



# HILLEL HAPPENINGS

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## FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY



At the Consultation On Conscience, one of the speakers made a good point. "Don't let others define you."

There is much misunderstanding about what the word, "Zionist" means. A. B. Yehoshua wrote a great piece about it in Haaretz on May 21, 2013, which is excerpted here.

[quote begins here] "Zionist" is a concept that's basically simple, clear, easy to define and understand, and there should be no difficulty defending its definition. But over the past 20 to 30 years, this simple concept has turned into one of the most confused and complicated notions of identity, and its overuse has made it impossible to agree on what it means.

... critics of Israel use Zionism as a kind of poisonous potion to exacerbate every accusation against the state.

[This is Rabbi Glickman's inserted definition] "A Zionist is a person who accepts the principle that the all Jews have an authentic voice and a rightful share in the State of Israel." [A. B. Yehoshua continues] The practical expression of this commitment is the Law of Return.

... Zionism is not a word that's meant to replace patriotism, pioneering, humaneness or love of one's homeland

With regard to the Law of Return, which some see as discriminating against Israel's Palestinian citizens, this is the answer: The Law of Return is essentially the moral condition set by the countries of the world for the establishment of the State of Israel. The United Nations' partition of Palestine-Eretz Israel in 1947 into a Jewish state and a Palestinian one was on condition that the Jewish state would not just be a state for the 600,000 Jews that lived there at the time, but would instead be a state that could resolve the distress of Jews all over the world, and would enable every Jew in the world to consider it home. Would it be moral for the hundreds of thousands of Jews who immigrated to Israel on the basis of the Law of Return to shut the door they entered through behind them?

Moreover, it's almost certain that there will be a similar law in the Palestinian state that I hope will be established, speedily and in our days. It would behoove that state to legislate a law of return that would enable every exiled Palestinian to return to the Palestinian state and obtain asylum and citizenship. [quote ends here]

If we know who we are, we can move in good directions with partners on all sides.

B'shalom,  
Rabbi G.

# SIMCHAS

## BIRTHDAYS

Judith Menaker	6/4	Kenneth Romer	6/19
Arnold Joseph	6/8	William Keegan	6/20
Carol Bettigole	6/9	Lisa Wolf	6/20
Frederick Daniels	6/12	Nicole Bolduc	6/21
Cheryl Cohen	6/13	Barbara Klein	6/22
LuAnn Izraelevitz	6/16	Jeannine Cohen	6/24
Martin London	6/17	Leonard Jacobs	6/24
Leesa Wallace	6/17	William Reveley	6/26
Christine Brouillard	6/19	Millie Sobel	6/29

## Anniversaries

Martin & Adele London	6/1	Bob & Maxine Greenberg	6/19
Douglas & Eileen Clouser	6/3	Al & Barba Klein	6/22
Ceil Gersten & John Abate	6/6	Ed & Deb Luria	6/22
Jeff & Stephanie Levin	6/7	Ralph & Amy Patterson	6/24
Alan & Barbara Dworsky	6/9	Michael & Barbara Brezel	6/25
Fred & Vicki Daniels	6/10	Mark & Marlene Abrahamson	6/26
Leonard & Marlene Auster	6/15	Tim & Lara Cote	6/27
		Neil & Jessica Patterson	6/27

## ONEG INFORMATION

- 6/7 Barb & Al Klein  
 6/14 **Tristan & Olivia Patterson B'nai Mitzvah** -Widofsky family, Yustinich family  
 6/21 **Asher Widofsky Bar Mitzvah**—Patterson Family, Moylan Family  
 6/28 Leland & Paula Bradbard, Barbara & Al Klein

- 7/5 HELP WANTED      HELP WANTED  
 7/12 Deb & John Halpern, Terry Kurtzman  
 7/19 Karen Donn      Sharon Miller  
 7/26 Judy Melocowsky      Nancy Gordon

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.



