

HILLEL HAPPENINGS

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FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY



How Shabbat Fits Into The Fabric Of Our Lives

Watching a fire burning in a fireplace is engaging. The flames look alive. There is a beautiful passage in our prayerbook which uses the flames as a metaphor for life.

What makes a fire burn
is space between the logs,
a breathing space.
Too much of a good thing,
too many logs packed in too tight
can douse the flames almost as surely
as a pail of water would.

So building fires
requires attention
to the spaces in between,
as much as to the wood.

When we are able to build
open spaces in the same way we have learned
to pile on the logs, then we can come to see how
it is fuel, and absence of fuel together,
that make the fire possible.

We only need to lay a log
lightly from time to time.
A fire grows simply because the space is there,
with openings in which the flame
that knows just how it wants to
Burn can find its way.

Come join us as we make space in our week for Shabbat!

B'shalom,
Rabbi G.

SIMCHAS

BIRTHDAYS

Mr. Gary Ruchin	5/3	Macola L. Widofsky	5/13
Mrs Erin Taylor	5/3	Robert Waldo	5/14
Mrs. Deborah Luria	5/4	Mr. Adam Kaprove	5/16
Mr. Richard Guttman	5/6	Mrs. Sheila Alpert	5/17
Mr. Daniel Eichner	5/7	Brian Nichols	5/19
Jessica Goldfarb	5/10	Mrs. Meryl Sloate	5/19
Lee Osipow	5/10	Mr. Ralph Patterson	5/20
Mr. Steven Pines	5/10	Edward J. Widofsky	5/24
Mr. Kevin Hoffman	5/12	Mrs. Deborah Halpern	5/25
Mr. Joel Goldfarb	5/13	Ms. Marion Berman	5/28

ANNIVERSARIES

Mr & Mrs Mel Santiago	5/6/2017	Dr. & Mrs. Richard Miller	5/25/2017
Mr. & Mrs Jim Katz	5/8/2017	Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Brouillard	5/27/2017
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Guttman	5/12/2017	Mr. & Mrs. David Mytych	5/28/2017
Mr. & Mrs. Joel Goldfarb	5/22/2017		

ONEG INFORMATION

5/5	Stan Goldberg, Becky McCann, Joel Leyden
5/12	Doug & Eileen Clouser, Michael & Linda Barnett, Howard & Eleanor Eichner
5/19	Marsha Taback, Jeff & Laurie Kraman
5/26	Dan & Sue Rosenthal, Albert & Eileen Wachsman
6/2	Alan & Michele Snyder, Help Wanted
6/9	David & Nancy Mytych, Alan & Teresa Platteis
6/16	Shelly Haslett, Dan & Monica That, Rebecca Santiago
6/23	Help Wanted
6/30	Help Wanted

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.

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Y AHRZEIT DATES

On May 5, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Roger Parrott	Father of Roger Parrott
Steven Sternberg	Former Spouse of Darlene Sternberg
Edward Schwartz	Father of Shelley Haslett

Rose Fischbein	Friend of Taback Family
Bernice Wolf	Mother of Lisa Wolf
Herbert Baum	Father of Maxine Greenberg
Jennie Finn	Mother of Paula
Rose Meyers	Mother of Sally Meyers Goodman
Samuel Rosen	Great Grandfather of Sharon Harris
Esther Young	Grandmother of Jennifer Schwartzman

On May 12 we observe the yahrzeit of:

Norman Davidson	Uncle of Joel Davidson
Christina Walters	Sister of Rebecca Chaimovitch
Debra Frank	Daughter of Phyllis Frank
Helen Weinman	Aunt of Carol Bettigole

On May 26 we observe the yahrzeit of:

Herman Friedman	Grandfather of Steven Taback
Irving Goldstein	Father of Phyllis Green
Wendy Wernick	Sister of Michael Wernick
Haley Elaine Kralik	Goddaughter of Harriet Mindlin
Victoria Parrott	Mother of Roger Parrott
Ray Schor	Grandmother of Phyllis
Samuel Friedman	Grandfather of Tammy Pollack

