#### Temple Beth Hillel

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## FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

"Shiru l'Adonai shir chadash Sing unto God a new song"

These words were written by King David three thousand years ago. They inform the way we should approach God today.

We are fortunate to have had many gifted musicians. This year is no different. Joining us will be a new cantorial soloist, DJ Fortine. Not only does he carry on our tradition of quality music, but also of quality neshama. He is immensely likable and easy to talk with. He will be guiding us these High Holy Days and throughout the year. Come meet him on a Friday or Saturday service. You will go away singing.

L'shana tova, Rabbi, Mindy, Ilana, Seth, Evan, Tal, Hanna, Naomi, and Micah

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

It's getting to be that time of year again. As we approach the High Holy Days, I try to take time to look back on the previous year and consider the upcoming possibilities.

As I was looking back, I came across my speech from last year at Rosh Hashanah and recalled from it one of my favorite Hillel quotes **"If I am not for myself, then who will be for me? If I am only for myself, then what am I? If not now, when?"** The interesting thing about this quote, for me, is that it can be applied in different ways at different times. This year, the quote has taken on a somewhat different perspective for me.

Part of our collective past is that Rabbi Glickman has been our spiritual leader for 20 years. I considered how we might be able to celebrate such an extraordinary achievement. There are lots of options - a party, a special Shabbat service, and some type of commemoration. But perhaps a better way to honor 20 years of Rabbi's leadership would be to help ensure the future of TBH for another 20 years. That's no small challenge. We've faced a number of financial issues over the years, and this idea would take a substantial amount of money to become reality. So in looking both back and forward, I wondered if this was a good time to try a major fundraising campaign. That's where Hillel came in. I looked at each part of that quote. "If I am not for myself, then who will be for me?" My TBH family is important to me and if I don't stand up for that and do what needs doing, who will? "If I am only for myself, then what am I?" I could take the easy way out, just get through the year and leave the heavy lifting for the next president and board. Not exactly the best legacy to leave for future generations. Finally, and most prominently, "If not now, when?" If I wait until financial times are "good", then we may never find ourselves on solid financial footing.

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#### BIRTHDAYS

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Mr. & Mrs. Eric Blumenthal	9/2	Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Wasserman	9/3
Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Eisenberg	9/2	Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Zinn	9/9
Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Paterson	9/2	Drs. Leland & Paula Bradbard	9/14
Mr. & Mrs. Jason Chaimovitch	9/3		

## ONEG INFORMATION

9/4—Fred & Beverly Bernstein-Prass, HELP NEEDED

9/11—Nill & Kristen Keegan, Wayne & Jennifer Perosky, Jason Wasserman,

9/18-Barb & Al Klein, Mark & Marlene Abrahamson, Len & Sharon Jacobs

9/25—Richard & Heidi Siedman, Barbara & Michael Brezel, Robert & Stacey Young

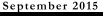
10/2—Howard & Eleanor Eichner, Doug & Eileen Clouser, Michael & Linda Barnett 10/9—Sue & Mike Wernick, Rick & Heather Tratchenberg, Peter & Julia Ratajczak 10/16—**Abigail Edelstein Bat Mitzvah**—Chaimovitch Family, Mytych Family 10/23—Sally Goodman, Alan & Barbara Dworsky 10/30—Richard & Janet Miller, Edie & Lance Chernack

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.





## 5776 HIGH HOLIDAYS SCHEDULE

Selichot	September 12	6:15pm 6:45pm 7:45pm	Dairy dinner (minimum contribution of \$2 per person suggested) Study session Selichot service
Erev Rosh Hashanah	September 13	7:30pm	Services
Rosh Hashanah I	September 14	10:00am 12:30pm 2:00pm 3:15pm	Traditional Service Kehillah Konnection—come nosh and chat! Young Children/Family Service (geared toward families with children in pre-K to 1st grade) Tashlich at Mill on the River
Rosh Hashanah II	September 15	10:00am	Service
Kol Nidre	September 22	7:30pm	Service
Yom Kippur	September 23	10:00am 1:30pm 3:00pm 4:30pm 5:30pm	Traditional Service Children's Service Adult Study Yizkor Service Afternoon and Concluding Service, followed by Break Fast

Join us during one of the most important times of the year!

. Kehillah\*

\*Means community

# Konnection

Hosted by the TBH Membership Committee

Mingle, schmooze, nosh, rekindle old friendships, begin new friendships, and enjoy the company of your extended family!

After Rosh Hashanah Services

September 14

## NO SMALL CHANGE (CONT. FROM PAGE 1)

So to help celebrate Rabbi Glickman's 20 years at TBH by helping to secure our financial future for at least 20 more, I am kicking off the 2776 TBH **No Small Change** campaign. We're calling it **No Small Change** because no contribution is too small. We can make a big difference if we all work together. The campaign will run from September 1 – October 31.

