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TBT CHAILIGHTS

WE BEGIN AUGUST WITH WONDERFUL NEWS!



In case you haven't heard the buzz, we now have a part time interim Rabbi! For those who are veterans of TBT, may recognize Rabbi Marcy Greene! She has graciously come back to become our new interim Rabbi! Rabbi Greene brings an abundance of joy to our Shabbat services. Her enthusiasm is contagious and insightful D'var Torahs brings peace to the soul. Its exactly what is needed to forget your week and gently go into Friday/Saturday. She will be at TBT the 2nd and 4th of the month. If you haven't been home for a while, I invite you to share the pure joy of Shabbat with Rabbi Greene. She is open and ready to be there for you if you have any questions or even in need.

Rabbi Greene also is the founder of L'Chaim Center.

L'Chaim means 'towards life.' "The mission is to find joy despite adversity in order to live a purposeful and meaningful life." As she states on her website: She teaches spiritual life and healing, breathing new life into that old canard about not being able to control what happens to you – just how you react to it. "Here's the blessing, here's the curse – choose life!" I urge you to visit her website: www.lchaimcenterhouston.org. It is a nonprofit 501(3) organization. But even better, I urge to come and experience Shabbat at TBT! Give your mind body and soul a treat.

AND as the commercials says "wait...there's more!" As if finding a Rabbi wasn't enough, Rabbi Greene is offering some wonderful upcoming classes for us.

CLASSES! CLASSES! CLASSES!

As we slowly come out of this heat from Hades and our eyes look forward to September (cooler weather) and the High Holy Days, Rabbi Greene is offering 7 classes on Thursday nights to make our way to the HHD more prepared and with a better understanding of what the holidays truly mean. There will also be a class before Yom Kippur. (7 plus 1, she says)

Ever wonder why we say the prayers we say? What's this forgiveness all about? Perhaps we have forgotten how to approach the holiest of holiest holidays and what's with the Shofar anyway? Rabbi will take us through the steps of preparedness. All classes will be on Zoom.

The classes begin Thursday, August 11th – and run through Thursday September 29th at 7 p.m. **Although these classes are free, a donation would be appreciated.**

Also, please register at her website (you'll ALSO find the paypal donation button) <http://lchaimcenterhouston.org/event/zoom-classes/>

She will send a zoom link later.

We welcome back Rabbi Marcy Greene, and we thank Myrna Reingold for stepping up and leading services also! We appreciate you! We hope to see you in 5783!

A BOX FOR YOU, A BOX FOR YOU AND A BOX FOR YOU!

Before shut down, Jill Macgregor the Sunday School children and myself created beautiful boxes for Rosh Hashanah. These beautiful, decorated boxes were chock filled with fruits, baked goodies & honey. Every TBT family got one. They were met with appreciation and happiness. It was a great way to start the new year.

WELL, the BOXES ARE BACK, and I am looking forward to this tradition again this year. **HOWEVER, I am looking for help from all you wonderful artists/wanna be artists/people who just wanna have fun.** Since the Rabbi's classes begin on Thursday August 11th, I have changed our date. The new date is: **TUESDAY AUGUST 9TH FROM 7-9 P.M. AT TBT.** Let's gather, decorate the boxes, kibbutz, nosh and enjoy this journey to Rosh Hashanah. I will supply paints and colored pens if you want to add other materials, please feel free to bring your supplies. Sisterhood will provide the nosh. The box stuffing will be a couple of days before Rosh Hashanah. **The SECOND DATE will be Wednesday, August 17th at the SISTERHOOD ANNUAL MEETING!**

Please email me: denowinski@gmail.com



Important INFO
From Joe Wallack, President
Myrna Reingold, VP Ritual

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Dear TBT Members,

July 17, 2022

We are writing to announce that we have retained Rabbi Marcy Greene as an Interim Part-Time Rabbi and to provide you with an update regarding Temple Beth Tikvah. Many of you may remember Rabbi Greene. We are so grateful to Rabbi Greene and welcome her back to TBT warmly!

