



HILLEL HAPPENINGS

Cantor Talya Smilowitz



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Dear TBH friends,

As we enter the month of November and approach the season of Thanksgiving, our hearts naturally turn toward gratitude. In Judaism, gratitude is not reserved for a single day or meal, it is a daily spiritual practice. In our tradition, we begin each day with the words Modeh Ani l'fanecha: "I thank You, God, for returning my soul to me." With this prayer, we remind ourselves that every day is a gift, a chance to begin again.

The Torah teaches us, *V'achalta v'savata u'veirachta, You shall eat, be satisfied, and bless*. Long before there was Thanksgiving, our tradition invited us to pause after fullness and to bless and express gratitude for the abundance we have received. Gratitude in Judaism is not just an emotion; it's an action, a spiritual discipline that grounds us in humility and joy.

At Temple Beth Hillel, I see this spirit of gratitude and blessing reflected in so many ways: in our community's generosity with giving to the poor, in our gatherings at the Oneg after services and each others sukkahs, and in the way we show up for one another, with compassion and Chesed -- acts of loving kindness.

This month also reminds us to widen the circle of gratitude. Thanksgiving, though not a Jewish holiday, resonates deeply with our values of hakarat hatov, recognizing the good in people of every background and faith. It's a sacred time to come together in appreciation of life's blessings, to listen, learn, and give thanks as one human family.

This past month of October has also reminded us how fragile and precious life is. We have witnessed the return of the hostages, and we continue to pray that all those still held captive will soon be safely returned and laid to rest with dignity and peace. May the Holy One comfort all who mourn, and strengthen all who wait in hope.

Personally, I feel immense gratitude to serve as your cantor and spiritual leader. You have opened your hearts to me and welcomed me into this beautiful, soulful congregation. Leading you in prayer, song, and learning is truly a gift.

May this season of gratitude deepen our sense of connection to God, to one another, and to the world around us. May our voices rise together in thanksgiving, and may our blessings overflow.

With heartfelt thanks,

Cantor Talya

The President's Corner

From the President's Desk

It Takes All of Us

Dear TBH Family,

As we begin 5786 together, I continue to reflect on the High Holy Days with tremendous pride and gratitude. What made this year's celebration so meaningful wasn't just the beautiful music or the thoughtful sermons—it was all of you. Each person who helped out in large and small ways made our community stronger.

Whether you greeted people at the door, helped coordinate logistics, read from the Torah, accepted an honor, or simply showed up with a warm smile—it made a difference. Our High Holy Days experience reminded me once again: **it takes all of us** to make Temple Beth Hillel the caring, connected community that it is.

Thank you to everyone who helped make these sacred days a success. And a special thank you to the families who opened their homes for our annual Sukkah Hop—your hospitality turned a festive tradition into lasting memories.

I also want to express deep appreciation to those who supported our High Holy Days Appeal. Your generosity helps ensure that TBH continues to thrive—not just for today, but for the future. If you haven't had a chance to make your donation yet, there's still time. Every contribution matters and helps sustain all that we do together.

Finally, I invite you to mark your calendars for Friday, November 21st, when we will formally Install Cantor Talya as part of our Shabbat celebration. This is not only a chance to honor our new cantor, but to come together again as a community and celebrate the exciting future we are building. Thank you for being part of our TBH family. Your presence, your time, your support—they all matter. Because at TBH, it really does take all of us.

L'Shalom,

Michael Skott

President, Temple Beth Hillel

Membership Committee

The Membership Committee was thrilled to see so many TBH members, and especially to welcome our newest members at Kehilah Connection following Rosh Hashanah services. The renewed excitement and enthusiasm for all things TBH is stronger than ever. We look forward to more wonderful events to share with our community and encourage you to reach out to your friends and family to join us.

Feel free to contact Donna Gittleman, membership@tbhsw.org

CLICK THE FLYER TO RSVP!



