

HILLEL HAPPENINGS

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FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

What a joy to welcome Shabbat with all of you!

Our new prayer book, Mishkan T'filah, has beautiful readings to capture the mood.

This is one for Friday night (p. 124)

"We enter this sanctuary to welcome Shabbat.

Within these walls we sit surrounded by numberless generations.

Our ancestors built the synagogue as a visible sign of God's Presence in their midst.

Throughout our long history and endless wanderings, it has endured, a beacon of truth, love and justice for all humanity.

Its presence guided our ancestors to lives of righteousness,

holding them up to a vision of their truest selves.

Now we, in our turn, come into this sanctuary to affirm the sacredness of our lives.

May we enter this place in peace.

May holiness wrap around us as we cross its threshold.

Weariness, doubt and flaws within our human hearts,

the harshness of the week -- let these drop away at the door.

In the brightness of Shabbat, let peace settle upon us as we lift our hearts in prayer."

Come bring your friends and join us!

B'shalom,
Rabbi G.

FROM THE TBH PRESIDENT

In last month's newsletter, I wrote about the three elements I planned to focus on as President of the Temple Beth Hillel congregation. I gave you broad strokes about Sh'ma, Vision, and Finances. This month, begins a three-article series discussing each idea in more detail.

This month's focus element is Sh'ma. It is first because it is most important. Everything flows from this. Even the other two focus elements can't be successful if my fellow congregants and I don't listen. In order to develop a vision that truly reflects the priorities

and beliefs of our entire community, we must all listen to each other. I'll be working with a small team of congregants to organize opportunities for us to communicate our thoughts and feelings about this community and help us formulate that vision. If I am going to work with congregation members to examine and propose potential changes to our financial structure, I have a lot of different folks that I'll need to listen to. I'll need to listen to experts in this area, particularly those from the URJ.

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SIMCHAS

BIRTHDAYS

| | | | |
|--------------------------|------|------------------------|------|
| Mr. Gary Willard | 7/2 | Mrs. Micki Bellamy | 7/16 |
| Mrs. Ceil Gersten | 7/4 | Mrs. Terry Kurtzman | 7/18 |
| Mrs. Barbara Brezel | 7/6 | Ms. Judith Bogatz | 7/19 |
| Mr. Michael C. Skott | 7/7 | Mrs. Kimberly Pines | 7/19 |
| Mrs. Carole Guttman | 7/10 | Mrs. Julie Marks | 7/22 |
| Mrs. Lara Cote | 7/12 | Carol Mamlok | 7/25 |
| Ms. Heather Trachtenberg | 7/13 | Mr. Stephen Brouillard | 7/28 |
| Mrs. Carol Baron | 7/14 | Jennifer Schwartzman | 7/28 |
| Mrs. Sheri Swan | 7/14 | Ms. Harriet Mindlin | 7/31 |
| Steven Goldfield | 7/15 | | |
| Dr. Larry Andrus | 7/16 | | |

ANNIVERSARIES

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|--------------------------------------|------|-------------------------------------|------|
| Mr. & Mrs. Marty Seefer | 7/2 | Mr. & Mrs. Peter Ratajczak | 7/14 |
| Mr. & Mrs. Michael Skott | 7/6 | Mr. & Mrs. Shawn Cohen | 7/19 |
| Mr. Edgard Molina & Christopher Grey | 7/7 | Mr. & Mrs. Mark Sloate | 7/24 |
| Dr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Kraman | 7/9 | Mrs. Lisa Wolf and Mr. Greg Gatcomb | 7/24 |
| Mr. & Mrs. Michael Pollack | 7/9 | Mr. & Mrs. Peter Castonguay | 7/27 |
| Mr. & Mrs. William Keegan | 7/13 | Dr. & Mrs. Michael Wernick | 7/30 |
| Mr. & Mrs. John LePage | 7/13 | | |

ONEG INFORMATION

7/4—Nancy Gordon, Joyce Katz

7/11—Jeff & Carol Butler, Michael & Linda Barnett, Bob & Alice Rodner

7/18—Tim & Lara Cote, Jennifer Schwartzman, Michael & Tammy Pollack

7/25—Michael & Lynn Rothberg, Fred & Vicki Daniels, Carol Hart

8/1—Ken & Alanna Sultar, Pam & Howard Steinberg, Eric & Sheri Swan

8/8—John & Deb Halpern, Judy & Ed Melocowsky, Ana Pearl

8/15—Bill & Olga Gerber, Bob & Maxine Greenberg, Victor & J'net Lopez

8/22—**Arielle Cohen Bat Mitzvah**— LePage Family, Widofsky Family, Schulman Family

8/29—Rosalind Cooper, Larry & Marcia Andrus, Terry Kurtzman

SHEMA TOUR PROJECT UPDATE

On Sunday, June 22, we brought a dinner to 17 shelter residents. Our families brought homemade lasagna, salad filled with healthy vegetables, rolls, and a dessert with lots of fresh berries. Thank so much to the families for stepping up to provide food and serve. We enjoyed our interaction with the residents and were gratified by the reception we received.

