

# HILLEL HAPPENINGS

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## FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

For over a decade, we have visited the places the needy go to get their needs met. It has been exciting and enlightening, and each year has brought new adventures.

On January 19, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, we will gather at Temple for the Shema Tour. It is open to people of all ages, but children need to be



escorted. We will be warmly greeted by autistic adults who are so proud to show us their handiwork as they assemble packages of tools for sale. We will then see the first interracial school in the nation -- which is better known for their incredible work today. After a pizza lunch (or you can bring your own), we will visit a little known Jewish site before returning to Temple at 2:30.

There is no cost for this, but donations are certainly welcomed.

This provides the listening part of our year long social action project. We hope you will join us.

The bus only holds 55. Call Lori at 860 282-8466 to be sure you have a spot.

B'shalom, Rabbi G.

# SHUL-IN FOR 7TH/8TH GRADERS

#### January 31-February 1 | Temple Ohabei Shalom, Brookline MA

Registration is now open for the JOSTY Shul-In, the region-wide event exclusively for 7th and 8th graders! Every February, this annual event gives future NFTYites the chance to make connections with each other and discover the amazing Jewish community around them! It's a great way for 7th and 8th graders to get their toes wet, make Jewish friends outside of their own congregations, and connect with a wider community!

If you're interested, please contact Shelley Haslett (<u>shaslett1995@hotmail.com</u>) or Jessica Patterson (jesspatterson@gmail.com).

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# SIMCHAS

#### BIRTHDAYS

Mr. Jeff Trachtenberg	1/1	Mrs. Alanna Sultar	1/16
Mrs. Michele Snyder	1/2	Mr. Eric Swan	1/17
Mr. Joel Gornbein	1/6	Mrs. Sue Wernick	1/19
Mrs. Rebecca Chaimovitch	1/10	Ms. Jodi Gold-McFarland	1/22
Mrs. Christine Kurtzman	1/11	Janet Miller	1/23
Mrs. Mary Gornbein	1/14	Mr. Blake Ward	1/26
Mr. Mark Solomon	1/14	Mrs. Donna Gittleman	1/28
Mr. Ted Green	1/15	Mr. Howard Liebman	1/30

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Dr. & Mrs. David Krulee	1/2	Mr. & Mrs. William Reveley	1/20
Mr. & Mrs. Alan Snyder	1/12		

### ONEG INFORMATION

1/2—Richard & Heidi Siedman, Marvin & Alice Eisenberg. Joel & Alecia Goldfarb

1/9—Jim & Sue Katz. Robert & Ellen Kliman. Edie Nissenblatt, Carol & John Mitnick

1/16—Jason & Rebecca Chaimovitch. Bonnie Resnick. Albert & Eileen Wachsman

1/23—Sue Simons, Judy Fogg, Lisa Wolf

1/30—Denise & Brian Dickstein, James & Shelley Haslett, Blake & Carrie Ward

2/6—Steven & Kimberly Pines, Michael and Sherry Skott

2/13—Lance & Edie Chernack, David Schulman

2/20—Ed & Deborah Luria, Stanley Baskind & Nicole Scandore, Ira Schecker

2/27—Scott & Carol Bettigole, Randy & Wendy Kurtzman

As a reminder, the following items should be provided for each oneg:

- 1 challah
- 3 baked goods (one gluten-free item)
- Cheese and crackers
- Fruit
- White grape juice

Paper goods can be found on the rack in the kitchen. Wine is in the fridge. \*\*If you choose to make coffee and/or put out hot water for tea, all of the necessary supplies, i.e. sugar, coffee, tea, cream, stirrers, cups, etc. are located on the rack in the kitchen. Hot water pots can be found to the left of the sink.

Please schedule everyone to arrive by 7:00 pm to set up the tables and pour the wine and grape juice. Your team is also responsible to remain after services for clean up. There is a vacuum in the kitchen if it is needed. Additionally, all garbage bags that may contain food should be tied off and thrown in the dumpster. We need your help since the janitorial service does not clean the kitchen after an Oneg.



Join the RSC

# Pizza Schmooze

# during





Tuesday, January 6, 2014 From 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Relax and join us for a parent pizza party (kids can eat before Hebrew School)

Bring a non-perishable item to donate to Foodshare.

