



HILLEL HAPPENINGS

FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

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Bird Vs. Worm

Birds have great vision. Perched up high, they can see for miles around. This is useful to scan the terrain and determine direction.

Worms can't see very far. Nestled in the dirt, they can barely see beyond the closest blade of grass. However, worms have amazing insight into the health of the roots, the fertility of the soil and many other indicators of life.

Often we value the bird's eye view over the worm's eye view. They are both important. Perhaps the worm's perspective is harder to see, because you need to be right there.

That is a metaphor for what we are doing by showing up to remote places where the need is great. One of those places is Century, Florida. Century is in the panhandle section of western Florida, right on the Alabama border. Life is rough for the sixteen hundred residents: jobs are scarce, homes are small and falling apart, and they just closed the schools. There are 5 beautiful parks with baseball diamonds and football fields with bleachers, lights and dugouts.

I spoke at length with Larry, the head of the parks department. He told me many things. The kids don't come out to play sports like they used to; they are too distracted by video games. There isn't any money to fix up the sports houses or to hire staff; they get free labor from inmates at the nearby prison. I asked him for a story of a person who was a shining example of helping those in need, someone who could be an inspiration for people on the other side of the country. He thought for a long while. Even though he grew up in town and lived there all five decades of his life, he couldn't come up with a single example. He talked with pride about two boys who became famous in professional baseball and football. I asked if they remembered where they came from. He told me that he tried reaching out to them several times, but received no response.

From the money people gave us, I gave \$100 to Larry and told him he could use it for anything he thought was important but not on the budget. He was really and deeply touched. The money was unexpected, but just listening to him was the most important part of our visit.

Shalom,
Rabbi G.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

TBH Family,

Happy March! Although we're fresh off a snowstorm, Spring is just around the corner. Here are some updates you should know:

We have hired a new Office Administrator! His name is Sam and he starts on Monday, March 6th. He is a South Windsor resident and is going to be terrific in the role. We are very grateful that Lori will stay on a little longer to help train him and provide a smooth transition. Please be patient with the office during this period of change!

Sadly, the Men's Club has had to cancel the Purim Gala due to lack of RSVPs. The Men's Club serves our community in many ways, including materials and labor for maintenance projects and upgrades in our building. The Gala is the primary fundraising method for these projects and it has been cancelled several years in a row (including for the pandemic). We will try to look for other options, but in the meantime, please consider supporting the Men's Club with donations.

Everyone should celebrate Purim by coming for the Megillah reading this Sunday, March 5th at 10:30 am! We have lots of congregants signed up to chant portions of the story, and it's always a good time. A Purim carnival for children follows the reading at noon – look for more information later in this newsletter.

When you come for Purim, consider bringing a donation for our Shema Tour partner, the South Park Inn in Hartford. We are currently collecting new toiletries, household goods, bedding, mens' underwear, and more. There are more details later in this newsletter.

On March 30th, our Adult Education Committee is co-sponsoring an ADL presentation at Kol Havarim synagogue in Glastonbury. There is no charge to attend, but please pre-register by going to kolhaverim.org/events

Finally, I'd like to remind everyone that the Nominations Committee is still looking for individuals who would be interested in the mitzvah of serving their community by serving on the Board next year. There are many positions available, including several roles without incumbent candidates. If you'd like to learn more about this, OR to help serve on the Nominating Committee itself, please reach out to Michael Skott, Rebecca Chaimovitch, or Jess Patterson.

Thanks to all of you who make TBH great!

L'shalom,



Adam Kaprove
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CORONAVIRUS TASK FORCE UPDATE

Current guidance from the TBH Coronavirus Task Force (CTF):

- Stay home if you have symptoms associated with Covid or any respiratory ailment.
- Masks are optional, but recommended for anyone with health concerns. Use a KN95 or N95.
- Please use hand sanitizer and practice proper hygiene when in Temple.
- If you have symptoms, test positive, or have been exposed, follow the CDC's guidelines for subsequent testing and isolation procedures by using the [Isolation and Exposure Calculator](#).