Please join Temple Beth Hillel
as we celebrate the
installation of

*Cantor
Talya Smilowitz*
as our clergy.

Friday, November 21st, 2025
during Friday Shabbat Services
7:00 PM

Oneg to follow the service.

Temple Beth Hillel
20 Baker Lane, South Windsor, CT

Please RSVP by 11/18/25
☎ 860-282-8466 or
<https://bit.ly/TBHSW-Cantor-Talya>
or use QR Code below.



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NOVEMBER 2025 SOCIAL ACTION

HANDS ON HARTFORD (HOH) “WELCOME HOME” Project – Phase 2



This Spring, TBH collected and assembled six huge Welcome Home packages to assist people who previously experienced homelessness and were moving into apartments.

This first-time Hands On Hartford project was so well received that our congregation now will prepare Welcome Home packages for four new apartment-dwellers.

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

TO SIGN UP to donate items you can bring to Temple by November 13, [CLICK HERE](#)

OR go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0E4AABA823A0F85-60047657-temple>

**TBH is the First Group ever to host Hands On Hartford’s “Welcome Home” Project.
We are proud to partner with the organization in this important way.**

WE COLLECT TOILETRIES FOR HOH’S “HOMELESS OUTREACH”

Always needed: Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Floss, Deodorant, Soap, Body Wash, Body Lotion, Razors, Shaving Cream, Chapstick/Lip Balm, Antibacterial Body Wipes, Sunscreen.

Place Toiletries in the collection bins in the Temple lobby.



CONTINUING OUR HIGH HOLY DAYS FOOD COLLECTION TRADITION

We appreciate everyone who brought non-perishable boxed/canned foods to Temple for *Connecticut Foodshare* and our own *Little Free Pantry* during the High Holy Days.

Many thanks also to those who donated a total of \$400 in checks to Foodshare so they can buy exactly what is needed, when needed.

A GROWING NEED FOR FOOD for OUR LITTLE FREE PANTRY!



Our Temple’s outdoor Little Free Pantry stocks nonperishable food items all year round, but now the need is greater than ever.

TO HELP, please donate an item and place into our lobby baskets when you come to Temple for services, special programs, and other times.
Especially needed: canned vegetables/fruit, canned tuna/chicken, soups/stews, pasta/sauce.
We always seek rice, breakfast cereal, flour, and peanut butter/jelly.

Laura Soll-Broxterman at Lsoll@tbhsw.org or 860-833-4466
Marla Adelsberger at marlaLadelsberger@gmail.com or 860-803-8075



SOUTH WINDSOR'S INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE SET FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH AT WAPPING COMMUNITY CHURCH

On Tuesday, November 25 at 7 p.m., Temple Beth Hillel again will participate in South Windsor's annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service. This year, the uplifting event will be held at **Wapping Community Church, UCC**, 1790 Ellington Road (*on the corner of Sullivan Avenue and Oakland Road*).

This annual free community-wide event will feature inspirational readings, comments, music and songs by area clergy and leaders of many faiths, including Temple Beth Hillel's own Cantor Talya Smilowitz, Wapping Community Church's Rev. Mark Abernethy, Pastor Dean M. Kucera of First Congregational Church of South Windsor, State Sen. Saud Anwar, M.D., and others.

Praying in an interfaith community can remind us that we are here for each other, and with each other...especially now. Light refreshments will follow. People do not need to belong to a house of worship to attend. No reservations are necessary. **Please plan to come.**



Join TBH's Chesed Committee

The TBH Chesed committee is here for support and caring through life cycle and other events.

Please contact Cantor Talya, Judy Scott, Deb Halpern or call Sam Cain at the TBH office, if you know where there is a need, or if you would like to volunteer. As a volunteer, you may be asked to provide a meal, give someone a ride, make a home visit or take care of other tasks. This is a meeting free committee.

The other component of this committee emphasizes self care-as well as physical, emotional, and spiritual health.

We have many ideas and exciting programs in the works. Stay tuned for specifics.

