### Temple Beth Hillel



### HILLEL HAPPENINGS

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### FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

For the past several years, Temple Beth Hillel has had a wonderful resource in our Rabbinic Intern program. It enables a young adult the opportunity to see what happens behind the scenes at Temple. It also provides additional support staff. The rabbinic intern accompanies me at many functions and is available to sit in on many committee meetings.

This year, the rabbinic intern is Brian Hughes. Brian grew up at Temple (son of Robert and Ann Hughes) and is a recent graduate (with high honors) from Harvard University. He is planning on attending Boston University Law School in the fall. He has been active in the Jewish community while in college. He has particular interest in doing handyman work under Joe Alpert and the House Committee. He also is looking to coordinate summer educational opportunities. Two things he is looking into is a one week program, from 9:00 to 3:00 Monday through Friday, for children with a Jewish component and emphasis on activity. The other is an adult or family overnight.

If you have any interest in these, or with communicating with Brian, you can email him at hughesbrianj93@gmail.com or called at (860) 716-6676.

> B'shalom, Rabbi G.

### SHAMASH SPOTLIGHT

In this month's Shamash Spotlight, I want to do something a little bit different. I'd like to take a moment and recognize our Rabbi, Jeff Glickman. That might seem a bit unorthodox, since this column is meant to focus on volunteers in our community. Some folks might argue that helping our community comes with the job, since he's our Rabbi and our spiritual leader. I would say, however, that part of my intent with this column is to recognize anyone that goes above and beyond. I believe that Rabbi does that often. I believe also that when you've read about how he has stepped up to help our congregation over the past couple of months, you'll agree that he has gone above and beyond again.

Many members help the congregation in one way or another, often in the way that they are most capable. There are those that volunteer their time, skills, and effort. Others have less time to give, but can contribute in a financial sense. Rabbi Glickman, particularly in the last couple of months, has done both.

This isn't a particularly new thing. Over the years, he's given up countless hours of his personal time to this congregation. In the short time I've been a member of this community, I've completely lost track of the number of times that he has cut a vacation short, or returned to us early from a family event to deal with an emergency, sickness, the passing of a loved one, or **(pg. 10)**  Page 2

### BIRTHDAYS

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

#### ANNIVERSARIES

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 & Mr. Christopher Grey	7/7	Mr. & Mrs. Mark Sloate	7/24
Dr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Kraman	7/9	Mrs. Lisa Wolf & 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. William Keegan Mr. & Mrs. John LePage	7/13 7/13	Dr. & Mrs. Michael Wernick	7/30

### ONEG INFORMATION

#### 7/3—HELP NEEDED

7/10-Michael Berg, Gary & Regina Efronson

7/17—Scott & Carol Bettigole, Michael & Lynn Rothberg, Leland & Paula Bradbard

- 7/24—Carol Hart, Arnold Joseph
- 7/31—Terry Kurtzman, John & Deb Halpern, Randy & Wendy Kurtzman

8/7—Stan Goldberg, Stuart & Sherry Rosen

8/14—Ed & Judy Melocowsky, Nancy Gordon, Marion Berman

8/21—Pam & Howard Steinberg, Alana & Ken Sultar, Roz Cooper

8/28—Bob & Maxine Greenberg, Jeff & Laurie Kraman

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.

#### **ON EXHIBIT**

### "Breaking the Glass: The American Jewish Wedding" JUNE 26 – SEPTEMBER 30

The Jewish Historical Society of Greater Hartford (JHSCG) presents "Breaking the Glass: The American Jewish Wedding," an exhibition featuring vintage wedding gowns from the UConn Historical Costume and Textile Collection, reproductions of ancient ketubot from the Judaica Collection of the Beinecke Rare Bock & Manuscript Library at Yale University, and JHSGH archival photographs. The exhibit will be on display at the Mandell JCC, 335 Bloomfield Ave. For more information and to register for exhibit events and programs, call (860) 727-6170 or visit jhsgh.org.

Related events and programs:

#### Wedding Gowns through the Decades Thursday, July 16, 2 p.m.

At Mandell JCC, 335 Bloomfield Ave., West Hartford.

Prof. Laura Crow, director of the UConn Historical Costume and Textile Collection, will give an exhibit tour and talk about the history of the American wedding gown.

