



# HILLEL HAPPENINGS

## FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY



### Comfort or Growth?

### Moving Through the Seasons of the Jewish Year

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Winter in Israel is over whereas it may well snow here in New England during what little remains of the month of Shvat. Celebrating the agricultural rhythms of one specific country (Israel) is part of being Jewish, no matter where we may find ourselves living. The Reform movement was a little late to recognize the indelible connection that the traditional siddur has marked for centuries: Mishkan T'filah is our first prayerbook to include insertions in the *G'vurot* prayer that differ according to the seasons. Here at TBH, we too stop praying for the wind to blow and the rain to fall starting the day after the Pesach Seder, when those things are much less likely to occur in Israel. The religious connection between our awareness (and thankfulness) for the natural world God charged us to guard and to till is meant to underpin our consciousness, not only in Israel but all over the world. How our two identities interact and are sublimated one to another is the ongoing puzzle of living a Jewish life. It is often only at times of great change that we bring these identities into focus in the foreground; after all, most of us prefer to keep things as they are (let's call that comfort) rather than explore how wonderful they might be if we change (we'll call that growth). Most of those reading these words are Jewish adults with years of experience in navigating a path between these two poles, comfort and growth. If we constantly choose comfort for ourselves as Jews we risk losing relevance to anyone who approaches our community as a newcomer. Preferring constant change on the other hand can leave us feeling unsettled in our own community.

Not every season can be a season of unbridled growth; as we move out of winter here in CT, I urge you to give your attention to the beginning of leaves forming on trees. It will be months before all trees are in leaf, but the process has to start even when the surface seems frozen. The parallel from the natural world to the changes expected for TBH stands out to me, especially given how many programs, policies and priorities have seen real differences in their implementation over the last two years. The preparatory work "below the surface" undertaken by your lay leadership has seen successful improvements in prioritizing fund-raising, membership efforts and widening involvement for Social Action projects and initiatives, to name just a few areas of growth.

Whereas trees have no choice but to grow constantly, human organizations have no such set trajectory. Communities can **choose** to grow, or take the chance that their unchanging self-definition will continue to be attractive and relevant to those who are not yet part. My view of the role of Jewish religious leaders like myself is to nurture new growth while supporting the foundation of a dynamic, changing community. Wholesale change can be destructive, the idiom 'throwing out the baby with the bathwater' comes to mind here, but that is not what has happened at TBH since the summer of 2023. Careful examination of what is foundational to different segments of the congregation has been part of the ongoing work of the lay leadership that is vital to continue to maintain the momentum of growth that TBH has seen to date. As we move from the physical restrictions of winter to the longer (and hopefully warmer) days of the month of Adar, I pray you will all be able to see your active contribution as members of TBH more clearly.

## FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY CONTINUED...

Each of you, through your involvement in the varied offerings of TBH, strengthens the sense of being included in a community that makes room for all who want to be a part. "A house of prayer for all peoples" is not just a beautifully illuminated Bible text in the entryway of the synagogue, it is a goal that has remained unchanged and widely supported for years. May the coming month bring a variety of opportunities for each of you to share with other congregants what makes TBH your spiritual home, whatever that means to you today.

And may we see the return of all the hostages still held captive in Gaza and a speedy end to the continued violence in Israel and Palestine.

Rabbi Leah Benamy



## FROM THE RABBI EMERITUS' STUDY

### Proving God's Existence Through An Apple

All living things are driven to reproduce. The alternative is extinction.

To avoid extinction, organisms evolved ways to reproduce efficiently and diversely. Ways which used less energy were promoted.

An apple tree spends its life soaking up energy from the sun and combining it with air and nutrients, makes the stuff to grow and make seeds for reproduction. The only necessary part of the apple, from the tree's perspective, is the small seed. The sweet fruit around it evolved so that animals would be attracted to it, eat the fruit and deposit the seeds far enough away from the original tree that there wouldn't be overcrowding.