Feel free to bring us any ideas you may have.

**A Friendly reminder that Temple Beth Hillel is a smoke-free and fragrance-free facility!
Thank you for respecting our Temple rules and our Members' sensitivities.**

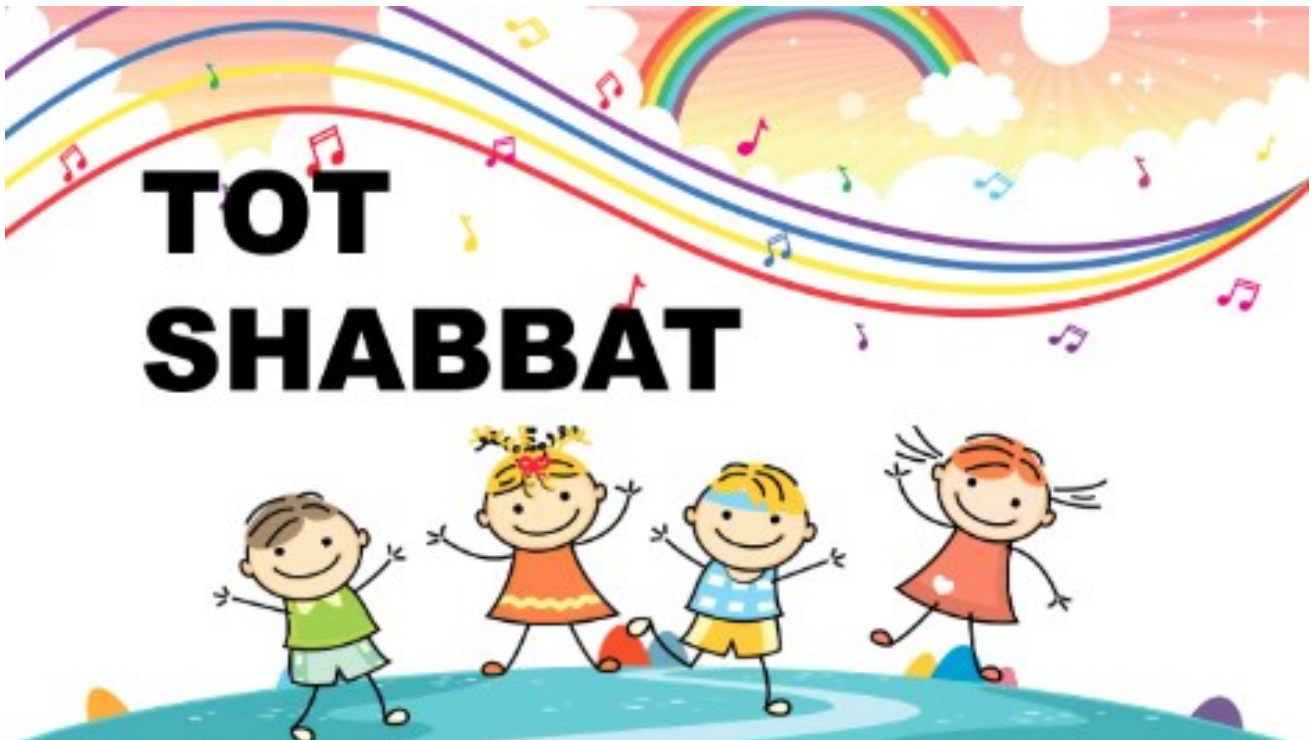
Monthly Shabbat Traditions

In January, Temple Beth Hillel and our Cantor Talya will introduce new monthly Shabbat Traditions:

First Friday of every month: Potluck Shabbat Gatherings - open to all, so that no one has to eat a Shabbat dinner alone.



Third Friday of every month: Tot Shabbat Family Service - with pizza served beforehand and the service beginning at 6 PM.



