

# The Or-acle

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# State of the Temple

## Stacey Schlosser Temple President

In the book, "The Giving Tree", by Shel Silverstein, the tree is fully grown and able to give everything the boy needs through his lifetime. The tree loved the boy and gave of itself to satisfy the boy's needs at every stage. And the boy readily took all the tree gave and never offered anything in return. I always found this famous book to be very depressing. When giving and taking only happens in one direction it seems greatly unfair.

In creating our TBO Giving Tree, I hope to recreate this time honored story, in our own light. I seek to have us create a giving tree where all of us bring our resources to build up this tree and each of us gathers its fruits in our own way and in our own time.

The roots of our tree are our largest donors, who give so generously that we have a strong and deep foundation to build upon. Our members who pledge beyond the sustainable share, build our trunk so we can stand tall and grow. Those who participate in our fundraising all year long in big and small ways help to grow our branches. And everyone who pays their sustainable pledge allows our tree to blossom.

We are all contributors to the health and wellness of our Giving Tree, just as we are all members of our congregation. As a faith based non profit, we are both the supporters and the recipients of our giving. Most of us give to charity, defined as an empathetic response to crisis or catastrophe, long term or near term, all throughout the year. We give large and small based on our financial resources and our empathetic response to the mission of the non profit.

Alternatively, philanthropy is a long term shared purpose, in which the energy and programs of an organization are paired with the capacity of the supporters. We each are philanthropists when we give to our temple. And, the temple can only provide in balance with what we are able to raise.

The temple, like all organizations, has overhead, much of it contractual. The temple has salaries to pay, mortgage payments to make and all other standard expenses. Additionally, we of course have programming and experience costs that round out our expenses. As for our revenue, we have primarily us. And for the last many years all of our fundraising has gone to meet our budget



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and reduce our deficit spending. The article from Rick Simon, our Vice President/Treasurer, will give you insight to the work we have been doing to get beyond this cycle.

Five times a year we ask that you consider the level of philanthropy you can give to support your congregation.

Annual Pledge

High Holiday Appeal

Giving Tuesday/ End of Year Giving

Purim Gifts

Annual Fundraiser

In reality, if every household were able to pledge \$500 dollars more we would not need to fundraise 200k to meet our budget. We would be able to focus our fundraising to reduce our mortgage and build our endowment, and have a capital account to meet the needs of our building maintenance.

We know, some of our members are unable to meet this threshold and conversely we have many families who give generously to balance this. The challenge then lies in the middle.

I asked some Congregants this question, "**What impact has TBO had on you and your family?**" You can see their responses on the "sticky note" board on the following pages. In the digital edition of this Or-Acle, you can click on the digital note board to add your own answer to this important question.

What is the value of a moral compass; belonging, personal growth, community? How can we put a price on the comfort we felt during the saddest times or the joy we felt during the milestones that mark our Jewish journey?

Our voluntary pledge model allows each family to decide their giving level, although we ask for what the sustainable portion is per adult congregant. It is imperative for our ability to sustain our congregation, with the current staffing and program range, that each family honestly and completely assesses their ability to contribute to our shared mission of being a congregation where we nurture Jewish souls from birth to death.

If Covid 19 has taught us anything it has brought home the need for community and belonging. The responses we have gathered so far about the impact of TBO all speak to this universal truth. Community and belonging are the result of active engagement, of both being served and serving others. And by the act of philanthropy, giving in support of our common mission.

Please consider how TBO has impacted you and your family and how you would like to impact TBO in return. Please, when you are asked to give, give generously of your time and resources so you may be rewarded with a sense of pride, a sense of belonging and a sense of community.

**B' Shalom,**

**Stacey**



**And you shall tell your child on that day, saying, "It is because of what the Lord did for me when I went forth from Egypt."**

# From the Rabbi

I have been privileged to be able to live in Israel for extended periods and to travel there many times. One thing that I love to do in Israel is to go to archeological sites and to try to imagine how our ancestors lived. Their lives were so different than ours in our high-tech society, but in many ways, they were very similar. People raised families, had occupations, and supported their synagogues. Many of the archeological sites of ancient synagogues prove that people supported them because donor plaques on columns, doorways, and mosaics were found. "This building was dedicated by Yehudit daughter of Yehudah", etc. As long as there have been communities of Jews who need a center for their community to pray, study, and gather, there have been kind souls who have given generously to make sure that place is there. Philanthropy is a Jewish value that is essential to the functioning of our holy community.



