

# RABBI'S MESSAGE

Shalom Temple Beth Sholom,

We are approaching the celebration of Hanukkah this month and looking forward to joyous gatherings both here at the synagogue and in our homes.



The candle lighting for Hanukkah begins the evening of Sunday, December 14th, as the last candle will be lit on Sunday night, December 21, the 8th day of Hanukkah.

Remember to place the candles in the Hanukkiah from right to left, and to light the candles from left to right. The reason? Our Rabbis wanted us to note the uniqueness of lighting these particular candles in honor of Hanukkah.

We also add a candle each evening in order to *marbin b'kedushah*, to enhance the holiness of each day, as instructed by Rabbi Hillel, who opposed the custom and opinion of Rabbi Shammai, who started with 8 candles and counted down to day eight's one candle. Hillel got it right—we Jews always look forward to enhancing sanctity and never diminishing holiness.

We are instructed to recite the three traditional blessings the first night, including the *shecheyanu*, and the two blessings each of the succeeding nights of Hanukkah.

Remember, as well, to enjoy your latkes, French fries, *sufganiyot* (donuts), and any other fried food that you treasure, as the discovery of the cruse of oil has been marked by our Jewish focus on the miracle of the oil.

Behind all the beautiful Hanukkah traditions, music, and food is a serious message as well. The successful Maccabean revolt against the Seleucid-Greek Empire was a turning point in Jewish history, and for that matter, all of history. Because of the triumph of those brave Maccabees, outnumbered, with fewer weapons and facing an overwhelming Empire led by Antiochus IV, allowed Jews since that time, circa 165 BCE, to dream of the restoration of Jewish political sovereignty in the Land of Israel throughout the rest of our Jewish existence. Without the Maccabees, the resurgence of the modern-day Maccabees, the Zionists, who also fought forces of overwhelming power and might, would not have occurred.

Israel today stands as the beacon of our Jewish efforts to rid our people of hatred and attempts to wipe us from the map. The emphasis of the military victory is recorded so eloquently in the Four Books of Maccabees.

However, there is another element to Hanukkah that the Rabbis taught us, and that is to be constantly vigil over the need to restore the dignity of Jewish religious independence. Thus, the Rabbis created the story of the miracle of finding the cruse of oil, the spiritual

quest and victory, that they attached to the people's celebration of Hanukkah circa 3rd-4th century, some 500 years after the actual Maccabean revolt!

We Jews must understand that we need both elements of the Hanukkah narrative for a understanding of what it has meant to be a Jew throughout history: we are an AM, a people, a nation, that has a special relationship with the soil of the Land of Israel, where we can truly live as a free people, AM HOFSHI, as we chant in our Hatikvah anthem.

But being Jewish is more than nationalism and military victories as much as we know that we cannot live without the brave young lions of Judah, and, today, the brave lions of the Israel Defense Forces.

We also need Torah, our values, principles, our dreams, our goals, our meaning as Jews that we have carried with us wherever we have lived.

Without Judaism, our nationalism means we have forgotten our purpose.

Without the Land of Israel, without Zionism today, we will have forgotten the need to defend our people and, if necessary, to fight for our freedom.

We salute the hostages who have come back from their horrendous ordeals in the caves of Gaza, renewed in their Zionism, love of Israel, gratitude to the IDF, and for so many of them, becoming more observant of their precious Judaism.

Those of us who had the privilege to listen to Omer Shem-Tov last month at the Or, were moved by his embrace of tallit, tefillin and tefillah each morning since his return to his family after almost two years in horrendous captivity—no daylight in the tunnels, one pita/day for sustenance, constant torment and a constant barrage of anti-Jewish/Israel propaganda. I highly recommend that you read the book HOSTAGE, by Eli Sherabi, the first account of what it was like to be an Israeli hostage under the terrorist eyes of Hamas.

Let us rejoice this Hanukkah in celebration of our national freedom, our state of Israel, and our ability to continue lighting those candles and bringing about spiritual victory in an often-darkened world around us.

Yagdil Torah v'Yadir...as the prophet Isaiah implores us, let us all be God's messengers to bring Torah to the world around us and allow the light of our Jewish existence spread to the four corners of the earth.