# Y A H R Z E I T   D A T E S

## On June 7 we observe the yahrzeit of:

Bertha Alpern	Aunt of Harriet Leitz
Benjamin Cantor	Loved one of Elaine Cantor
Ruth Hecht	Mother of Phyllis Freeman
Haley Elaine Kralik	Goddaughter of Harriet Mindlin
Victoria Parrott	Mother of Roger Parrott
Janet Tischler	Mother of Delly London
Edith Weintraub	Grandmother of Elisabeth Neiterman
Richard Wickey	Step-father of Rebecca Chaimovitch

## On June 14 we observe the yahrzeit of:

Aron Hersh Brezel	Father of Michael Brezel
Alfred Geber	Father of Marion Berman
Simon Izraelevitz	Father of Gabe Izraelevitz
Simon Izraelevitz	Father of Nancy Mytych
Solomon Luria	Father of Ed Luria
Mary Nissenblatt	
Belle Platt	Mother of Susan Ruchin
Hersh Lajb Precel	Grandfather of Michael Brezel
Lillian Rothberg	Mother of Michael Rothberg
Edward Rothstein	Father of Sharon Serow
Herman Steinberg	Grandfather of Laurie Zimmerman
Ralph Welensky	Uncle of Ed Luria

## On June 21 we observe the yahrzeit of:

Carol Finn	Sister of Paula Bradbard
Bertha Fogg	Mother of John Fogg
Herman Mindlin	Father of Harriet Mindlin
Victor Zuckerman	

## On June 28 we observe the yahrzeit of:

Norman Andrus	Brother of Larry Andrus
Lucas Barash	Son of Carl & Sue Barash
Norm Brenner	Grandfather of Andy Brenner
Louis Freeman	Father of Harry Freeman
Jacob Goldberg	Father of Stanley Goldberg
Moses N. Maskel	Brother of Anna Maskel

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- Men's Club Fund
- Mortgage Retirement Fund
- Music Fund
- Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
- Cantor's Discretionary Fund
- Religious School Fund
- Sisterhood Fund
- Social Action Fund
- Youth Committee Fund
- Development Fund
- Ediebaby Streaming Fund

## DONATIONS

### ADULT ED FUND

Judy Bogatz in memory of Esther Tulchinsky, mother of Judy  
Sally Goodman in honor of Marion Berman's special birthday

### CEMETERY FUND

Marion Berman in memory of Alfred Geber, father of Marion  
Nancy Gordon in memory of Ed Melocowsky  
Nancy Gordon in honor of Marion Berman's special birthday  
Judy Bogatz in honor of Marion Berman's special birthday  
Joel & Marilyn Davidson in honor of Marion Berman's special birthday

### CANTOR DISCRETIONARY FUND

Sally Goodman in honor of the birth of Cantor & Sharon's granddaughter Sadie Quinn  
Sally Goodman in memory of Ambrose Max Ilano, Grandson of Sally

### GENERAL FUND

Judy Lombard to celebrate Marion's special birthday  
Sue Simons in memory of Ed Melocowsky  
Ken & Lois Wasserman in memory of Ed Melocowsky  
June Silver in memory of Ed Melocowsky  
Len & Sharon Jacobs to celebrate Marion Berman's special birthday  
Gabe & LuAnn Izraelevitz in memory of Simon Izarelevitz

### RABBI DISCRETIONARY FUND

Barb & Al Klein in memory of Ed Melocowsky  
Stu & Sherry Rosen in memory of Howard Rosen, brother of Stu  
Judith Glickman-Lauder in memory of Albert Brenner Glickman, beloved late husband  
Leland & Paula Bradbard in memory of Jennie Finn, mother of Paula  
Leland & Paula Bradbard in memory of Carole Finn, sister of Paula  
Ken & Lois Wasserman in memory of Nathan Goldfarb, grandfather of Lois  
Peter & Alyse Castonguay for Camp Scholarship  
Judi, Don & Anne Fogg in honor of Marion Berman's 80th Birthday  
Leland & Paula Bradbard in honor for Marion Berman's 80th Birthday

### SOCIAL ACTION

Darlene Sternberg in memory of Steve Sternberg

### SISTERHOOD

Sharon Miller in memory of Fred Marshall, father of Sharon

### MEMBERSHIP

Judi Fogg in memory of Ed Melocowsky  
Jason Wasserman & Jennifer Marvin in memory of Ed Melocowsky  
Stan Goldberg in memory of Jacob Cohen, father-in-law of Stan  
Judi Fogg in memory of Bertha Fogg, mother of John Fogg