It takes lots of energy to make the fruit. All the tree would need is a very small fruit. Why would the wasted energy of giant fruit production be a successful strategy? Wouldn't the tree be better served by making a hundred times more seeds and smaller fruit?

The answer is:

How can something soak up God's radiant love day in and day out and not be generous?

The tree doesn't produce just for itself. It produces because it is part of God's plan.

This proves that there is a plan and that a wise and loving Creator devised it.

TBH Family,

Welcome to almost spring! I know it may feel weird to say that with snow still on the ground, but it is coming! March is going to fly by, as we have a lot going on, and if you read my newsletter article last month, you already know about most of it.

The first news we have is that Rabbi Leah is back on Saturday, March 1st for Torah study, and for the months of March and April. While services with our amazing lay leaders have been great, it is wonderful to have Rabbi Leah back to lead our congregation in worship. If you missed these amazing leaders, fret not; they will be leading services again in May and June as we await Cantor Talya's arrival on July 1st.

Speaking of Cantor Talya, she wants me to express her deepest regrets at having to postpone the meet and greet we were supposed to have on February 23rd as she fell ill. I wanted to reschedule as quickly as possible, so we are scheduling her to be at TBH on Sunday, March 9th. The timing is still being worked out as that day is a hectic day at Temple. In the morning of the 9th, some dedicated volunteers will prepare the Hamantaschen bags for our member families. From there, we move into the Purim Carnival led by the youth committee, and that is open to all our religious school families. The meet and greet will begin sometime after the Purim Carnival, but we are finalizing the times, so keep an eye out for an upcoming blast with that information.

The next weekend, we have the always fun Purim Gala and Auction, sponsored by our Men's Club, on March 15th from 5pm to 10pm. This year's theme is The Renaissance, so please bring out your best costumes and come to enjoy a great time. The very next weekend, we have our first Bar Mitzvah of the year as Jacob Maltz will be called to the Torah on March 22nd. We end the month with Adult Education's event on Sunday, March 30th, where you can show off your creative side by creating your own Hamsa.

As you can see, lots of fun events will make March an amazing month here at TBH. Please RSVP for these events to ensure we have supplies for everyone who plans to attend.

I hope to see you all at one or more of these great events, but if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me or the board.

L'Shalom,  
Jeff Levin  
President  
Temple Beth Hillel, South Windsor CT  
[jlevin@tbhsw.org](mailto:jlevin@tbhsw.org)

## Religious Practices Committee

RPC is planning a commemoration for Yom HaShoah in April and is looking for congregants who would be willing to share their family's history/stories in regards to the Holocaust. We would like to record these histories using video (or only audio, if that is preferred) as a part of the history of TBH and also because we feel that these histories are a vital part of our collective memories.

If you are interested in being a part of this project, please contact Rebecca Chaimovitch ([rjchaimovitch@gmail.com](mailto:rjchaimovitch@gmail.com)) or Emily Cobbs ([ecobbs@tbhsw.org](mailto:ecobbs@tbhsw.org))

We will then schedule a time to sit down for an interview/conversation with you to record. From that conversation, we will cut together roughly 1 to 3 minutes depending on how many members participate.

These separate interviews would then be cut together and played as one video during our Yom HaShoah Commemoration on Wednesday, April 23.

We would love to have you be a part of this very important project.

**Reminder that the Purim Megillah Reading will take place on Shabbat Purim, Friday March 14th**

## SOCIAL ACTION NEWS – March 2025



### Two Exciting Volunteer Projects with Our New Partner, [Hands-On-Hartford](#)

**We are excited to announce that our Temple is the first group ever to host Hands-On-Hartford's new "Welcome Home" project**

to assist people (*previously homeless*) who now are moving into apartments.

**We will collect basic household items** – ranging from brooms to kitchenware to cleansers – **and then assemble kits** to present to each household.