#### They All Danced the Hora Jewish Wedding Scenes in Hollywood Films

Tuesday, July 21, 7 p.m. At Mandell JCC, 335 Bloomfield Ave., West Hartford.

Prof. Elizabeth Pleck, co-author of Cinderella Dreams, The Allure of the Lavish Wedding, will highlight scenes of nostalgia and critique scenes of Jewish weddings in the American cinema.

#### Something Old, Something New Wednesday, Sept. 9, 6 p.m.

At The Emanuel Synagogue, 160 Mohegan Dr., West Hartford.

Bridal fashion show and celebrations vendor showcase; food and raffles.

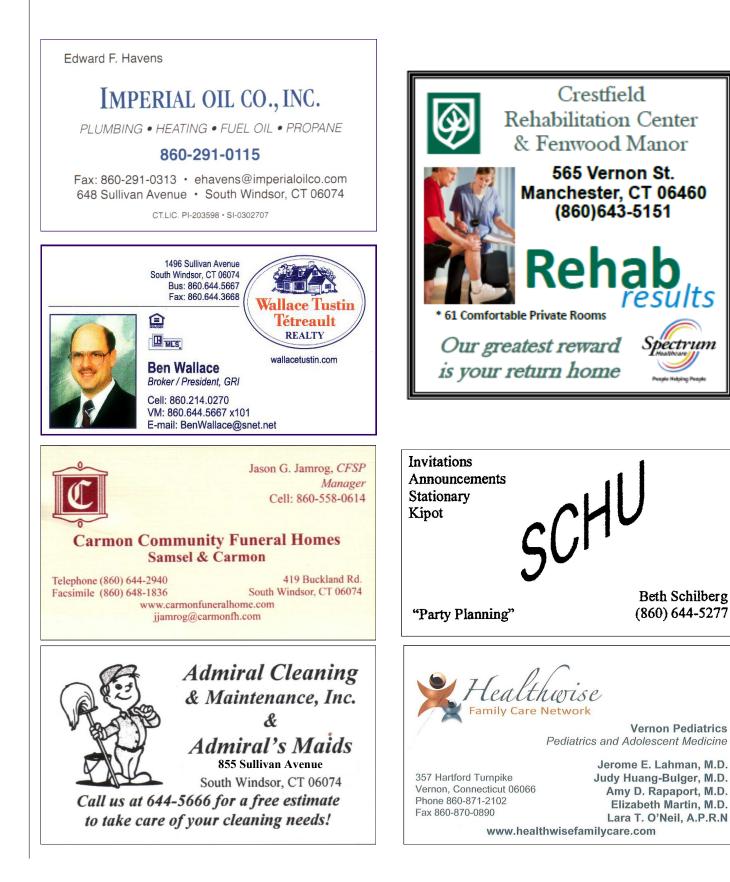


Samuel and Selma Gordon, married April 6, 1940 in Brons, N.Y. Courtesy of Mancy Gordon.



Fanchon Kartman Title in her wedding dress, April 1924. Courlesy of JHSGH archives.

### LOCAL BUSINESSES

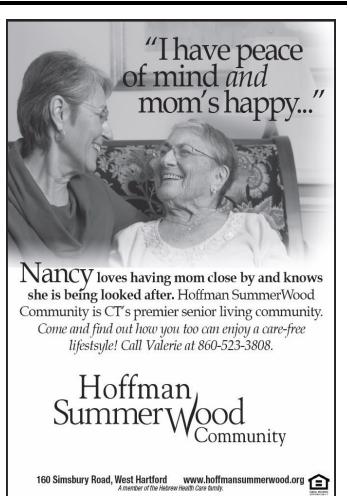


### HONEY SALE

Be on the lookout in an upcoming email blast for order forms for the annual Sisterhood honey sale! High Holidays seem like a long way away, but September will be here before you know it.