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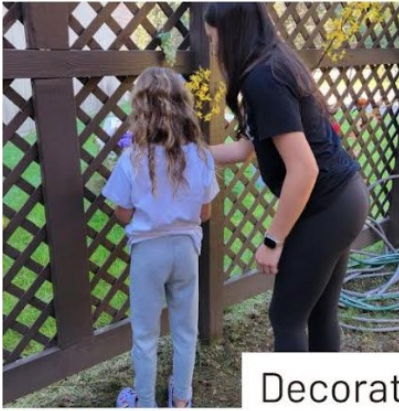
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AN ONEG FOR 2025-2026

DEADLINE **ASAP**



Religious School Update

TBH Religious school would like to share the photos that we took during the Sukkah holiday!



Decorating TBH's
Sukkah '25



Religious School Update



Decorating TBH's
Sukkah '25



Bat Mitzvah Spotlight: Julia Barnett



Julia Alice Barnett will be celebrating becoming a Bat Mitzvah on December 06, 2025. Her parents Gwendolyn and Shana, along with younger brother Cole, and mitzvah mate Sally Goodman have all been impressed with Julia's growth in becoming a well-rounded young Jewish adult. Julia is excited to be Cantor Talya Smilowitz's first B'Mitzvah at Temple Beth Hillel.

Julia loves to be creative and helpful. She used her skills while performing mitzvot such as restoring the bench in front of the synagogue, drawing coloring pages to encourage proper dental care, and volunteering to assist with mentoring other students with disabilities at her local high school.

When not at school, Julia can be found drawing, crocheting, creating silly videos, playing violin, participating with Girl Scouts, helping her parents in the kitchen, watching anime, or playing board and video games. Julia loves being the ring leader for games with the other neighborhood children. But mostly, Julia has a kind heart which she shares openly with everyone.

TBH ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Education Sukkah Hop Event Was a Success

Cantor Talya led a wonderful Adult Education program entitled: "Shake, Sing, and Celebrate" at the Healy family's sukkah. Cantor beautifully guided attendees in ritual, song, and story.



You're invited to a

Hanukkah Dinner



Save the Date: Friday, December 19 at 5 p.m. TBH Religious Practices Committee will host a Shabbat Hanukkah Potluck Dinner. All are welcome!

More info to come in the weekly Eblast



TBH ADULT EDUCATION

Ceramic Class Fun

On Sunday, October 26, Seth Healy masterfully led a ceramics class on behalf of the Adult Education Committee. Seth taught participants how to hand-build and glaze a pomegranate, a fruit popular in Israel which also holds much symbolic significance (its 613 seeds are thought to represent the 613 mitzvot mentioned in the Torah). Everyone in attendance had fun chatting while following Seth's step-by-step instructions. A great time was had by all!



THE TBH ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE PRESENTS:

GRATITUDE IN MOTION: CHAIR YOGA FOR BODY AND SPIRIT

Co-led by Cantor Talya Smilowitz and Jess Goldfarb



**Wednesday,
November 12,
6:00-7:00pm**

Please RSVP by 11/10 at
<https://bit.ly/4o28HZj>

Please dress comfortably and bring a water bottle.

Please join us on
Thursday, December 11
at 2:00pm at TBH for
**Five Wishes - an Adult Education
Program led by Judy Scott**

At a doctor's visit or hospital stay, we are usually asked about "Advanced Directives, frequently as one question among a whole list of questions. However, when broaching the topic of "end of life" care, it's not a topic to be glossed over. The "Living Will" only describes how to treat you physically, in the event you cannot speak for yourself. Five Wishes also includes how to treat you to meet your personal, emotional and spiritual needs.

FIVE WISHES®

MY WISH FOR:

- 1 The Person I Want to Make Care Decisions for Me When I Can't
- 2 The Kind of Medical Treatment I Want or Don't Want
- 3 How Comfortable I Want to Be
- 4 How I Want People to Treat Me
- 5 What I Want My Loved Ones to Know

Please RSVP to Judy Scott at
judithscott17@att.net by 12/8

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Framed in Light

CREATE YOUR OWN GLASS MENORAH

LED BY MEMBER ANGELICA HOFFMAN



Join us for our beginner-friendly sea glass art class, where you can learn basic art techniques, materials, and create your own Menorah in an 8x10 frame.