**Members will sign up to donate specific items via our online *Sign-Up Genius* process, and then can bring them to Temple when you come to services or other activities.**

***But please do NOT bring anything to the synagogue yet.***

**NEXT WEEK, WE WILL SEND ALL MEMBERS AN EMAIL WITH SIGN-UP DETAILS, ALONG WITH THE LIST OF ITEMS WE SEEK.**



**We are forming a *Walk Against Hunger* team of TBH members and friends and funds we raise will benefit Hands-On-Hartford.** Hosted by Connecticut Foodshare, the annual event will be at Dunkin' Park in Hartford on April 26. **If you don't want to walk,** you can make online donations to our team's effort. ***More info to come in coming weeks.***

## **HELP STOCK OUR LITTLE FREE PANTRY**

Thanks to our members who already have signed up to stock our Little Free Pantry in the coming year. Volunteers come fill the pantry, once a week, with donated food from boxes in our lobby and our Social Action room.

***SPECIAL THANKS*** to Amy Healy and Elizabeth Smith who were responsible for restocking the pantry in February!

**To choose a month in the coming year,** go to our Sign-Up Genius at:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4AABA823A0F85-53569183-tbhlittle#/>

**OR call Sam in the Temple office at 860-282-8466.**

***To ensure we always have food*** for our pantry, for MACC Charities, and others, ***consider bringing a food item for our collection bins in the lobby whenever you come to Temple.***

**Always needed:** pasta/sauce, canned ravioli or spaghetti & meat balls, canned tuna or chicken, canned fruits/veggies, peanut butter/jelly, personal care items, i.e. toothbrushes/toothpaste

## **OUR NEXT SOCIAL ACTION MEETING FOR ALL MEMBERS: Wednesday, March 26 at 7 p.m. at Temple**

Laura Soll-Broxterman at [Lsoll@tbhsw.org](mailto:Lsoll@tbhsw.org) or 860-833-4466

Marla Adelsberger at [marlaLadelsberger@gmail.com](mailto:marlaLadelsberger@gmail.com) or 860-803-8075

# Purim Gala Renaissance Theme!

SATURDAY, MARCH 15TH, 2025

Dinner!  
Music!

50/50 Raffle!

Silent & Live Auction Items!

REGISTER:



HOSTED BY THE TBH MEN'S CLUB

Individual Tickets:

\$36 in Advance  
\$50 at the Door

Table of 8:

\$250 in Advance  
\$350 at the Door

**CLICK HERE or SCAN CODE ABOVE  
TO REGISTER**

**REGISTER NOW**

New this year! Place your bids online for auction items even if you can't attend the event! Bidding starts now! Click here:

<https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/temple-beth-hillel-test-2025-auction>

TBH MEN'S CLUB INVITES YOU TO A:

# PASTA DINNER FUNDRAISER

April 26th, 5:30 pm

[Click Here to Register!](#)

**FREE**, but please help us kickstart the  
Capital Improvements Fund!  
Suggested donation \$5 - \$10 per person

CLICK HERE OR SCAN BELOW TO RSVP

GLUTEN FREE VARIETIES AVAILABLE!



# Development Committee

## PURIM

Cards and gift bags and fun! Oh, my!

Please remember to join in the holiday greetings by adding your name to the Purim card by March 3.

To do so, please make payment to the office in the amount of \$18. You can pay in cash, by check or by credit card. Let Sam in the office know how you would like to list your names. Sam can also help you with making credit card payments, if needed. This is a fundraiser to help our temple thrive, so please participate!

Purim gift bags (mishloach manot) filled with yummy treats, including homemade hamantashen are being assembled at the temple on Sunday March 9 from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM.

The gifts will be available for pick up on March 9 from 10:30 AM-11:30 AM. Please do your best to arrange to pick up your gift bag.

Those bags not picked up by 11:30 AM will be sent out for delivery to your home. Please contact Helena Friedman by email at [helena.friedman@gmail.com](mailto:helena.friedman@gmail.com) or by text/call, 860-478-6188, if you can help assemble and/or deliver a few bags.

Gluten-free hamantashen are available, so let us know if you are gluten-free.