TBH will be serving a dinner to the Cornerstone Shelter residents from September through May on the last Sunday of the month. We hope you will join us in this heartfelt cause.

Edie Chernack and Pam Steinberg
lchernack@aol.com, grammypoam3@gmail.com



Come and join the Temple Beth Hillel Men's Club for a day of relaxation with friends and family at Fenway Park. Leave the car at home and don't worry about getting to the park. Come and see local player George Springer from New Britain and star on the UCONN's baseball team play for Houston.

Sunday August 17, 2014

Game Time: 1:35pm, Bus will leave from Temple Beth Hillel approximately 10:30 am

Cost: \$65/person

Cost covers bus ride to and from the park and one ticket to a right field Grand Stand seat. We have 50 seats together.

Please fill out the form below and send it with a check to the TBH Men's Club to

Glenn Zinn

TBH Red Sox event

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PRESIDENT (CONT.)

I should listen to congregations who've made similar changes in their synagogue's financial structure. Just as with the process of forming a vision, I'll need to listen to the members of our community. As we consider alternative ways to generate income and prioritize our expenses, I'll need to hear and understand the concerns, questions, and fears of our members so that I may address them and help establish the best way for us to move forward.

While listening is important as it relates to the other focus elements I've outlined, it has a much broader reach than that. As president, it is my obligation, more than anyone else aside from our clergy, to listen to any member who has something to say about our community. I must be prepared to listen to members' concerns and to the advice of fellow lay leaders, experts, and clergy. Listening by itself, however, is not always sufficient. Listening is simply one side of a coin, the other side is action.

While sometimes we simply need to be heard, there are situations that require action. It can be a challenge to determine when to listen and when to act. I will try to meet that challenge and act when it is required. I can't promise that I will act in the way that a particular congregant might prefer, but I can say that when I must, I will act. So I look forward to listening to you in the year to come. You can reach me at president@tbhsw.org or (860) 294-4335.

Steve Brouillard



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SISTERHOOD NEWS

At our June meeting, Sisterhood members unanimously elected the following Sisterhood Slate of Officers:

Bonnie Zinn- President
Deb Halpern- Vice President
Chris Brouillard- Secretary
Alanna Sultar- Treasurer

Please join us at our next meeting on August 19 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. at TBH. We will chat, laugh, nosh, and plan activities. All TBH ladies 13 years old and up are invited.

We are always looking for new members. Dues are \$36 for the year. Please contact me at bszinn@cox.net if you are interested.

*Bonnie Zinn
Sisterhood President*

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Dear Focus Group Participants,

The Membership Committee would like to thank each of you for attending and being so open with your thoughts and attitudes. We found it very beneficial to the growth of our Temple. The bonding that took place is exactly what we had hoped for.

So many times in the past, we have all spent time filling out questionnaires only to find that nothing has come from it. The purpose of this article is to let each of you know how meaningful your contributions have been. As a result of our meetings, we have informed the various individuals and chairpersons involved as to the changes that you have suggested. This is the breakdown:

- You asked for a new and more congregant friendly prayer book. If you have attended Shabbat services in the past two weeks, you will have noticed that we have new prayer books. This will help our non-Jewish participants feel more welcome. The new prayer book is called "Mishkan T'filah"- "Dwelling Place for Prayer". These prayer books are very expressive and have translation for every prayer on the same page as well as other thoughts that explain and expand

Yahrzeit Dates

On July 4, we observe the yahrzeit of:

| | |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Howard Kanner | Brother of Judith Fogg |
| Maurice Henry Wolf | Father of Lisa Wolf |
| Rose Levitt | Aunt of Alan Platteis |
| Albert Manna, Sr. | Grandfather of Stephen Brouillard |
| Elizabeth Cohen | Mother of Libby Wallace |
| Tillie Cutler | Mother of Lois Wasserman |
| Irene Bernstein | Grandmother of Tammy Pollack |