Like all good campaigns, we've set some goals. There are two primary goals for this one. The first and most important goal is 100% participation from our community. The second goal is a financial one - \$750,000. It's a pretty big number, but I believe that we can make it happen.

You may wonder how this new campaign relates to the annual High Holy Day Appeal and the budget deficit campaign from earlier this year. **No Small Change** is replacing the High Holy Day Appeal for this year, and the budget deficit campaign has come to an end. If we are successful, we will not need to address a budget deficit in the future.

But how we can get 100% participation if there are members of our community who simply don't have the financial ability to contribute more? For those members, there will be alternative, non-monetary contribution methods. For example, they could:

- Pledge to bring 20 new people to services or a TBH event in 5776
- Pledge to attend at least 20 services or events in 5776
- Pledge to volunteer at least 20 hours at TBH in 5776
- Pledge to call at least 20 members to wish them a Happy New Year this High Holy Day season.
- Pledge to stop and pick up 20 pieces of trash around TBH

Along the way to our financial goal, we have defined a number of milestones. Depending on which of the levels we reach by the end of the campaign, we will acknowledge Rabbi's tenure with us in a different way. If we raise at least \$80,000, we will throw a party in Rabbi's honor, open to all members of the congregation free of charge. In addition to the party, depending on the final figure raised, we will do one of the following:

- \$100,000 Name one classroom, office, or conference room of Rabbi's choice in his honor.
- \$250,000 Name one of our two religious school wings for Rabbi.

- \$400,000 Name the social hall for Rabbi.
- \$500,000 Name the Religious School for Rabbi.
- \$750,000 Name the Sanctuary for Rabbi.

In addition to having goals and milestones, we have predetermined some specific uses for the funds raised. Depending on the funding level reached, the TBH board will use the money to fund some or all of the following items that will improve our long-term financial stability:

- Creating a TBH Endowment fund to generate ongoing income for our community.
- Pay off the second mortgage on our building, helping to eliminate the need to service unnecessary debt.
- Seed our building fund, so we can be sufficiently prepared in the event of an unexpected large expense related to building maintenance.
- Create a TBH Religious School Endowment fund to generate ongoing income to help us provide our families with an economical and quality Jewish education for our children.

I look back over the last year at TBH and some of the challenges we've faced and I come away with a sense of accomplishment and confidence. I am confident that together, as a family, we can meet the challenge presented by **No Small Change** and prepare a better future for ourselves and our children.

L'shanah tovah, Steve Brouillard



## LOCAL BUSINESSES



## ANNUAL PLEDGES

Thank you to the following donors:

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## YAHRZEIT DATES

#### On September 4, we observe the yahrzeit of:

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Sarah Pearl Zetoff	Grandmother of Beverly	Henri Pinhas	Father of Stella Seefer	
	Bernstein-Prass	Sally Rose	Mother of Marsha Taback	
Alex Andrus	Father of Larry Andrus			
Sam Millstein	Father of Eileen Clouser	On September 18, we observe the yahrzeit of:		
Joseph Green	Father of Ted Green	Betty Frank	Mother of Sherry Rosen	
Frances Tolman	Grandmother of Jennifer	Max Taback	Grandfather of Steven Taback	
	Schwartzman			
Stanley Silver	Husband of June Silver	On September 25, w	e observe the yahrzeit of:	
Berna Wefald	Daughter-in-law of Beverly	Karla Ryvka Precel	Grandmother of Michael Brezel	
	and Fred Bernstein-Prass	Eva Summers	Aunt of Janet Lassman	
Gertrude Lipsky	Aunt of Joel Davidson	Alfred Halpern	Father of John Halpern	
		Frances Siedman	Mother of Richard Siedman	
On September 11, we observe the yahrzeit of:		Ernest Gittleman	Father of Alan Gittleman	
Morris Gerlis	Father of Selma Gordon	Mark Greenberg	Father of Bob Greenberg	

## DONATIONS

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

In Memory of Abe Dworsky, father of Alan

#### FACILITIES:

Susan & Gary Ruchin in memory of Belle Platt, mother of Susan; Sylvia Snyder, mother of Gary. And In memory of Joe Miller, Husband of Eleanor Miller

#### **GENERAL FUND:**

June Silver in memory of Ida Silver, mother of Stanley Phyllis & Ted Green in memory of Blanche Green, mother of Ted Joyce Krasner in honor of my friends Nancy Gordon and Marion Berman Gabe & Luann Izraelevitz in memory of Felicia Michelis Anne Berman Waldorf and Joshua Waldorf in appreciation of the Love of Jewish living & learning my years at Beth Hillel taught me. May you continue to grow the next generation of Jewish learners and teachers. Linda & Michael Barnett in memory of Max Barnett, father of Michael Joyce Ben-kiki in memory of Harry & Hannah Silverman