\$2 per person <u>WITH</u> an item for Foodshare \$4 per person <u>WITHOUT</u> an item for Foodshare

Questions? Please contact Mike Skott at 860-503-3171 or Email at mike@greatskott.com Page 4 January 2015

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### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

The TBH Religious School is sponsoring a swim day! Join us on February 1, 2015 from 1:00-3:00 at the Ellington YMCA.

Cost is \$5 per person

We will be swimming and enjoying each other's company! Hope you can join us!

Please contact Rebecca Chaimovitch at 860-881-7998 or <u>rchaimovitch@sbcglobalnet</u> if you have any questions.







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### YAHRZEIT DATES

#### On January 2, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Jacob Block Father of Barbara Klein
Sam Cook Father of Barbara Dworsky
Jerome Goldfield Father of Steven Goldfield
Benjamin Eisenberg
Benny Bernstein Grandfather of Beverly

Bernstein-Prass

Samuel Bernstein Father of Beverly Bernstein-

 $\operatorname{Prass}$ 

Max Meyers Father of Sally Meyers

Goodman

#### On January 9, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Lillian Cohen Aunt of Beverly Bernstein-

Prass

Samuel Wagner Father of Alice Rodner Les Tanzman Father of Bonnie Zinn

#### On January 16, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Leonard Goldfarb Father of Joel Goldfarb Edna Gold Mother of Susan Simons

Herman Pollack Grandfather of Michael Pollack Maurice Hyman Susan Wickey Mother of Rebecca Chaimovitch Morris M. Berger

#### On January 23, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Harry Gold Father of Susan Simons Norman Weiner Uncle of Sheila Alpert Sylvia Molin Aunt of Sybil Goldberg Robert Schumann Father of Lvnn Rothberg Martin Toback Related to Charlotte Toback Freda Ziskis Mother of Sharon Jacobs Morris Resnick Father of Bonnie Resnick Gertrude Baskind Mother of Stanley Baskind Burtrend Bernstein Grandfather of Tammy Pollack David Silver Father of Marlene Abrahamson Jeremiah Finn Father of Paula Bradbard Sylvia May Mother-in-law of Susan Simons Martin Nissenblatt Husband of Edie Nissenblatt Donald Salomon Father of Marjorie Mezritz Arnold Seligson Uncle of Teri Parrott

#### On January 30, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Michael Schwartz Father of Ellen Kliman Rosalie Friedman Grandmother of Tammy

Pollack

Maurice Hyman Father of Phyllis Frank
Morris M. Berger Father of Marilyn Davidson
William Harris Father of Janet Lassman

### DONATIONS

#### ADULT EDUCATION FUND: CHAIRPERSON: KRISTEN KEEGAN

Sally Goodman in memory of Dr Norman Kaplan, father of Carrie Ward John & Carol Baron in memory of Dr Norman Kaplan, father of Carrie Ward Judy Bogatz in memory of Arnold Bogatz, husband of Judy Ila Sunshine & Sal Marino in appreciation for prayers of healing

#### **CANTOR'S FUND:**

Marion Berman In Memory of Hyman Beman, father in law Alan Gittleman for the music program

#### **GENERAL FUND:**

Phyllis & Ted Green for Sukkot & Chanukah Yizkors, and in memory of Ethel Goldstein, Mother of Phyllis

Mel & Joel Kosovsky in honor of Marvin Eisenberg's 90th Birthday Emily Champ

#### HIGH HOLIDAYS APPEAL:

Iris & Daniel Silverman



# DONATIONS (CONTINUED)

#### **LIBRARY FUND:**

Alan & Teresa Platteis n memory of Sara Platteis, Alan's Mother

#### **MEMBERSHIP FUND:**

Stan Goldberg In support of the "TBH Open House"

#### RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND: CHAIRPERSON: RABBI GLICKMAN

Phyllis & Ted Green for Mugs for Israel
Judith Fogg in memory of John Fogg Sr, Father in law of Judy
Ken & Lois Wasserman In memory of Isadore Wasserman, Father of Kenneth
John & Carol Baron for Speedy Recovery for Ted Green
Len & Sharon Jacobs In memory of James Jacobs, Father of Len
Edith Baskin In honor of Joan Stein's 80th Birthday
Bonnie Bercowetz In Memory of Mildred Bercowetz, mother of Bonnie
Judy Glickman In memory of Louise Ellis, Mother of Judy
Anonymous—just because

#### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND: CHAIRPERSON: REBECCA CHAIMOVITCH

John & Carol Baron In memory of Marcia Rubenstein

#### YOUTH FUND: CHAIRPERSON:

Robert & Alice Rodner In memory of Pearl Wagner, Mother of Alice

### Upcoming Meetings

1/1: Religious Practices, 7:00pm
1/6: Membership Committee, 7pm
1/8: Board Meeting, 7pm
1/13, Religious School Committee, 7pm
1/18: Men's Club, 9:30am
1/20: Sisterhood, 6pm

### LIST OF DONATION FUNDS

As you are making donations throughout the year, please consider donating to the following funds. If you would like to make a donation to a specific project or for a specific purpose, or have questions about any of the funds, please contact Steve Brouillard (president@tbhsw.org).

- Development
- Adult Education Fund
- Art Fund
- Cemetery Fund

- Current Facility Fund
- General Fund
- Landscape Fund
- Larry Gilbert Fund
- Martin Turshen Fund
- Membership Fund
- Mortgage Retirement Fund
- Music Fund
- Religious School Fund
- Social Action Fund
- Youth Committee Fund

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## TORAH PORTIONS

**Va-y'chi- Genesis 47:28-50:26**—In this Torah portion, Jacob prepares for his death by securing a double portion of inheritance for Joseph and then blessing each of his sons with prophetic blessings. The book of Genesis ends with the death of Jacob, followed shortly by the death of Joseph and a promise of redemption from Egypt.

**Sh'mot - Exodus 1:1-6:1** —As we study the first week's reading from the book of Exodus, we find the children of Israel in slavery. It seems at first that the G-d of their forefathers has forgotten them. But G-d has not forgotten His promises. He remembers His promises to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and brings a Redeemer to their children's children, for the sake of His name, with love.

Va-eira- Exodus 6:2-9:35 — The portion begins with four expressions of redemption whereby G-d promises to bring Israel out of the Egyptian bondage. The narrative progresses to tell the story of the first seven of the ten plagues that G-d unleashed on Egypt.

**Bo - Exodus 10:1-13:16** —The portion begins by concluding the narrative of the ten plagues, the tenth of which is the slaying of the firstborn. To avoid the plague, the Israelites are given the instructions for the Passover sacrifice and the laws of the Feast of Unleavened Bread. Pharaoh finally consents to let Israel go, and they leave Egypt.

**B'shalach - Exodus 13:17-17:16** —The reading tells the adventures of the Israelites as they leave Egypt, cross the Red Sea, receive miraculous provision in the wilderness and face their first battle.

# BAR MITZVAH PROJECT

Hi! My name is Jacob Chaimovitch and I am becoming a Bar Mitzvah on May 30th, 2015. I have chosen to partner with Crayons for Cancer for my Bar Mitzvah project. I will be holding a crayon party, at which we will be sorting and braking down crayons to be melted into fun shapes that are then sold to raise money for the families of cancer victims.

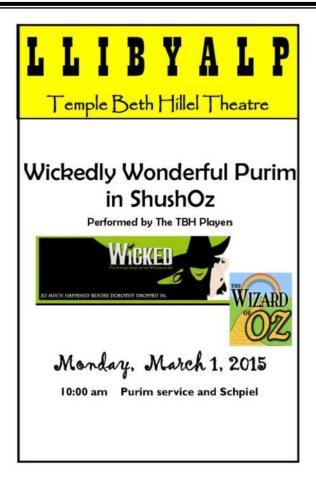
As part of my project, I will also be holding a cookie sale in order to raise money to buy crayons and coloring books to donate to the kids at Connecticut Children's Medical Center.

The cookie sale will be on Sunday, March 8th during and after Sunday School. Please stop by and buy a cookie to help support my project. I will also be accepting donations of new and old crayons and new coloring books.

The crayon party is still being scheduled - I will let you know of the date soon! Thanks!