On July 11, we observe the yahrzeit of:

| | |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Beatrice Field | Mother of Charles Field |
| Marc Young | Uncle of Jennifer Schwartzman |
| Steve Berman | Husband of Marion Berman |
| Ethel Bloom | Grandmother of Michael Barnett |
| Samuel Katz | Father-in-law of Joyce Katz |
| Larry Arias | Father of Sue Weinman |
| Esther Gerlis | Mother of Selma Gordon |
| | Grandmother of Nancy Gordon |
| Milton Koppel | Uncle of Bob Rodner |

On July 18, we observe the yahrzeit of:

| | |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| George Bettigole | Father of Scott Bettigole |
| Cindy Ruth Feldman | Sister of Marion Berman |
| Freda (Cookie) Ruth | Aunt of Alan Platteis |
| Sylvia Ruchin Snyder | Mother of Gary Ruchin |
| Jonathan Gerlis | Brother of Selma Gordon |
| | Uncle of Nancy Gordon |
| Joseph Goldberg | Father of Carol Guttman |
| Rose Goldberg | Mother of Carol Guttman |
| Jacob Guttman | Father of Richard Guttman |

On July 25, we observe the yahrzeit of:

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| Gunther Goldman | Father of Linda Barnett |
| Myrtle Hart | Mother of Carol Hart |
| Edward Klein | Father of Albert Klein |
| Rebecca Doigan | Grandmother of Michael Rothberg |
| Al Tulcin | Brother of Judy Bogatz |
| Mary Hanlon | Grandmother of Tina Hughes |
| Lillian Wernick | Mother of Michael Wernick |
| Abraham Ziskis | Father of Sharon Jacobs |
| Regina Mitnick | Mother of Jonathan Mitnick |

DONATIONS

ADULT EDUCATION FUND: CHAIRPERSON: HOWARD STEINBERG

John & Carol Baron in honor of Marion Berman's Birthday
The Izraelevitz Family In memory of Simon Izraelevits, father of Gabe

ART FUND: CHAIRPERSON: LISA WOLF

John & Carol Baron & Family In memory of Bernice Wolf, Lisa Wolf's Mother
Anonymous In memory of Bernice Wolf, Lisa Wolf's Mother
Anonymous—Speedy recovery to Richard Guttman

CEMETERY FUND: CHAIRPERSON: ALAN DWORSKY

Marion Berman In memory of Alfred Geber, Father of Marion

GENERAL FUND:

Janice Champagne In honor of our dear friend Marion Berman on the Occasion of her 75th Birthday
Nancy Gordon In honor of Marion Berman's Birthday
Sandi & Neil Brooks In honor of Marion Berman's Birthday
Ted & Phyllis Green In memory of Irving Goldstein on his Yahrzeit, father of Phyllis, and of Ray Schor, grandmother of Phyllis

LANDSCAPING FUND: CHAIRPERSON: BRYAN OPPENHEIMER

Jacob Haslett in honor of Bar/Bat Mitzvah class 2013/2014

DONATIONS (CONTINUED)

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND: CHAIRPERSON: RABBI GLICKMAN

Carol Mamlok In honor of Marion Berman's Birthday and for being a wonderful friend

Emily Champ for music

Arnold Joseph in memory of Samuel Joseph

Selma Gordon In honor of Marion Berman's Birthday

Edith Nissenblatt In honor of Marion Berman's Birthday

Judith Fogg In memory of Bertha Fogg- Mother In law & Howard Krenner- Brother

Ken & Lois Wasserman In memory of Bernice Wolf, mother of Lisa Wolf

Edith Nissenblatt In memory of Max Talmason, Dear father of Edith Nissenblatt

Al & Barb Klein In honor of the Birth of Mark & Marlene Abrahamson's great granddaughter

Lisa Wolf & Greg Gatcomb In memory of Maurice Wolf, Lisa's father

Ted & Phyllis Green Shavot Yizkor and Passover Yizkor of Ethel & Irving Goldstein, parents of Phyllis. and Joseph & Blanche Green Parents of Ted.

