



Reflections from the Rabbi

By Rabbi Estelle Mills

In an instant life can change, in a way that one never imagined - leaving such incredible pain and a void that I hope those of you who have not experienced such heartache don't ever have to endure. Such tragedies can happen just like that. No warning and even worse, no pause, rewind, or stop button. Due to the coronavirus, there has been an increase in the number of such heartbreaking stories recently. For the families of those who lost loved ones suddenly and unexpectedly, life certainly changes in an instant.

Tragedy is not new; unfortunately, it has always been a part of life. The Book of Ruth read on the



upcoming holiday of Shavuot is usually remembered as a story of loyalty and love. But that loyalty stems from a tragedy; poor Ruth loses her husband without warning and then just as suddenly both her sons die young and without

children. It is only natural that Naomi, the widow of one of Ruth's sons, should cleave to Ruth. They both understand one another, both have suffered the tragic loss of their loved one, and both are struggling to cope with the pain of a tragedy that has forever changed their lives. They are bound by their shared sorrow and grief.

For me, the expression "A Bolt out of the Blue," conveys the shock that convulses through one's body at the instant one learns of a tragedy. This phrase literally refers to a bolt of lightning striking out of an absolutely clear blue sky. Every year, 25 million

bolts of lightning strike the ground, and lightning kills an average of 55 people in the United States each year quite often striking out of a beautiful, clear, blue sky. Although it is occurring more frequently at the present time, there have always been those for whom life changes in an instant. We don't need to cite the all too many examples of tragedies to realize that no matter how much technology we develop or how much money we make, ultimately none of us can alter that moment when in an instant, your life completely changes, just like that - no warning and no rewind, pause, or stop button.

Personally, I continue to struggle every day with the juxtaposition of a loving God and the pain that is part of the world God created. Yet I have also seen and been the recipient of the outpouring of compassion, love, and support that individuals and an entire community can provide to one another in the aftermath of a tragedy. Strength to face our fears, endure our pain, and overcome loneliness such as what many of us are feeling as we shelter at home comes from comforting and supporting one another. The ability to continue on despite whatever life confronts us with can also come from our faith in Judaism and in God.

So, to return to the story we read on Shavuot in the Book of Ruth. Each year, we recall Ruth and Naomi's loyalty to one another and their success while seeming to overlook the tragedy that befell them prior to the end of the story. These strong women had the strength to move on despite their grief and provided each other with support. When we face difficulties such as what our country and world is currently enduring, these events also have the potential to bring us closer than ever before, to remind us that we are one human family, and that we must support and have compassion for one another.

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As we count the days from Passover to Shavuot, the traditional counting of the Omer that culminates in the celebration of the giving of the Torah, let us each remember that God brought our ancestors out of the bitterness of slavery to become the tight-knit community that together was able to endure forty years of wandering in the desert. It was that community which received the gift of Torah, a gift that has sustained our people through many wonderful years and also many trying times. Let us also remember that, even in the midst of the haze of sorrow or fear, if life can change in an instant for the worse, it can also change in an instant for the good. Human nature often sees the curse so much clearer than the blessing. Much of the good in our lives and our world is taken for granted. Tragedy, or even the change in one's routine such as we are presently experiencing, often makes one rethink our priorities. The first step is just recognizing that each day is deserving of our gratitude. Therefore, let us remember to look for reasons to be grateful: for even as she mourned her husband and sons, Ruth was grateful for Naomi's continued presence and loyalty.

My prayer is that from this virus some good will come. And yet I know that life may never be the same. We must all recognize that no matter how hard we try to control things or hold onto them, we can't halt change, prevent tragedy, or turn back time.