Hag Hanukkah Sameach,

Rabbi Stuart Altshuler

Haverim,

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



It's somewhat hard to believe that this will be my final message to you as TBS President. On July 3, 2023, a congregational crisis brought me into the president's seat six months early, as four board members, including the president and treasurer, tendered their resignations. With the help and support of a number of dedicated congregants, we weathered that crisis. Over the past 30 months, we have weathered several other major challenges to the unity of our Kehillah.

Speaking of weather, we have endured two major hurricanes over the past 4 years. As Vice President, I remained in Sarasota when Hurricane Ian struck, and I visited TBS the next day to inspect the building and ensure that Shabbat morning services would take place in the Chapel (since there were major roof leaks in the sanctuary and social hall). Hurricane Milton struck last year, and in that instance, we suffered more significant damage and had no power. I remember inspecting the building with a flashlight and being taken aback when I saw a large broken roof tile on the sanctuary floor where the reading table normally sat. Nevertheless, more than 25 TBS volunteers joined us the following Sunday to secure our Torahs and prayer books. Others worked outside to clear the debris. Without fanfare, we came together to ensure that our spiritual home was safe and functioning. I need to personally thank Troy Jones, a valued member of our TBS staff, who in both instances was the first one on the scene to inspect the building and campus and report back on their condition. None of these items appear in the job descriptions of the TBS President or Vice President.

This is a unique congregation. The majority of our members come from all over the country and bring varied experiences and ideas on how a congregation should function. Many of us are retired and have a lot of time on our hands. These ingredients can either create a very exciting and innovative community or serve as a microcosm of what is causing the divisiveness in our nation. This yin and yang move back and forth, causing varying degrees of excitement or instability for our Kehillah.

We are here because we seek a spiritual home that provides us with a congregational experience that comes closest to what we are most comfortable with. We seek fellowship with other Jews, along with social, cultural, and learning experiences. Most of all, we seek a sense of security, especially when the world around us offers very little comfort. In short, we want Beth Sholom to live up to its name (a house of peace). Here we seek friendship, joy, and support for one another. As Beth Sholom moves into its second century, the major challenge for all of us is to re-establish a "Beth Sholom."

I sincerely hope that I achieved more than enabling our community to weather a number of crises and storms. Much of my time has been occupied with these challenges. My recent Kol Nidre Address spoke about a number of areas where TBS has achieved a lot

Al Treidel

of growth. We have an exciting Young Families Initiative. We are close to exiting the landlord business and providing greater financial stability for TBS. We are about to expand the only Jewish cemetery in Sarasota-Manatee. We found a way of re-establishing the position of full-time cantor and continue to provide a number of additional classes, programs, and social activities, and much more. These have occurred on my watch, but many of us deserve credit for these achievements.

My greatest joy as president has been getting to know so many of you. As I look forward to becoming the Immediate Past President, I do have plans. After taking off the month of January 2026, I will finally begin work on writing a book. There will be more time to spend with my children and grandchildren, and doing more travel. I wish our new board much success and look forward to enjoying my continued participation in our wonderful community.

Kol tuv,

*Al Treidel*

***Almost Immediate Past President!***



### 5th Annual “TBS Goes to the Opera”

- Are you an opera-lover?
- Know nothing about opera but are developing an interest?
- Not really an Opera Lover but would like to join TBS members at an opera performance?

Ever since our first group opera attendance of Nabucco which drew a record attendance ( the second largest group attendance at the Sarasota Opera House at that time) our congregants have enthusiastically attended this event. Please join us on Wednesday, February 25th, 2026, at 7:30 pm at the Sarasota Opera House for our 5th annual “TBS Goes to the Opera”. The featured Opera will be Puccini’s beloved **La Bohème** with some of the most beautiful arias in the opera repertoire. This is the opera on which the Broadway hit Rent is based.

There will be a pre-performance reception with refreshments at a modest charge, and a brief lecture on this opera is being planned. A range of seat prices will be available. Please call Travis Rogers at the Sarasota Opera House (941.328.1330) to purchase your tickets. Please state that you are part of the Temple Beth Sholom group.