DATE & TIME

SATURDAY DECEMBER 13

HAVDALAH 5:30 PM
CLASS FROM 6 PM - 8 PM
LIMITED TO 20 PEOPLE
REGISTER BY 11/22/2025

LOCATION

TEMPLE BETH HILLEL
20 BAKER LN
SOUTH WINDSOR, CT 06074
TEXT TO REGISTER
860-752-9990

ENTRY FEE

\$40
PER PERSON



Kristallnacht Commemoration Program

Sunday, November 9 | 7:00–9:00pm
Beth El Temple, West Hartford
2626 Albany Ave, West Hartford

featuring
Cantor Gideon Zelermyer



Kristallnacht was a premeditated attack on Jewish communities, destroying over 1,400 synagogues and institutions. This special concert seeks to revive the lost beauty of that music, honoring the tragic European Jewish experience and reclaiming the rich cultural heritage that was targeted.

The evening will feature the Kol Zahav choir, orchestra, and soloists under the direction of Cantor Joseph Ness.

Tickets

General Admission: \$20

Students: \$10

On sale through November 5
at www.mandelljcc.org/tix



SUPPORT KOL ZAHAV Concert Sponsorships

All sponsorship levels include two tickets, reserved seating and name in concert program.

- Concertmaster: \$1,000+
- Maestro: \$720
- Conductor: \$540
- Principals: \$380
- Section Leaders: \$180

The commemoration concert on 9 November 7:00 PM at Beth El Temple in West Hartford will portray some of the most beautiful music of our literary tradition. This music was intended to be destroyed by the Nazis in World War II and was largely successful when the 1400 synagogues were destroyed on 9 November 1938 (Kristallnacht).

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.






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

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.**

For more information:
contact Marcus Fink,
Communications Manager
at marcus@jtconnect.org

***Scholarships are available**

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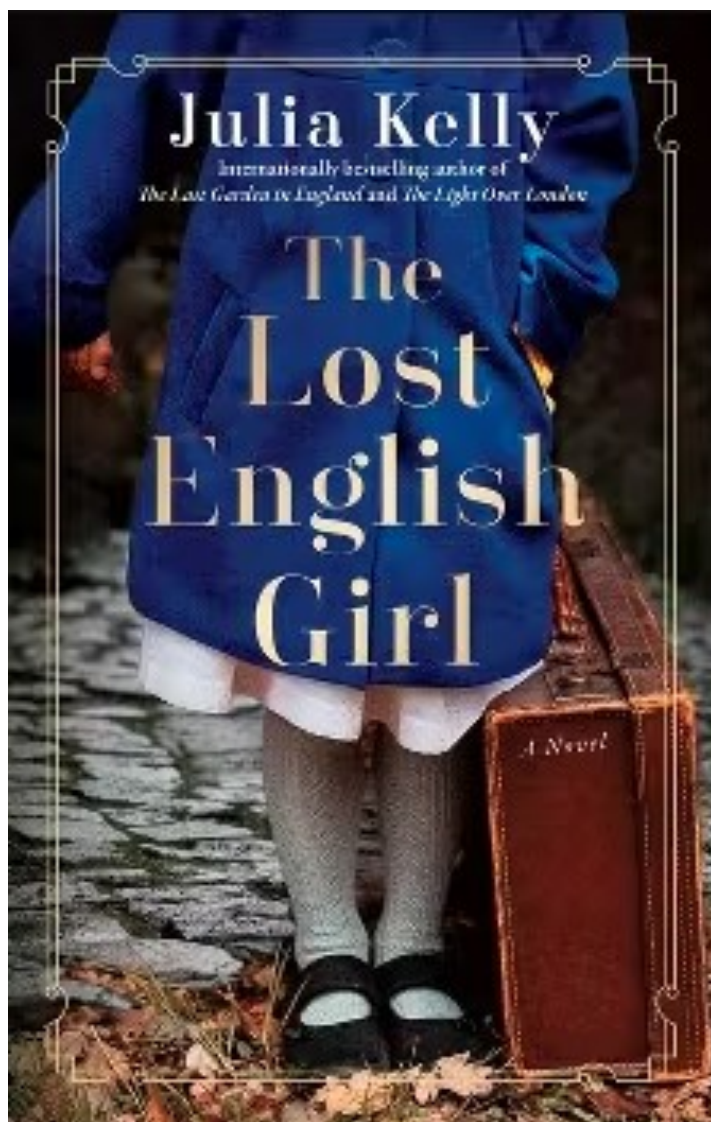