On May 19, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Joyce Don	Wife of Richard
Minnie Forman	Grandmother of Jason Chaimovitch
Al Glickman	Husband of Judy, father of Rabbi Jeff
Ida Brenner	Grandmother of Andy Brenner
Tessie Friedman	Grandmother of Steven Taback
Yetta Alpert	Mother of Alice Eisenberg

DONATIONS

ADULT ED:

Micki & Dennis Bellamy in memory of Alexander Bellamy, father of Dennis

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

The Hyman Family in memory of Rita Hyman
 Ken & Lois Wasserman in appreciation for all Rabbi & Mindy did for me after accident
 Paula & Leland Bradbard in memory of Jennie Finn, mother of Paula
 Robin & Randy Schafer in appreciation of Seder
 Stuart & Sharon Rosen in memory of Howard Rosen, brother of Stu
 Paula & Leland Bradbard in memory of Louis Bradbard, father of Leland
 Marvin & Alice Eisenberg in memory of Yetta mother of Alice
 Judy Bogatz in memory of Esther Tulchinsky, mother of Judy
 Sue & Mike Wernick in memory of Wendy Wernick, sister of Mike

MEMBERSHIP

Stan Goldberg in memory of Jacob Cohen, father of Sybil Goldberg

MUSIC FUND

Herb Shook in memory of Samuel Aron, uncle of Herb
 Frank Luena in memory of Julia B Luena, mother of Frank
 Stan Goldberg in memory of Sybil Goldberg, wife of Stan

TORAH PORTIONS

Kedoshim — Leviticus 16:1-20:27 — The thirtieth reading from the Torah and seventh reading from Leviticus is named Kedoshim (קדושים). Leviticus 19 describes the holy community through a series of specific commandments. Leviticus 20 warns against the snares of sexual immorality and idolatry, mandating a death penalty for certain sins.

Emor — Leviticus 21:1-24:23 — Emor begins with special laws of sanctity, propriety and purity for the priesthood. Leviticus 23 provides an overview of the biblical calendar, a listing of the LORD's appointed times.

Behar — Leviticus 25:1-27:34 — This portion from the Torah introduces the laws of the sabbatical years, the jubilee and laws concerning redemption. In most years, synagogues read Behar together with the following portion, Bechukotai.

Bamidbar — Numbers 1:1-4:20 — The book of Numbers tells the story of Israel's trek through the wilderness on their way to the Promised Land, their failure at the edge of the land and the subsequent forty years of wandering. It concludes with the story of the second generation's triumphs over the first Canaanite resistance. The book ends with the Israelites poised on the edge of Canaan, ready to take their inheritance. Woven in the midst of these narratives is a significant amount of legal material.

URJ has much more information about each week's Torah portion at <http://www.reformjudaism.org/learning>.

Adult Ed/Save the Date




Save the date,
Tuesday evening, June 13th at
7:00 p.m. -
The Adult Education Committee presents "Davening Do's and Don'ts with Cantor Scott Harris. If you were ever wondering when and why we stand, sit, bend our knees, and bow during prayer, at long last Cantor Harris explains the whys and wherefores of our rituals and the choreography of our services.

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of mind *and*
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Bunch will be
Thursday*



*May 25 at
12:00 pm*

*Hope to see you
then for delicious
soup and current
event discussion.*

*We are always
looking for
volunteers to
provide soup and
bread....or sand-
wiches.....and a
cookie type
dessert.*

*Let Barb Klein
know if you can
help. !!*

Annual Congregational Meeting

Congregational Meeting



The annual meeting of the congregation will be June 11, 10:00 am. The agenda will include: The election of new officers, approval of the coming year's budget and reports on contract negotiations with Cantor Harris and Rabbi Glickman. Additional materials will be sent out prior to the meeting.