Hope to see you there! *Eric Faerber*

# CANTOR'S MESSAGE



Shalom Haverim,

Before I get to my Hanukkah-themed remarks, I have an exciting announcement. Get ready for an evening of celebrating some of the greatest Jewish composers of contemporary music. In what promises to be an event that will have you singing the whole night through, Temple Beth Sholom is excited to announce that there will be a performance on December 28th at 3:30 in the Sanctuary featuring Cantor Riselle Bain (Temple Israel in Sebring, Florida), Gary Kurnov (Established Theater Veteran), and me. Joy Katzen Guthrie (Established Performing Artist and Cantorial Leader) will be accompanying the three of us on piano. The program is called "From Gershwin to Garfunkel." In this concert, they will be performing everything from Yiddish classics like "Abi Gezunt" and "Ikh Zing" and classic musical theater from Jewish composers such as the Gershwin brothers and Rodgers and Hammerstein, among others, to folk and pop by Jewish artists such as Simon and Garfunkel and Bob Dylan. I am so excited to be performing with these three incredible performers. I can't wait for the opportunity for us to share this wonderful music with you. Registration is on our website in the upcoming events section.

**Hanukkah is just around the corner, and with it comes the commercial boom of the festive holiday season. All around us, stores begin to sell winter holiday clothing, the radio plays endless holiday music, and TV stations everywhere are playing countless holiday movies. Whether it is The Nightmare Before Christmas, Adam Sandler's Eight Crazy Nights, or Die Hard (yes, that counts), a lot of these movies have an important series of themes. The heroes or protagonists have a task they need to accomplish, learn a valuable lesson, and do what needs to be done to achieve their goals. The surge in popularity of this genre could be attributed to the 1946 classic movie; It's a Wonderful Life. This movie follows the story of George Bailey, an everyday family man who has fallen on hard times. While he is at his lowest, he meets his guardian angel, Clarence, who guides him on a journey of self-discovery. In the end, George realizes with Clarence's help that he has done an immense amount of good for those around him, and his town would not be the same without him. He returns to his family and friends with a new sense of purpose and a new outlook on life as everyone rejoices around him.**

Perhaps these types of stories find themselves in our lives this time of year as an opportunity for self-reflection, so we can remember that we all have something to give to others. Even the smallest action can make the biggest impact, much like how the oil that lit the Chanukiah of the Beit Hamikdash burned for one night, but lasted for eight.

This Hanukkah, my prayer is that we all find ourselves again, and that we remember that the actions we take impact those around us and beyond.

Hanukkah Sameach

*Cantor Neal Taibel*



Temple Beth Sholom Continuing Education Committee  
Invites you to a special showing of

# THE CATSKILLS

## the rise and fall of the Borscht Belt



Saturday, January 24th

at 6:30 pm

TBS' Sainer Social Hall

**\$18 in advance;**

**\$20 at the door**

*Advance ticket registration closes*

*Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup>*

**Join us for a special night, as we start with Havdalah, followed by the film and light bites, and conclude with personal stories from YOU on your experience at The Catskills.**

*This program is sponsored in part by Nadia Ritter*

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**The CATSKILLS the rise and fall of the Borscht Belt**

**Saturday, January 24, 2026 at 6:30 pm**

*Advance ticket registration closes Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup>*

Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Guest(s) Names \_\_\_\_\_

Number in party \_\_\_\_\_ X \$18.00 = Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

No refunds will be given after the deadline. Thank you for your understanding.

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## TBS SISTERHOOD NEWS

I haven't had the opportunity to write a Messenger article since August. I asked various Sisterhood Board members to help me with responsibility. Thank you for Patty Kahn, Maddy Freshwater, and Susan Weintraub, who wrote articles for September, October, and November. Now the job is back to me (for the next couple of months) and I'm excited to share what Sisterhood has in store for the coming months.

If you have not joined Sisterhood, it is not too late. Your dues help support synagogue programming as well as our many social action projects. Our **Annual Membership Brunch** is scheduled for **Sunday, January 25, 2026**. Everyone is welcome to attend and if you haven't yet joined Sisterhood, you can bring your dues check that morning. Our Membership Vice-Presidents Patty Kahn, Ellen Donshik and Naomi Stonehill have planned a delicious brunch and an exciting program.

Our congregational mailing about Torah Fund has been sent out. As you may know, our Sisterhood has historically been a great supporter of this. Torah Fund provides funding and scholarship money to the five Conservative Jewish Rabbinical Seminaries located around the world. Our future Rabbis, Cantors and Jewish educators are trained at these schools and help ensure our future. We have chosen **Evie Mitchell**, as this year's **Light of Torah** honoree. Evie is the powerhouse behind our Bimah Basket project. She is also a past Sisterhood President, a dedicated supporter of Torah Fund, and someone you can call upon when something needs to be done. We will honor her on Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at our **Annual Torah Fund Day of Learning**.

