



Reflections from the Rabbi

By Rabbi Estelle Mills

There is a Midrash in which Rabbi Meir teaches that before God gave the Torah to the Jewish people, God asked them for a guarantor, one that would ensure that the Jewish people would always cherish and follow the precepts of the Torah and live in accordance with God's will.

The Jewish people first offered our holy ancestors as the guarantors that we would be faithful to the Torah, but God refused this offer. Next, we offered the Prophets, but again God refused. Finally, the Jewish people offered our children as guarantors, and this time God accepted saying the children are worthy guarantors as it is up to the children of one generation to make sure Torah is transmitted to the next generation.



This Midrash teaches us that although we may wish for Judaism to live on, it is the young people of every generation who will ensure Jewish continuity. What will our community look like in five, ten or

twenty years? God tells us there is only one thing that will keep us strong, and it is not our history nor our leaders. The only assurance that we endure and thrive is our young people being taught to follow the words of Torah and their desire to abide and cherish our traditions.

Under the cruelest of circumstances our people have continued to teach our children Torah, and so despite all our ordeals, we have survived. We survived not in spite of our Torah teaching, but because of it: Torah is the secret of our survival. In the caves of Judea, the

Maccabees taught Torah to Jewish children and then played dreidel to disguise their teachings from Greek patrols. If discovered, their crime was punishable by death, but this did not deter them. In the mountains of the Golan, Rabbi Akiva taught Torah to Jewish children despite the threat of Roman oppression. Risking death was acceptable to him for if he were killed, which, in fact, he was, his students would survive and through them, the nation of Israel. In the basements of Communist Russia, Torah study flourished even under the threat of exile and death. The Communist regime has fallen and the seeds sown in those basements have sprouted. Jewish communities and institutions now dot the entire former Soviet Union.

And the future of this community lies in the hands of our young people. I am so proud that this year, Temple Bat Yam is once again offering a confirmation class, allowing the post B'nai Mitzvah young people to learn about Judaism at a much more mature level. In this class, the teens wrestle with questions such as what do Jews believe about sin, what does our tradition teach happens after we die, is there a God and what are acceptable God concepts. Only by giving our young people more than a pediatric view of Judaism do we contribute to the survival of our religion. In December, I also chaperoned four young people at a regional youth group event in the Washington suburbs where they learned, prayed, and socialized with nearly two hundred other Jews of their age. This was the first time in many years that our young people attended a regional youth group event. To see the young people excited, and feeling so positive about their Judaism, is why I became a rabbi. There is no better guarantor for our faith than our children. They will provide us with the dividends of a thriving Judaism in the future.

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Rabbi's Message continued.

Judaism will continue only when we as a congregation and other congregations throughout the world recognize the great importance of transmitting to our children the love and the beauty of our heritage. Judaism will continue only when we empower our children to carry it forward, only when we recognize just how important it is to provide an opportunity for the young people to learn about our

tradition. Each Sunday as our building is filled with the voices of our youth praying and learning, I understand why the Midrash answers as it does. I hope those of you who attended our Hanukkah worship “kvelled” as much as I did to witness our children living their Judaism. I pray they will always feel like Temple Bat Yam is their home for they are truly the only guarantors of a flourishing Judaism in the future.

President's Report:

By Karen Abrams, President

Happy New Year from my family to yours.

Once again it has been a very busy time for the volunteers and the Rabbi.

We have had many events over the past months. We were honored in October to have a local author, Thomas Linehan Jr., discuss his holocaust book “Hannah Gould” with a group of members and some guests. One of the things that I like about our Temple is that everyone is hungry to learn about new things and meet new people. Which of course brings me to the Lunch and Learn sessions that Rabbi Mills has created for those that like to learn about new subjects while enjoying a good meal.

In November quite a number of our members flew south, but those that stayed were given many choices to stay busy. Once again, Sisterhood sponsored a wonderful workshop at the Ocean City Art League to

make mezuzahs and night lights. There were over 18 in attendance. We worked up an appetite and afterwards went out for lunch.

We had a special service for Kristallnacht on November 8 to remember the "Night of Broken Glass".

There was a lovely Havdalah service at the home of Myra and Marv Novick. To celebrate our new members, we had a special service on November 22, dedicated to our new families. We also attended another Havdalah at the home of Candy and Barry Gusst.

December came in strong with the "Blast from the Past" service with the return of Rabbi Emeritus Susan Warshaw and Cantorial Soloist Cheryl Taustin.

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President's report continued

We had a full house. What a night to remember! For those that missed it, you will have another chance on April 17, 2020 to catch up with our past leaders. Mark your calendars now.

Rabbi Mills began a new class on Tuesdays, Conversational Hebrew, which has been well attended by our congregants.

Joan Kessler and Joanie Strauss outdid themselves again with the Hanukkah potluck dinner. After the dinner, the religious school students provided a wonderful holiday service under the guidance of Phyllis Alpern, our cantorial soloist, and the religious school teachers. As we've done in the past, our Temple family helped to organize a successful Hanukkah construction drive with the donations going to Diakonia. It was also a lot of fun to make Hanukkah donuts with the religious school students.