Thank You
Mark Abrahamson
Temple President

Development Committee



I am pleased to announce an enhancement to our Scrip program. To remind you; our program provides you an opportunity to make a contribution to TBH without any additional cost to you. The office has prepaid gift cards for use at Stop & Shop, Big Y, Shoprite, and now , Crown Market. You pay the face value of the gift card and the grocery store gives TBH a discount on the card's cost. An added feature for only the Crown Market card is that you can replenish its value at the store. To benefit the temple just make sure to tell them it is for TBH. There will be a sticker on the Crown Market card describing the procedure. Scrip is a "low tech" program that generates a steady stream of benefit to TBH. You have to eat, you have to buy groceries. Contact the temple office and continue or begin your participation in this worthwhile program.

Howard Steinberg



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2017 Reach For The Stars TBH Men's Club Auction



May 20th from 6 - 9 PM.

Tickets are available by contacting any men's club member or contacting the temple office.

Everyone is welcome!

Your \$25 / person ticket will include:
Beer tasting
Appetizers
Desserts
a tour of the brewery and a pint glass

There will be bid board and silent auction items.

If you are interested in donating a gift card or certificate, please contact Ken Wasserman.

For tickets contact Gabe Izraelevitz at gabe.i@cox.net.

BOOK CLUB



The next book club will be Tuesday May 2, 7:00 pm. The book this month is One God Clapping, by Alan Lew. Lew's compelling spiritual autobiography traces a circle from his Jewish boyhood in Brooklyn through a long, intuitive quest that brought him to Berkeley, California, where he practiced Zen Buddhism. From Zen Buddhist practitioner to Rabbi, East meets West in this first hand account of a spiritual journey.

Hope you can join us!
Barb Klein

MEMBERSHIP



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We are putting together a photographic yearbook, and we have a place in it for you. We wouldn't be complete without you.

Rabbi G

There is no cost to be photographed, and those who are will receive a free yearbook....in addition to a free 8 X 10. You will receive information to schedule a time to be photographed from the Membership Committee. Photos will be taken May 8, 9, 10, and 11

You may also purchase a line in memory of someone or in honor of someone or a special occasion for \$18 a line.

Own a business? Why not purchase an ad in the directory? Prices range from \$36-\$200

Contact Barb Klein at Barbek@aol.com Or any one on Membership Committee for more information

Upcoming Meetings

*5/2 Membership
Meeting, 7pm*

*5/11 Board
Meeting, 7pm*

*5/21 Men's Club
9:30am*

*5/16; Religious
School, 7pm*

*5/4: Religious
Practices, 7pm*

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

Congregational Survey



An important way to ensure that Temple Beth Hillel is continually improving and strengthening itself is by gaining your perspective. We are thrilled to be taking part in the launch of a temple survey coordinated through Measuring Success as part of our Union for Reform Judaism membership. We are one of 50 Reform congregations in this cohort. The purpose of the temple survey is to:

- Help us understand the priorities and needs of our community
- Create local/national benchmarks against which to measure ourselves
- Provide input into the process of continuous temple improvement and planning

You should have received an email with the subject line “Please Participate in the Temple Beth Hillel Survey!” inviting you to take the survey. I want to stress the importance of your participation. Our goal is a 100% response rate to ensure that we hear all voices from our community. The data collection, analysis, and reporting will be handled by the independent third party, Measuring Success, a consulting firm that works with Jewish organizations (and other non-profits) to develop tools to measure their performance and enact positive change.

Measuring Success will conduct the survey itself and handle all of your survey responses confidentially. Our synagogue will receive an aggregate report of the results and will not have access to individual survey responses (unless you choose to self-identify). We need a minimum of one adult responding per household - but it is important to us that we gather the opinions of everyone in our community, and would prefer that each adult in a household complete the survey on his or her own.

We encourage you to tell us what you think we’re doing right, what we can improve on, and what is important to you. Your input is valuable information and we fully intend to act upon the results of this survey. If you don’t tell us, we’ll never know!

Thank you in advance for your participation in this important project.