There are definitely some changes we can control, such as the spread of this virus by wearing masks and remaining in our homes, but there are also many other unknowns that no matter what we do and how many precautions we take, we cannot prevent. Life can and does change in an instant. A Bolt out of the Blue is defined by the dictionary as something that you do not expect to happen which surprises you, something that happens suddenly and without warning. None of us knows when or why we or our loved ones will be hit by an allegorical bolt out of the blue. So, let us remember to appreciate each day, and every blessing in our lives. Let us pray that we each have the ability to cope with our bolts out of the blue with the grace, strength, determination, and the steadfast faith of Ruth and Naomi. I pray that God sends healing to all those who have lost friends or family members to this virus, to those who are combating the virus, and to each of us who have been forced to confront the fact that we live in a scary and uncertain world. May God bless us, our families, our people and the people of this world with understanding, wisdom, faith, and the strength to always be grateful for the blessings in our lives! May the memory of the many thousands who died in recent weeks be remembered for a blessing and may each of the victim's years of living a life of goodness bring their loved one some small measure of comfort. Amen.

President's Report:

By Karen Abrams, President

As everyone is aware, our country and the world have been affected by the Corona Virus since February. And as it moved into the U.S. we have adjusted to many changes. Temple Bat Yam is definitely not alone. We have joined our fellow synagogues and churches in having Shabbat services on line with Zoom. We don't meet in the Temple at this time. All our classes are on line. On Friday night, Rabbi Mills and Phyllis Alpern bring the congregation together to pray. The world has become different. Some of us wake up in the morning and think of the movie "Groundhog Day". We do the same things, watch the news, binge on shows, take walks, wash our hands, converse on our cell phones, play mahjong on line and have learned to social distance ourselves with friends and family. We are more considerate and caring. We have changed our daily routines. I could continue, but we all know what is going on.

What we need to know is that Temple Bat Yam is still our place of worship. We may not be having live classes during the week, lunch and learns once a month, services and Sunday school, but we are still in communication and learning through modern technology. There is no Oneg on Friday Night, so no worries about who will be responsible. There are no services, so no greeters. But, when this is over, I will need everyone to step up and take responsibility to welcome back our families and friends.

Before the Corona Virus affected the Eastern Shore, the Friday Night early services were complete, the men's club was playing poker, Rabbi Mills started her once a month Shabbat morning service and Torah study and began her Rabbi, Minister and Priest program at the Ocean Pines Library.

In March, Joan and Bernie Kessler organized their famous Pot Luck Purim dinner, with the help of Matt Klepper and other members, followed by a Purim service which included many of our Religious School Students. After the service there was a performance by a group of exceptionally talented members to

portray the story of Purim. On Sunday morning, March 8, the Religious School made Hamantaschen with Tiffany Nichols. Thank you.

At this time, Temple Bat Yam is following the orders of the Governor of Maryland. The building is closed. We have all our events on line and do the best we can.

The Rabbi and the Caring committee are vigilantly keeping in touch with anyone that is not well. We had our Community Seder, this year on April 9, 2020, on Zoom. For those that took advantage of the Seder in the Box from Rosenfelds Deli, it was executed and delivered by Karen and Sandy Abrams and Beth Woodell. We covered Ocean City, Berlin, Ocean Pines, Salisbury, Ocean View, Selbyville and Millsboro. The food was delicious!

The Ritual Committee is in the midst of planning the High Holy Days.

We have a nominating committee, chaired by Bette Bohlmann, working hard to fill our soon to be vacant seats on the Board.

Temple Bat Yam received a \$41,000.00 security grant and some of the work has begun. Sandy Abrams and Candy Gusst have been working with contractors to make the building more secure. Thank you so much for your hard work.

Joe Tomarelli has been in the building making sure the building is safe from germs and sanitized, while Peggy Tomarelli is making sure that all the mail and correspondence is answered and the temple is running like clockwork.

We are all keeping things together to make sure that when we do come back to our beloved Temple, it will be safe, secure and sanitized.

As always, no matter how busy our members are with their life, they always seem to step up to the plate to help make things happen.

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As we look ahead, we hope to be able to have a Virtual Mitzvah Day in May, our Annual Congregation meeting on June 7, either it be live or virtual, and our Annual Beach Shabbat Service on August 7. We have already scheduled a date to host the Chamber Music by the Sea, August 19, 2020.

As we move into the summer season and hopefully things can return to somewhat normal, we look forward to the different events that Sisterhood, Mens Club and the Rabbi are planning to engage our members and guests.