> Bonnie Zinn Sisterhood President





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### YAHRZEIT DATES

#### On July 3, we observe the yahrzeit of:

On Sury 0, we observe	
Beatrice Field	Mother of Dr. Charles Field
Marc Young	Uncle of Jennifer
	Schwartzman
Ethel Bloom	Grandmother of Michael
	Barnett
Larry Arias	Father of Sue Weinman
Esther Gerlis	Mother of Selma Gordon
	Grandmother of Nancy
	Gordon
Milton Koppel	Uncle of Bob Rodner
Albert Manna, Sr.	Grandfather of Stephen
	Brouillard
Freda (Cookie) Ruth	Aunt of Alan Platteis
Samuel Gentry	Father of Stacey Young
Sarah Gentry	Mother of Stacey Young

#### On July 10, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Ted Cooper	Husband of Roz Cooper	
Sylvia Ruchin Snyder	Mother of Gary Ruchin	Irv I
Jonathan Gerlis	Brother of Selma Gordon	
	Uncle of Nancy Gordon	Gold
Joseph Goldberg	Father of Carol Guttman	
Rose Goldberg	Mother of Carol Guttman	May
Jacob Guttman	Father of Richard Guttman	Sau
Steve Berman	Husband of Marion Berman	Abe
Gunther Goldman	Father of Linda Barnett	Agn
Samuel Katz	Father-in-law of Joyce Katz	Len
Edward Klein	Father of Albert Klein	
		Dore
On July 17, we obser	ve the yahrzeit of:	
Rebecca Doigan	Grandmother of Michael	Har

Al Tulcin George Bettigole Lillian Wernick Abraham Ziskis Grandmother of Michael Rothberg Brother of Judy Bogatz Father of Scott Bettigole Mother of Michael Wernick Father of Sharon Jacobs

#### On July 24, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Sarah Mieschonz	Grandmother of Sue Weinman
Mabel Scharr	Mother of Terry Kurtzman
Joel Cutler	Brother of Lois Wasserman
Rita Kalman-Block	Mother of Barbara Klein
Myrtle Hart	Mother of Carol Hart
Dora Joseph	Mother of Arnold Joseph
	Mother of Rose Rychling
David Raymond Pearl	Father-in-law of Ana Pearl
Sarah Shook	Mother of Herb Shook

#### On July 31, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Samuel Davidson	Father of Joel Davidson
Regina Mitnick	Mother of Jonathan Mitnick
Harry Silverman	Father of Joyce Ben-kiki
Asne Israelewich	Grandmother of Gabe
	Izraelevitz
Irv Kurtzman	Husband of Terry Kurtzman
	Father of Deborah Halpern
Goldie Greenberg-Rose	engarten Mother of Bob
	Greenberg
May Gompers	Grandmother of Ken Sultar
Saul I. Meiner	Uncle of Sally Meyers Goodman
Abe J. Dworsky	Father of Alan Dworsky
Agnes Goldberg	Mother of Stanley Goldberg
Lena Schnoll	Grandmother of Judy
	Melocowsky
Dorothy Steinberg	Mother of Howard Steinberg
	Grandmother of Alanna Sultar
Harold Burger	Grandfather of Sheri Burger
	Swan
Ruth Pollack	Grandmother of Michael
	Pollack
Betty Rosenberg	Aunt of Janet Miller

### DONATIONS

#### ADULT EDUCATION FUND: CHAIRPERSON: KRISTIN KEEGAN

Judy Scott in honor of Gayle McGuiness, cousin of Judy

#### ART FUND: CHAIRPERSON: LISA WOLF

Lisa Wolf in memory of Maurice Wolf, Lisa's Father

#### **CEMETARY FUND: CHAIRPERSON: ALAN DWORKY**

Marion Berman in memory of Alfred Geber, Marion's father

### DONATIONS (CONT.)

#### FACILITIES:

Gary and Susan Ruchin for heating and cooling repair

#### **GENERAL FUND:**

Harriet Mindlin in memory of Herman Mindlin, Father Sharon & Mark Fromson in memory of Gail Mindlin, Mother of Harriet Edie Nissenblatt in memory of Max Talmason, Father Janet Lassman to help with budget deficit Len & Sharon Jacobs to help with budget deficit Selma Gordon in memory of Esther Gerlis, Mother and Jonathan Gerlis, brother of Selma

#### JNF (TREES):

Ken & Lois Wasserman in honor of Edie Nissenblatt's birthday

#### LANDSCAPE FUND: CHAIRPERSON: BRYAN OPPENHEIMER

Sheri & Eric Swan in memory of Harold Burger, Grandfather of Sheri

#### **MEMBERSHIP FUND: CHAIRPERSON: BARB KLEIN**

Judith Fogg in memory of Bertha Fogg, Mother in law and in memory of Howard Kanner, brother Barbara & Al Klein in honor of the 60th Anniversary of Teri Parrot's Bat Mitzvah Stanley Goldberg in memory of Jacob Goldberg, Stan's father