SCAN ME!



www.jtconnect.org

TBH BOOK CLUB

The next TBH Book Club meeting will be held on **Tuesday, November 11 at 1 p.m. at Temple.** We will be reviewing *The Lost English Girl*, by Julia Kelly. Come join us! All are welcome.



Upcoming

Meetings

11/3
Finance
Committee
7 p.m.

11/5
Executive
Committee
7:00 p.m.

11/13
Board of
Directors
7 p.m.

11/18
Membership
Committee
7 p.m.

11/19
Social Action
7 p.m.

11/24
Adult Education
7 p.m.

11/26
Religious Practices
Committee
7 p.m.

12/1
Finance
Committee
7 p.m.

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

TBH Brunch with Friends

Friends of TBH will meet for brunch on **Wednesday, November 12 at 11 a.m.** at Mitchell's, 1227 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon



Click on the Flyer to learn more and register

Voices of Hope

is excited to invite you to the

Descendants of the Shoah Speak Up Showcase

*presented in partnership with Matt and
Elysha Dicks of Speak Up Storytelling*

Sunday, November 16th

2:00 PM

Tickets: \$20

West Hartford

(Location provided upon registration)

Featuring:

Helena Friedman	Alyssa Norwood
Estelle Gomolka	Jackie Somberg
Debbie Gritz	Judy Tsafirir
Margo Lowry	



**Save The Date: Sunday, May 17th, 2026 at 2 p.m.
for a Jazz Concert Fundraiser at Temple Beth Hillel**



A great way to donate to TBH – See the article below on QCD's

5 Things You Need to Know About 2025 Qualified Charitable Distributions

If you are thinking about doing a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) for 2025, time is running out. The deadline is December 31, 2025. Many people miss out on this valuable tax break.

Here are 5 things you need to know about 2025 QCDs:

1. Your QCD must be done as a direct transfer from the IRA to the charity of your choice. If a distribution is paid to you, you cannot give those funds to the charity and call it a QCD. However, a check made payable to the charity that is mailed to you and delivered by you to the charity will work as a QCD. The IRS has introduced a new Code Y on Form 1099-R for IRA custodians to indicate a QCD.
2. The amount transferred from the IRA to charity as a QCD counts toward your required minimum distribution (RMD). Using a QCD to satisfy your RMD can reduce adjusted gross income (AGI).
3. The per-year limit is \$108,000 per person. If you are married and you and your spouse both qualify, you can each do QCDs totaling \$108,000 annually. A tax deduction for the charitable contribution cannot also be taken. You can still do a QCD of \$108,000 even if your RMD for 2025 is less.
4. You can do a QCD if you are an IRA owner or beneficiary and you are 70½ years old or older. While the SECURE Act and the SECURE 2.0 Act have raised the age that RMDs must be taken to age 73, the age for QCDs remains at 70½. You can do a QCD from your IRA, Roth IRA or inactive SEP or SIMPLE IRA. QCDs are not available from any employer plans. QCDs apply only to taxable amounts in your IRA. This is an exception to the pro-rata rule that usually applies to traditional IRA distributions. Only taxable amounts in a Roth IRA will qualify (i.e., the earnings that have not yet met the age 59½ age limit and 5-year holding period).
5. You cannot receive anything in return for the donation. No free tickets, tote bags or mugs are allowed. Gifts to donor advised funds or private foundations do not qualify as a QCD.