The word philanthropy is based on the Latin word for love. It literally means the love of humankind and, in our usage, means the giving of support out of love. I would say that this is related to the Hebrew word chesed. Chesed is overflowing love that turns into acts of care and concern, support and service. Chesed doesn't have to do with money, but money is sometimes the most powerful way of engaging in chesed -- because chesed is always about giving. In Jewish thought, someone with a lot of money is not better than someone who has less. Yet it does mean that the rich person has more opportunities to give to support others and to support the community.

Chesed is also related to tzedakah. Tzedakah is often translated as "charity," but it actually means "righteousness," and in classical Jewish legal literature, it often means obligated giving to support the community and the less fortunate. We can think of tzedakah more as a tax and chesed as a gift.

Our sages teach in the Babylonian Talmud (Sukkah 49b): Acts of chesed are superior to tzedakah in three respects: Tzedakah can be performed only with one's money, while acts of chesed can be performed both with her person and with her money. Tzedakah is given to the poor, while acts of chesed are performed both for the poor and for the rich. Tzedakah is given to the living, while acts of chesed are performed both for the living and for the dead.

Of course, we need both. For Temple B'nai Or to function, we need the continuous yearly support of our members. Yet for Temple B'nai Or to thrive, we need individuals and families to give over and above so that everyone who wants to can be a part of our community. We need generous people so that we can continue to have an innovative and vibrant learning community for all ages, so that we can support our beautiful building, so that we can be a center for Reform Jewish life in Morris County, so that we can . . .

Giving comes from the heart and should be motivated towards the other; but of course, giving also affects our own inner lives. Our congregants Mary Fernandez and Adam Buchsbaum say it beautifully, "Pillars of our lives, including both our graduate educations and our family's Jewish life, have been supported by the philanthropy of those who knew us and many who did not. Inspired by their generosity, we joyfully embrace the obligation and honor of supporting causes that most matter to us, including Temple B'nai Or, our Jewish home for the past 20 years."

Temple B'nai Or thrives because of the philanthropy of our members. I am grateful to be a part of a community of so much chesed.

# From the Cantor

שדקתי שדחהו שדחתי ושיה

**The old shall be renewed and the new shall be sanctified.**

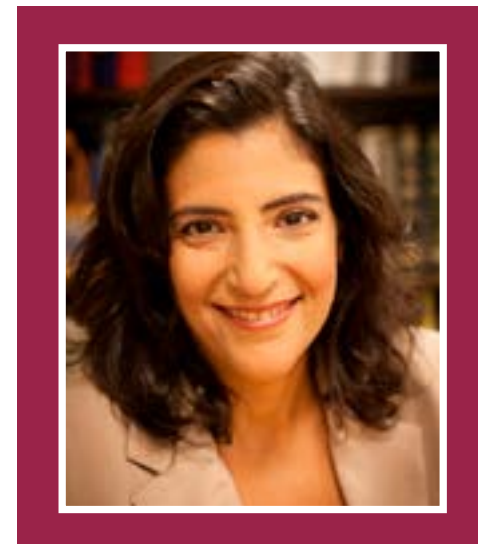
As spring is upon us, this Jewish expression helps me to live in this moment of renewal. Judaism teaches us to mark time with sacred ritual. Pesach is a reminder not only to celebrate our freedom, and to fight for freedom where it is not yet a reality, but it is also a yearly reminder that with spring comes renewal and rejuvenation, especially after this very long and difficult winter. We look forward to renewal. Even listening to a bird's song has felt so inspiring and hopeful. Bring on spring.