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

Jason Wasserman in honor of Naomi Glickman's college graduation Judy Glickman Lauder In memory of Al Glickman Rose & Roland Rychling In memory of Samuel Joseph, father of Rose Phyllis & Ted Green In memory of Irving Goldstein, Father of Phyllis, & Ray Schor, Grandmother of Phyllis Leland & Paula Bradbard In memory of Carol Finn, sister of Paula Arnold Joseph In memory of Samuel Joseph, father Ken & Lois Wasserman In memory of Tillie Cutler, Mother of Lois Leonard & Judy Lauder Judy Scott in gratitude for support, compassion & guidance during difficult times Nancy Gordon Sue & Mike Wernick In memory of Lillian Wernick, mother of Michael

#### YOUTH FUND: CHAIRPERSON: MICHAEL BERG

Robert & Alice Rodner in memory of Milton Koppel, Uncle of Robert

### NEW TBH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Congratulations to the new TBH Board of Directors!!

President—Steve Brouillard VP Religious Practices - Eric Bernstein & Harriett Mindlin VP Religious School—Michael Skott Disbursements Treasurer – Joel Goldfarb Receipts Treasurer – Teri Parrott Secretary – Jason Wasserman House Committee – Joe Alpert Youth Committee – Shelley Haslett Membership Committee – Barbara Klein & Lisa Wolf Adult Education & Programming – Nancy Gordon Development Committee – Howard Steinberg Cemetery Committee – Alan Dworsky & Jim Katz

### 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 G-d, 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/Massei** — **Numbers 30:2-36:13** —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. Massei is the end of the continuous narrative of Torah that began in Genesis with the creation of the universe. 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.

**Devarim - Deuteronomy 1:1-3:22** —The book of Deuteronomy is dominated by Moses' farewell address to the children of Israel as he urges them to remain faithful to the covenant and prepares them for entering Canaan. During the course of the book, Moses reviews the story of the giving of the Torah at Sinai and the trip to the Promised Land, reiterates several laws of Torah and introduces new laws.

**Va'etchanan - Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11** — The portion completes the historical prologue of the Deuteronomy covenant document and begins a rehearsal of the stipulations. Part of that rehearsal is a repetition of the Ten Commandments and the famous first passage of the Shema: Deuteronomy 6:4–9.

### TBH is offering the Scrip program!!!

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

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• Available during Temple office hours



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## **A SUMMER THAT LASTS A LIFETIME!**

### AUGUST 2016 ISRAEL TRIP

The next TBH mission to Israel will be a crazy fun family experience. Summer in Israel is hot, but beautiful. From August 8 to August 18, 2016, we will find all of the amazing spots in Israel to jump in and cool off. This visit will be customized according to our participants, and the goal is to offer a 'reasonably' priced trip.

If you have a simcha that you would like to celebrate in Israel, let us know, and we are happy to make the arrangements. Mindy Glickman is currently finalizing the itinerary and pricing. Please let her know if you are interested.

To follow the process on Facebook, join this group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/tbhtoIsrael2016/

### SHAMASH SPOTLIGHT (CONT.)

other life events. By contract, he only gets one day off each week...Monday. Still, how many committee, board, or other meetings has he attended on a Monday night because that's the only time a majority of those folks can make it? If you see Rabbi at a meeting or event on a Monday, it's because he recognizes that everyone there is a volunteer, so he volunteers, too. In the past couple of months, in addition to his usual slate of meetings, he's attended a number of Religious School Future, Music Future, and individual meetings with me and other congregants when he would normally be off work, as a volunteer.

As if that extra volunteering wasn't enough, he's contributed financially to the congregation over the years. He's done it in the form of direct monetary contributions, postage for mailings, paper for the office, and copies of the games he's designed for us to sell at events or in our gift shop. In the last two months, he's truly stepped up financially on our behalf. As the budget committee was trying to finalize the upcoming budget, he made an offer to help offset the deficit. He offered a matching contribution against what the members of our board pledged. While the final numbers are not in yet, I am confident that the board's contribution will lead to him contributing his maximum match of \$3,000.