### RETIRE THE MORTGAGE

Barbara & Alan Dworsky speedy recovery wishes for Herb Shook, Alice Rodner, & Gary Ruchin  
Barbara & Alan Dworsky in honor of Marion Berman's special birthday

### LANDSCAPE FUND

Michael & Barbara Brezel in memory of Aron Brezel, father of Michael  
Michael & Barbara Brezel in memory of Hersh Lajb Precel, grandfather of Michael

### EDIE BABY STREAMING FUND

Joyce Krasner in memory of Ed Melocowsky & in honor of Marion Berman's special birthday

## TORAH PORTIONS

**BAMIDBAR** — **Numbers 1:1-4:20** -The first reading from Bamidbar and the thirty-fourth reading from the Torah begin with a census of the tribes of Israel and the Levitical families just prior to the departure from Sinai.

**NASSO** — **Numbers 4:21-7:89**-This Torah portion finishes up the census of the Levites that was under way at the end of the last Torah portion, before going on to discuss the purification of the camp, the ritual for a woman suspected of adultery, the laws of the Nazirite vow, the priestly benediction and the gifts the heads of the twelve tribes brought for the dedication of the altar.

**BEHA'ALOTCHA** — **Numbers 8:1-12**- This portion is jam-packed, telling the story of the consecration of the Levites, the first Passover in the wilderness, the silver trumpets, the cloud of glory, the departure from Sinai, the grumbling in the wilderness, the first Sanhedrin and the punishment of Miriam.

**SHELACH** — **Numbers 13:1-15:41**- The Torah reading tells the tragic story of how the spies returned with a bad report about the Land of Promise and influenced the congregation of Israel to rebel against the LORD. Thus God consigned the generation of Moses to wander in the wilderness for forty years.

SAVE THE DATE:  
FRIDAY  
AUGUST 16th

*Shabbat Under the Stars*



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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

As we wind down the programming year and look to the new programming year for Temple Beth Hillel, I look toward the future of our community. The part that I got the most out of during the past year is the opportunity I had to talk to the many members of our community. The community conversations gave the board a lot of information on how our members saw our community now and as we move toward the future.

Personally, I have been working with lots of resources with in the URJ to help our congregation grow. I have worked directly with many people on the national level, many who I met at the Scheidt Conference for new and incoming presidents in February. More recently, I was selected as one of 10 new presidents in the country to participate in a pilot program to mentor new presidents. I have been assigned a past president from Oklahoma, who also serves on the URJ's North American Board. I am looking forward to this great opportunity.

As I look to the new year, I am looking forward to what the new board as well as the whole congregation will accomplish in the future. I am working on setting up a board training with the URJ for all of the new board members to gain a deeper understanding of what it means to be a leader in our community. This will be another great opportunity for all of our board members.

I look forward to seeing you on June 23rd for our Annual Congregational Meeting.

Thank you,  
Michael Skott

### Upcoming Meetings

*Membership*  
*Meeting, 6/2 7pm*

*RPC Meeting,*  
*6/11 6:30pm*

*Board Meeting,*  
*6/13 7pm*

*Men's Club*  
*Meeting, 6/16*  
*9:30am*

*Congregational*  
*Meeting, 6/23*  
*9:00am*

*For additional*  
*meetings and*  
*locations, please go*  
*to [www.tbhsw.org](http://www.tbhsw.org).*

*Join In!*



### *Volunteer with the Kitchen-to-Pantry Produce Initiative!*

*Come help us sort rescued produce, clean, cut and package it to stock the food pantry.  
Let's get this food to people who want and need it.*

**June Date : 24th**

Questions? Jennifer Marvin: by phone/text 860-518-6767

or email [jnfmrvin@tbhsw.org](mailto:jnfmrvin@tbhsw.org)

55 Bartholomew Avenue, Hartford (easy parking)

**Yizkor**



We will be having our Shavuot Yizkor' Service on Monday June 10, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

The names of all those who have passed since last Shavuot will be read at the service.