I would like to thank everyone for all you do to make our temple run. Without the volunteers to be on a

committee or to Chair a committee, those that work behind the scenes, and members that do a Mitzvah every day we would just be a building in the middle of a field without a purpose.

Not to leave anyone out, every Committee member and Board member is a volunteer. Please engage, volunteer and have fun! Temple Bat Yam ALWAYS needs your help.

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

Respectfully,

Karen Abrams, President of Temple Bat Yam

Rabbi Mills Speaking at the Discussion of Israel: Past Present & Future at the Ocean Pines Library.



Temple Bat Yam is collecting

FOOD FOR KIDS IN NEED

**DROP OFF IN BIN OUTSIDE OF TEMPLE OR
AT THE OCEAN CITY^K CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

WHAT IS NEEDED

**HEALTHY FOOD FOR MEALS
SNACKS, TOILETRIES
ACTIVITY BOOKS AND SMALL GAMES**

Safety & Security Committee

Building Security Upgrades

Last month, Temple Bat Yam received approval of our proposed security upgrade grant issued by the State of Maryland. The amount of the grant was \$40,850.00. This money will be used to shore up the physical strength of the building against any intruder.

The upgrades include: trimming back all of the bushes outside the building, cutting them lower to the ground and 3 feet away from any wall. This will allow us to see anyone approaching the building from all sides.

We now have concrete filled steel bollards (poles) in place, similar to those protecting banks, schools, etc. These prevent anyone from attempting to crash our doors with a vehicle.

All of the building windows will be laminated with a 3M film that resists shattering. No one will be able to break into the building through any windows. This install is taking place within the next few weeks.

Our front entrance doors will be replaced with metal ones fitted with a new, magnetically controlled access system. This will eliminate the need for physical door “keys”. These will be stronger and more resistant to outside force.

Our current closed circuit 4 camera system will be upgraded to a high resolution 9 camera system, with video storage on the cloud. This remarkable new system will also be installed within the next 2 weeks.

Finally, due to this grant, the services of security guard George Truitt and his associates will be retroactively paid for from July 1, 2019 until March 30, 2020; a savings of more than \$5,000.00.

This grant is just one thing we will be employing to secure the building for the safety of our members since building security is an ongoing problem. We have filed for another grant to upgrade our outside building lighting.

Guide to Participating in a Zoom Meeting—Desktop and Laptop Users

The screenshot shows the Zoom desktop application interface. Callouts point to the following controls:

- Click this arrow and then click Close to hide this panel. (Points to the 'Speaker View' button in the top right corner.)
- Switches between visible and hidden. (Points to the 'Mute' button in the bottom left toolbar.)
- Click this button to start a private chat, or respond to someone messaging you. (Points to the 'Chat' button in the bottom toolbar.)
- Click this button to leave the meeting. (Points to the 'End Meeting' button in the bottom right corner.)
- Switches between muted and unmuted. (Points to the 'Mute' button in the bottom left toolbar.)
- Click this button to see who's on the call. (Points to the 'Participants' button in the bottom toolbar.)
- Click this button to share what's on your screen with everyone. Please do this only if the host asks you to. (Points to the 'Share Screen' button in the bottom toolbar.)

If You're Using a Keyboard...
Use these shortcuts for common Zoom commands.

- Alt A** mutes or unmutes you.
- Alt V** shows you to or hides you from others.
- Alt S** shares your screen with others. Usually, only the Rabbi will be sharing screen during Shabbat and other services.
- Alt F** fills your whole screen with the display.
- Alt Q** allows you to leave the meeting. You can always get back in as long as the meeting is still running.

Other Tips and Tricks

- A red slash through the Mute or Video button means we can't hear or see you.
- If the toolbar hides itself, move the mouse over the bottom edge of the screen to bring it back.
- A blinking orange Chat button means someone is trying to message you privately. Please use this sparingly, if at all, during services.

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Please see the other side of this job aid for mobile device commands.

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 us or Rabbi Mills if you know of a need within our temple community.

Florence Kasden and Janice Spieler

TEMPLE BAT YAM ANNUAL 50 / 50 RAFFLE



The winner of this year's Annual 50/50 Raffle is one of our own!