Diana, John & Andrea Gagne to help you continue to do all the great things you do

Ted & Phyllis Green in honor of the school graduation of Laura & Elizabeth Falk, twin daughters of Ted & Phyllis Green

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND: CHAIRPERSONS: REBECCA CHAIMOVITCH AND JESSICA PATTERSON

David & Nancy Mytych In memory of Simon Izraelevitz

RETIRE THE MORTGAGE FUND:

Ken & Lois Wasserman In honor of Marion Berman's 75th Birthday

Jay & Karen Fienman In memory of Rose Dunn & Alice Kosta, Grandparents

Susan & Gary Ruchin In memory of Belle Platt, mother of Susan

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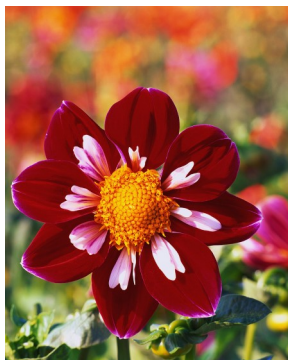
Marsha & Steven Toback In memory of Norma Fund


Ken & Lois Wasserman

In Memory of Harold Moses

Anonymous In honor of Andrew Halpern's Recent Graduation

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MARTIN TURSHEN RELIGIOUS FUND:

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Robert & Alice Rodner—New prayer books dedicated in honor of Marion Berman's 75th Birthday

Phyllis Freeman - In honor of Marion Berman, To go toward the purchase of a new Prayer Book

SOCIAL ACTION FUND:

Leland & Paula Bradbard In memory of Carole Finn, Sister of Paula

YOUTH FUND:

Joe & Sheila Alpert In honor of the Confirmation of Ben Liebman & Joshua Haslett

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE NEWS

We are looking to ramp up the committee. We will be having regular meetings from now on. We have the ongoing Cornerstone project, blood drives, Food Share Drive on Yom Kipper, Shema Tour, and lots of other things to do starting in the fall. Please contact us if you would like to join us!

Edie Chernack and Pam Steinberg
lchernack@aol.com, grammypam3@gmail.com

YOM KIPPUR YIZKOR LIST

I am working on the Yizkor list for the high holidays. I have tried to stay current by entering recent deaths to my list. If any of our Temple members wish to add a name for the reading of the names during the Yizkor Memorial Service, please let me know by email joealpert@sbcglobal.net or 860-649-2287.

Joe Alpert

PICK YOUR ONEG DATE

We are in process of preparing the Oneg list for next year. If you know of a certain date or a family or group of families that you would like to team up with, now is your opportunity to choose. Please contact Lori at Admin@tbhsw.org or 860-282-8466. Also, if you are away for the summer or winter, please let us know so we don't schedule you for those dates.

ISRAEL THROUGH THE H'S

Israel has been described as a salad bowl, made up of diverse people and communities. On March 4 for 11 days, a delegation of TBH members, their friends and families will fly to Israel on El AL to meet & make **Haverim** (friends) with Israelis from all spheres; artists, educators, vintners, soldiers, farmers & performers. From **History** to **High-Tech**, we will explore a wide range of lifestyles and places. The adventure opens in Jerusalem as we celebrate the **Holiday** of Purim Israeli style with Congregation **Har El**. As we explore, we will feel the **Hope** of Muslim, Jew, Druze, Bedouin and Christians who all share the land. There will be opportunities to meet up with your **Hebrew** speaking friends & family, too. Count on many **Haftaot** (surprises) before we return to our beloved Temple Beth **Hillel** community.

In order to capture the fabulous pricing we have arranged, it is important to act quickly. So, if you are planning to join us on this journey, please fill out and submit a pre-registration form. All Welcome!

Mindy Glickman is available to answer any questions you have. You can reach her at (917) 698-7952 or DearMindela@gmail.com.

TBH BOOK CLUB

The TBH Book Club is meeting on July 8 at 7pm to discuss [The Marrying of Chani Kaufman](#) by Eve Harris. Harris takes readers into the insular ultra-Orthodox Jewish community in London. It is 2008, and 19-year-old Chani Kaufman is about to marry Baruch, a young man whom she has seen only four times. Using flashbacks to tell the story of this arranged courtship, Harris contrasts the story of Chani and Baruch with that of Rabbi Chaim Zilberman and his wife, Rebecca, who met at a university in Israel and became observant as adults. We are meeting at Ann Hughes's house and hope to see you there!

Barb Klein
barbek@aol.com

ADULT EDUCATION NEWS

Our recent Shabbat Under the Stars was attended by more than sixty adults and children. Although several individuals assisted to make this event a great success, I once again wish to acknowledge and thank Marion Berman who coordinated the meal and provided valuable input.

On June 24, I had the bittersweet experience of the final meeting of the Adult Education Committee as Chairperson. For the last two plus years, I have worked with Rabbi Glickman, Cantor Harris, Nancy Gordon, Kris Keegan, Terry Kurtzman, Ken Wasserman, and Marion Berman in developing and presenting programs to enlighten and inspire the congregants of TBH. Based upon plans already set and those under discussion, I am confident the committee under the leadership of Kris Keegan will continue and expand the work we have begun.