As we emerge from the cold and long winter, both physically and spiritually, I am filled with so much gratitude for the old becoming new and the new continuing to become sacred (in Hebrew this totally rhymes). Personally, Shabbat Shira is always such a sacred experience, as the stories, reflections, and song of our wonderful members elevate us and bring to us new ways of experiencing prayer. We were fortunate to share in the talent and dedication of our Mamma Mia Purim Spiel – Pandemic Edition Cast, who took an old story of courage from our scriptures and renewed it to provide for us such a HILARIOUS Erev Purim. We were similarly inspired by the generosity of our sponsors who made the Purim basket a possibility for our ENTIRE congregation. We reveled in the smiles, the online comments, the gratitude and the awe from our members who expressed appreciation - and even pride - for being part of such a wonderful congregation. It was a remarkable and inspiring feeling to see this joy abound.

As spring brings on renewal, we hope to emerge from our cramped homes (where we ALL dwell at ALL times). May we consider how to bring on renewal and gestures of kindness to the people around us, especially in our TBO community. We are so grateful to our congregation family who continuously supports our community and we hope we can count on all of us to do so in the future. I would like us all to consider continuing to support our synagogue community, in whichever way feels comfortable and meaningful. Every little gesture goes a long way. Each one of us may be THAT person who brings sanctity to all of us.

May we all experience renewal in this season and may we find ways to bring joy through acts of love and kindness.

Chag Aviv Sameach. Happy Holiday of Spring.



"Cantor and Charlie" by Rosie Beyer  
Grade 2  
Excited for her brother's Bar Mitzvah

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## *From the Pre-School*

### FRANCES AND HERBERT BRODY PRE-SCHOOL

**"How wonderful that no one need wait a single moment to improve the world."** –Anne Frank

How does Pre-School impact a young child's ideas about philanthropy? Every moment in our early childhood classrooms is a moment that makes the world a better place. We teach our littlest learners that tzedakah and taking care of our world are an important part of being good people. We discuss how our actions and our deeds can help or hurt the world. We explore recycling, re-purposing and planting as ways to physically repair the world. We reward kindness, generosity and caring toward others. Can you imagine how different the world might be if every person started with this strong of a foundation?

Our school continues to benefit from the philanthropy of others. Our partnerships with local organizations like Pre-School Advantage, as well as the generosity of families connected with our school, like The Goldberg Family (Joan, Herb and Todd), create a culture of philanthropy that goes beyond just dollars. The impact of their dedication allows children who might not be able to attend quality early learning centers the opportunity to participate and grow. Research has proven the impact of this learning on future school success. Our world reaps immeasurable rewards from those who invest in early learning.

Recently, I put a call out to some of our families because we had a child who was missing some essential items. Within a few days, bags filled with new and gently worn clothing, shoes and outerwear arrived in my office. Our parent group, led by Lindsey Dubman, provided their time and their dollars to support this child in need. It was a labor of love that they shared with their own children. They utilized the opportunity to demonstrate how important it is to share our good fortune with others. Gratitude and generosity go hand and hand.

As we look toward the future, we look forward to providing additional opportunities for families to share in giving together. I feel blessed to be part of our Temple community, which always comes together in times of need. I am eternally grateful for those who give above and beyond every year to sustain our temple building and community. They provide us with the sacred opportunity to instill these lessons to another generation.

With tremendous gratitude,

**Jennie Rubin**

**Director of Early Childhood Education**

## *From the Religious School*

### JOEL AND HELEN JACOBS RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

What is it that we teach our children in Religious School? A one-word answer is: Yiddishkeit – a Jewish way of life with customs and practices that become natural and instinctive.

From our Torah teachings, we learn there are obligations required of us. One that our teachers emphasize in every grade is tzedakah, which is not merely "charity," but a form of social justice that is our ethical obligation. In pre-Covid times, we ask children to bring tzedakah to be collected and distributed to organizations selected by our sixth graders.

The sixth graders study social-impact organizations and make collective decisions on how, who, and how much to give. This year, they collected for [Good Grief in Morristown](#) and [St. Jude Children's Research Hospital](#). Most importantly, they learned that providing for those in need is both a shared and individual responsibility. Towards the end of the year, families will help package food and supplies for the [Jewish Relief Agency](#) for distribution and hand-delivery to those in need in our greater community.