Joan & Bernie Kessler were the lucky winners!!

When reached by phone to tell them the good news, they responded that "it was the best news they've received all day!"

The Temple netted over \$4,000.00 from the 50/50 Raffle.

Thanks to all who participated by purchasing raffle tickets!

Congratulations to Joan & Bernie!!

And thank you for sharing some of your winnings with Temple Bat Yam!

Learning Opportunities from the Rabbi

This time in our Jewish year is filled with many observances and holy days beginning with Yom HaShoah. Although this year we must celebrate them virtually, please see below a list of links to learning opportunities.

Tuesday, April 21st, was Yom Hashoah, Holocaust Memorial Day which Temple Bat Yam will be observing on Friday, April 24th with the Sidney Eagle Memorial Men's Club Holocaust Remembrance Service at 7:30 pm. It will be preceded by Torah study at 6:15 pm.

The following Tuesday, April 28th, is Yom Hazikaron, Israeli Memorial Day which is followed the next day, Wednesday, April 29th, by Israeli Independence Day.

We are also in the midst of counting the 50 days from Passover to Shavout.

I am also including links to prayers and articles related specifically to the coronavirus and our current situation as well as some general interesting links including Jewish movies, books, and television shows you can explore while sheltering at home.

I hope that you will find this list of links helpful, informative, and enjoyable. Please stay safe!

Warmly,

Rabbi Estelle Mills

Online Learning

B'Shevtcha B'vaytcha - As You Sit in Your House

As we sit in our homes, if you are looking for something to do, please use these online resources for learning more about your Judaism!

Weekly Torah Portion

For the week of April 19-25, *Parshat HaShavua* (the weekly Torah portion) is *Tazria-M'tzora*, Leviticus 12:1 - 15:33. For a summary of the portion, please click this link:

<https://reformjudaism.org/learning/torah-study/tazria-m%E2%80%99tzora>

Yom HaShoah:

[To learn about Yom HaShoah \(Holocaust Remembrance Day\).](https://reformjudaism.org/jewish-holidays/yom-hashoh)

<https://reformjudaism.org/jewish-holidays/yom-hashoh>

[For the Religious Action Center's Advocacy Resources for Anti-Semitism and the Holocaust.](https://rac.org/anti-semitism-and-holocaust)

<https://rac.org/anti-semitism-and-holocaust>

[For the Center of Holocaust and Humanity.](https://www.holocaustandhumanity.org/)

<https://www.holocaustandhumanity.org/>

[For the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum and its resources](https://www.ushmm.org/)

<https://www.ushmm.org/>

[For Yad VaShem \(Israel's Shoah Memorial Museum\) and its resources, click here.](#) Their theme for this year's Yom HaShoah memorial is Rescue by Jews during the Holocaust: Solidarity in a Disintegrating World.

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<https://www.yadvashem.org/yv/en/remembrance/2020/index.asp>

[For a video about Yom HaShoah and clips by some Shoah survivors.](#)

<https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/yom-hashoh-holocaust-memorial-day/>

[For a video from PBS last year about Yom HaShoah.](#) They discuss the question, "What is the message of yesterday for today?"

<https://www.pbsorg/video/yom-hashoh-0sxcwj/>

[For a video of the sirens going off in Israel to remember Yom HaShoah and those lives lost in the Shoah.](#)

<https://www.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/sotj14.socst.world.yomhashoa/yom/#.XpK3nKeZPUo>

[To review the artwork by Holocaust survivor Samuel Bak.](#) ***Illuminations: The Art of Samuel Bak*** features 28 original works by world-renowned artist and Holocaust survivor Samuel Bak. The artist and his wife, Josée, together with Sue and Bernie Pucker, donated the paintings for exhibition at the Brookline, Massachusetts headquarters of Facing History and Ourselves. In addition, this collection is intended to be shared across North America as part of an important new educational resource for their work with educators and students.

<https://www.facinghistory.org/illuminations-art-samuel-bak>

The Museum of Jewish Heritage in NYC has a new exhibit about Auschwitz.