The Sidney Eagle Mens Club presented a murder mystery dinner, which included a delicious steak dinner prepared by Ross Kaplan. The event was organized by Steve Winkler, Steve Cohen and Rabbi Mills.

On Christmas Day, members from Temple Bat Yam volunteered at St. Pauls By The Sea to provide hospitality and comfort to those looking for a warm and friendly place to celebrate their Christmas Day Dinner. We were all so glad to be part of this Mitzvah again.

In January, Rabbi Mills began her once a month Shabbat Morning Service and Torah study.

If you are reading our newsletter, you will see that if you like to stay busy, enjoy learning and of course a good nosh with friends, Temple Bat Yam is the place to be, Winter, Spring, Summer and Fall. But to continue to make these events possible, we need VOUNTEERS for Onegs, Greeters to welcome our members and guests on Friday Night and volunteers to help facilitate any additional events. This is YOUR TEMPLE, we need YOU!

As always, I would like to end by saying, every Committee member and Board member is a volunteer. Please engage, volunteer and have fun! Temple Bat Yam ALWAYS needs your help.

Lastly, over a year ago Temple Bat Yam lost its sponsor for the PJ library. We had over 20 students that were waiting for books; the entire Eastern Shore was looking for their books. Peggy Tomarelli and I worked very hard to find a new sponsor. After over a year of speaking with many people from the organization we were finally able to contact Paul Lewis of the PJ Library, who informed us that Temple Bat Yam and the entire Eastern Shore would be part of the PJ Library National Community and continue to reap the rewards of the books. I am so glad that Peggy and I were able to get this done!

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO!!!!

*Respectfully,
Karen Abrams, President of Temple Bat Yam*

Throwback Service



Left to right: Cantorial Soloist Phyllis Alpern, Rabbi Emeritus Susan Warshaw, and Cantorial Soloist Cheryl Taustin.

Sisterhood

The Sisterhood Board has given a lot of time and thought as to how to make our endeavors more successful. We think we are on the right track. Following are some of the activities coming up in the next few months

- In January and February short Onegs are all set thanks to Emily Schwab and her hard work.
- March 6: a Purim pot luck
- March 20: Shabbat dinner
- March 22: pottery class at the Art League
- In May: a very much amped up game day for fun and lots of revenue
- April 2: dinner with the Rabbi

Last, but not least, our Vice President Susan Kaltenbaugh presented our donation to at the TBY congregational meeting.

Anita Winkler



Belly Dancers, Anita Winkler and Susan Kaltenbaugh

Membership Update

As reported at the Semi-Annual Meeting, our overall membership as of December 31, 2019 stood at 154 (units), up ten since a year ago the same time and up 18 since December 31, 2017. Over the past three years, our total membership has risen 20 percent.

We currently have six family/single persons participating in our special Gift of Membership promotion, compared to 5 as of December 31, 2018. Our Friends now stand at 34, compared to 32 a year ago the same time.

We are currently in the process of resetting our membership committee as we focus on continuing

and new recruitment and retention initiatives. New committee members are always welcome as are congregant suggestions for ways to strengthen and expand our efforts. As conveyed on earlier occasions, furthermore, every TBY congregant can serve as an extension of our committee as you bring our Temple's richness to the attention of neighbors, friends, etc.

Please feel free to contact Membership Chair Paul Schwab for opportunities to advance your ideas and interest in joining the committee, either via 703-624-0500 or by paulmschwab@gmail.com.

The Sidney Eagle Memorial Men's Club

The Sidney Eagle Memorial Men's Club of Temple Bat Yam had its first Murder Mystery Show on December 20. The name of the show was The Case of the Stolen Menorah. Prior to the play 55 congregants and guests had a delicious meal of steak on the grill, potatoes and salad.

We'd like to thank the Rabbi for taking the time to consult with us, whose advice was paramount to the production of the play. We would also like to thank Ross Kaplan for grilling the steaks, and thank all the actors and actresses. We all had a great time.

Steven Cohen
Steve Winkler

Photos from the first Murder Mystery Show. The Case of the Stolen Menorah



Safety & Security Committee

Security:

Anti-Semitic attacks have increased over the last year. New York (city and state) has experienced almost 1,400 such incidents during 2019. These range from cursing, shoving and fists to the Hanukkah attack at a rabbi's residence. A kosher deli in New Jersey experienced a shoot-out, causing several deaths. As the number of these increase, we must become more security minded.

Jews are not alone in these types of attacks. Last December, at a church in Texas, one man stood up and fired a shotgun, killing 2 churchgoers. He was immediately taken down by an armed church member. The whole incident lasted just 6 seconds and lives were saved. More recently, another Texas church had to restrain a drug crazed individual to prevent injury.

