



TU BiShevat

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BRICK, NJ
The Vine



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Temple Beth Or The Vine



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SERVICES



TBO Services on Zoom – Join us 15 minutes before the service and schmooze together.

Watch your email or contact the office for the Zoom Access.

All Submissions for The Vine are due
by the 15th of the prior month.
All Submissions are subject for review.

NO EXCEPTIONS

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



By Sandi Silber

2021 is finally here, and it is time for us as a congregation to move forward. Hopefully by spring, we will have put this virus behind us and welcome Pesach, spring flowers and our fellow congregants.

The search goes on for a new home for Temple Beth Or. We are storing our history and the Sanctuary items in climate controlled pods. Be assured, that all of our history will be back on our new walls.

While the virus is rampant in the community, the Board, Adult Education Committee, and the Rabbi, are working on programs to keep us involved as a congregation and in our religious culture.

We will be having a Tu BiShevat Seder on Zoom to celebrate the birthday of the trees. It will be a fun time as well as educational. Purim will come with Mishloach Manot and a special Megillah reading.

I want to thank you all for your patience during this stressful time in Temple Beth Or's history. Temple Beth Or is alive, and will be fully functioning in the near future. Please stand by us, and we will be back in business in 2021.





A MESSAGE FROM OUR RABBI

By Rabbi Robert Rubin

Yes, a New Year is Coming

We can agree that this year of 2020 was difficult in so many ways. A tiny virus has changed our lives and changed the world. In some cases, the virus has taken some lives.

The new year of 2021 is an opportunity for hope – hope for getting past this pandemic, hope for getting back to our more normal gatherings, hope for a better future.

The new year of 2021 is also an opportunity for hope for the future of Temple Beth Or. We are undergoing a major transition with our plan to find a new location more appropriate to the current size of our congregation. This will reduce overhead costs and allow us to sponsor more and better programs and activities for you.

Even with a positive approach to the future, there can be emotional ups and downs. Our congregation will be challenged along the way. We hope to continue to offer services, classes, special events, Sisterhood and Men's Club meetings and programs during the transition as we move forward.

Many of us feel isolated and alone during this COVID-19 crisis. Join in one or more of our TBO activities, connect with others and fight off any loneliness you may feel. Activities that are online through Zoom can be accessed through many different devices in addition to a computer, including your telephone.

We just celebrated Chanukah, the Festival of Lights, in many ways, including a tour of Paris in our Chanukah in Paris event with about 40 people participating. We have a Tu BiShevat Seder planned for January 27 (see the page in this issue of The Vine) in which we will herald the movement toward a new spring season and reflect on our connection with God, the Land of Israel, the world of nature and each other. Join us as we celebrate Purim coming at the end of February. Connect with us during a Shabbat or weekday service and help make the minyan for others while interacting with others. Attend a Sisterhood or Men's Club meeting and help plan future activities while enjoying each other's company.

Even though not in person, there are so many ways to participate. Fight the aloneness with togetherness. Best wishes for a good new year!



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SISTERHOOD NEWS AND EVENTS

President: Marlene Vogel

Sisterhood General Meeting January 5, 2021 @ 7:30 pm:

Havdalah: Learn how to put your Havdalah kit together and what it means.



Cakeless Cake Sale: Annual Cakeless Cake Sale, is now under way. See flier on page 13.



Save the Date

Sisterhood General Meeting February 16, 2021 @ 7:30pm:

Virtual Hamentash Bake with Chef Steven Glassoff.

Ingredient list and recipe will be sent out before hand.

Register by noon on Monday, February 15th to receive the link.



GOLDEN BOOKS

Send someone special a card for any occasion. Call the office 732-458-4700 or email: templebethor-brick@gmail.com.

The cost is \$3.00 per card, including postage, or purchase a package of six cards for \$18.00.

Please make checks out to:
Sisterhood, Temple Beth Or
attn: Golden Book.

SHOPRITE GIFT CERTIFICATES

Buy supermarket gift cards from Sisterhood Temple Beth Or and earn 5% on your purchase for the Temple. ShopRite Gift Cards are available in denominations of \$25, \$50, and \$100. The cards are used as a debit card when you do your shopping. It is a convenient way to pay for your shopping while helping Temple Beth Or.