Former Chairperson
Howard Steinberg
howardsteinberg@sbcglobal.net

TBH CEMETERY COMMITTEE

The TBH Cemetery Committee would like to announce that we now have small stones available at the cemetery for placing on the headstones. There is a container hanging next to the "Temple Beth Hillel" marker and another along the north fence by the Berman Bench.

We would welcome comments and/or suggestions regarding the cemetery. If you are interested in joining the committee, we welcome additional members.

Contributions to the Cemetery Fund are always appreciated. This is a nice way to remember a friend or loved one

Alan Dworsky
Cemetery Co-Chair
ajdworsky@aol.com

Upcoming Meetings

7/1: Membership
Committee, 7pm

7/3: Religious
Practices, 7pm

7/10: Board
Meeting, 7pm

TORAH PORTIONS

Balak - Numbers 22:2-25:9 —This week's Torah reading tells the story of how Balak hires the occult prophet Balaam to lay a curse on Israel. Balaam meets resistance from God, has a conversation with his donkey and ends up blessing Israel instead of cursing them.

Pinchas - Numbers 25:10-30:1 —In this Torah portion, G-d makes a covenant of peace with Phinehas and his descendants, orders a second census, settles questions about inheritance, appoints Joshua to succeed Moses, and lists the sacrifices for the appointed times.

Mattot - Numbers 30:2-32:42 —Numbers 30 discusses the laws of vows and oaths. Numbers 31 tells the story of Israel's war with Midian. Numbers 32 relates the story of how the Reubenites, the Gadites and the half-tribe of Mannaseh came to inherit the land east of the Jordan River. Except in biblical calendar leap years, Mattot is read together with the subsequent Torah portion, Massei, on the same Sabbath.

Massei - Numbers 33:1-36:13 —Massei is the end of the continuous narrative of Torah that began in Genesis with the creation of the universe. The narrative does not resume until the end of Deuteronomy, when Moses dies.

The final reading in Numbers settles several last-minute details. In it we find a list of the encampments from Egypt to the plains of Moab. We also find instructions for apportioning the land, as well as the specifics regarding the borders of the land. While explaining the land and its borders, Moses introduces the laws of the cities of refuge and more inheritance laws.



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MEMBERSHIP NEWS (CONT. FROM PAGE 5)

the meanings of the prayers. A big thank you to Marion Berman and the Religious Practices Committee for recommending that the TBH Board purchase the books.

- You suggested that the Rabbi renew "Lunch with the Rabbi". Those luncheons have started and from all feedback are once again successful. Thank you, Rabbi.
- You recommended that we at TBH reach out to the JCC to see if we can have comparative religious study to better understand each other's religion. Carrie Ward has contacted the JCC and found that there is a leader that might be interested in setting up an inter-religious support group just for that purpose. More on this in the future as we collect more information. Thank you, Carrie.
- The Mission Statement for the Membership Committee is to assist in the retention of and the recruitment of new members to TBH. Denise Dickstein has volunteered to help recruit new or unaffiliated members to consider joining TBH. This will involve various social gatherings as well as educational opportunities. If you are interested in assisting Denise, please contact her at 860-648-1300.
- You asked us to find a way to get our teens more involved. We are looking to reach out to the Manchester USY to see what can be done to bring these groups together.
- Our TBH Directory is quickly outdated as we get new members. However, it is too soon to make another directory. So, we have asked Lori, our Temple Administrator, to send an updated list with the August, 2014 mailing. It will include all of the same information as the present directory; such as names, children's names, addresses, emails and phone numbers.

As we begin a new year with new challenges, the Membership Committee will continue to listen and hear your concerns and requests to continue to make TBH a spiritual and holy place to worship and get together to share all of our life time events.

*B'Shalom,
Your Temple Beth Hillel Membership Committee*

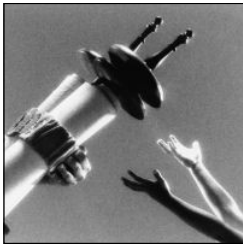
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: Congratulations to the new TBH Board of Directors! I can't claim to be com-
: pletely unbiased—I'm very proud of my husband Steve as the new President. I
: know he will work hard to serve this congregation and listen to everyone's ideas.
: I also feel confident that the other Board members will do the same. I appreciate
: all their upcoming time and effort in volunteering for these important positions.
: As newsletter editor, I also look forward to all the communication that we can
: share with all our members! So keep those articles coming!
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Christine Brouillard

The deadline for the next Bulletin is **TUESDAY, July 22**. Please forward all e-mailed materials to the entire Communications Committee at communications@tbhsw.org:

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