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DONATIONS

GENERAL FUND

Janet Lassman	In memory of Anne Lassman, Mother-In-Law of Janet Lassman
Tracy Taback	In memory of Jeffrey Greenberg, Son of Bob & Maxine Greenberg
Phyllis Green	In memory of Ted Green, Husband of Phyllis
Doug & Eileen Clouser	In memory of Dorris Millstein, Father of Eileen Clouser
Gladys & Joel Nadel	In memory of Irving Hertzendorf, Brother of Gladys Nadel
Barbara Dworsky	In memory of Charlotte Dworsky, Mother-In-Law of Barbara Dworsky
Barbara Dworsky	In memory of Sadie Cook, Mother of Barbara Dworsky
Judy Fogg	In memory of Beatrice Kanner, Mother of Judy Fogg
Judy Fogg	In memory of John Fogg, Husband of Judy Fogg
Barry Chasen	In support of Temple Beth Hillel
June Silver	In memory of Jeanette Reich, Mother of June Silver
Carole & Richard Guttman	In memory of Fannie Guttman, Mother of Richard Guttman
John & Deb Halpern	In honor of Cantor Talya's Installation

SOCIAL ACTION FUND

Barbara & Michael Brezel	In memory of Philip Freedman, Father and Grandfather
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CLERGY DISCRETIONARY FUND

Sally Goodman	Thank you to Cantor Talya for Cemetery visit(s)
Nancy Gordon	In memory of Abraham Gerlis, Uncle of Nancy Gordon
Leonard & Marlene Auster	Thank you for uplifting High Holy Days services
Jerry Weiner	In memory of Dorothy Weiner, Wife of Jerry Weiner
Monte & Noreen Sperling	Thanks to Cantor Talya for wonderful High Holy Days services
Lawrence Andrus	In memory of Martin Turchen, Father-In-Law of Lawrence Andrus

RETIRE THE MORTGAGE FUND

Sally Goodman	In memory of Jeffrey Greenberg, Son of Bob & Maxine Greenberg
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MUSIC FUND

Marla & Peter Adelsberger	In memory of Barbara L. Levin, Mother of Marla Adelsberger
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MUSIC FUND

Marcia Heneson	In memory of Mark Heneson, Husband of Marcia Heneson
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YAHRZEIT DATES

On November 1, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Lorraine Ann Berkowitz
Benjamin Goodstein
Elizabeth Harris
Doris Millstein
Lee Sarah Rulnick
Wife of Martin Rulnick
Frida P. Brezel
Fannie Guttman
Louis Gelb
Elaine Halpern
Esther Bradbard
Sophie Blotner Gordon
Ruth Liebman
Murray Rosen

Father of Henry Goodstein
Mother of Janet Lassman
Mother of Eileen Clouser

Mother of Michael Brezel
Mother of Richard Guttman

Mother of John Halpern
Mother of Leland Bradbard

Mother of Howard Liebman
Father of Stuart Rosen

On November 8, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Esther Goodfriend
Irving I. Hertzendorf
Philip Freedman
Jacqueline Heckler
Herbert Blutt
Sidney Solomon
Dworkin Bernard
Maya Simone Fairbanks
Sarah Kessler
Irving Lapidus
Ann L. Rosen

Grandmother of Phyllis Freeman
Brother of Gladys Nadel
Father of Barbara Brezel

Father of Mitchell Blutt
Father of Judy Locker

Granddaughter of Joel Davidson
Grandmother of Eileen Clouser

On November 15, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Beatrice Kanner
Harry Lingerfelt
Dolores Berson Howitz
Aron Israelewich
Richard Rosenbaum
Martin Turshen
Ted Green
Mark Heneson
Anna Lassman
Hannah Tunkel
Sadie Nathan Gitberg
Harry Goldon
Maurice Snyder
Benjamin Carlin
Therese Baum Wolff
Fanny Friedman
Warren Hansen