THERE ARE NO SPECIFIC THREATS AGAINST TEMPLE BAT YAM! However, the security committee will continue to upgrade the building to guard against such an event happening. Our armed security guard is on duty at virtually all of our events. Other security improvements have been installed over the last year: lights, locks, cameras, etc.

I would like to ask all Temple members to be more observant while at the Temple and in their daily lives. Be aware of your surroundings and anything suspicious you see. The old adage, "see something, say something" should be our mantra from now on. Temple Bat Yam is committed to do everything possible to keep our members safe.

Safety:

It's tax time! Beware of anyone calling to "verify" your social security number. The IRS, Social Security and Medicare will not call you asking for your number. They will send you a letter. Never give out your social security or credit card info to any person or company unless you called them first. Even then, ask them to read out the number they have on file.

Medical:

Two companies are offering heavy discounts on prescriptions. They are: *GoodRX.com* and *SingleCare.com*. They are especially useful if Medicare doesn't cover a particular medicine or you have to pay a large amount for Tier 3 or 4 meds.

I have used *GoodRX.com* on two occasions when my Medicare insurer wanted to charge me a small fortune under my plan. Under my Cigna Medicare plan, my copay for one of these meds was almost \$1,500.00 per year. I downloaded the *GoodRX.com* app on my phone, typed in the name, dosage and number of pills. They instantly came back with a list of local pharmacies and discounted prices. Through *GoodRX.com* my script will now cost me only \$696.00 per year, with no donut hole. I will save \$804.00 per year as long as I am on this particular medicine.

Both of these discount programs are free and will provide you with a card to show the pharmacist to obtain these lower prices. This is the real deal, believe me!

Development Committee

50/50 Raffle

Sales of our 2020 raffle are going well. If you haven't purchased yours, please do so now. If you have already bought tickets, please do Temple Bat Yam a big favor. Sell a couple of extra tickets to your family, friends and anyone else you can think of. If every Bat Yam member sold just 2 or 3 more tickets more than what they buy for themselves, our cash jackpot would increase by \$4,000 - \$5,000! The raffle ends in mid-March, so there is still time left for the winning ticket to be sold. The success of the raffle depends solely on our members! Please help make this raffle the most successful one ever! Thank you!

Caring Committee

The Caring Committee, under the leadership of Rabbi Mills, continues to be a vital part of community life at Temple Bat Yam. We are a committee of caring volunteers who are compassionate, respectful, and supportive to our temple family.

Did you even wonder what the Caring Committee does? Here's a brief rundown of some of the things that we do:

- Celebrate new life by having a tree planted in Israel
- Lend a caring ear and a shoulder to lean on

- Run errands
- Drive people to and from local medical appointments
- Donate and deliver meals when needed
- Visit the sick at home and in the hospital

And the list goes on. This amazing group of volunteers continues to evolve and change as situations present themselves.

We need your help! You are our eyes and ears in this congregation. Please contact Rabbi Mills or us if you know of a need within our temple community.

Florence Kasden & Janice Spieler

A Visit with Author Thomas F. Linehan, Jr.

by Judy R. Johnstone

Most of you know that our Library Committee is famous for sponsoring our successful *Bagels & Books* program. On October 29, 2019 we were delighted to try something new so we invited author Tim Linehan to join us at the Temple for a discussion of his book Hannah Gould. Specifically, he described how he arrived at the topic for this book and how he conducted the research to write a text of historical fiction. For example, Tim knew that he wanted a topic related to the Holocaust which was then narrowed to the Resistance (Jewish and Russian partisans). He also wanted a strong female protagonist who turned out to be a 15 year old girl whose family had been murdered by the Nazis and Ukrainians. He explained the primary sources that he used and how the characters were combinations of real-life people from that time. Hannah Gould, a young adult novel, is also



Front row, Bill Johnstone, Tim Linehan, Judy Johnstone. Standing, Doreen Linehan



a coming-of-age narrative where the reader feels as if you really get to know Hannah.

Our session ended with the opportunity to meet and talk individually with Tim. He also autographed his books and took photos with our audience. If anyone knows other authors who might enjoy visiting with us, please contact the Library Committee.

Wait, what? Sand? At shul?

2019 is coming to a close, and I wrapped it up in grand style with a relaxing vacation in Curaçao, the largest of the Netherlands Antilles. Snorkeling, swimming with sea turtles, dreamy blue cocktails, wiggling my toes in the sand at *shul*...

Sand indeed, cool and relaxing, perfect for a restful Shabbat worship after a long day of sightseeing and shopping. It's the floor of the Mikve-Emanuel synagogue, the oldest continuously used synagogue in the Western Hemisphere. The synagogue was not the reason I chose Curaçao for vacation, but I'm glad I did.