If you have already offered to help, there is no need for further notification.

Happy Purim to everyone!!!!!!!

## Special April Fundraiser

In late April (likely April 22 from 4 PM to 8 PM), we will have a TBH fundraiser with Bear's Smokehouse in South Windsor. Bear's will donate a portion of their sales from members or friends of TBH who eat at or get takeout from the restaurant on the designated day at the designated times. There will be a flyer or a code to indicate you are getting food from the restaurant to benefit TBH.

Let's all plan on dinner from Bear's in late April to support TBH!



# Religious School

## Tu B'Shevat



Our religious School students celebrated Tu B'Shevat by bringing a variety of fruits to learn the significance of the holiday while enjoying sweet treats and time together at TBH.





## Mitzvah Mate Musings

**The B'Mitzvah Committee would like to share with our TBH community a wonderful opportunity: Jewish adults in our congregation are invited to pair up with religious school students and become "Mitzvah Mates"!**

### **What exactly is a Mitzvah Mate?**

*Over the next few months, we hope to explain just that!*

A Mitzvah Mate is a Jewish adult member who is knowledgeable about the Temple Beth Hillel community and looking to share that knowledge with one of our upcoming bar or bat mitzvah students.

### **What does a Mitzvah Mate do?**

Part of the b'mitzvah preparation process, beginning in their fifth grade year, is for students to select 13 mitzvot to fulfill and write about in their Mitzvah Journals. Students complete some of their mitzvot with their parents, and some with their Mitzvah Mate. Students and their Mitzvah Mates sit down and get to know each other, find areas of mutual interest, and create a plan to do some mitzvot together. There is a Mitzvah Mate Handbook to guide this process, but students and their Mate can be as creative as they'd like!

### **Barbara Brezel shares her thoughts on what being a Mitzvah Mate has meant to she and her husband Mike over the years:**

*Mike and I have served as Mitzvah Mates for over 25 years. Reflecting back on all the experiences, we can only smile, as our lives were so enriched by being able to spend time with so many wonderful young Jewish preteens and their families. This program has always been flexible. Depending on the interests of the students that we are paired with, our activities have varied. Highlights of some of our adventures have been driving to the Lower East side of New York and touring Jewish synagogues and visiting the Yiddish museum in Hadley, Massachusetts. Of course the activities don't always have to be that elaborate. Just watching movies together with Jewish themes, or going to Crown Market and noting all the kosher foods were always hits. We have a Special connection to Cornerstone in Rockville, and our students always join us when we prepare and serve meals there on Sunday nights. Sometimes it was just meeting at Friendly's for a sundae and listening as they practiced their bar or bat mitzvah speech. Truly, it's the lifetime connections you make with the student that are the most impactful. We have attended weddings, and even held some of their babies. We are always available to talk to anyone who is considering volunteering to be a Mitzvah Mate!*

**Please follow along over the next few months as we share more information about the Mitzvah Mate program, as well as more stories from TBH Mitzvah Mates!**

# PURIM!

## Join us for the Purim Carnival

The Youth Committee is excited to host a Purim Carnival!

Time: 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Members: \$5

Non-Members: \$10

(includes pizza lunch)

Grab your mask and costume and and join us for a fun time!  
**Sunday, March 9th**

### TBH Adult Education wants your feedback!

Please click the link below and complete a brief survey to help us plan upcoming Adult Ed meetings and topics:

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sv/ga57SGP>



Friends of TBH will meet at  
**Mitchell's Restaurant,**  
**1237 HARTFORD TURNPIKE, VERNON for**  
**BRUNCH on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12th at 11:00**  
**a.m.**

Please let either Barb KLein ([barbek@aol.com](mailto:barbek@aol.com),  
 860-871-0532) or

Sue Adelberg ([sadelberg211@aol.com](mailto:sadelberg211@aol.com),  
 860-745-0441) if you are able to join us. We are  
 looking forward to seeing you there.