Our school benefits from the tzedakah of our generous donors, whose financial support helps us to enrich our families' Jewish learning. The **Endowment of the Joel and Helen Jacobs Religious School** ensures that any family seeking a Jewish education for their child will never be denied because of financial concerns. The Endowment also supports parent education through the [Melton Foundations of Jewish Living Course](#) in which parents learn together how Jewish life can support them in raising their children in today's challenging world.

The estate of Mr. Alan Brown, a TBO congregant for many years, permits our 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders to attend the [L'Taken Conference of the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism](#) in Washington D.C. At L'Taken, 500 Jewish teens from across the U.S. convene to develop Yiddishkeit as a Jewish community, to express freely their Jewish values and identities, and to learn about and advocate for social justice issues in pursuit of tikkun olam, repair of the world.

Tzedakah enriches our own spiritual lives and requires thought, time, and effort. Tzedakah is not only an obligation to be taught and acted upon, but also a thread that strengthens our community, our Yiddishkeit and lives.

With tremendous gratitude,

**David Iskovitz**

**Director of Education**

# How has TBO Impacted Me and/or My Family?

We recently asked some TBO members and here's what we got...

TBO has been and will continue to be synonymous with memory -- all lifecycle events, both the good and the bad. It is a place from which we have drawn strength...

TBO made it possible to fulfill the commitment to my husband to raise our daughters as Jews in a Jewish home, helped me to learn about Judaism by first living Jewishly, which set me on a path to choosing Judaism for myself.

I have gained a community of friends that I wouldn't have otherwise met, and by being at Temple, simply by osmosis... listening, reading... has helped me to develop my moral and ethical perspectives.

Broaden and deepen my understanding of Judaism and build my own personal relationship with Judaism and with God.

My wife and I met through temple as our parents became friends there. We and both of our children celebrated B'nai Mitzvah and attended throughout Hebrew high school. As adults, we have embraced our temple membership by making many life-long friends and working for just causes.

TBO allowed me to practice teaching through music and to develop skills that enriched my Jewish youth engagement in high school and laid the foundation for my Jewish community in college.

...Taught me to be proud of my Judaism and to stand up for it when I'm in college and in the world....

...It has become my Friday night jam during the pandemic. I love making dinner and listening to the service in the kitchen, infusing the Shabbat meal with the raucous of the singing and the holiness of the moment...

... be a Jewish Home (community for Jewish values, shared learning, growth and life events). Music, activities. Flexibility to get involved at every stage of life and grows with you. Inclusion (interfaith, special needs, non-binary)...

Give our children a Jewish education, lifelong friendships and a sense of who they are and what is important in life... values.

... TBO has also given me an opportunity to further develop my leadership skills and created an avenue to give back to the community.

Allowed my Episcopal husband to find a comfortable home and the tools to raise a Jewish family.

## How has TBO Impacted You and/or Your Family?

Visit <http://bit.ly/HowTBOImpactsMe>

to Type Your Note!

CLICK HERE!

From the Desk  
of the  
**EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR**



Barbara Kavadias  
Executive Director

This is my first article in the Oracle as your Executive Director. First, let me thank all of you for the wonderful welcome. It is a delight to be working in such a warm and kind community.

I have worn a number of hats over the years (which is appropriate as my Grandmother z"l loved hats, always wore one and even made her own) which have led me to certain beliefs about non-profit organizations. I want to share some that I think are fitting for this issue, focused on philanthropy.