Consecrated in 1732, this building is a smaller version of the grand Portuguese Synagogue in Amsterdam. Jews have lived in Curaçao since 1651. After expulsion from Spain in 1492, some Sephardic Jews settled in what is now the Netherlands, and of that group a small number chose to explore the possibilities of life in the New World. Hoping to establish an agricultural community, those Jews landed in Curaçao and attempted to grow various crops. Being mostly volcanic island rock, Curaçao proved inhospitable to the types of crops the settlers tried to grow; these settlers ended up being merchants instead, brokering imported goods from both the Dutch West Indies and Dutch East Indies companies.

An earlier synagogue building existed as early as 1674. The building I visited is actually the second such edifice, and has been updated throughout the decades with traditional architectural detail, as well as modern enhancements such as up-to-code electricity and plumbing, and an electric *ner tamid*. The original *mikvah* is still part of the interior courtyard, as is the staircase leading to the women's section in the balcony. The woodwork, meant to echo the grand dark woods of the Portuguese Synagogue, is actual mahogany (the wood at the Portuguese is a mix of jacaranda and other dark woods), and is lovingly maintained to a satiny finish. In the main sanctuary area, four white pillars bear the names of the Matriarchs in brass letter plaques. I derived the lovely lesson from this that the Matriarchs are the

pillars of the Jewish people, but the explanation for the plaques is somewhat more practical: The sanctuary used to be lit with candles.

The candles in the pillar sconces would sometimes come perilously close to lighting the Torah on fire as it was carried around!

So, the sconces were removed, leaving the plaster underneath damaged. Sarah, Rivkah, Rachel, and Leah cover those plaster scars today.



Sanctuary entrance

The *bimah* is situated in roughly the center of the sanctuary, and is ascended by a short staircase. Behind the *bimah* and one floor above, splitting the women's section, is a huge, imposing pipe organ that was acquired by the synagogue in 1866. The organ fell out of repair for about 40 years, but was restored in 2001 in honor of the synagogue's 350th anniversary. Uplifting live organ music accompanied our songs and prayers the night I worshiped.

Mikve Emanuel is now affiliated with Reconstructionism, but uses the same Shabbat prayer book TBY uses, Mishkan Tefilah. Ashkenazic Jews arrived on the island around 1920 and established their own place of worship, Shaarei Tzedek, which also still stands and supports an Orthodox congregation. Two cemeteries exist to serve the two congregations. Like many tropical cemeteries, the entombments are mostly above ground.

Mikve Emanuel currently has no full-time rabbi; the spiritual leader is Cantor Avery Tracht, a graduate of the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music (Rabbi Warshaw's *alma mater*!) who has led the congregation for the past fourteen years. He, the

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Detail of the Bimah

organist, and about 25 other congregants of diverse ethnic heritage gave us a warm welcome and a meaningful Shabbat.

So, what about that sand? We heard several possible significances to the fine white sand on the floor, which by the way is only about four inches thick, has no pebbles or shells in it, and has a concrete subflooring:

- ❖ The sand symbolizes the desert conditions the Jews had to endure during and after the

Exodus. (This is the explanation that is most meaningful to me personally.)

- ❖ The sand reminds us of how sand muffled the sound of prayer and other customs the *marranos*, the “hidden” Jews of Iberia, pursued at home, at great risk to their lives, during the time of the Spanish Inquisition.
- ❖ The sand is a reference to G-d’s promise to Abraham: “I will multiply your seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the seashore (Gen. 22:17).”
- ❖ Or, could it just be that sand is plentiful on a tropical island and makes the floor easier to clean?!

If your future plans for Caribbean travel include the fascinating island of Curaçao, I do hope you will follow in my sandy footsteps and visit the beautiful Mikve Emanuel “snoa.”

by Beth Woodell



Stairs leading to the women's section.

Making Donuts and the Youth Group



Come Hear What We Have to Say

Assistance to Hearing Challenged Congregants

Temple Bat Yam is equipped to assist hearing challenged congregants to better hear our services with the use of individual bluetooth receivers and ear phones with their own volume controls. There are 8 bluetooth receivers with ear buds and 4 hearing aid compatible units.

These receivers will be available in the Judaica Shop before every service on a first come, first serve basis (sorry, we cannot reserve units in advance).

You will be asked to leave your car keys with Bette Bohlmann in the Judaica Shop in order to take out the unit. The keys will be returned to you when you

return the unit to the Judaica Shop at the end of the service. It will be your responsibility to clean the ear buds with alcohol wipes that will be provided.

Happy hearing. We hope this helps you feel more connected to our services!

Steve Winkler

PLEASE NOTE: Special thanks go to Steve Winkler, George Rosenstock, Steve Martin (Sound Consultant to TBV) and an anonymous donor for making this project a reality Paul Schwab

A Note From Your Newsletter Editor & Designer

It's now winter and many of you are soaking up the warm weather in Florida. Most of the rest of us are just waiting for spring, although this winter has been, at least so far, more like spring. Enjoy whatever you are doing!

This newsletter is full of information, from committee reports to event summaries to stories and requests, with flyers about upcoming events and lots of photos for events that recently took place.

Please feel free to send any ideas or articles you may have to efbmppnol@aol.com. You don't need to

wait until the next newsletter due date of April 15. Anything you send to the email will be held until that time.