Mother of Judith Fogg
Father of Angelica Hoffman

Grandfather of Gabe Izraelevitz
Grandfather of Christine Brouillard
Father of Marcia Andrus
Husband of Phyllis Green
Husband of Marcia Heneson, Father of Alissa Heneson
Mother-in-law of Janet Lassman
Grandmother of Marlene Auster

Father of Alan Snyder

Mother of Maxine Greenberg

Soldier killed in Iraq

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Yahrzeit Dates Continued...

On November 22, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Sophie Bloom	
Charlotte Dworsky	Mother of Alan Dworsky
Emanuel Juster	
Jean Lowell	
Mary Osit	
Jeanette Reich	Mother of June Silver
Michael Ruchin	Brother of Gary Ruchin
Rae Snyder	Mother of Teri Parrott
Lena Danuff	Grandmother of Eileen Clouser
Peter Friedman	
Abe Hollander	
Leon Kaplan	Father of Jon Kaplan
Henry Osit	
Sylvia Waxman Savath	
John Fogg	Husband of Judy Fogg
Arthur Goldsmith	Father of Marlene Auster
Sadie Cook	Mother of Barbara Dworsky
Dorothy Rubin	

On November 29, we observe the yahrzeit of:

Anne Posniak	
Louis Gene Ciotti	Brother of Teresa Platteis
Beatrice Lutin	
Morton Shoham	
Louis Deckel	
Donald Finn	Brother of Paula Bradbard
Harry Gerber	
Sonia Schulman	

SIMCHAS

BIRTHDAYS

David Weinberg	11/1	Alecia Goldfarb	11/8	Alan Snyder	11/17
Rebecca McCann	11/2	Melvin Santiago	11/11	David Basile	11/18
Robin Kennison	11/3	Herb Shook	11/12	Debbie Benoit	11/20
Larry Waksman	11/7	Scott Bettigole	11/15	Jesse Breither	11/29
				Robert Rodner	11/30

ANNIVERSARIES

John & Carol Baron	11/17	Jeffrey Kamenetz & Helena Friedman	11/24
Gabe & LuAnn Izraelevitz	11/20		

TORAH PORTIONS

Parashat Lech-Lecha [Genesis 12:1-17:27](#) Lech Lecha (“Go Forth”) recounts Abraham’s (here known as Abram) first encounter with God, his journey to Canaan, the birth of his son Ishmael, the covenant between him, his descendants, and God, and God’s commandment to circumcise the males of his household.

Parashat Vayera [Genesis 18:1-22:24](#) Vayera (“He Appeared”) opens as guests inform Abraham that Sarah will give birth. Despite Abraham’s attempts to convince God otherwise, God destroys the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. Sarah gives birth to Isaac, and Abraham sends away Hagar and Ishmael. At God’s command, Abraham prepares to sacrifice Isaac, but an angel of God tells Abraham to offer a ram instead.

Parashat Chayei Sara [Genesis 23:1-25:18](#) Chayei Sarah (“The Life of Sarah”) opens as Sarah dies and Abraham buys the Cave of Machpelah to bury her. Abraham sends his servant to find a wife for Isaac. The servant meets Rebecca at a well, and Rebecca returns with the servant to marry Isaac. Abraham remarries, has more children, and dies at age 175.

Parashat Toldot [Genesis 25:19-28:9](#) Toldot (“Generations”) opens with the births of Isaac and Rebecca’s twins, Jacob and Esau. Esau sells his birthright to Jacob in exchange for soup. Isaac and Rebecca travel to Gerar, where Isaac makes a peace treaty with King Abimelech. Isaac gives Jacob the blessing meant for Esau, and Jacob runs away to his uncle Laban.

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From Generation to Generation.



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