# A Wickedly Wonderful Purim in ShushOz Purim Shpiel! Come be a part of the celebration.

Big Parts...Little Parts...Something for everyone!
Help with costumes and set design
Chant a little Megillat Esther

Auditions and Assignments: Sunday, January 11 10:30 - 11:30 am



Can't be with us on January 11?
Contact Christine Brouillard or Cantor Harris

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# Sisterhood Gift Swap and Chinese Dinner January 11, 6-9pm

Bring a new, wrapped gift (\$15 max) to swap and share some delicious Chinese food with friends!

Dinner is \$7 for Sisterhood members, \$10 for non-members

Please RSVP by January 5. First 5 people to RSVP win a prize! Contact Bonnie Zinn at bszinn@cox.net to reserve your spot!



# Save The Date

# TBH Open House Weekend

Friday, March 27 - Sunday, March 29, 2015

A showcase of activities and information about all that TBH has to offer.

Help us grow our TBH Family, strengthen our bonds, and plan to take part.

The Membership Committee is sponsoring this weekend event.

More information about events will follow in the next

Hillel Happenings.







# TBH is now offering the Scrip program!!!

Gift cards for Big Y, Stop & Shop, & ShopRite are now available.

Buy scrip gift cards at face value and Temple receives a percentage from each one sold!

Why not buy a Taste Book also and save money at Big Y and ShopRite?

- Big Y & ShopRite available in any multiple of \$25; Stop & Shop in multiples of \$50.
- Cash or check only.
- Available during Temple office hours
- · To be sold at the end of Sunday school

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Lunch Bunch
with Rabbi
Glickman
January 29
12:00pm
Soup will be
served!

# ISRAEL TRIPS AND YOU!

2015 and 2016 points TBH towards Israel. There are three opportunities on the horizon! This March, an adult group will fly to visit our Holyland. We are exploring a "Birthright" style trip for mothers for July 2015, and August 2016 brings a family excursion, with a B'nei Mitzvah component.

An Israel experience can be so much more than simply seeing places. Each of our experiences offer opportunities to make a difference.

I hope you will consider participating in one or all.

Even if you can't go with us, you can still be a part of these exciting adventures. Your contribution of any amount is welcome. Send us a photo of your face and we will include it in our group photos – at some exotic places!

The March 2015 trip offers three Tsedaka components:

- We have invited IDF soldiers to join us at the Dead Sea for an afternoon of relaxation and dinner. The cost to sponsor a soldier is \$50. This is a way to say "thank you" to our soldiers.
- At Hadassah Hospital's children's center, we are planning an art project with some of the young patients.
- Temple Beth Hillel is partnering with Congregation Har-El (a small congregation in Jerusalem) to do the four traditional Purim mitzvoth (megilla, meal, gifts to friends, and gifts to the poor). You can help with #4. Each year Congregation Har-El prepares and delivers baskets to the poor. These Matanot l'Evyonim get delivered to elderly in the community and to a battered woman's shelter. They are very welcomed and appreciated. TBH will be included on the card along with Har-El. Each Purim basket costs about \$3. We have agreed to help the project by donating 50 baskets.

Please make your donations to the Rabbis Discretionary fund earmarked for Israel trip. Let us know if it should go towards giving the soldiers a day off, helping with a hospital art project, or Purim gifts to the poor.

On a personal note, I would like to thank the congregation for the opportunity to design opportunities to visit Israel. This has been very meaningful.

 $B'Shalom,\\ Mindy~Glickman$ 

# TBH BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting is Tuesday, January 13, 7:00 at Judy Melocowsky's house. We are going to discuss <u>700 Sundays</u> by Billy Crystal—a very funny read! Hope you can join us!

Barb Klein barbek@aol.com



# READ TO A CHILD. RESHAPE THE FUTURE.

Preschool Pals Training Session: February 23, 2015 | 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM Snow Date: March 2, 2015

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I hope the holidays were warm, loving, and fun for you and your family. There are lots of upcoming events to help drive away the cold of the season—the Shema Tour on January 19, the Sisterhood Chinese Dinner and Gift Swap on January 11, and our ongoing plans for trips to Israel. I hope you'll join us at one or more of these fun experiences!

Christine Brouillard

The deadline for the next Bulletin is **TUESDAY**, **January 20**. Please forward all e-mailed materials to the entire Communications Committee at **communications@tbhsw.org**:

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