please contact Stacey at admin@tbthumble.org.

*First Night of Hanukkah is
Sunday, November 28th!*

Healing List Names will be Refreshed at the Start of Each Month

Our healing list will now be updated at the first of each month. If you know of someone who is on the list who should remain on the list, please let us know. This list is important, but also can get quite lengthy, so we want to make sure all the names we read are timely.

Please email admin@tbthumble.org and rabbi@tbthumble.org to be added.

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.

You can now make a donation online to any of our funds. Tell your friends and family to visit our website, www.tbthumble.org, to make a donation or see the donations form in this newsletter.

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.

LEGACY GIVING SOCIETY

TBT's Legacy Giving Society is a group of visionary donors who have committed themselves to the future of Temple Beth Torah. Legacy gifts are easily to establish, cost nothing during your lifetime, and make a difference for our community. Contact admin@tbthumble.org for more information.

SCOTT ERIC KAUFMAN TECHNOLOGY FUND

This fund helps support the technology needs of TBT including computers, screens, and cameras and will help with our virtual programming. The fund was established in memory of Dr. Scott Eric Kaufman.

Torah Portions for November 2021

Summarized by Rabbi Dan Gordon

November 5-6, 2021, Toldot, Genesis 25:19-28:9

The most volatile sibling rivalry since Cain and Abel begins with the twins, Esau and Jacob, battling in the womb. Mother Rebecca is told by G-d that the greater of the two shall serve the younger. Esau sells Jacob his birthright for some soup, and Jacob collects the blessing of the firstborn with Rebecca's help. Having built a brotherly relationship based on trickery, deceit and manipulation, Jacob and Esau realize that the town isn't big enough for both of them. Both brothers go to uncles. Jacob travels to Rebecca's father's house (where he will marry both of Laban's daughters), and Esau finds himself a wife from the daughters of Uncle Ishmael.

November 12-13, 2021, Vayitzei, Genesis 28:10-32:3

Along his journey, Jacob experiences G-d's presence through dreaming of a ladder with angels ascending and descending from heaven. He pledges himself to G-d and continues to his uncle Laban's home. He falls in love with Laban's daughter, Rachel and asks to marry her. He promises to work for Laban for seven years to marry his daughter, but is surprised to find the older sister, Leah, in his wedding bed. Laban informs him it is customary to marry the older child first, so Jacob pledges another seven years of labor to marry Rachel. Leah is more fertile, bearing six sons and a daughter. Rachel pleads to G-d for children, and eventually bears Joseph and Benjamin.

November 19-20, 2021, Vayishlach, Genesis 32:4-36:43

Jacob has left Laban's land after 20 years of service. Along his journey home, he prepares to meet Esau for the first time since their bitter argument. The night before their meeting, Jacob wrestles with a "man," who turns out to be a messenger from G-d. He is injured in the fight, and receives a new name, Israel, meaning, "one who wrestles with G-d." Jacob and Esau reunite, with Jacob humbling himself before his brother. Jacob's only daughter, Dina, is raped by a neighboring prince. Simeon and Levi, in an attempt to avenge their sister's honor, kill all the males. Jacob informs them that their reaction was too severe, bringing dishonor to the family.

November 26-27, 2021, Vayeishev, Genesis 37:1-40:23

Joseph, through Jacob's favoritism and his own boastfulness, has created a jealous situation between him and his brothers. When he comes to check on their work, they toss him into a pit and conspire to kill him. Instead, they sell him to traveling slave traders, and he ends up in Egypt. He rises to become the head servant of Potiphar's household, until Potiphar's wife falsely accuses him of trying to rape her. He is imprisoned, and develops a reputation in jail for being able to interpret dreams.

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.

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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
- Scott Eric Kaufman Technology Fund
- Tracy Tobin Johnson Memorial Education Fund
- Tom Theriot Memorial Program Fund
- Temple Security Fund

Please send acknowledgement of the donation to:

Name _____

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NOVEMBER 2021 CHESHVAN - KISLEV 5782

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| | | | | | 7:00 PM IN PERSON and VIRTUAL Shabbat Service with Rabbi Dan and Cantor Francyne | |
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| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
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| 28 | 29 | 30 | DEC 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| NO Religious School 10:00 AM Adult Ed – TORCH class - Virtually 11:30 Adult Ed – Sunday Discussion Group-Virtually | | | | | 7:00 PM IN PERSON and VIRTUAL HANUKKAH Shabbat Service | 6:30 PM NER TAMID AWARD PREGRAM, HONORING JONI LEVY IN PERSON AND VIRTUALLY |