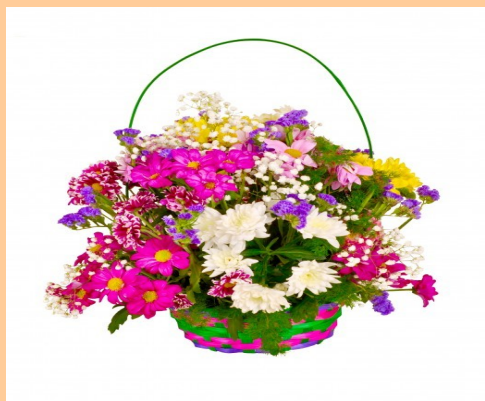
Please Call:
Johanna Hann at 848-333-8472

SISTERHOOD/TEMPLE CATERING

Sponsor an Oneg Shabbat, Kiddush Luncheon, or Private Event!
All Bookings must be made through Sisterhood/Temple Catering.
Please call Temple Beth Or office:
732-458-4700

FLOWER FUND

Contributions are being accepted for the on going flower fund. A card will be sent "In Honor of", "In Celebration of", "In Memory of", or Just Because.
Contact the Temple's office



CHAI CHAIR FUND

The Chai chair Fund has been established to replace those chairs that are in dis-repair and to purchase additional ones.

Checks are payable to:
Sisterhood Temple Beth Or
(Attn: Ann Metnick)
In the amount of
\$18.00 per chair.

A certificate of notification will be sent upon request.

Name:

Number of Chairs:

Amount Enclosed \$:

In Honor of:

In Memory of:

Temple Beth Or The Vine

MEN'S CLUB OF TEMPLE BETH OR

Presidents: Jeff Fink & Larry Kalb

Men's Club Meeting January 17, 2021 @ 10 am

Details to follow in weekly email.

Save the Date: Men's Club Meeting February 7, 2021

World Wide Wrap.

Watch for the details in the weekly emails.



UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Watch for future events.



Unfortunately all Hagalil in-person activities have been canceled.

There are virtual events planned. If you would like further information, please contact the office.

UPCOMING TEMPLE EVENTS

Sisterhood Program and General Meeting Online – Tuesday, January 5, 7:30 PM – program open to the whole congregation – Learn about Havdalah with Rabbi Rubin and practice putting together your own Havdalah set starting with the candles sent by the Men's Club, have some wine or grape juice and some sweet smelling spices ready – followed by the Sisterhood Meeting – refreshments on your own at home

Tu BiShevat Seder Online – Wednesday, January 27, 7:00 PM.

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We are updating our phone contact list of our members. We are asking **everyone** to please email or call TBO office, 732-458-4700, with your current home and cell phone numbers.

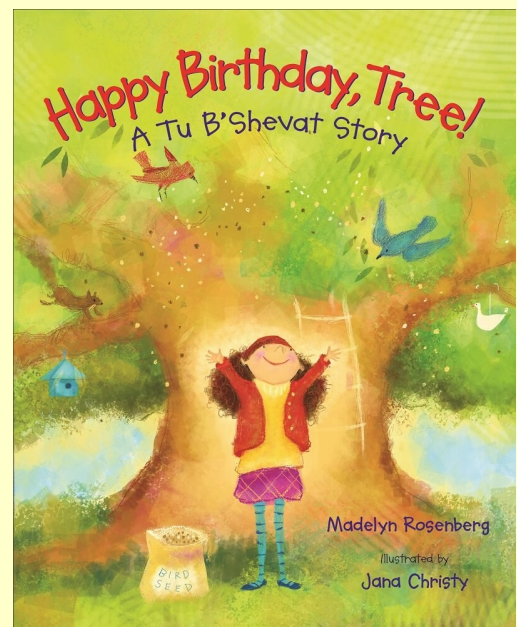
Thank you to those who have already given us updates.

THANK YOU

*Thank you to Mitchell Schwartz for the generous donation in honor of the life of his parents, Lois and David Schwartz.

*Thank you to all who reached out and supported me, and my sister Adrienne, during the loss of our sister, Susan Zektzer. We really appreciated the support.