# Bar Mitzvah Spotlight

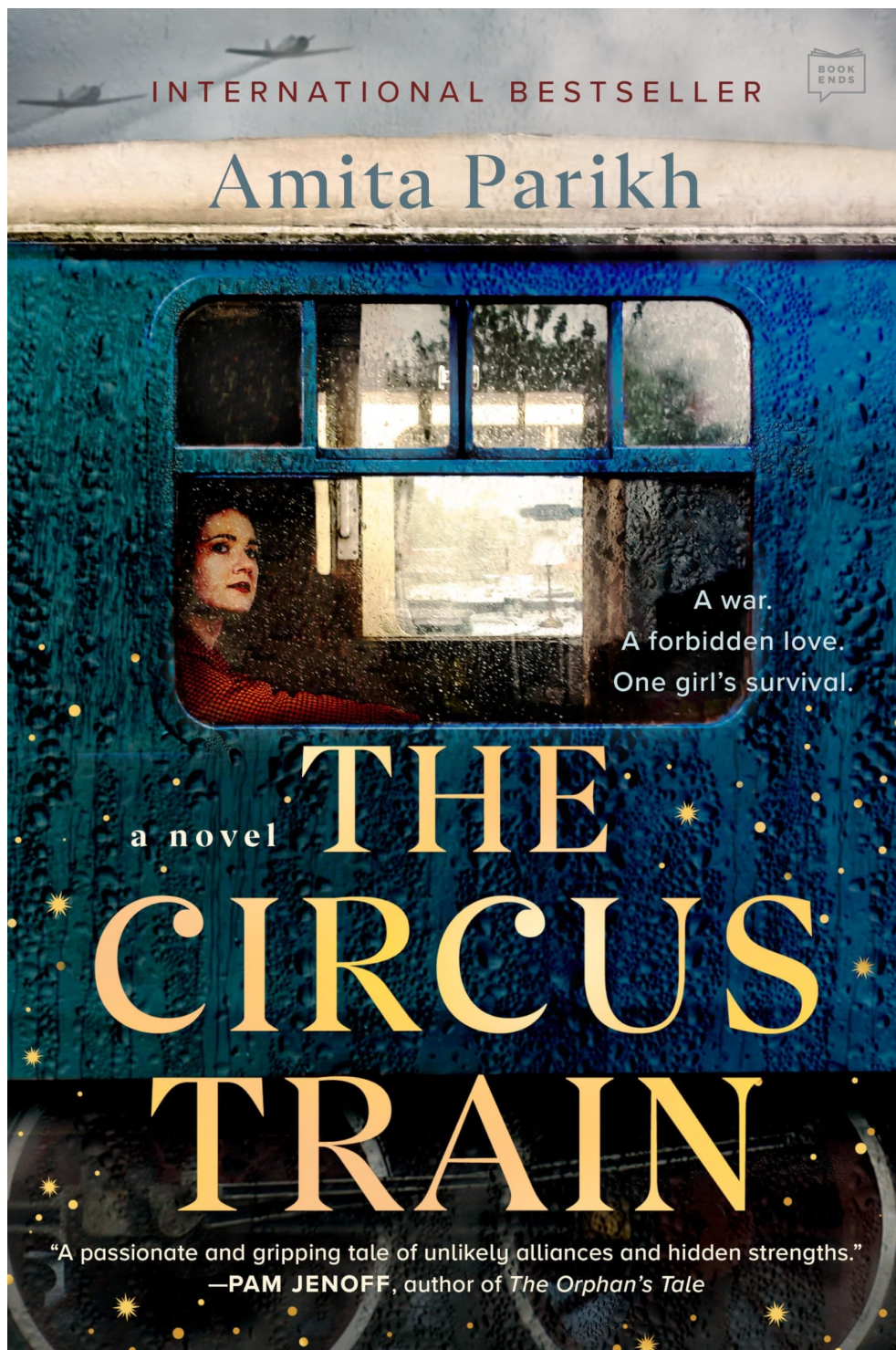


Jacob Levi Maltz, son of Bobbi and Phil Maltz, will be called to the Torah as Bar Mitzvah on **March 22nd, 2025 at 9 a.m.**