**Congregational Meeting**



**JUNE 23**  
**9:00am...**

**Look for your**  
**packet in the**  
**mail this week**



The next Lunch  
Bunch will be  
  
Thursday,  
  
**June 27**  
  
12:00pm

Bring your own lunch  
and join us for cur-  
rent event discussion.



### Bus Trip to the Museum of Jewish Heritage in NYC September 22, 2019

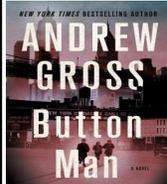
Special Exhibit: Auschwitz. Not Long Ago, Not Far Away

This comprehensive exhibit includes artifacts gathered from museums around the world to tell the history of the Auschwitz Concentration Camp. View a description of this exhibit at: <https://mjhny.org/discover-the-exhibition/about-the-exhibition/>

Friendship Tours scheduled a bus trip to view this exhibit. The cost is \$89 for an adult and \$84 for a senior. It includes transportation on a deluxe motor coach, a timed admission to the museum, and a visit to the food court at Brookfield Place. The bus departs from Manchester and West Hartford.

Purchase your ticket by calling Friendship Tours at 860-243-1630 or ordering online at <https://www.friendshiptours.net/tours/jewish-heritage-museum-auschwitz-exhibit>. If you purchase a ticket for this trip, please contact the Temple office at 860-282-8466 so we know who's planning to go from Temple Beth Hillel.

### Book Club



The next book club meeting will be Tuesday, June 11, 7:00. The book this month is, Button Man by Andrew Gross.... A historical novel about the Jewish Mafia in New York, in the 1920's.

### Your're Invited



Join us on Saturday June 8 at 10:00am as Jonah Moylan becomes Bar Mitzvah. Light kiddush lunch to follow in the social hall.

# Shavuot Dinner & Kugel Contest

Sponsored by the TBH Sisterhood

Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.



Join us for a potluck holiday dinner in celebration of Shavuot!  
Bring a dairy (or pareve) dish and/or your best Kugel to share!

Dinner **guests** will vote for the “*5779 Kugel Champion*”  
in 3 categories: “Tastiest Kugel”, “Most Unique Ingredient”,  
and “Unique Visual Presentation”

Please be sure to sign up for what you plan to bring here:

<https://tinurl.com/vywykavz>

## **HOW TO RSVP:**

Call or email Lori in the Temple Beth Hillel office  
by Friday, **May 31st** at 1 p.m.

(860) 282-8466 / [admin@tbhsw.org](mailto:admin@tbhsw.org)

Requested Donation: \$5 per person (\$20 per family)



# Community Shavuot Service

## Saturday, June 8, 2019

### Congregation Kol Haverim

\* 6:00 PM ~ Service

6:30 PM ~ Break-out Sessions:

*"A Fun Night of Yiddish" with Rabbi Jeffrey Bennett*

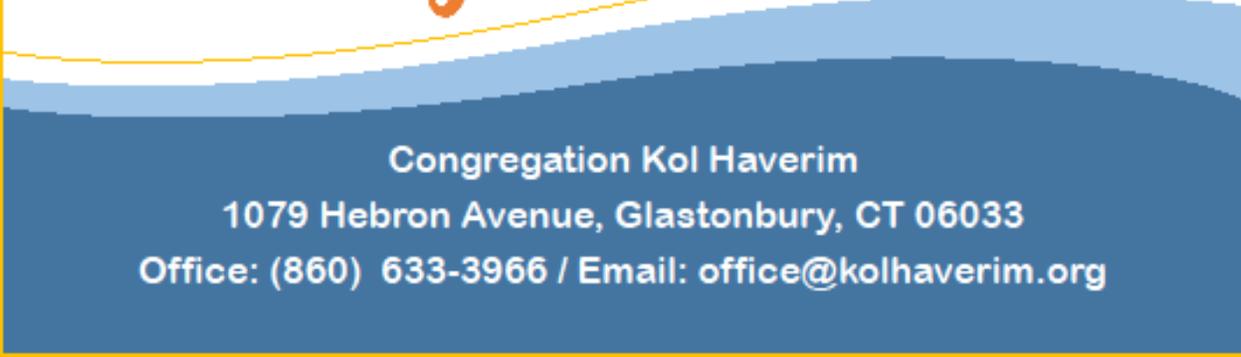
*"A Person is a Small World: The Midrash of Tanchuma" with Rabbi Michael Pincus*