Marlene Vogel



YAHRTZEIT DONATIONS

The human soul is a light from God.
May it be Your will that the soul of our loved ones
enjoy eternal life, along with the souls of
Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Sarah, Rebecca,
Rachel, and Leah, and the rest of
the righteous that are in Gan Eden.
Amen.



IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Hadasa Smith	Beloved mother of Ruth Fierstien
Paul Smith	Beloved father of Ruth Fierstien
Goetzel Feit	Beloved uncle of Ruth Fierstien
Anne Seidman	Beloved mother of Roberta Warshaw
Gussie Solomon	Beloved mother of Barbara Moglia
Louis Spivak	Beloved brother of Dorothy Solkowitz
John Rudnick	Beloved father-in-law of Phyllis Rudnick
Martha Spivak	Beloved mother of Dorothy Solkowitz
Eva Katz	Beloved mother-in-law of Anne Katz
Max Katz	Beloved father-in-law of Anne Katz
Zelda Geller	Beloved wife of Seymour Geller
Anna Geller	Beloved mother of Seymour Geller
Harry Geller	Beloved father of Seymour Geller
Gertrude Ostrove	Beloved mother of Robert Ostrove
Max Sternbach	Beloved father of Edward Sternbach
Dr. Haskell Askin	Beloved husband of Sara Askin
Michael Weiner	Beloved father of Sara Askin

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Alan Jacobs

Alyse Williams

Luzer Buganski

Meyer Goldstein

Kate Weinberger

Belle Potashner

Philip Goldfarb

Paul Sherman

Rebecca Sherman

Beloved nephew of Tema Goetzel

Beloved daughter of Rhoda Augenbraum

Beloved adopted father of Lynne Bennardo

Beloved uncle of Lynne Bennardo

Beloved mother-in-law of Elaine Wain

Beloved mother of Elaine Wain

Beloved uncle of Marlene Vogel

Beloved father of Ruth Sherman Ress

Beloved grandmother of Ruth Sherman Ress

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MISHEBERACH PRAYER

When someone near and dear to us is ill, a spiritual uplift can be very meaningful. This is done in Jewish tradition by reciting a "Misheberach" prayer on the days we take out the Torah.

If you would like a Misheberach said and are not able to attend the service, please call Temple Beth Or office or email us.

We need the person's Hebrew name and the mother's Hebrew name, so that a prayer will be done for you.



MISHEBERACH PRAYER REQUEST

Date:

Person Receiving Prayer:

Hebrew Name:

Reason:

From:

THE MITZVAH GROUP

Temple Beth Or's Mitzvah Group reaches out to all members. If you know of someone who needs or would like a phone call, hospital, nursing or rehab center visit, please let us know.

Kindly complete the form below and mail it to the synagogue.

Temple Beth Or
Attention: The Mitzvah Group
200 Van Zile Road
Brick, New Jersey 08724

If time is of the essence, please phone the information to either:
Rabbi Rubin at 610-639-5341, or to
Mona Sternbach at 848-333-3596.

You can email Mona Sternbach at mtsternytbo@gmail.com.

Let us join together in turning our good intentions into good deeds.

Thank you,
B' Shalom
Mona Sternbach
Chairperson

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM FOR REQUEST

Name of person wanting contact:

Phone:

Address:

Town:

Type of contact wanted-Please circle choice:

Phone Call

In Home Visit

Hospital Visit

Name of Hospital:

Town:

Nursing & Rehab Center Visit

Name of Center and Town:

Your name, if different than above:

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Bingo will be closed until further notice
due to the Governor's update on
indoor gatherings.

Happy New Year
2021

**We will need volunteers for when we do open.
Thank you for making our Bingo game a success!**

Adult Jewish Learning Classes



We invite you to join our Zoom Adult Jewish Learning classes even if you have not participated before. We are open to your ideas for future classes. Contact Rabbi Rubin at 732-840-1092 (home) or 610-639-5341 (cell) with your input.



On the mountain, God gave Moses rules for the people to follow.