Jason Wasserman
jwasserman@tbhsw.org

2017 Biennial

Can you imagine sitting with over 5,000 Jewish people during a Shabbat service? While that thought may seem a bit over the top, that’s exactly what 36 of us from Temple Beth Hillel did a few years ago in our nation’s capital at the URJ Biennial.

The Biennial is going to be in Boston this year (2017) from December 6 through 10. I highly recommend that you block off those dates now and plan on using some vacation days to join the fun.

Here’s a little bit more about what it was like. Our relatively small congregation showed up with a large contingent. Everywhere I looked, I could see TBH t-shirts. We were energized by the participation whenever there was singing and services, by the learning opportunities and by the mind-blowing speakers like President Obama, Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu and URJ President Rick Jacobs. I really felt like we were part of larger movement and that we could have a voice in influencing the course of modern-day Judaism. We all had so much fun and were enriched by the experience.

I became closer to the people from our Temple that also participated and met some fascinating people from across the country. Don’t think twice about going! Since it’s in Boston this year, it’ll even be easier to get a large group of us together to go. So, mark your calendar and prepare to be amazed. Remember: December 6-10, 2017 in Boston. More information to come.

Marty Seefer

Donations Cont.

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Robert & Alice Rodner in memory of Sidney Rodner, father of Robert

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Judy Glickman-Lauder in memory of Mildred Glickman, mother of Judy and grandmother of Rabbi Jeff.

GENERAL FUND

Richard Don in memory of Joyce Don, wife of Richard

CEMETERY FUND

Darlene Sternberg in memory of Steven Sternberg, former husband

PASSOVER APPEAL

Paula & Leland Bradbard, Phyllis Green, Neil & Jess Patterson, Al & Barb Klein, Judy Fogg, Frank Luena & Joyce Ben-kiki, Nancy Gordon, Selma Gordon, Lawrence & Marcia Andrus, Len & Sharon Jacobs, Richard & Carole Guttman, Charlotte Toback, Arnold Joseph, June Silver, Marion Berman, Pam & Howard Steinberg, Herb Shook Sally Goodman, Mark Abrahamson, William & Marilyn Reveley, Jason Wasserman & Jennifer Marvin, Donna & Alan Gittleman, Richard Don, Teri & Roger Parrott in memory of Victoria & Roger Parrott, Susan Simons

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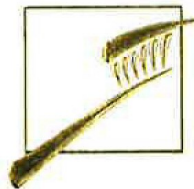


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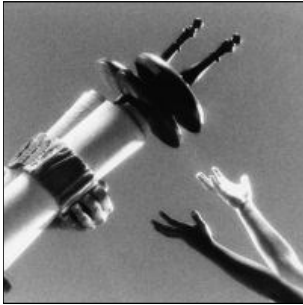
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OFFICE HOURS

You can reach the TBH Office at (860) 282-8466 or admin@tbhsw.org. Office hours are 9am-2:30pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Outside office hours, for administrative matters, please contact Mark Abrahamson via email at President@tbhsw.org or at (860) 432-1378.

In an emergency and you are in need of Clergy, please contact Rabbi Glickman by Temple Office phone or his cell phone. In the event the Rabbi cannot be reached, contact Cantor Scott Harris at 203-331-2692 or e-mail at cantor.scott.harris@gmail.com.

Rabbi Glickman has made arrangements with several of the other Rabbis in the area in the event that neither the Rabbi nor Cantor is available. These Rabbis will treat TBH Members as if they were members of their congregations. Please contact these Rabbis in the following order:

1. Rabbi Steven Wylen of Kol Haverim in Glastonbury - (860-633-3966)

2. Rabbi Randall J. Konigsburg of BSBI in Manchester - (860-643-9563)

If these Rabbis are not available, the following Rabbis are available for fee:

.Rabbi Michael Pincus of CBI in West Hartford (860-233-8215)

Rabbi Richard Plavin retired from BSBI in Manchester (860-643-9564)

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

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