I want to add a special thank you to J T Thaler for her review of *All About Me*, by Mel Brooks. It's hard to imagine anyone who hasn't seen a Mel Brooks movie and laughed at his crazy sense of humor. Sisterhood sponsored this book review and those who attended were not disappointed.

Sisterhood has a new Mitzvah Project for the upcoming holiday season. Located in the synagogue lobby you will find the **Mitzvah Menorah**. In conjunction JFCS you can make the wishes of a child come true. Attached to the menorah are wish lists from local children. There are instructions telling you how you can help. In addition, I ask for your continued support of our social action projects. We continue to collect toiletries for SPARCC (Safe Place and Rape Crisis Center). Please continue to support our local food pantries with a sponsorship of a Bimah Basket. Please don't forget about our Green Bean Casseroles that we deliver to the Salvation Army. Marsha Mason and Adele Tannenbaum alternate in delivering these once a month and the recipe is in the Messenger. You can leave your casseroles in the synagogue freezer, and they are due by the first of the month.

Finally, looking ahead to the future, please put Saturday, January 31, 2026, on your calendar. That is Sisterhood Shabbat, and our women will be leading the Shabbat morning service. Sisterhood will also sponsor the kiddush. It is always an incredibly special day for TBS.

Sheryl Glickman  
TBS Sisterhood President

# WHAT IS A BIMAH BASKET?



## WHAT IS A BIMAH BASKET?

*As a replica of a food basket  
a Bimah Basket symbolizes the gift of  
food to the hungry and needy*

As a major part of our social action programs, TBS Sisterhood's Bimah Basket program raises funds to benefit organizations that primarily feed the hungry and needy. After much research and discussion, the TBS Sisterhood Board of Directors voted to designate All Faiths Food Bank and Meals on Wheels of Sarasota as the recipients of 60% (30% each) of the Bimah Baskets proceeds. Disbursements to these organizations will take place in December and May.

## HOW CAN YOU HELP? SPONSOR BIMAH BASKETS

- Sponsor one or two baskets **in honor** of a special occasion or **in memory of** your loved ones on their yahrzeits.
- Contact Evie Mitchell at [evmit@comcast.net](mailto:evmit@comcast.net) or 941.554.8529
- Payment:
  - A. Charge cards – (1) 56.20 or (2) 93.50 Info to Evie OR
  - B. Checks payable to TBS Sisterhood for (1) **\$54** or (2) **\$90** delivered to TBS Sisterhood, 1050 S. Tuttle Ave. Bldg 2; Sarasota, FL 34237, or Call Evie at 941.554.8529

Extra Bimah Basket forms for orders are available available in the TBS office, or digitaly at [www.tbssrq.org](http://www.tbssrq.org) and in our weekly eblasts following the week's Bimah Baskets Sponsors.



**Oseh Shalom**  
**עשה שלום**  
*Maker of Peace*

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**MEET OUR 2026 LIGHT OF TORAH  
EVIE MITCHELL**

**Save the date for our 2026 Torah Fund Event  
March 18, 2026 at 10:00 am**



Every year, TBS Sisterhood chooses a Light of Torah to celebrate at our Annual Day of Study and Luncheon. The Light of Torah award is given to a woman who demonstrates service to the synagogue, service to Sisterhood, and service to the community. This year, we have chosen a very well deserving woman for this award, Evie Mitchell.

Evie and husband Stan moved to Sarasota in 2008 as snowbirds and full-time residents in 2013. Previously, they lived in Omaha, where Evie was very active in her synagogue and sisterhood.

They joined TBS IN 2011. Since then, Evie has been involved in many aspects of TBS, Sisterhood, and the Sarasota community. In the past, Evie served as Vice President of Torah Fund, and

now she is co-chairman of Bimah Basket project, raising money for All Faiths Food Bank and Meals on Wheels, a major part of our Social Action programs.

Evie volunteered to work in the Temple at the front desk, and was a volunteer in the Judaica Shop, and she worked on the Kitchen Crew, where we all benefited from her skills in the kitchen. For years, Evie has faithfully donated green bean casseroles every month for the Salvation Army. She is one of those women who you can count on to help when needed. With all of these accomplishments, it is clear that we selected Evie Mitchell as the best person for this honor.