TIME FOR PURIM!

Come celebrate Purim
with us on March 5th!

Grab your costume and join us for Purim! The Megillah reading will begin at 10:00 a.m. As a part of our celebrations, the RPC will have hamentaschen for attendees in exchange for donations to help support our Shema tour partner, The South Park Inn. So, bring your grogger and join us on March 5th!

Any questions, please contact Dianne Aborn



Upcoming Meetings

3/1 Executive
Committee Meeting,
7pm

3/2 RPC Meeting,
7pm

3/9 Board Meeting,
7pm

3/16 Membership
Meeting, 7pm

3/19 Men's Club
Meeting, 9:30am

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



HAPPY PURIM!

Join us for the Purim
Carnival on
Sunday, March 5th!

The Youth Group will be hosting a
Purim Carnival for the Religious School kids.
The carnival begins at 11:30 a.m. and ends at
1:00 p.m.

Grab your mask and costume and join us for a
fun day!

Admission for Traditional Carnival - \$5
(includes pizza lunch)

SOCIAL ACTION UPDATES



SHEMA TOUR COLLECTIONS BEGIN FOR SOUTH PARK INN SHELTER

During a brief tour and meeting in February with leadership from Hartford's South Park Inn Shelter, **we were told about their greatest needs and the variety of ways that TBH members can help** to make an impact where most needed. **Our first efforts will be collections**, with other projects (including preparation of a meal and other on-site events) to follow in the coming months. Note that **most of the 80 Guests are men (many veterans) with about a dozen women**. Since COVID, no children have been living there.

You can bring any of the items below to services or events. Baskets & bins in the lobby.

► **ALWAYS NEEDED for Shelter Guests:**

Cans/Bags of Drip Coffee (not instant coffee) – Bulk size OK too
 Bottles/Containers Powdered Creamer (*not* individual packets or cups) – Bulk size OK too
 Bags/Boxes of Sugar (*not* individual packets) – Bulk size OK too
 Men's Underwear (**NEW** in their original packaging)
 Twin-Size White Sheets & Pillowcases (**NEW** in their original packaging)
 Pillows & Blankets – Twin-size only (**NEW** in their original packaging)
 Flip-Flop Slippers - Large and XL preferred (**NEW** in their original packaging)

► **ALWAYS NEEDED for Guests Departing for New Homes:**

NEW Kitchen & Bath Items including cleaning supplies, toasters, coffeemakers, mops, buckets, sponges, towels, laundry baskets, detergent, glasses, cups, plates, bowls, and mugs.

► **TBH's SPECIAL MARCH TOILETRY COLLECTION** – Later this month, TBH Religious School Students will Assemble Toiletry Bags for Shelter Guests and those starting new lives, so they are collecting all sizes of shampoo, conditioner, soap, shower gel, tampons, disposable razors, lip balm, toothbrushes, toothpaste and body moisturizer, including skin and hair products for their Black Guests.
 We seek toiletries for this project by March 24th, and will keep collecting on an ongoing basis after.

► **COLLECTIONS OF FOOD** – We are awaiting a list of specific items they want and will share it with you. All other foods we receive will be given to Archbishop Burke for his North End community.

The South Park Inn only accepts new linens, household products and men's underwear.

►► However, we will continue to donate all gently used items to Archbishop Burke and The Walk in the Light Church of God's community.

We seek TBH members to help with sorting/packing collected items for the Shelter, and others to drive the items to the shelter near Hartford Hospital. Please let us know if you want to help in one of those ways.

NEXT STEPS – Plans for Spring/Summer:

TBH Prepares a Meal – We first must meet with the chef to learn how, where and what will cook.
 TBH Hosts a BINGO Party
 TBH Hosts a Barbecue Lunch

As always, you can make Monetary Donations toward our Temple's Social Action efforts for purchase of essential items. Checks can be made out to Temple Beth Hillel and mailed to Temple.