A big thank you to everyone who submitted articles and photos for this newsletter. Enjoy the next few months and be sure to join in all the activities that are being held by Temple Bat Yam. Without your participation and volunteer services these events would not be possible.

Ellen Fishler Bridge and Barbara Patrick

Judaica Shop

The Judaica gift shop is open Monday through Friday, from 9:30 am – 1:30 pm. Peggy, our office manager, will be happy to assist you with any purchase. The shop is open on most Friday nights before the service begins. Please contact Bette Bohlmann for any special requests or orders at 410-251-6366.

Bette Bohlmann

TEMPLE BAT YAM BEGINS



RABBI'S TISCH*

Recipe Share • Prayer • Torah Study

*** A TISCH IS A TABLE AND A GATHERING OF JEWS WITH THEIR RABBI.
IT CONSISTS OF TORAH STUDY, PRAYER, AND THE SHARING OF FOOD.**

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A Bar Mitzvah Project

Dear Temple Bat Yam Members,

We are happy to announce that our sons, Jacob and David, will be celebrating their Bnai Mitzvah's this year. Jacob and David are not just religious school students, they are very close friends and they have decided to do a joint Mitzvah project. As you know, childhood hunger is not new but did you know that many children leave school on a Friday afternoon and go home to an empty refrigerator? Many children in Worcester and Wicomico counties rely on the school's breakfast and lunch program as their main source of nutrition. So what happens when Friday comes and these children go home for the weekend? Both Worcester and Wicomico counties send home "Box Lunches" donated by community members like YOU!

Jacob and David are asking Temple Bat Yam Members to please donate the following items to help support this important cause:

- Canned or pouched tuna and/or chicken
- Boxed Mac and Cheese
- Canned pasta such as Chef Boyardee
- Juice Boxes
- Peanut Butter
- Granola Bars

The items are designed to make sure they are child friendly foods, nutritional in value and are discrete in size. The schools will send home the "Box Lunch" with the student on Friday.

Items will be collected at the Temple between now and May. The more items we receive the more children we can feed!

Thank you for your support,
Terri Goldman (Jacob's Mom)
Suzanne Maier (David's Mom)

Walk to End Alzheimer's

On Saturday, November 2, 2019 the Temple Bat Yam team completed its second successful participation in the annual Alzheimer's Association "Walk to End Alzheimer's" which took place in Salisbury, MD. The walk is the world's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's care, support and research.

This year the TBY team consisted of 14 members who sought donations to support our team. That's almost double the number of team members we had last year. Twelve members arranged their personal schedule so they could actually participate in and complete the walk. They joined what appeared to be at least a thousand others who walked on November 2nd.

The team selected \$2,000.00 as its goal for this year's total donations. Upon completion of the walk the team had raised \$1,370.00. Since donations were accepted until December 2019 they hoped to achieve the final goal by that time.

All of the team members wish to thank everyone who donated towards their efforts. It's nice to know

that Temple Bat Yam has made a respectable donation to help the Alzheimer's Association in its very important work. Every donated dollar will be used to aid in the attempt to celebrate the very first Alzheimer's survivor.

Ed Wirkman



A Priest, a Minister and a Rabbi

*Teach our Connection to Israel:
Past, Present, and Future*



TUESDAYS

FEBRUARY 18, 25 & MARCH 3

3 TO 5 PM



Contributions for Jan./Feb./March 2020

as of January 17, 2020

Note: Earlier contributions made for several of the listed funds have been acknowledged in one or more previous Newsletters.

GENERAL FUND

Lee & Ellen Burstyn

Steve & Shelley Cohen

~In honor of Stu Smolins' special birthday! Mazel Tov!

Ira Feldman

Dave & Cindy Fox

~In memory of Christine Glick's father, Robert Ward

Lynda Gonen

~In memory of Christine Glick's father, Robert Ward

Alan & Tina Halle

~With thanks to Phyllis Alpern for her beautiful voice at Max's Bar Mitzvah

Stan, Veronica, Paul & Felicia Kahn

~In memory of Christine Glick's father, Robert Ward

Bob & Bonnie Kaplan

~In honor of Paul & Emily Schwab's 50th wedding anniversary. Mazel Tov!

Liz Merwin

Bruce Moore

Barbara & Alan Pickholtz

~Thank you for a lovely service. We enjoyed coming and hope to come again!

Everyone was so welcoming!

Gail & Ronald Schimel

Paul & Emily Schwab

~In memory of Michelle Schachter's father, Shelton Lankford

Stan & Susan Schwartzbart

~In memory of Holly Bolter

~In memory of Annette Brody Ludwick

Susan Sedgewick

~In honor of Rabbi Susan Warshaw

Stu & Pam Smolins

~In memory of Buddy Carlisle

Jeff & Rina Thaler

~In memory of Michelle Schachter's father, Shelton Lankford

Rachel & Billy White

~In memory of Christine Glick's father, Robert Ward

Ed & Joane Wolpin

~In memory of Michelle Schachter's father, Shelton Lankford

HIGH HOLIDAY FUND

Stephen & Pamela Cohen

Lois & Andrew Friedman

Barbara & Alan Miller

~ We received tickets for your High Holy Day services. We came for Rosh Hashanah service and enjoyed being able to spend the service with members of your congregation. We hope to be moving to the area in the near future and will spend more time at Temple Bat Yam.