FOR TORAH FUND INFORMATION CONTACT

Susan Weintraub at [weintraubsb@gmail.com](mailto:weintraubsb@gmail.com) or (941)724-0638

Temple Beth Sholom Catering Presents

# SHABBAT DINNER

Friday, January 9, 2025, 7:15 p.m.

*Shabbat Service, 6:00 p.m.*

**Open Seating; meet up with friends and make some new ones.**

**TBS events are always open to the public.**

We encourage you to bring a bottle of  
your favorite kosher wine to share with your table.

The Catering Team is happy to uncork!

Adult Meals: \$34.00 each

Children 5 - 12: \$17.00 each

Children under 5: FREE

## MENU:

**Falafel Gyro**

with hummus and tzatziki

Tossed Salad, Challah Rolls, Coffee/Tea & Dessert

**\*RSVP by Noon December 31\***



TBS Shabbat Dinner, Friday, Jan. 9, 7:15 p.m.

Adults: \$34.00, Children 5 - 12: \$17.00, Children Under 5 FREE

(Deadline: Dec. 31 by noon)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# Adult Meals: \_\_\_\_\_ # Children (12 & Under) Meals: \_\_\_\_\_ # Children (under 5) Meals: \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Open Seating; meet up with friends and make some new ones.  
We encourage you to bring a bottle of your favorite kosher wine to share with your table.

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ Bill Member Account: \_\_\_\_\_

*No substitutions. No refunds will be given after the deadline. Thank you for your understanding.*

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## October Bimah Basket Sponsors

**Sharon & Barry Burke**, in honor of their 55th anniversary

**Sally Feder**, in honor of Joel's birthday

**Ellen & Les Kreisler**, in honor of Les' birthday

**Sophia & Anatoly Offengenden**, in honor of their 54th anniversary

**Jerry Zackin**, in honor of his grandson's wedding: Benjamin Zackin to Michal Zahler



## October Oneg/Kiddush Enhancement Supporters



**Risé Bausch & Manuel Soto**,

in honor of Risé's brother Anton Baumgarten's Yahrzeit

**Helen Begelman**, in memory of her husband Kenneth

**Robin Block**, in memory of her husband Spencer Block & son Joshua Block

**Belle & Dr. Ted Probst**, in honor of the U.S. Navy's 250th birthday

## October Shabbat Participants

Ben Berman  
Don Friedman  
Dr. Gene Ginsberg



Stan Mitchell  
Paula Rothman

## High Holiday & Festival Participants

Ben Berman  
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Dr. Randy Brodsky  
Dr. Joel Feder  
Don Friedman  
Dr. Gene Ginsberg  
Rueben Lissage



Stan Mitchell  
Cantor Neil Newman  
Paula Rothman  
Al Treidel  
Ann Treidel  
Jordan Wallach  
Susan Weintraub

**2025 Hatan Torah:**  
**2025 Hatan Bereshit:**

**Dr. Joel Feder**  
**Paula Rothman**

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## High Holiday Bimah Flower Sponsors

**The Paver Sisters: Randa, Andrea, Pam & Diana,**  
in honor of TBS on Rosh Hashanah  
**Myrna & David Band,** in honor of TBS on Yom Kippur



## Youth Birthdays

**Israel Carrillo**  
**Zev Mellits**  
**Maksim Moreno**

**December 14**  
**December 27**  
**December 9**



## December Milestone Birthdays

Victor Mitchell	Susan Spector
Mary Ross	Renee Stevens
Allison Silver	Brian Yapko

Temple Beth Sholom would like to wish  
a very happy birthday to our members who are  
celebrating a milestone birthday this month!  
(birthdays ending in os or 5s)



## December Anniversaries

<b>Irma &amp; Lew Amsel</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>Andra &amp; Irwin Press</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Frances &amp; Gary Feldman</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>Ronnie Riceberg &amp; Dennis Zimmerman</b>	
<b>Marlene &amp; Sanford Goldberg</b>	<b>63</b>		<b>11</b>
<b>Cheryl &amp; Bruce Goldhirsch</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>Jana Singer &amp; Larry Sidman</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Shelley &amp; Sheldon Goldklang</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>Charity &amp; Jeffrey Steckel</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Susan &amp; Steven Greenberg</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>Joyce &amp; Rob Weiss</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Joan &amp; Bart Levenson</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>Mara &amp; Randy Winn</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Jane &amp; Ralph Noah</b>	<b>35</b>		



*Temple Beth Sholom Presents*

# *From Gershwin to Garfunkel*

*Cantor Riselle Bain and Gary Kurnov*

*joined by Cantor Neal Taibel*

*with piano accompaniment by Joy Katzen-Guthrie*



Sunday, December 28, at 3:30 p.m.