Jacob is an energetic, passionate young man who loves his family, especially his pets. He has been diligently studying to become bar mitzvah with Rabbi Leah and is learning what it means to be a Jewish young adult. Jacob dedicates himself to his schoolwork, learning Hebrew, and understanding his Torah portion and its meanings. He is very active with American Kenpo Karate, the United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps, and has many hobbies. On top of schoolwork, wrestling practice, and studying to become bar mitzvah, he has volunteered four hours each week for the past three years to help teach karate to kids his own age and younger, empowering them with knowledge, self confidence, and teamwork. Jacob is looking forward to leading Shabbat services for his immediate and extended family, the congregation, and his friends and classmates.

## TBH BOOK CLUB

The next TBH Book Club meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 11 at 1 p.m. at Temple.** We will be reviewing *The Circus Train* by Anita Parikh. Come join us! All are welcome.



### Upcoming Meetings

3/3  
Finance  
Committee  
7 p.m.

3/5  
Exec Committee  
7 p.m.

3/10  
Nominating  
Committee  
7 p.m.

3/11  
Religious Practices  
Committee  
Meeting  
7 p.m.

3/13  
Board of Trustees  
7 p.m.

3/16  
Men's Club  
9:30 a.m.

3/17  
Development  
Committee  
7 p.m.

3/18  
Membership  
Committee  
7 p.m.

3/26  
Social Action  
7 p.m.

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

Click the flyer to find more information on the JT Connect website!



# Register **NOW** for JTConnect!

We offer 4 program pillars for **8th-12th graders**:

- Jewish learning and leadership classes with several day and time options at several locations throughout the Greater Hartford area.
- Social Action projects supporting local community needs and nonprofit organizations
- Yearlong teen philanthropy programs at 2 synagogue sites
- Social events that bring teens together throughout the year

**Registered JTConnect students can take classes at any site we offer them, and attend all of our signature programs and events.**

JTConnect engages teens in fun, interactive and thought-provoking educational & social experiences grounded in Jewish learning and values. JTConnect gives teens the opportunity to continue their Jewish education in compelling and meaningful ways. Together, teens examine religion, history & traditions through innovative, hands-on programming that includes classroom study, volunteer projects and special events.

**\*Synagogue membership is not required to participate in JTConnect.**

**Our synagogue sites include:**

- The Emanuel Synagogue, West Hartford, CT
- Congregation Beth Israel, West Hartford, CT
- Beth El Temple, West Hartford, CT
- Farmington Valley Jewish Congregation - Emek Shalom, Simsbury, CT
- Temple Sinai, Newington, CT
- Beth Shalom B'nai Israel, Manchester, CT
- Congregation Kol Haverim, Glastonbury, CT
- Temple Beth Hillel, South Windsor, CT

**For more information:**  
contact Marcus Fink,  
Communications Manager  
at [marcus@jtconnect.org](mailto:marcus@jtconnect.org)

**\*Scholarships are available**

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**Save The Date: March 30th!**

TBH'S ADULT EDUCATION  
COMMITTEE PRESENTS:

# Create Your Own Hamsa Workshop

SUNDAY, MARCH 30  
1:00 PM AT TBH



DECORATE YOUR HAMSA WITH PAINT,  
DECOUPAGE, BEADING, FABRIC AND  
MORE. USE OUR DECOR OR BRING  
YOUR OWN PERSONAL SUPPLIES TO  
USE AND SHARE.