[To learn more about Auschwitz. Not long ago. Not far away.](#)

<https://mjhnyc.org/discover-the-exhibition/about-the-exhibition/>

[For a podcast on Yom HaShoah and resiliency.](#)

<https://open.spotify.com/episode/0YkXBL0SaSVdwXJocdYFtF?si=7sNiaMS1TwOPYNcjWR1WnA>

[Using art as memory on Yom Ha'Shoah](#)

<https://www.theicenter.org/resource/using-art-memory-yom-hashoh>

[For a video listing 10 recommended movies about the Holocaust](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jobufl3C5aE>

Yom HaZikaron/ Yom Ha'Atzmaut:

[To learn about Yom HaZikaron \(Israel's Memorial Day\) and Yom Ha'atzmaut \(Israel's Independence Day\).](#)

<https://reformjudaism.org/jewish-holidays/yom-hazikaron-yom-haatzmaut>

[Donniel Hartman's "From Yom HaShoah to Yom Ha'atzmaut, the New High Holidays of Israel."](#)

https://hartman.org.il/Blogs_View.asp?Article_Id=113&Cat_Id=273&Cat_Type=Blogs

How do we connect with Yom HaZikaron if we do not personally know Israeli soldiers who have died or victims in Israel of terrorism? This article with videos suggests one way.

<https://blogs.timesofisrael.com/can-we-experience-a-meaningful-yom-hazikaron-thousands-of-miles-from-israel/>

[For a video of the siren in Israel for Yom HaZikaron.](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z0G1mVdDms0>

[BimBam's video about Yom Ha'atzmaut, how it is celebrated in Israel and around the world.](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OqXg5e1sg5s>

[Video of the Declaration of Independence of the State of Israel.](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ZDSBF5xtoo>

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For an exploration of Israeli Yom Ha'atzmaut posters,

<https://www.theicenter.org/resource/poster-ales-yom-haatzmau>

To learn about Israeli recipes, music, written art, visual art, and more,

[https://www.ceebj.org/learn/online-learning?](https://www.ceebj.org/learn/online-learning?fbclid=IwAR2NY620xS_B50YsrGq68ljxH7bLPpIk5Q1WusOc0BR7oKk3BiqqPp9mduo#israel)

[fbclid=IwAR2NY620xS_B50YsrGq68ljxH7bLPpIk5Q1WusOc0BR7oKk3BiqqPp9mduo#israel](https://www.ceebj.org/learn/online-learning?fbclid=IwAR2NY620xS_B50YsrGq68ljxH7bLPpIk5Q1WusOc0BR7oKk3BiqqPp9mduo#israel)

Think you know Israel?

68 Facts You Probably Didn't Know About Israel.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i3wmT2wH690>

For Israeli recipes.

Keep clicking load more if at first you don't find the recipe you want, like the one for hummus or shakshuka.

<https://reformjudaism.org/israeli-cuisine>

For the Fountainhead's video entitled "Hope", click here.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HsE1cAKM4Yc&feature=youtu.be>

For a collection on Spotify of seven decades of Israeli music.

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/6ihO2Dm9WfKyvoSsUODMit?si=GOMGvLm1Si-F7xUff6Wagw>

Jerusalem Post lists the top 10 Israeli movies of the last decade.

<https://www.jpost.com/j-spot/top-10-israeli-movies-of-the-decade-and-the-10-best-movies-of-2019-6>

21 Iconic Israeli Movies

<https://www.israel21c.org/21-iconic-israeli-movies-that-you-must-watch/>

10 Israeli artists

<https://www.israel21c.org/10-talented-israeli-artists-making-their-mark-on-the-worlds-canvas/>

Counting the Omer:

Introduction to Counting the Omer

<https://www.ritualwell.org/ritual/introduction-counting-omer>

For a video introducing the counting of the Omer, click here.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gIKn66S26n0>

Five Steps to Counting the Omer

<https://www.ritualwell.org/ritual/five-steps-counting-omer>

A mindfulness practice for each day of the counting of the Omer.