CARING COMMITTEE

Bill & Judy Johnstone

~In memory of Judy's mom and dad, Leona & Milton Ramoy – truly Judy's best friends.

Barbara & Tom Southwell

~In memory of Barbara's brother-in-law, Steve Berlin

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Steve & Shelley Cohen

~In honor of Rabbi Mills' son, Rafi's, engagement. Mazel Tov!

~In memory of Barbara & Tom Southwell's brother-in-law, Steve Berlin

~In honor of Marv Garber's birthday. Mazel Tov!

Paul & Emily Schwab

~In honor of Max Halle's Bar Mitzvah. Mazel Tov!

YEAR END APPEAL

Karen & Sandy Abrams

~to be used toward Security

Phyllis Alpern

Ron & Sherry Auerbach

Jonathan & Terry Bell

Ellen Fishler Bridge

Grayce Cohen

Contributions Continued

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~Thank you for all that you do for TBY!
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~In memory of Christine Glick's father, Robert Ward

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~Aunt, Lillian Rubinfeld
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~Mother, Bernice Peck
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~Francine's grandfather, Ese Swetsky
Allen & Phyllis Brodsky
~Allen's son, Richard Stuart Brodsky – in memory of
his wonderful son.

Sylvia Burkom
~Mother, Ruth Starr
Carole Eagle
~Father-in-law, Herman Eagle
~Sister-in-law, Pearl Goldfarb
~Grandmother, Anna Lutzky-Davis
~Grandfather, Samuel Davis
~Father, Sidney Davis
~Grandfather, Benjamin Feinbloom
~Husband, Sidney Eagle
~Mother-in-law, Mollie Eagle
~Mother, Gertrude Sally Davis
~Grandmother, Gussie Feinbloom
Bruce & Ellen Eanet
~Bruce's grandmother, Rae Schwartz
Marv & Barbara Garber
~Barbara's father, Elliot Katz
~Marv's mother, Lillian Garber
Jo Anne Glazer
~Aunt, Amelia Krieger – Be blessed!
~Father-in-law, Milton Glazer – Be blessed!
Christine Glick
~Husband, Hal Glick – I miss you, Babe!
~Hal's mom, Miriam Rubin – In memory of a
wonderful lady!
Donald & Janice Hamburg
~Donald's father, Theodore Hamburg
~Janice's father, Max Schaerf
~Donald's aunt, Sylvia Barth
Rosalie Harris
~Husband, David Harris
~Daughter, Jodie Thomas
Fred & Andrea Kahn
~Fred's mother, Shirley Kahn
Malcolm & Karen Karl
~Malcolm's sister, Marcia Israelov
Bill & Jane Lafferman
~Bill's mother, Lillian Lafferman
Bruce & Cyndi Leiner
~Cyndi's mother, Shirley Hankin
Sy & Marion Longberg
~Friend, Toni Jaffee – Think of you always.
~Marion's husband, Walter Klein
David & Mady Segal
~Mady's mother, Bella Wechsler
~David's grandfather, David Gold
Stu & Pam Smolins
~Stu's brother, Ron Smolins
~Pam's father, Augie Fiore
~Stu's father, Larry Smolins

Contributions Continued

Janice Spieler

~Mother, Sybil Kerman – In loving memory of my mom

~Grandmother, Anna Tannenbaum – In loving memory of my “nanny”

Arthur & Sandra Torf

~Sandra’s mother, Florence Kleger

~Sandra’s father, William Kleger

Rabbi Susan & Richard Warshaw

~Rabbi Susan’s mother, Patsy Green

Rachel & Billy White

~Rachel’s grandmother, Fannie Klein – In memory of my Grandma Fan

~Rachel’s grandfather, Morris Lampel

~Rachel’s grandfather, David Klein

Joel & Patti Wiedermann

~In loving memory of our parents, Mary & Isadore Sall

~In loving memory of our parents, Meyer & Rose Wiedermann

Ed Wirkman

~In loving memory of my mother, Gertrude Wirkman

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Jon & Melissa Freedman –

Patty Mabis & Bard Goldstein –

Gary Bergman & Donna Redler –

Doreen Linehan –

2019/20 BENEFACTORS:

DIAMOND:

Leonard & Kari Berger

Jo Anne Glazer

Nadine Wieder

GOLD:

Jonathan & Terry Bell

Grayce Cohen

Michael & April Gershenfeld

Christine Glick

Lee & Jennifer Klepper

Jeff & Rina Thaler

SILVER:

Ellen Bridge

Dave & Cindy Fox

Fred & Andrea Kahn

Ronnye Levin

Joan & Syl Sobel

Janice Spieler

Bernard Sussman

John Willmuth

SPECIAL THANK YOU’S TO...