**CLASS LED BY  
SALLY GOODMAN  
AND JUDY SCOTT**

**COST IS \$15 PER  
MEMBER OR \$20  
PER NON-  
MEMBER, CASH  
OR CHECK  
PAYABLE TO TBH**

**CHILDREN OF ANY  
AGE MAY ATTEND  
IF ACCOMPANIED  
BY A PARENT**

**PLEASE RSVP BY  
MARCH 23 TO  
SAM CAIN AT  
ADMIN@TBHSW.ORG  
OR 860-282-8466**

# **DONATIONS**

## **GENERAL FUND**

Marla & Peter Adelsberger  
Barbara Gordon  
Laura Soll-Broxterman  
Len & Marlene Auster

In appreciation of our members stepping up to lead services  
In memory of Ricard Teller, Brother of Barbara Gordon  
In memory of George Soll, Father of Laura  
In memory of Melissa Bader Lewis, Niece of Len Auster

## **SOCIAL ACTION FUND**

Sharon Miller  
Judy Fogg  
Sharon Miller & Family  
Laura Soll-Broxterman

In support of TBH Social Action  
In memory of Harry Kanner, Father of Judy Fogg  
In memory of Lewis Miller, Husband, Father and Grandfather  
In memory of May Soll, Mother of Laura

## **RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Judith Scott  
Judith Scott  
Len & Marlene Auster

In memory of David Scott, Father of Judith Scott  
In memory of Valerie Scott, Sister of Judith Scott  
Just because; thank you Rabbi Leah

## **HOSPITALITY FUND**

Elaine Cantor  
Elaine Cantor  
Marla & Peter Adelsberger

In memory of Sidney Druckman, Brother of Elaine  
In memory of Leonard Cantor, Husband of Elaine  
In memory of Barbara H. Levin, Step-Mother of Marla

## **CEMETERY FUND**

Barbara Dworsky

In memory of Rose Baumstein, Grandmother of Barbara Dworsky

## **MUSIC FUND**

TBH Board of Trustees

Tzedakah – Music for Cantor Talya

## **RETIRE THE MORTGAGE FUND**

Janet Lassman  
Janet Lassman

In memory of Ben Summers, Uncle of Janet Lassman  
In memory of Edwin Lassman, Husband of Janet Lassman

## **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND**

Judy Bogatz  
Alan & Jody Lefkowitz  
Harriet Mindlin

In memory of Sol Tulchinsky, Father of Judy Bogatz  
In memory of Amy Szlamowicz, Sister of Alan Lefkowitz  
In memory of Gail Mindlin, Mother of Harriet

## Yahrzeit Dates

### On March 7, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Mildred Glickman  
Abraham Waksman  
Max Bolotin  
Lois Allen  
Harry Kanner  
Barbara H Levin  
George Soll  
Edith Cohen  
Leonard Sloan  
Adolph Snyder  
May Soll

Grandmother of Jeff Glickman  
Father of Lawrence Waksman  
Father of Frances Factor  
Grandmother of Jeff Glickman  
Father of Judy Fogg  
Step-Mother of Marla Adelsberger  
Father of Laura Soll-Broxterman  
Mother of Rosalind Cooper  
Husband of Jill Sloan  
Father of Teri Parrott  
Mother of Laura Soll-Broxterman

### On March 14, we observe the yahrzeit of:

David Hyman  
Lewis Miller  
Leonard Cantor  
Valerie Scott  
Morris Sirota  
Lena Welensky  
Morris Weinstein  
Samuel Feuer  
Nina Sloan  
David Nissenblatt  
Thomas Salonia  
Sadie Weinstein  
William Westreich

Uncle of Dana Frank  
Husband of Sharon Miller  
Husband of Elaine Cantor  
Sister of Judy Scott  
Grandfather of Lawrence Waksman  
Grandmother of Ed Luria  
Father of Judy Melocowsky  
Father of Amy Patterson  
Mother-in-law of Jill Sloan  
Grandfather of Mindy Glickman  
Father of LuAnn Izraelevitz  
Great Aunt of Jeff Glickman  
Uncle of Susan Ruchin

### On March 21, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Samuel Aron  
Leland Bradbard  
Sir Barry Simons  
Rose Baumstein  
Paul Schroeder  
Martin Katz  
Abraham Kurtzman  
David Scott