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***Celebrate our connections to Nature,
the Land of Israel and the Environment***

Tu BiShevat Seder – Online

on the Jewish New Year for Trees – 15 Shevat

Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 7:00 PM



*Taste many different fruits
Have 4 cups of wine/grape juice
Enjoy the stories and the songs
Learn and celebrate with others
Children invited to participate.*



***Text of the Seder will be shown on the screen
as well as made available to you in advance.***

Celebrate
with these items
ready at home for this event:
Red and white wine or grape juice
Some tree fruits that have an inedible pit
Some tree fruits that have an inedible skin
Some tree fruits in which you eat the whole thing
A variety of nuts (other than peanuts), specially almonds
Bokser/carob (if you can find some)
Other foods that
you enjoy

Registration required by January 25 – No charge – Zoom link will be sent to you.
OPTIONAL: “Plant a tree in Israel” through Jewish National Fund (JNF) and TBO –
Register for this event with a donation of \$18 per tree (payable to TBO) and specify
if it is in honor of or in memory of anyone or event. Certificate(s) will be provided.

Send registration to: Temple Beth Or, 200 Van Zile Road, Brick, NJ 08724
Questions? Call the TBO Office (732-458-4700) or email templebethorbrick@gmail.com.

I/We want to register for the Tu BiShevat Seder on January 27.

Name(s):

Email:

Optional – Amount enclosed for tree(s):

Tree Dedication(s) – see enclosed information



It's time for our CAKELESS CAKE SALE

A bit of news today!

Our CAKELESS CAKE SALE is under way!
 In these chilly, busy, car-pooling days
 Who would bake? Pies? Cookies? Or even a Cake?
 You'd be surprised if you counted the cost of ingredients,
 heat and the time you have lost.
 Baking for a sale is extra work, yet no one really wants to shirk!
 So we've thought of a plan that's truly grand
 and feel quite sure you'll understand. In your envelope
 please put the price of a cake or a pie or great dessert.
 Without fuss or bother, you've done your part,
 we trust you'll give with a willing heart.
 This is the end of our little tale as we wish success with our
CAKELESS CAKE SALE!

Thank you for your interest and cooperation in this important fundraiser.

Please make your check payable to:
 Sisterhood Temple Beth Or
 Kindly mail your donation in an envelope to

Sisterhood Temple Beth Or
 200 Van Zile Road
 Brick, New Jersey 08724

Give a gift for Purim and connect with others in Temple Beth Or!

A Purim Gift Package of Mishloach Manot is to be given by TBO to every member of our congregation.

This year, all packages will be delivered or mailed out.

**Included in the Gift Package: hamantaschen plus other
treats**

**NOTE: ALL ITEMS WILL BE IN THEIR ORIGINAL INDIVIDUAL
WRAPPINGS.**

For a donation of \$18 (or more), YOUR NAME(S) will be included
as a cosponsor of this package
on the card that goes to every

TBO member along with the Purim Gift Package.

In this way, you can be participating in the mitzvah of sending Mishloach Manot to
about 150 people and be helping to strengthen our community.

**You can also order additional packages to be mailed
to whomever you indicate (\$25 each). See below.**

Paid orders required by Monday, January 25.

All orders need to be submitted ON TIME so that we can properly prepare the packages
and then deliver or mail them in time for Purim (Thursday night/Friday, February 25-26).

Return this form with payment to: Temple Beth Or, 200 Van Zile Road,
Brick, NJ 08724.

Questions? Call the Office (732-458-4700) or email templebethorbrick@gmail.com.

I/We want to cosponsor the Purim Gift Package to TBO members.

Enclosed is my/our donation of \$ _____.

Name(s) as to be listed on the card in the TBO package:

I/We want personal Purim Gift Packages mailed to the PEOPLE AND ADDRESSES LISTED
ON THE BACK OF THIS PAGE. Enclosed is \$25 for each package to be mailed = \$ _____.
List my/our name(s) on these personal PURIM GIFT PACKAGES BEING MAILED FOR ME/
US as:

TOTAL ENCLOSED (payable to Temple Beth Or): \$ _____



Purchase your ShopRite Gift Cards at Temple Beth Or !!

Cards are available in \$25, \$50 or \$100.

5% of gift cards purchased goes to Temple Beth Or
at no extra cost to you.