EARLY QUESTIONS? Please contact Laura Soll-Broxterman at Lsoll@tbhsw.org or Marla Adelsberger at marlaLadelsberger@gmail.com or [CLICK HERE](#)

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“The State of Hate in Connecticut”



Stacey G. Sobel
Regional Director
ADL Connecticut

- Are hate and antisemitism on the rise?
- Is hate speech the price we pay for living in a free society?
- How are our communities impacted?
- And is there anything we can do about it?

Thursday, March 30, 2023

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

At Congregation Kol Haverim

1079 Hebron Avenue

Glastonbury, CT

**NO Charge for this program,
But **Pre-Registration is Required****

Attend In Person

OR Watch Online

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[CLICK HERE](#)

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QR Code**



QUESTIONS?

**Call Nancy Gordon,
TBH Adult Education
Committee
860-803-6090**

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL UPDATE

Topics that our students learned about this month in their classes included:

- **Torah: Birthday of the Trees - we made edible forests!; The Ten Commandments**
- **Avodah: Taste Test~Students sampled some fruits and vegetables; Acting Holy**
- **G'milut Chasadim: Each student had the opportunity to plant parsley; A G'milut Chasadim Road Map**



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DONATIONS

ADULT ED COMMITTEE

Jody & Alan Lefkowitz In memory of Amy Szlamowicz, sister of Alan

CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Judith Scott in memory of David Scott, father of Judy

Roz Cooper in memory of Edith Cohen, mother of Roz

GENERAL FUND

Rick & Janet Miller in memory of Alice Rodner, wife of Dr Bob Rodner

Lynn & Jack Cohen in honor of Joel Nadel's special Birthday

Nancy Gordon in memory of Alice Rodner, wife of Dr. Bob Rodner

Barbara Dworsky in memory of Rose Baumstein

Gabe Izraelevitz in memory of Thomas Salonia

HOSPITALITY FUND

Susan Adelberg in memory of Melvin Adelberg, husband of Susan

MUSIC FUND

Herb Shook in memory of Samuel Shook, Uncle of Herb

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Nan Lamm in memory of Alice Rodner, wife of Dr. Bob Rodner

Joyce Katz in memory of David & Diana Crystal, parents of Joyce

Joyce Katz in memory of Royal Crystal, brother of Joyce

Rosemary Wolkon in memory of Sam Wolkon, husband of Rosemary Wolkon

Judy Glickman- Lauder in memory of Irving Ellis father of Judy

Judy Glickman- Lauder in memory of Mildred Glickman mother-in law of Judy

Frances Factor in memory of Max Bolotin, father of Fran

Judy Bogatz in memory of Sol Tulchinsky, father of Judy

Carla Wakefield in memory of Jacob Bloom, father of Carla, grandfather of Bob Wakefield

Mark & Marlene Abrahamson in memory of Edith Silver, mother of Marlene

Judith Scott in memory of Valerie Scott, sister of Judy

Len & Sharon Jacobs in memory of Robert Tanner, brother-in-law

Barbara Gordon in memory of Louis Teller, father of Barbara

RETIRE THE MORTGAGE FUND

Janet Lassman in memory of Edwin Lassman, husband of Janet

Janet Lassman In memory of Benjamin Summers, Uncle of Janet

SOCIAL ACTION FUND

Laura Soll-Broxterman in memory of George Soll, father of Laura

Laura Soll-Broxterman in memory of May Soll, mother of Laura

YOUTH FUND

Marla & Peter Adelsberger in memory of Joel Levin, father of Marla

Bob Rodner in memory of Sidney Rodner, father of Bob

Y AHRZEIT DATES

On March 3 we observe the yahrzeit of:

Harry Kanner	Father of Judith Fogg
Alice Sommers	
Esther Cohen	Mother of Sybil Goldberg
Sadie Goldbaum	Mother of Jesse Goldbaum
Barbara H Levin	Step mother of Marla Adelsberger
Stuart Murray	
George Soll	Father of Laura Soll-Broxterman
Nettie Manasevit	Grandmother of Sharon Harris
Hannah Silverman	Mother of Joyce Ben-kiki
Edith Cohen	Mother of Roz Cooper
Lillian Banner Goldberg	
Leonard Sloan	Husband of Jill Sloan
Adolph Snyder	Father of Teri Parrott
Rose Sokolow	
May Soll	Mother of Laura Soll-Broxterman
Albert Wachsmann	
David Hyman	Uncle of Dana Frank Brother of Phyllis Frank
Fannie Juster	
Lewis Miller	Husband of Sharon Miller
Jacob Rothberg	Grandfather of Michael Rothberg
Leonard Cantor	Husband of Elaine Cantor
Joe Greenberg	
Datz Hinda Lea	
Geneive Mandell	Mother of Janet Miller
Valerie Scott	Sister of Judy Scott
Morris Sirota	Grandfather of Lawrence Waksman
Lena Welensky	Grandmother of Ed Luria
Joseph Galinsky	
Annie Gorsky	
Ronald Richard Russo	

On March 10 we observe the yahrzeit of:

Arnold Harris	Father of Cantor Scott
Adele Kossoy	Mother of Lynn Welborn
Morris Weinstein	Father of Judy Melocowsky
Lena Ertman	
Samuel Feuer	Father of Amy Patterson
Nina Sloan	Mother-in-law of Jill Sloan
Rebecca Stone	
Minnie Carlin	
Betty Freeman	Mother of Nelson Freeman
David Nissenblatt	
Thomas Salonia	Father of LuAnn Izraelevitz
Eleanor Stuart	
Sadie Weinstein	Great Aunt of Rabbi Jeff Glickman
Percy Alpern	Uncle of Harriet Leitz
Samuel Cutler	Father of Lois Wasserman
Leah Weinberg Wayne	
William Westreich	Uncle of Susan Ruchin
Max Sisitzky	
Samuel Aron	Uncle of Herb Shook Uncle of Phyllis Frank
Leonard Levy	
Vincent Sussman	

On March 17 we observe the yahrzeit of:

Janet Kaplan	Sister of Anita Cappalla
Sir Barry Simons	Husband of Sue Simons

Kate Miller Stoltz	
Rose Baumstein	Grandmother of Barbara Dworsky
Allen Goldberg	
William Nathan	
Paul Schroeder	
Robert Tanner	Brother-in-Law of Sharon Jacobs
Morris Falek	
Arlene Friedman	
Edward Lipitz	Brother of Harriet Leitz
David Scott	Father of Judy Scott
Samuel N. Gordon	Father of Nancy Gordon
Max Schlar	
Louis Teller	Father of Barbara Gordon
Albert Dressler	
Elizabeth Dubrowin	Wife of John Dubrowin
Mickey Glaser	Dear friend of Marty & Stella Seefer
Elsie Luria	Mother of Ed Luria
Julia Naab	Aunt of Sally Meyers Goodman
Bernard "Woody" Widofsky	Father of Eddie Widofsky
Howard Gittleman	Brother of Alan Gittleman
Anna Rosenberg Jones	
Edwin Lassman	Husband of Janet Lassman
Hyman Rabinowitz	Grandfather of Marcia Andrus
Rebecca Shafman	
Etta Sommers	
Bessie Wasserman	Mother of Kenneth Wasserman

On March 24 we observe the yahrzeit of:

Richard Pearl	Husband of Ana Pearl
Irving Hecht	Father of Phyllis Freeman
Gail Mindlin	Mother of Harriet Mindlin
Goldie Schepart	
Edith Silver	Mother of Marlene Abrahamson
Claire Sommers	Sister of Michael Brezel
Ben Summers	Uncle of Janet Lassman
Amy Szlamowicz	Sister of Alan Lefkowitz
A. Hermine Gordon	Mother of Marty Seefer
Florence Denenholtz Blach	
Minnie Frank	
Martin Katz	Husband of Joyce Katz
Abraham Kurtzman	Father of Irv Kurtzman
Milton Albom	Father of Sue Wernick
Simon Bloom	
Abraham Goldberg	Uncle of Stanley Goldberg
Irving Wasserman	
Robert Hart	Father of Carol Hart
Amy Manasevit	Sister-in-law of Sharon Harris
Seymour Rothenberg	
Joel Levin	Father of Marla Adelsberger
Jean Nadel	Mother of Joel Nadel

On March 31 we observe the yahrzeit of:

Beverly Palkenfield	
Sidney Rodner	Father of Bob Rodner
Ed Melocowsky	Husband of Judy Melocowsky
Daniel Harris	Grandfather of Cantor Scott Harris
Melvin Adelberg	Husband of Susan Adelberg
Henry Polverini	Grandfather of Emily Breither
Ruth Clouser	Grandmother of Doug Clouser
Chiel Sommers	

SIMCHAS

BIRTHDAYS

Edgard Molina	3/1	Lisa Book	3/17
Jared Senelick	3/2	Gary Goldfine	3/21
Karen Donn	3/3	Elizabeth Higgins	3/23
Mitchell Blutt	3/4	Phillip Maltz	3/27
Carla Wakefield	3/5	Victor Berman	3/29
Jeff Levin	3/7	Barbara Dworsky	3/31
Helena Friedman	3/12	Susan Simons	3/31
Jill Bernstein	3/15	Patrick Thomas	3/31

Anniversaries

None

TORAH PORTIONS

TETZAVEH—Exodus 27:20-30:10—This Torah portion continues to narrate the instructions for the construction of the Tabernacle, focusing particularly on the priesthood that was to serve in that sanctuary. The Israelites are commanded to make special garments for Aaron and his sons to wear while ministering as priests. After describing the priestly garments, the portion concludes with instructions for the ritual inauguration of Aaron and his sons into the priesthood.

KI TISA—Exodus 30:11-34:35—The portion begins with instructions for taking a census, finishes up the instructions for making the Tabernacle, reiterates the commandment of Shabbat and then proceeds to tell the story of the golden calf. The majority of Ki Tisa is concerned with the sin of the golden calf, the breach in the covenant between God and Israel, and how Moses undertakes to restore that covenant relationship.

VAYAK'HEL-PEKUDEI —Exodus 35:1-40:38—This portion from the Torah describes how the assembly of Israel worked together to build the Tabernacle. In most years, synagogues read Vayakhel together with the following portion, Pekudei.— The portion goes on to describe the completion of the Tabernacle and its assembly and concludes by depicting the glory of the LORD entering it. In most years, synagogues read Pekudei together with the previous portion, Vayakhel; therefore, the comments on this week's reading will be brief.

VAYIKRA—Leviticus 1:1-5:26 This portion introduces the sacrificial service and describes five different types of sacrifices.

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OFFICE HOURS

You can reach the TBH Office at 860 282-8466 or admin@tbhsw.org. Office hours are 8:00 am-2:00 pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.

In an emergency and you are in need of Clergy, please contact Rabbi Glickman by Temple Office phone or his cell phone. 860-655-0353 In the event the Rabbi cannot be reached, contact Cantor Scott Harris at 203-331-2692 or e-mail at cantor@tbhsw.org.

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)*

The deadline for the next Bulletin is **March 24, 2022** Please forward all e-mailed materials to Admin@tbhsw.org AND to the entire Communications Committee at communications@tbhsw.org:

ONLINE SERVICE INFORMATION

If you are unable to attend in person, you can "join in" our on-line services and events and stay in touch in several ways. **Friday Evening Services begin at 6:45pm** and **Saturday Morning Services start at 8:45am**. To watch...

- ▶ **Go to the Temple's website:** www.TBHSW.org and scroll down.
- ▶ **Go to our Facebook page:** www.facebook.com/TBHSW

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