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

Beverly & James W Ladue in memory of Grace Gatcomb, mother of Greg Gatcomb

#### **MUSIC FUND: CHAIRPERSON: BECKY MCCANN**

Herb Shook in memory of Sarah Shook, mother

#### **RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Stuart & Sherry Rosen in memory of Rose Rosen, Mother of Stu Alan & Teresa Platteis in memory of Louis Ciotti, Father of Teresa

#### **<u>RETIRE THE MORTGAGE FUND:</u>**

Fred & Vicki Daniels in memory of Ruth and Betty Daniels, Mother & Stepmother of Fred Daniels Terry Kurtzman in memory of Abe Kurtzman, father of Irv, Esther Kurtzman, Mother of Irv Mabel Scharr, mother of Terry and Irv Kurtzman, husband of Terry

#### YOUTH FUND: CHAIRPERSON:

Bob & Alice Rodner in memory of Carol Koppel, Aunt of Bob Rodner

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## TBH SISTERHOOD

## "Face to Face without the Book"

TBH Sisterhood is a vibrant, talented group of women ages 13 and up who get together for laughter, wisdom, and great experiences. We are about women of ALL generations coming together

to learn, to pray, and to have fun together. Sisterhood will foster friendships that will last a lifetime, whatever your age. Come join us while we have fun and learn together as a community!

Past events have included:

- Welcome Back picnic with Men's Club for the start of Religious School
- High Holiday Honey Fundraiser,
- Help with the Break-Fast for Yom Kippur
- Dairy Queen Fundraiser
- Hanukkah Gift Shop Sale
- Gift Swap with Chinese Food and Desserts
- Kitchen Clean-Up Day
- Putting together the Havdallah bags and participation in Kehillah Konnection
- Mexicalli Night Out

Phone

- Participation in the Men's Club Auction
- Little Black Dress Fundraiser

Ideas so far for this year are paint nites, panel discussions on interfaith holidays and the b'nai mitzvah process, and a mystery wine tasting. We would love to hear your ideas as well.

Dues are **\$36** for the 2015-2016 year. Please make checks payable to **TBH Sisterhood**, complete the contact information below, and return this form to the Temple office. Please provide an email address if you would like to be notified of our event schedule & receive announcements online. Contact Bonnie Zinn at <u>bszinn@cox.net</u> with any questions.

Name_	 	 	
Email	 	 	

Come to our next meeting on September 29 at 7pm!





## **High Holy Days Food Drive**

To donate money, please make your check payable to *FoodShare* and place it in the tzedakah box in the TBH lobby from August 28 to September 25.

OR

Bring a bag of nonperishable groceries to the Temple on Yom Kippur. Hunger is a vital concern in our community.

More than 128,000 people in Hartford and Tolland counties can't be sure where their next meal is coming from.

\$30 feeds one person for a month.

One in every five children lives in one of these households.

For more information, please call Janet Miller at 860-633-5851. Donate to the 5776 High Holy Days Food Drive

## TORAH PORTIONS

Ki Tavo- Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8 — This Torah portion begins with laws regarding first fruits and tithes. It goes on to discuss covenant renewal, after which Moses recites the blessings guaranteed to Israel for covenant obedience and warns of the curses for apostasy.

Nitzavim - Deuteronomy 29:9-30:20 — In this portion, Moses invites the entire assembly of Israel to take on the covenant. He warns them that if they sin, they will go into exile, but he also predicts that, in the future, they will repent and G-d will return them to the land of Israel.

**Vayeilech** — **Deuteronomy 31:1-31:30** — In this short portion, Moses commands an assembly for a public Torah reading and covenant renewal once every seven years. He then finishes writing the scroll of the Torah and has it deposited in the Holy of Holies next to the ark of the covenant.

Haazinu - Deuteronomy 32:1-32:52 — This Torah portion is only a single chapter long, and the majority of it consists of the Song of Moses. The Song of Moses is a prophetic oracle warning Israel about apostasy to come and the resulting wrath of G-d. The song looks far into the future, even envisioning the Messianic advent amid rich and frightening apocalyptic imagery. After the conclusion of the song, Moses is told to ascend Mount Nebo and overlook the Promised Land before dying.



## She Loves Me

**The Opera House Players** The Broad Brook Opera House 107 Main Street Broad Brook, CT 06016-5800

Directed by Meghan Lynn Allen Musical Direction by Steven D. Cirillo Choreography by Karen McMahon

Performance Dates: September 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27

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In this scented case of mistaken identity and letter writing, two feuding perfume clerks have no idea they are in love. Based on the play Parfumerie by Miklos Laszlo, three movies were also made based on the same play - "The Shop Around The Corner" starring Jimmy Stewart, "In The Good Old Summertime" starring Judy Garland, and "You've Got Mail" starring Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan.