- 1. If a non-profit (which is one way to describe a Temple) is not growing, it is dying.** Sounds drastic, but essentially it means that we always must be reaching out, getting new members, new sources of revenue to replace the inevitable loss of members that come from aging, moving, etc. We can all help with this as we meet new people or talk up our Temple with people who have left.
- 2. Everyone can do something, and everyone is valuable.** We learned this back in the desert when we were told to build the Mishkan. Each of us were to give of ourselves as we could and according to our heart. This is how we bring G-d's presence amongst us. Some of us have lots of money and are very generous. Some of us have smaller amounts but always give what we can. Some of us have time and are willing to give it to the Temple. Each of you is important and makes Temple B'nai Or a rich and beautiful community.
- 3. Never put all your eggs in one basket.** It is essential to have multiple streams of income. If we only rely on dues, if membership goes down, how do we pay our bills? If we rely only on large donors, what happens when one loses interest or dies? Perhaps you have noticed we have introduced several giving opportunities. We now operate a public pre-school in addition to our private one. While no one item makes us a wealthy community, together they make a difference and provide a hedge.
- 4. A wise woman once taught me that money follows program.** If we have an engaged community and meet the diverse needs of our members with lots of programs and activities, we will have the money we need. At another organization, I had someone give us a gift of \$1 million dollars because when he had the money to give, he knew we would put it to good use. I think TBO is just such a community that is deserving of your investment, whether it be \$1 or one million.
- 5. Finally, build a cushion.** While there are limits on how much non-profits are allowed to retain, it is prudent to have six months' worth of operating expenses in the bank separate from capital reserves and endowment. That money helps with cash flow issues (common in a dues-based organization), with fundraisers that flop or must be cancelled, or extraordinary expenses that sometimes arise. That means every budget should include putting money in the bank for those rainy days. When we get to the annual meeting, you will see that we are starting to try to do just that.

I imagine you have noticed some of these beliefs guiding my actions as your executive director. I believe that together we will help Temple B'nai Or grow stronger and more secure in the coming years.



Richard Simon  
VP of Finance + Treasurer

Actions Taken  
by the  
**TBO  
BUDGET  
COMMITTEE**

Greetings everyone!

During the past year, we have worked extremely hard on creating a more transparent and responsive approach to managing our financial status through these unprecedented times. Our intent is to enable TBO to continue to make critical investments in enhancing engagement and to enable us to continue to thrive in the future.

We have formed a team of experienced and dedicated volunteers to compose the Budget Committee and to implement leading approaches to closely oversee our financials and to attempt to do more with less. This team includes Barbara Kavadias, our Executive Director, Laurie Spiegel, who is a current member of the Board, and Brian Dicker, who leads our Worship Committee.

Specific actions the Budget Committee has undertaken include:

- Conducting a detailed review of all mandatory and discretionary spending to understand how best to allocate our available funds across all the programs and events offered by TBO.
- Revamping our financial reporting and providing the Board of Trustees with monthly updates of forecasted revenue and spending, as well as providing recommendations on required actions to be taken to remain within the budget.
- Working with our key vendors to manage costs and looking at alternative approaches to getting greater value from our investments.
- Performing a detailed assessment of our current Capital/Building fund balance to ensure we have sufficient investment to continue to keep our facility clean, safe, and in good working condition.
- Re-enforcing the philosophy of shared accountability among our Leadership to the importance of meeting budgets.
- Developing a proposed budget for the next fiscal year beginning in July, which will be shared with the entire congregation for approval during the General Meeting.

To fulfil our Mission, we also need all of your support and generosity, so that we have the appropriate funding in the future.

## Thank you to all those whose acts of Chesed take the form of Tzedakah to TBO.

In addition to dues, at TBO we provide multiple ways to support our Temple Community. A recent analysis of income shows that about half our income comes from dues. School tuition; both pre-school and religious, facility rental, grants, yahrzeit gifts, tributes, and fundraising provide the rest. We thank everyone who has given throughout the course of the year. Each Oracle lists and thanks our donors. In addition, we wanted to thank those whose generosity goes above and beyond; these are the people who, on top of whatever they gave for dues, have given \$4000 or more so far over the course of the year. Don't find yourself on this list? It is not too late to join them! Join those who are giving to our spring fundraiser, the TBO Giving Tree. Want some help deciding how much you want to give? Contact Barbara Kavadias, our Executive Director, or Stacey Schlosser, our President.

### Thank you to our Current High Donors

Gary and Susan Aidekman

Adam Buchsbaum and Mary Fernandez

Joan and Herbert Goldberg

Michael and Lori Ingber

Gay Klapman

Robert and Dory Lobel

Greg and Cory Pine

David and Randi Silverstein

Mark and Melissa Simon



Todah Rabah to the families that set a higher standard for paying their dues in 2020-2021 at Temple B'nai Or. We ask each family to pay at least at the sustaining level (\$2,975 this year). Knowing that some families cannot, but will give what they can, others step in knowing that they can do more. These members giving more (paying \$4,000 or more in dues) means that income is not a barrier to Jewish Community at Temple B'nai Or.