Doors open at 3:00 p.m.

*Where tradition meets today*  
 *Serving Sarasota since 1926*

***\$18.00 in advance***

*(deadline is 12/17/25)*

***\$20.00 at the door***

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## From Gershwin to Garfunkel

Sunday, December 28, at 3:30 p.m. – Doors open at 3:00 p.m.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

# of tickets: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to donate \_\_\_\_\_ to help support Temple Beth Sholom.

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ Bill Member Account: \_\_\_\_\_

For more information,  
or to register online,  
please scan the QR code



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# NEW HEBREW CLASSES AT TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM!

**IT'S EASIER THAN YOU THINK!**

Starting Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>  
Sue Spector and Cantor Neal Taibel  
will hold 10 sessions for TBS  
Members and guarantee results!

**LEVEL 1 - 10:00 - 11:00** - I don't know  
and Aleph from a Bet - or I learned  
years ago but I've forgotten. Taught by  
Sue Spector

**LEVEL 2 - 11:00 - 12:00** - I can read the  
letters but I can't keep up with the  
prayers. I want to be able to participate  
more in services by learning the  
melodies and being able to follow in  
Hebrew. Taught by Cantor Neal Taibel  
and Sue Spector

Call or email Sue Spector for info or to sign up  
330-328-8634, [suespec2651@gmail.com](mailto:suespec2651@gmail.com)  
or return this form by December 31st.

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## NEW HEBREW CLASSES AT TBS!

\$10.00 per per member to cover the cost of materials

RSVP to Sue Spector

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in Level 1\_\_\_\_ or Level 2\_\_\_\_



# TBS SISTERHOOD MEMBERSHIP BRUNCH



## Jewish Trivia

with Sheryl Glickman

Sunday, January 25, 2026

11:00 am In-Person Only

**Members: \$5.00 Non-Members: \$10.00**

Please RSVP by Monday, January 19, to  
Naomi Stonehill, [ndjss@aol.com](mailto:ndjss@aol.com)  
or [sisterhoodtbsfl@gmail.com](mailto:sisterhoodtbsfl@gmail.com)



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**TBS Sisterhood's Annual Membership Brunch**

**Sunday, January 25, 2026 at 11:00 am**

Please make checks payable to TBS Sisterhood

**Reservations must be received no later than Monday, January 19, 2026**

Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Guest(s) Names \_\_\_\_\_

Number in party \_\_\_\_\_ X \$5.00 (Member) + \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10.00 (Non-Member) = Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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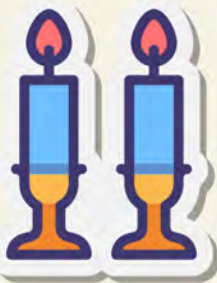
Temple Beth Sholom  
welcomes young families to

# SHABBAT SHABOOM!

**Saturday Morning**  
**10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**  
in the Multi-Purpose Room at  
Temple Beth Sholom

**Join us on:**

- September 20
- October 25 - NOAH'S ARK
- November 22
- December 20



**For more information  
and to register,  
contact Kelly Nester at  
[TBSYouth@tbssrq.org](mailto:TBSYouth@tbssrq.org)**

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Shabbat Shaboom is a lively service for children through early elementary school and their families. Children will sing Shabbat themed songs, listen to a story, enjoy playtime, and much more.

**Free and open to the public.**



*Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood*  
*Invites you to join us*  
*Wednesday, February 4, 2026, at 11:00 am*  
**Tu B'Shevat inspired lunch and  
Ecological Awareness Program**

featuring Jackie Leboutitz,  
UF IFAS Extension Agent

Learn about the importance of pollination, Florida's many  
different butterflies and other pollinators, and practices you  
can adopt to help conserve them

**\$18.00 per person**

Please RSVP by Monday, January 26, to  
sisterhoodtbsfl@gmail.com



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**TBS Sisterhood's Tu B'Shevat Luncheon & Program**  
**Wednesday, February 4, 2026, at 11:00 am**

Please make checks payable to TBS Sisterhood

**Reservations must be received no later than Monday, January 26, 2026**

Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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# Temple Beth Sholom

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If you need more information please contact Nancy Hendricks at  
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