Rabbi wasn't done yet, though. He saw the struggles that our Disbursements Treasurer, Joel Goldfarb and I went through in the last few months to juggle accounts and collect enough revenue to get through this fiscal year. He had mentioned to me ways that he could potentially take some unpaid leave as part of his sabbatical, which would help reduce the deficit for the upcoming fiscal year. I was grateful for his offer and told him I would consider it. At the time, I had more immediate financial concerns. We had one more month to get through, but with the new fiscal year beginning in July and the new Finance committee on the job, I knew we'd get the reprieve we needed to work out the deficit over a number of months. I brought a tentative suggestion to him just before a board meeting so it could be approved if he was willing. The end result is that Rabbi agreed to forego his salary for the month of June and take four weeks of furlough time over the next 12 months. What does that mean financially? That's the equivalent of writing approximately a \$10,000 check just when we needed it. If that isn't going above and beyond, I don't know what is.

So, just as I've asked you to thank other volunteers over these last few months, when you see Rabbi around, please say thank you. I'd like to take a moment right here to do the same. Thank you, Rabbi Glickman.

Steve Brouillard TBH President

### Lunch Bunch with the Rabbi will resume in September. Have a wonderful

summer!



### SHABBAT POTLUCK DINNER

Summertime and the living is easy!! (or at least we want it to be)

Come join with your temple family for a potluck Shabbat on Friday, August 14 at 5:45pm. Dinner will be followed by Shabbat services. Following is a list of suggested items to bring--but feel free to bring whatever. We will have a meat section and a dairy-vegetarian table set up.

- Salad
- Main course
- Vegetable(s)
- Fruit salad
- Light dessert

Paper goods will be provided and a suggested donation of 1 to 2 dollars per person to cover miscellaneous costs.

Let's get together as the family we are and enjoy the gift of Shabbat together.

Call Laurie at the temple to let her know you are coming--or Marion @860-644-9796 or Barbara @860-871-0532. Sponsored by your friendly Membership Committee!!!

### HOUSE COMMITTEE NEWS

We have a situation with our heating system on the roof that requires repairs to the tune of \$2600.00. I am looking for help to defray the cost of this unexpected expense. Many of you have helped out in the past with windows, driveway lining, crack filling etc. Once again, our Temple home is in need of a repair that was unplanned for. We have collected \$625 so far—thanks to all the generous donations. If you can help, please send in your donation marked **house fund**. Thanks!

Joe Alpert House Committee

### TBH BOOK CLUB

The TBH Book Club is meeting on Tuesday, July 14 at 7pm at Terry Kurtzman's house. We will be discussing <u>The Betrayers</u> by David Bezmozgis. In this thriller, An ex-Soviet Israeli politician comes face to face with the man who denounced him to the KGB and sent him to the Gulag. We hope you will join us!

Barb Klein

### <u>Upcoming</u> <u>Meetings</u>

7/2: Religious Practices Committee, 7pm

7/7: Membership Committee, 7pm

7/7, Religious School Committee, 7pm

7/9: Board Meeting, 7pm

7/21: Sisterhood Board, 6pm

For additional meetings and locations, please go to www.tbhsw.org.

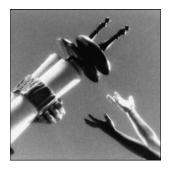


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You can reach the TBH Office at (860) 282-8466 or <u>admin@tbhsw.org</u>. Office hours are 10am-2pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Outside office hours, for administrative matters, please contact Steve Brouillard via email at <u>president@tbhsw.org</u> or at (860) 294-4335.

I hope everyone is having a lovely summer so far. Even though some aspects of TBH slow down during the summer, we still have some great upcoming events. Our annual summer potluck Shabbat is coming up next month, which is always a lovely time.

Congratulations to the new Board of Directors! They have some big challenges ahead in the next year, but I'm sure they will exceed our expectations.

This will be my last year doing the Hillel Happenings newsletter. I'll be doing it for the next year, but if you are comfortable with Microsoft Publisher and have a few hours each month to spare, please email me!

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Christine Brouillard

The deadline for the next Bulletin is **TUESDAY**, **July 21**. Please forward all emailed materials to the entire Communications Committee at <u>communications@tbhsw.org</u>:

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