Georg Nowack	
Amalia Balash	
Steven Kodaly	. Tomm Knightlee
Ilona Ritter	. Martina Haskins
Ladislav Sipos	. Michael Lorenzo
Arpad Laszlo	. Joshua Prouser
Mr. Maraczek	
Waiter	
Keller	. Thomas Schutz
Busgirl	. Madeline Lukomski
Chorus	
	Tammy Young Cote
	Reva Kleppel
	Barbara LaValley
	Robert Lunde
	Michelle Ortiz-Saltmarsh





"One of God's angels stands over every blade of grass whispering, 'grow, grow.' " Breisheit Rabba 9:6

#### Read with a child. Reshape the future. You can make the difference.

Did you know that close to 50% of 3rd grade students in Hartford are unable to read at grade level? Did you also know that one of every three American children start kindergarten without the language skills they need to learn to read?

YOU CAN HELP by becoming a Hartford Jewish Coalition for Literacy Reading Mentor.

Attend a training session, then select a 30 minute per week time slot to read to a Kindergarten-3rd grade student during the school day.

#### Training Sessions: Manchester: September 8, 2015 at 3:30 PM

Beth Sholom B'nai Israel Silverstein Room 400 Middle Turnpike East |Manchester, CT

#### West Hartford: September 17, 2015 at 6:30 PM

Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford Community Services Building 333 Bloomfield Avenue | West Hartford, CT

HJCL will also be offering rolling trainings throughout the year.

Call Alana Butler at 860-236-7323 or email hjcl@jewishhartford.org for more information.

HJCL is a program of the Jewish Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford and an affiliate of the National Jewish Coalition for Literacy.



Lunch Bunch with the Rabbi! September 24

12:00pm

Join us for interesting conversation on Current Events, and enjoy delicious soup.

## 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/

## YISKOR SERVICE

I will be using the same Yiskor list as last year during the Yiskor service. If anybody wishes to add a name of a loved one to my list, please let me know. I have tried to keep the list up to date as Temple members have had a loss, but just in case, please do let me know of any additions.

Thank you, Joe Alpert 860-649-2287 joealpert@sbcglobal.net

## JNF AWARD AT TBH

Temple Beth Hillel will receive a Grove Recognition award from JNF during services on October 16 for their continued generosity and commitment.

Ezra Ravins will be the JNF guest speaker for the event. He is a visionary, environmentalist, agriculture expert, and has personal experience in dealing first hand with water and technology in extreme desert conditions.

Ezra is the former Mayor of the Central Arava Regional Council leading a "new generation of pioneers" as they develop Israel's last frontier, the Arava. Since 1980 he has been a farmer, leading the Arava Agricultural Research and Development Department at the Central Arava Regional Council and served the Israeli Foreign Ministry as the manager of the Arava Medfly Eradication Project.

Ezra was personally involved in the peace negotiations with Jordan in 1996 and helped develop solutions to the Arava's water deficiencies. Ezra is currently living in Atlanta with his wife Debbie serving as the JNF-KKL Israel Emissary to the Southeast.

We hope you will join us for this special event!



## 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 about 3/4 so far—thanks to all the generous donations. If you can help, please send in your donation marked **house fund**. Thanks! Joe Alpert

Joe Alpert House Committee



## TBH BOOK CLUB

The TBH Book Club is meeting Tuesday, September 8, 7:00, at Barb Klein's house. We will not meet in August.

The book is <u>The World to Come</u>, by Dara Horn. "A million-dollar Chagall is stolen from a museum, and the unlikely thief, former child prodigy Benjamin Ziskind, is convinced that the painting once hung in his parents' living room." We hope you will join us!



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

9/1: Membership Committee, 7pm

9/3: Religious Practices Committee, 7pm

> 9/10: Board Meeting, 7pm

9/20, Men's Club, 9:30am

9/29, Sisterhood, 7pm

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

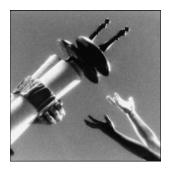


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This month's newsletter is full of information about one of the most important times of year for our congregation—High Holidays! Please see the schedule on page 3 for all holiday events at TBH. There is a reminder about the Annual Food Drive on page 11, and information about other upcoming events throughout this newsletter. May you and your families have a happy, healthy New Year!

> L'shanah tovah! Christine Brouillard

The deadline for the next Bulletin is **TUESDAY**, **September 29**. Please forward all e-mailed materials to the entire Communications Committee at <u>communications@tbhsw.org</u>:

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