Call Temple Beth Or's office at
732-458-4700
or email us at
Templebethorbrick@gmail.com

Please give **us 24 hours notice** so we can have them ready for you to pick up, or we
can also mail them to you if you are unable to get here to pick them up.

**Please Assist our fundraising efforts.
Support Temple Beth Or!**



Ways To Give

Celebrate a Simcha, commemorate a loss,
mark a special occasion, or offer a get well.

Strengthen our synagogue by contributing to the General Fund or any of the specific funds indicated below. You can send your check to the Synagogue office specifying the fund you would like to support. A beautiful card will be sent from TBO informing the honorees of the gift you have made in their honor or in memory of a loved one.

General Fund	Discretionary
Oneg Sponsorship	\$100. & up
Kiddish Sponsorship	\$450. & up
Lifetime Pew Seat	\$500.

Sisterhood Fund

Golden Books	\$3.00/each
Flower Fund	Discretionary
Chai Chair Fund	\$18.00

Sim Shalom Prayer Book	\$36.00
High Holiday Prayer Book	\$25.00
Rabbi Discretionary Fund	Discretionary
Aliyah Fund	Discretionary
Misheberach Fund	Discretionary



Plaques

Memorial Plaques	\$350.00/member	\$450.00/non-member
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Memorial Board (includes 2 plaques): Inquire about cost

Wall of Life Plaques

1" x 3"	\$100.00
2" x 3"	\$300.00
3" x 3"	\$750.00
2" x 6"	\$1000.00

You may send or bring a check to the synagogue office. Tributes cannot be officially acknowledged until payment is received. Please contact the office for information regarding Legacy Gifts and opportunities to make larger contributions.

LIFE CYCLE EVENTS

Temple Beth Or is here for you to share your happy occasions, as well as any sad difficult moments, with others and with our community. We appreciate the following donations to help keep Temple Beth Or open and functioning. For the "member" rates, the person or the person's parent/guardian must be a member of TBO or by an extension of reciprocity, of another congregation. Payment is to be made payable to Temple Beth Or. The arrangements for all of these ceremonies and dates must be approved by the Rabbi and TBO.

BAR/BAT MITZVAH FEE

Includes the option of choosing honorees at the service.

TBO Members - \$875.00

There is no additional charge for the lessons with the Rabbi. If the event is held as part of the Saturday morning Shabbat service, it is expected that the Saturday Kiddush and the Friday night Oneg Shabbat receptions will be sponsored in honor of the occasion (included in the above fee).

AUFRUF TORAH ALIYAH

Includes the option of choosing honorees at the service.

TBO Members - \$100.00

Non-Members - \$150.00

If the event is held as part of the Saturday morning Shabbat service, it is expected that the Kiddush following the service will be sponsored in honor of the occasion.

WEDDING

does not include a Chuppah.

The Rabbi does not have to be the officiate.

TBO Members - \$200.00

Non-members - \$300.00

BABY NAMING TORAH ALIYAH

Includes the option of choosing honorees at the service

TBO Members - \$100.00

Non-members - \$150.00

If the event is held as part of the Saturday morning Shabbat service, it is expected that the Kiddush following the service will be sponsored in honor of the occasion.

FUNERAL

(use of Sanctuary)

The Rabbi does not have to be the officiate.

TBO Members - No Charge

For a Kaddish relative of a TBO Member (parent, spouse, sibling, child) - No Charge

For a Non-member - \$550.00 (to be billed to the funeral director)

Following the funeral, if appropriate, a surviving relative is to be offered a one year courtesy membership or a \$550 credit to a higher priced membership with the welcome invitation to come here to attend services and to say Kaddish.

KADDISH RECITATION

A TBO member or a Kaddish relative of a TBO member who dies is to be remembered and automatically placed on the 11-month Mourner's List which is read at the time of the recitation of the Mourner's Kaddish at the end of Shabbat services on Friday nights and Saturday mornings. There is no required donation for this.

A request may be made to add a non-member to the Mourner's List and have them remembered and included at the time of the recitation of the Mourner's Kaddish at the end of Shabbat services on Friday nights and Saturday mornings.

A \$300.00 donation is requested for this.