*"Simple and Deep: Torah for the Very Young and their Parents" with Rabbi Jeff Glickman*

*"Can Testimony be Torah?" Shoah and Shavuot" with Religious School Principal Karen Trager, DJRE*

7:15 PM ~ Convocation in the Social Hall with Ice Cream  
(as well as cheesecake and other goodies!)

*Join us!*



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**Sisterhood Dinner at Maine Fish House**  
**Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.**



We hope to see you there.

The Maine Fish House is located  
 at 60 Bridge Street, Warehouse Point  
 in East Windsor.

Please RSVP by June 10<sup>th</sup>  
 to Marcia Heneson

[mheneson@gmail.com](mailto:mheneson@gmail.com) or text/ call  
 860-306-5238

**Padding on the Farmington River in Windsor**  
**Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**Boats will launch between 5:30 and 6:00 p.m.**



Enjoy a relaxing trip past the tree-covered banks  
 of the Farmington and Connecticut Rivers.

(Rain date: Wednesday, June 26)

*Bring your own kayak or canoe  
 or rent from Metacommet Tours at the launch site.  
 Meet us behind Bart's Drive-In on Rte. 159 / Palisado Ave.*

*RSVP: Marcia Heneson*

[mheneson@gmail.com](mailto:mheneson@gmail.com) or text/ call 860-306-5238  
 Organized by the TBH Men's Club and Sisterhood

## An Open Letter:

It's been an honor to be the Social Action Chair these past years. When I took over, the position had been vacant for a while. I wanted to understand why and what would our community want to have as our branch of social action. I asked a lot of questions and listened to the community about the current issues that kept them up at night, they found particularly significant and where they thought we could have an impact. I partnered with the URJ to transform from a caring community model (but NO committee, please!) to a modern social justice action community

We've had quite a few accomplishments:

- We moved from food donations to monetary donations to Foodshare each Fall Season supporting them with close to \$7,000
- We still collected that food – why? Because it makes us feel good and people need it. The generosity of our community is measured in numerous trips with my 13 cubic feet trunk and back seat filled with food for the hungry.
- We became a Brit Olam congregation with the URJ, one of only 200 or so. Thank you to my beloved Brit Olam Society!
- We tried a “small experiment” with a One Book Reading to learn about the working poor. I'd say it was a small success and worth doing again.
- We partnered with as many local businesses and faith communities as possible because “it's good to be together”
- We took on the Hands On Hartford Kitchen to Pantry initiative and rescued that failing program. (BTW- that one won TBH an award!)
- We reacted so quickly along with CREC and the Federation to take the lead in helping families that relocated to Hartford following the devastation of hurricane Maria.
- We stepped up to support then Mayor Anwar and Rabbi Glickman as they headed to Bangladesh. With Squads, Societies, even a secret club or two, we made a huge difference in so many lives, including mine.

Yes, I'm leaving out a few. I hope they will be held as fond memories and I thank you all.

One of the last projects I am taking on as I leave this role is to attend my second Consultation on Conscience. This is the RAC's social justice conference held bi-annually in D.C. The TBH delegation will be lobbying at the Capitol for Immigration Reform and Criminal Justice Reforms. Unfortunately, also during my time as chair, we have lost some ground as a Temple. Just as our Reform movement is lobbying the US Congress to "Ban the box," recognizing that returning citizens should have obstacles removed for everybody's benefit, our congregation has adding impediments for those same individuals to move forward and participate fully in our community.

As I pass the baton, I hope the next chair is able to build on the momentum that we've gained and the good will we've generated in the community to take Temple Beth Hillel's Social Action and Social Justice initiatives to the next level.

Tzedek, Tzedek, Tidof  
Jennifer



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: *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 Kari Tuling 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)*  
: .....

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