### Pillars / Amudim

Marcie and Glenn Yarnis

Meg and Jamie Wiviott

Debra and Jonathan Sebiri

Ilene and Bruce Jacobs

Mary Fernandez and Adam Buchsbaum

Leslie Bolin

Susan and Gary Aidekman

Melissa and Mark Simon

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Rosalyn and Jerome Schnee

Poppy and Richard Segal

Sigal and Daniel Rudd

Dory and Robert Lobel

Lisa and Jeffrey Libman

Gay Klapman

### Leaders / Manhigim

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Carol and Matt Marin

Stacey and Bill Schlosser

Cory and Greg Pine

Marilyn and Jack Piermont

Ruth Palace

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Michele and Greg Murray

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Rhea and Joel Kriegsfeld

Kori and Jonathan Kalafer

Laura and James Hirschfeld

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Jill and David Goret

Tobi and George Goldman

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Jenifer and Brian Dicker

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Julie and Philip Cohen

Carol and Dan Barkin

Lisa and Keith Barbarosh

Susan Levinson and Robert Agrusti

Risa and Eric Siegal

One of the greatest mitzvot is to enable others to perform mitzvot, those sacred acts which propel us to "godly" living and the world on a good path. Those who make G-d's home a "house for all people" birth blessings beyond count and we bless them with our gratitude and appreciation.

# TBO's Giving Tree



To make our Kehillah whole, it takes commitment and effort and many large and small acts of kindness, compassion and understanding. With your many gifts, small and large, and the enormous effort of our clergy, staff, board, volunteers and engaged members, we have been able to pivot during challenging times and bring Temple to you, in the safety and comfort of your home. Together we have prepared the ground for future growth.

Today we will plant our, real and metaphorical tree, as a symbol of our drive to thrive in the future. In the first stage of this fundraiser, we need those of means to help us plant and invest in our future. Please, consider how Temple B'nai Or has impacted you and your family and make a meaningful contribution.



We cannot move forward until we have made this investment and secured our financial stability. After we have successfully planted this tree, we will continue to encourage everyone to help us water and feed the tree so it can stay healthy and strong. Every person in our kehillah matters, and everyone can contribute to nurturing the future of a vibrant meaningful Jewish home at Temple B'nai Or.

*Plant for Our Future Today*



## More Gratitude

Thank you to those whose acts of Chesed take the form of giving of themselves... acts of loving kindness. It takes more than money to make TBO a community. It takes the care, the imagination, and the time of our staff and our members; people who give of themselves over and above their pay or their "role". We decided to create a list here, not only of committees and clubs, but also of projects and tasks. Initiatives as acts of Chesed. We thank everyone who has given of themselves, and we invite you to join them; perhaps in the ways listed below or in ways that you yourself come up with upon seeing a need.

Board of Trustees and Officers

Men's Club

Sisterhood

Adult Education Committee

B'nai Or Connections

Budget Committee

Cemetery Committee

College Connections

Fundraising

Gallery Committee

High Holy Days Committee

House and Grounds

Marketing

Meet the Author

Membership

Renaissance

Social Action

Spirituality Workshop

Technology

Worship

Bridge

Editors for Chai Lights, Oracle,  
and the Website

Fusion Task Force

Purim Basket Project

Project Pesach

Pre-School Philanthropy

Grab & Go Volunteers

Shabbat Shira

Purim Spiel Players

Kolot (Adult Choir)

Ketzav (Children's Choir)

Softball Team

Office Volunteers (coming back soon!)

Re-Entry Task Force and Advisors

Sukkah Builders

Gift Shop Volunteers

Nominating Committee

Legacy Giving Committee

Past Presidents Advisory Council

Caring Community

Quarantine Buddies

High Holiday Cards

Volunteer Coordinator

All those who have called the office or met  
with leadership to make a suggestion

All of us who learned how to use Zoom and

YouTube to make this past year work!