TBT has strived to continue to provide services this past year and we are happy to report that we continued to provide Shabbat services, both on-line and in-person; a Sukkot service complete with the shaking of the lulav in our very own TBT Sukkah; a TBT Congregational Passover Seder; a Chanukah Concert; a Purim Grand Re-opening Celebration (re-opening for in-person services, complete with a Purim play and Purim music!); a special Shavuot service (with delicious Cheesecake); an active Book Club; Sisterhood gatherings; and the joint Sunday Religious School with Congregation B'nai Israel of Galveston (complete with a grand end-of-year celebration at TBT!).

The Board has searched continuously for a new rabbi. In this last year, the Board formed a Rabbi Search Committee to conduct a search for a new Rabbi and two candidates were interviewed – however, those candidates accepted positions elsewhere. The Search Committee, pursuant to Board authority, also listed a position for a part-time rabbi with the Central Conference of American Rabbis (CCAR). When that did not result in any applicants or referrals, the listing was pulled so that TBT could post elsewhere. Subsequently, TBT posted with three other on-line job platforms for a part-time rabbi. Those listings remain posted and the search remains underway.

In the interim, TBT was fortunate to find two wonderful and experienced Rabbis to conduct Shabbat services – Rabbi Matt Michaels and Rabbi Marcy Greene. We have received positive feedback on each of them. We urge you to attend Shabbat services and bring your energy to Temple Beth Tikvah! Finally, to provide further stability, TBT has retained Rabbi Marcy Greene of the L'Chaim Center of Houston as an Interim Part-Time Rabbi for Temple Beth Tikvah.

In closing, so many of our members are personal friends with each other and we are happy that TBT has been and continues to be a community. This warmth and friendliness is a hallmark of TBT – the little temple with the big heart. We are grateful for TBT and for each of you. We hope that you are each doing well. We look forward to High Holy Days and welcoming you back home in 5783! We will send additional correspondence in the future regarding High Holidays.


Joseph Wallack,
President


Myrna S. Reingold,
V.P. Ritual

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HIGH HOLY DAYS 5783
TEMPLE BETH TIKVAH BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Dear TBT Members and Friends,

The High Holy Days serve as a significant fund-raising source for most congregations and this definitely includes Temple Beth Tikvah. Thus, we are reaching out to you!

This year, as we usher in 5783, Rosh Hashanah services will be held on September 25th and 26th, and Yom Kippur services will be held on October 4th and 5th. The schedule for this year's High Holy Days services is also being sent to you, by email, along with this communication.

Each year, Temple Beth Tikvah reads the names of our deceased loved ones aloud in the Yizkor service from the TBT Book of Remembrance. Our TBT Book of Remembrance has been created for several years now by our member Judith Oppenheim, who will be creating this for us once again. **We are so grateful to Judith Oppenheim, who gathers names, compiles, and creates this beautiful document for us – thank you Judith!**

Donating for the inclusion of your loved ones' names in the Book of Remembrance is customary, and TBT greatly appreciates it. As well, if you wish to add your loved one to the TBT Yahrzeit Memorial Board, that is a \$300.00 minimum donation per plaque. All checks for donations should be made payable to Temple Beth Tikvah.

Book of Remembrance - Please complete and return the TBT Book of Remembrance Form on the next page to have your loved one's name(s) read aloud during the Yizkor Service.

Deadline: Please return the completed form by September 27th to allow time for the Yizkor list to be compiled.

You may either mail the completed Book of Remembrance Form to TBT, marked to the attention of VP Ritual, or you may email the completed form to Judith Oppenheim or Myrna Reingold. If you will be sending the completed form by email, please email to: jpoheim@gmail.com or to riverrein@yahoo.com.

TBT wishes each of you a Happy, Sweet, and Healthy 5783!

TBT Book of Remembrance Form follows on next page



BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Judith Oppenheim is kind enough again this year to compile our Book of Remembrance for Yom Kippur. ***It's important you fill out the information below and return it to her at the due date she is requesting: SEPTEMBER 27, 2022***

Your Name: _____

Your Address: _____

Your Phone Number(s): _____

Your Email address: _____

TBT BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE FORM

Judith is creating this year's Temple Beth Tikvah Book of Remembrance with a theme of Judaica. Thus, if you have photographs of Judaica that are within your family or that have sentimental value to you, or photographs of your loved ones with Judaica, you are welcome to send those photographs to Judith. Examples of such photographs would include a photograph of your grandmother lighting Shabbat candles, a photograph showing challah on the supper table dressed for Shabbat, or a photograph of a loved one reading the Tanakh. Such Judaica objects often kindle wonderful memories, and this theme goes with the beautiful Judaica exhibit that opened on July 10th at the Museum of Fine Arts Houston.