George Rosenstock for donating the new flickering light bulbs for the Menorah

NOTES OF THANKS RECEIVED:

Dear Member of Temple Bat Yan,

The Shepherd’s Crook at St. Paul’s by the Sea want to thank you so much for all the food that was collected for our food pantry. We have had a very busy summer season and the food that was given to us will go a long way toward restocking our shelves. And, our clients love when our shelves have some different items to choose from. Thank you for your ongoing support and help feeding the hungry of Ocean City!

The Staff of Shepherd’s Crook

Dear Temple Bat Yam,

Thank you for supporting the mission of JFS (Jewish Family Services) with your incredibly successful High Holiday Food Drive! With your generous support for the most vulnerable in our community, JFS is able to help families and individuals throughout Delaware to face their obstacles, develop their own strengths, and improve their lives.

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In JFS’s 120th year of service, your support helps us remain strong and dedicated to helping those in need for generations to come in the true spirit of Tzedakah!

Thank you all so very much for this amazing

Thanks continued

By stocking the JFS Food Pantry, you ensure that families experiencing trauma, grief or addiction receive the mental health counseling needed for their recovery. You help older adults live safely and independently in the place they call home. You make it possible for young people to develop the skills they'll need in the workplace.

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Thank you all so very much for this amazing gift to our clients.

Warmly, Basha Silverman, CEO

LETTERS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO A SOLDIER LETTER:

From the family of Maj. Trevor Philip Joseph:

Dear Congregation of Temple Bat Yam,

We want to send you our sincere thanks for remembering Trevor during your Sabbath prayers. He saved 100 souls by his brave and unselfish service the night he died. Thank you for honoring him with such respect & prayers.

*With much gratitude,
The Joseph Family
(God Bless America and our Troops)*

Remembering Our Loved Ones

January 2020 Yahrzeits

Albert Schwab	Father of Paul Schwab
David Gold	Grandfather of David Segal
Richard S. Brodsky	Son of Allen Brodsky
Samuel Fromme	Father of Myra Novick
Stanley Guttman	Uncle of Rabbi Mills
Marcia Irraelov	Sister of Malcolm Karl
Cornelius Kaplan	Father of Bob Kaplan
Richard Sternberger	Founding Rabbi of TBY
Arthur Thaler	Father of Jeff Thaler
Pat Green	Mother of Rabbi Susan Warshaw
Milton Glazer	Father-in-law of Jo Anne Glazer
Lillian Rubinfeld	Aunt of Susan Antigone
Michael Guerrieri	Father of Marilyn Levinson
Joseph Sind	Grandfather of Karen Abrams
Helene Morris	Mother of Raymond Morris
Anne Goldberg	Aunt of Arna Miller
Sybil Kerman	Mother of Janice Spieler
Amelia Krieger	Aunt of Jo Anne Glazer
Meyer Wiedermann	Father of Joel Wiedermann
Jodie Thomas	Daughter of Rosalie Harris
Rose Pack	Mother of Larry Pack
Pearl Winkler	Mother of Steve Winkler
Herman Eagle	Father-in-law of Carole Eagle
Larry Smolins	Father of Stu Smolins
Ruth Harris	Mother of Fred Harris
Harry Rosenfeld	Uncle of Marcia Hirsch
Ruth Starr	Mother of Sylvia Burkom

February 2020 Yahrzeits

Irene Himelfarb	Mother of Ronnye Levin
Anna Tannenbaum	Grandmother of Janice Spieler
Harry Guttman	Uncle of Rabbi Mills
Rick McMullen	Son-in-law of Jan Sklar
Isadore Sall	Father of Patti Wiedermann
Gertrude Garshman	Mother of Arna Miller
Jules Fand	Grandfather of Robin Kudisch
Kurt Klein	Brother-in-law of Marion Longberg
Fred Miller	Father of Cheryl Taustin
Lauria Wiener	Mother of Joyce Cohen
Karen Wyatt	Daughter of Rosalie Harris
David Korman	Father of Hank Korman
Bernice Peck	Mother of Nancy Beigel
Rose Wiedermann	Mother of Joel Wiedermann
Rose Gottman	Grandmother of Rabbi Mills
Samuel Pelmont	Father of Hilda Plisko
Ruth Steinberg	Mother of Ivy Hecker
Samuel Goldberg	Husband of Patricia Goldberg
Howard E. Kahn	Brother of Stan Kahn
Jake Shmukler	Father of Rebecca Zweigbaum
Charles M. Glazer	Son of Jo Anne Glazer
Hans Rosenfeld	Father of Warren Rosenfeld
Elizabeth Hershman	Mother of Barbara Southwell
Ann Bright	Sister of Rachel White
Beatrice Karl	Mother of Malcolm Karl
Irwin "Sonny" Pack	Cousin of Larry Pack
Morris Cisenfeld	Father of Harriet Schneider