Uncle of Herb Shook  
Husband of Paula Bradbard  
Husband of Sue Simons  
Grandmother of Barbara Dworsky  
Husband of Brenda Williams  
Husband of Joyce Katz  
Father of Irv Kurtzman  
Father of Judy Scott

### On March 28, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Samuel N. Gordon  
Louis Teller  
Robert Hart  
Elsie Luria  
\*Julia Naab  
Bernard "Woody" Widofsky  
Howard Gittleman  
Edwin Lassman  
Hyman Rabinowitz  
Tom Goldman  
Richard Pearl  
Gail Mindlin  
Claire Sommers  
Ben Summers  
Amy Szlamowicz  
Ida Tanzman  
Melissa Bader Lewis

Father of Nancy Gordon  
Father of Barbara Gordon  
Father of Carol Hart  
Mother of Ed Luria  
Aunt of Sally Meyers Goodman  
Father of Eddie Widofsky  
Brother of Alan Gittleman  
Husband of Janet Lassman  
Grandfather of Marcia Andrus  
Cousin of Ed Luria  
Husband of Ana Pearl  
Mother of Harriet Mindlin  
Sister of Michael Brezel  
Uncle of Janet Lassman  
Sister of Alan Lefkowitz  
Mother of Bonnie Zinn  
Niece of Len Auster



## BIRTHDAYS

Edgard Molina	3/1	Jeff Levin	3/17	Victor Berman	3/29
Jared Senelick	3/2	Gary Goldfine	3/21	Glenn Zinn	3/29
Karen Donn	3/3	Elizabeth Higgins	3/23	Barbara Dworsky	3/31
Helena Friedman	3/12	Leonard Auster	3/26	Susan Simons	3/31
Dr. Jill Bernstein	3/15	Phillip Maltz	3/27		

## TORAH PORTIONS

### Parashat Terumah [Exodus 25:1-27:19](#); [Numbers 28:9-15](#); [Exodus 30:11-16](#)

Terumah ("Donation") opens as God tells Moses to collect donated materials in order to build a dwelling place for God called the Mishkan (Tabernacle). God describes how to build the vessels that will fill the Mishkan - including the ark, table, menorah, and sacrificial altar - as well as the Mishkan's walls and curtains.

### Parashat Tetzaveh [Exodus 27:20-30:10](#); [Deuteronomy 25:17-19](#)

Tetzaveh ("You Shall Command") opens as God instructs Moses to appoint Aaron and his sons as priests. God details how to make the priestly clothing, how to sanctify the priests and offer sacrifices during the seven days of inauguration in the Mishkan (Tabernacle), and how to build the golden altar.

### Parashat Ki Tisa [Exodus 30:11-34:35](#)

Ki-Tisa ("When You Elevate") opens as God tells Moses to collect a half-shekel donation from all Israelites and to anoint the Mishkan (Tabernacle), its vessels, and the priests. The Israelites worship the golden calf and Moses breaks the tablets. Moses beseeches God to forgive, and returns with a second set of tablets.

### Parashat Vayakhel [Exodus 35:1-38:20](#); [Numbers 19:1-22](#)

Vayakhel ("He Assembled") opens as God commands the Israelites to observe the Sabbath. Moses asks for material donations for the building of the Mishkan (Tabernacle), and the people donate. A group of artisans designated by God begin building the Mishkan and its vessels.

### Parashat Pekudei [Exodus 38:21-40:38](#), [12:1-20](#)

Pekudei ("Accountings Of") is the final Torah reading in the Book of Exodus. It describes the making of priestly garments worn in the Mishkan (Tabernacle) and the completion of its construction. At God's command, Moses erects the Mishkan and puts its vessels in place, and God's presence fills the Mishkan.

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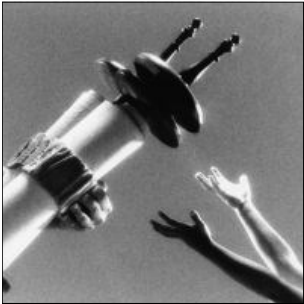
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