Name of Deceased (please asterisk * the names of those who have passed since September 2021):

Remembered by: _____

Donations: Book of Remembrance Donation \$ _____
TBT Yahrzeit Memorial Plaque*
(\$300 per plaque) Donation \$ _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____
(Donations should be made payable
to Temple Beth Tikvah)

Return by mail:

Attn: VP Ritual, Temple Beth Tikvah
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Houston, TX 77058

Return by email (use PayPal link):

jpoheim@gmail.com and/or
riverrein@yahoo.com

**DEADLINE: All forms must be received by deadline of September 27, 2022
for inclusion into the TBT Book of Remembrance for 5783**

** Those wishing a Memorial Plaque: please provide the name, date of death, and years of birth and death of your loved one.*

Sisterhood

Sisterhood will have their annual meeting on **WEDNESDAY, August 17th** from 6:30-9 p.m. at TBT. We have a lot to discuss with our upcoming High Holy Days and planning fun events for the coming year. Please bring your ideas as we continue to meet and do creative activities. Thanks to Marcia for hosting our "Teachers Appreciation" get together last month at Tommy's Restaurant. It was a great way to beat the heat and catch up on what we have been doing, and of course honoring our dear educators! Let's keep brainstorming other creative activities we can do throughout the year! Also, if you want to bring something to nosh at the meeting, it will be much appreciated! We will also be voting on a new slate for Sisterhood.

At our annual meeting we will also be finishing up our Rosh Hashanah boxes, and we can decide what to place in them. Also, we need to discuss our plans for our Tashlich picnic after Rosh Hashanah services, Yom Kippur break fast. The Tashlich picnic was an idea from Rabbi Marcy Greene. What a wonderful way to gather after Rosh Hashanah with a TBT community picnic at Clear Lake Park! I hope to see you at our annual meeting, and we look forward to 5783 with your positive input!

Erev Rosh Hashanah - Sunday, September 25th

Rosh Hashanah - Monday, September 26

Kol Nidre- Tuesday - October 4th

Yom Kippur - October 5th

Shalom,

Nancy 🌻

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UPCOMING HAPPENINGS AT TBT

AUGUST

- 5th – Myrna at 7 p.m. TBT and ZOOM**
- 7th – ANNUAL TBT CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AT 1 P.M.**
- 9th – Box Decoration for Rosh Hashanah at TBT 7 p.m.**
- 10th– Board Meeting at TBT 7 p.m.**
- 11th – First HHD ZOOM class by Rabbi Greene: please register**
- 12th – Rabbi Greene service at 7 p.m. – TBT and ZOOM**
- 17th – Sisterhood ANNUAL Meeting and Box Decoration 6:30 p.m.**
- 18TH – Second HHD ZOOM class by Rabbi Greene**
- 19th – Myrna at 7 p.m. TBT and ZOOM**
- 25th– Third HHD ZOOM class by Rabbi Greene**
- 26th – Rabbi Greene service at 7 p.m. – TBT and ZOOM**

The Board of Directors Slate

President	Joe Wallack
VP/Ritual	Myrna Reingold
Secretary	Allen Buchner
Finances	Paul Hamer/Charles South/Joe W
Communication	Deb Nowinski
Membership	Stuart Eisen
Grounds & Building	Charles South
Education	Jill MacGregor (up until January)
Member at Large	Ed Sheinberg

Nancy Schwartz has indicated that she would like someone to take over Sisterhood which will be discussed at their annual meeting on August 17th.

IF you are interested in joining the board and help us continue to move forward into 2023, we would appreciate your help! Anyone who is interested, please email Joe Wallack – JoeWallack@gmail.com



PICTURES OF OUR TBT/CBI RELIGIOUS SCHOOL KIDS/MYNA/ THE MAGIC OF ED SHEINBERG!