Remembering Our Loved Ones

February 2020 Yahrzeits Continued

Arnold Green	Father of Ellen Krawczak	Margaret Dunn	Mother of Kathy Sussman
Joseph Laser	Father of Anita Winkler	Hyman Fox	Father of David Fox
Harriet Cohen	Mother of Steve Cohen	Pearl Goldfarb	Sister-in-law of Carole Eagle
B. Lewis Garshman	Father of Arna Miller	Madelyn Siegel	Cousin of Rabbi Mills
Gertrude Kessler	Mother of Bernie Kessler	Bessie Eanet	Grandmother of Bruce Eanet
Rae Brodsky Laviates	Sister of Allen Brodsky	Frances Meyerhoff	Mother of Joan Kessler
Richard Albert Wolf	Brother of Veronica Kahn	Melvin J. Abrams	Father of Sandy Abrams
Aaron Cohen	Husband of Grayce Cohen	Jerome Gottman	Father of Rabbi Mills
Morris Lafferman	Father of Bill Lafferman	'Ella Harris	Mother-in-law of Rosalie Harris
Benjamin Westervelt	Father of Bette Bohlmann	Sarah Schachter Solomon	Mother-in-law of Carol Schachter
Jonathan Klein	Son of Marion Longberg	Roslyn Gnatt	Mother of Andrea Kahn
Harry Taustin	Father of Jay Taustin	Leon I. Kahn	Father of Stan Kahn
Kathy Willmuth	Daughter of John Willmuth	Simon Kessler	Father of Bernie Kessler
Ida L. Wolf	Mother of Veronica Kahn	Charlotte Klein	Aunt of Rachel White
Gabriel Bush	Father of Lew Bush	Marie-Claude Goldstein	Wife of Lewis Goldstein
Benjamin Cohen	Brother-in-law of Grayce Cohen	Barry Snyder	Brother of Rochelle Cohen
Aaron Simon Kanthal	Son of Roberta Bass	Sophie Spieler Feldman	Mother-in-law of Janice Spieler
Barry Sklar	Husband of Jan Sklar	Ruth Schwab	Mother of Paul Schwab
Sonya Bass	Mother of Roberta Bass	Celia Glazer	Mother-in-law of Jo Anne Glazer
Ruth Beck	Mother of Cindy Fox	Larry Shapiro	Brother of Fran Korman
Joyce Winer	Sister of Arleen Pace	Helen K. Stefanadis	Friend of Sy Longberg
Pearl Brill	Mother of Hilda Plisko	Jerome Kaufman	Father of Nancy Benjamin
Bessie Smolins	Mother of Stu Smolins	Samuel Levin	Father of Phyllis Brodsky
Mickey Gonen	Husband of Lynda Gonen	Bernard Katz	Father of Joane Wolpin
George Boykoff	Father of Bonnie Kaplan & Gail Zinar	Robert Papetti	Brother-in-law of Christine Glick
Ella Warshaw	Mother of Richard Warshaw	Herman Wiener	Father of Joyce Cohen
Irving Warshaw	Father of Richard Warshaw	Michael Glick	Brother-in-law of Christine Glick
Paul Warshaw	Brother of Richard Warshaw	Ella Gusst	Mother of Barry Gusst
Renee Katz	Aunt of Rabbi Mills	Milton Schwartzbart	Father of Stan Schwartzbart

March 2020 Yahrzeits

Celia Cohen	Mother-in-law of Grayce Cohen	Fay Shapiro	Mother of Fran Korman
Jacob Schachter	Father-in-law of Carol Schachter	Raymond Resnick	Husband of Debbie Resnick
Jesse Paul Frankfort	Father of Barbara Patrick	Helen Laser	Mother of Anita Winkler
Peggy Goldstein	Mother of Lewis Goldstein	Catherine Crosten	Mother of Elaine Freedman
Fay Kaplan	Mother of Bob Kaplan	Mary Presto DiIanni	Mother of Patti Selig
Joyce Klein	Mother of Rachel White	Cynthia Eisen	Mother of Sivan Perdue
Bella Chaikin	Aunt of Jodi Sabo	Harry Hershman	Father of Barbara Southwell
Howard M. Harris	Father of Fred Harris	Gloria Nestler	Mother-in-law of Lynda Gonen
Evelyn Kallish	Cousin of Susan Antigone	Jack Berger	Father of Leonard Berger
Dorothy Westervelt	Mother of Bette Bohlmann	Morton Goldstein	Father of Lewis Goldstein
Meyer "Mike" Segall	Father of Eileen Frye & Leslie Segall	Leon Bartz	Father of Marsha Rosenstock
		Raymond Sheiman	Father of Beth Woodell
		Ronald S. Bridge	Husband of Ellen Fishler Bridge



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A number of our congregants have joined the program since our first announcement.

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