<https://www.ritualwell.org/ritual/counting-omer-mindfulness-practice>

Jewish Wisdom in Times of Crisis:

We've Been Here Before: Spiritual Wisdom for Enduring Coronavirus: Perhaps the Book of Numbers can provide insight into the current crisis.

<https://reformjudaism.org/blog/2020/03/15/weve-been-here-spiritual-wisdom-enduring-coronavirus>

The Holiness of Handwashing

<https://reformjudaism.org/blog/2020/03/13/holiness-handwashing-lessons-ancient-jewish-wisdom-and-instagram-celebs>

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[Jewish views on health, wellness, and aging.](https://reformjudaism.org/jewish-life/health-wellness/what-does-jewish-tradition-say-about-health-wellness-and-aging)

<https://reformjudaism.org/jewish-life/health-wellness/what-does-jewish-tradition-say-about-health-wellness-and-aging>

[Spotify Playlist of Jewish Songs of Hope and Healing](https://open.spotify.com/playlist/1ATZmwrWHgBbhsUxzVzYpn?si=3kvQFmIVQ9e9DuYO6d5Rtw)

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/1ATZmwrWHgBbhsUxzVzYpn?si=3kvQFmIVQ9e9DuYO6d5Rtw>

Arts and Culture:

[Jewish book reviews of over 150 books.](https://reformjudaism.org/site-search?f%5B0%5D=book%3Abook_review)

https://reformjudaism.org/site-search?f%5B0%5D=book%3Abook_review

[10 movies showcasing the best of American Jewish life.](https://reformjudaism.org/10-movies-showcasing-best-american-jewish-life)

<https://reformjudaism.org/10-movies-showcasing-best-american-jewish-life>

[Suggestions of Jewish tv shows to binge.](https://reformjudaism.org/jewish-life/arts-culture/14-great-jewish-tv-shows-binge-under-quarantine)

<https://reformjudaism.org/jewish-life/arts-culture/14-great-jewish-tv-shows-binge-under-quarantine>

2020 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER A ZOOM INTERFAITH SERVICE OF HEALING AND HOPE

MAY 7 | 5 PM

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Atlantic United Methodist Church

Church of the Holy Spirit

First Presbyterian Church of Ocean City

St. Pauls By-the Sea Episcopal Church

St. Peters Lutheran Church

Temple Bat Yam

Praying for medical professionals, first responders, civic leaders, businesses, schools, our neighbors & friends

**** PLEASE CALL ONE OF THE HOST CONGREGATIONS FOR MEETING ID LINK ****

Purim Play. Left to right: Reesa Beggs, Sandy Abrams, Joe Beggs, Arna Miller and Bette Bohlmann



Passover Place Setting for the Zoom Passover Seder



The Sidney Eagle Memorial Men's Club sponsored a special presentation by University of Salisbury students about their trip to Auschwitz and Budapest. Thank you to Dr. George Eisen and Dr. Maarten Pereboom



Religious school trip to the National Museum of American Jewish History



A Note From Your Newsletter Editor & Designer

Spring is now here and nature is blooming. Unfortunately we can't partake of everything spring has to offer since staying safe is a bigger priority. Many of the usual articles that appear in this newsletter are on hold until we can all go back to our usual activities. In the meantime, be well and don't forget social distancing!

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 in July. Anything you send will be held until that time.

Ellen B. and Barbara P.

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~In loving memory of Jonathan Freedman so that his son & other young people on the Eastern Shore may continue to have a Jewish education. He was a great co-worker and I will miss working with him.

Paul & Emily Schwab

~In memory of Jonathan Freedman

Stan & Susan Schwartzbart

~In memory of Jonathan Freedman

CARING COMMITTEE

Stan & Veronica Kahn

~In memory of Elaine Rabinowitz

Marv & Myra Novick

~With thanks and appreciation for the after-surgery support that Marv received from TBY

Barbara & Tom Southwell

~In memory of Bette Bohlmann's brother-in-law, Thomas Messemer

Joe & Peggy Tomarelli

~In honor of all the TBY "angels" who came to my aid with food, encouragement and well wishes during the recovery from my fall. We are truly blessed to have such wonderful friends at TBY!