Legacy Giving is after-lifetime giving. It is a commitment to give to Temple in the future, from your estate. This money is not given during your lifetime.

In one way or another, your life is rooted in Jewish experiences connecting you to Temple B'nai Or. Chances are, you already support Temple, but have you included us in your will or planned giving? By leaving a legacy you can assure the traditions you cherish today will exist for the future generations.

By making a Legacy Commitment and joining the Temple B'nai Or Legacy Giving Circle, you can:

- Know you've made a contribution to your synagogue that has been an important part of your family's Jewish life
- Further convey your commitment to being Jewish
- Set an example for your family and community
- Have an impact on Temple B'nai Or in the future in a way you might not be able to do today
- Help provide the foundation for a lasting Jewish community here
- Strengthen Temple B'nai Or to preserve Jewish tradition now and in the future

There are many ways you can leave a legacy gift. To explore your options and for more information please contact any member of our legacy team: Michele Murray, Gary Aidekman, Keith Barbarosh, Barbara Kavadias or Bill Schlosser.

## Call for Board Nominees

It's that time of year again! If you have someone you would like to suggest the Nominating Committee review for participation in Board service, please share their name (and reasons why you think they would be a good fit) with Michele Murray, Chair of the Nominating Committee at shelzy45@gmail.com. Thank you!

If you are interested in being on the Board in the future, and would like to dip your toe in, we have many committees and projects you can join. Contact the Executive Director, Barbara Kavadias, or our Volunteer Coordinator, Laura Mayer, to discuss available opportunities or to create new ones!

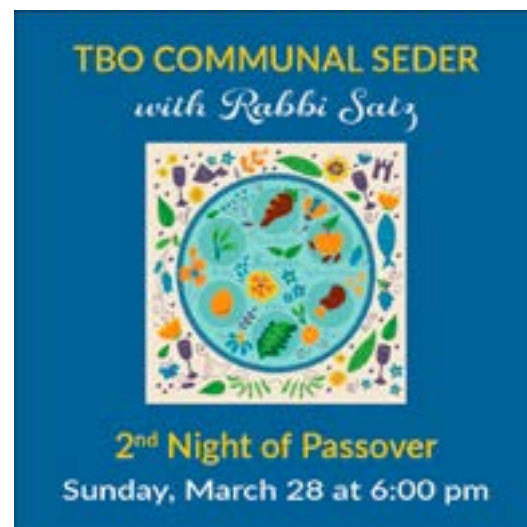


Sunday, March 28 at 10 am  
**First Day of Pesach Study and Prayer**  
<http://bit.ly/FirstDayPesachStudy>

Sunday, March 28 at 6 pm  
**Communal Second Seder**  
<https://bit.ly/TBOSecondSeder>

Friday, April 2 at 7 pm  
**Shabbat + 7th Night of Pesach Services**  
<http://bit.ly/ShabbatEveningServiceRegister>

Saturday, April 3 at 10 am  
**Shabbat + 7th Day Festival Services including Yizkor**  
<http://bit.ly/SeventhDayPesachYizkor>



<https://bit.ly/TBOSecondSeder>



<http://bit.ly/MishkanHaSederKindle>



### Fun & Interesting Ways to Enhance Your Pesach

**PJ Library Haggadah**  
<https://pjlibrary.org/haggadah>

**Union for Reform Judaism**  
<https://urj.org/blog/digital-content-enliven-your-passover-2021-seder>

**18 Doors**  
<https://18doors.org/tag/passover/>

**My Jewish Learning**  
<https://www.myjewishlearning.com/category/celebrate/passover/>

**TBO's own MELISSA SIMON**  
 shares with us a treasure trove of  
**PESACH** celebration tools!

Songs & Song Parodies, Jokes & Games,  
 Teachings & Videos, and MORE!

**Pesach Magic with Melissa Simon**  
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# Tributes

## Acts of Loving Kindness

### RABBI MICHAEL SATZ'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

\*Rhea and Joel Kriegsfeld  
In honor of  
Eliana's Bat Mitzvah  
\*Wendy and Lance Kadushin  
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