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~Thank you for the Seder via Zoom!

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~Sending get well wishes to Marv Novick

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Susan Antigone

~Cousin, Evelyn Kallish

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~ Ron's father, Harry Auerbach

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~In loving memory of Roberta's mother, Sonya Bass

~Son, Aaron Simon Kanthal – My son, you are missed each and every day. Love always, Mom & Family

Bette Bohlmann

~Beloved father, Benjamin Westervelt

~Beloved mother, Dorothy Westervelt

Allen & Phyllis Brodsky

~Allen's sister, Rae Brodsky Lavietes – In memory of my beautiful big sister

~In memory of a loving father & father-in-law, Sam Levin

~in memory of Alan's wonderful Mom, Gertrude D. Silberman Brodsky

Sylvia Burkom

~In loving memory of her husband, Bernard Burkom
Lew Bush

~Father, Gabriel Bush

Steve & Shelley Cohen

~In loving memory of Steve's mother, Harriet Cohen

Bruce & Ellen Eanet

~Bruce's grandfather, Maurice Eanet

~Ellen's mother, Edna Krents

Dave & Cindy Fox

~Cindy's mother, Ruth Krugman Beck

Jo Anne Glazer

~Son, Charles Michal Glazer – I love and miss you so much

~Mother-in-law, Celia Glazer – Rest in Peace

~Husband, Philip Glazer – Love you and miss you so much!

Contributions continued

Christine Glick

~Mother, Sarah Ward – Miss you, Mom.

Patricia Goldberg

~Husband, Samuel Goldberg

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~Husband, Mickey Gonen

~Mother-in-law, Gloria Nestler

Fred & Andrea Kahn

~Andrea's mother, Roslyn Gnatt

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~In loving memory of Veronica's mother, Ida L. Wolf

~In loving memory of Veronica's brother, Richard Albert Wolf

~In loving memory of Stan's brother, Howard E. Kahn

~Stan's father, Leon I. Kahn – With our love

~In loving memory of Stan's brother, Myron Kahn

Malcolm & Karen Karl

~Malcolm's mother, Beatrice Karl

~Karen's father, Robert Saunders

Ken & Vivian Koroknay

~Ken's father, Alexander Koroknay

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~Beloved father, Arnold Green

Jeff & Robin Kudisch

~In loving memory of Jeff's father, Raymond Kudisch

Bill & Jane Lafferman

~In memory of Bill's beloved father, Morris Lafferman

Doreen Linehan

~Mother, Lillian Ross

Sy & Marion Longberg

~Marion's mother, Lee Shilan – Miss you so much!

~Sy's friend, Helen Stefanadis

~Marion's father-in-law, Max Klein

Tom & Lynn Neidenbach

~In memory of Lynn's mother, Frieda Kanthal'

Hilda Plisko

~Father, Samuel Pelmont

~Mother, Pearl Brill

Debbie Resnick

~In loving memory of her husband, Ray Resnick

Daniel & Jodi Sabo

~In loving memory of Jodi's uncle, Arthur Chaikin

~In loving memory of Jodi's aunt, Bella Chaikin

Carol Schachter

~In memory of her father-in-law, Jacob Schachter Paul & Emily Schwab

~In memory of Paul's mother, Ruth Schwab

~In memory of Emily's father, Arthur Goldstrom

~In memory of Emily's sister, Susan Plichta

Stan & Susan Schwartzbart

~In memory of our beloved father, Milton Schwartzbart

~In memory of our beloved mother, Adele Schwartzbart

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~Son-in-law, Richard Bard McMullin

~Husband, Barry Sklar

Stu & Pam Smolins

~Stu's mother, Bessie Smolins

~Stu's grandmother, Sarah Cohen

Barbara & Tom Southwell

~Barbara's mother, Elizabeth Hershman

~In memory of Barbara's father, Harry Hershman

Janice Spieler

~Mother-in-law, Sophie Spieler Feldman – In loving memory of "Momma"

~Grandfather, Edward Tannenbaum. In loving memory of my "Pamp"

~Father-in-law, Edward Spieler. In loving memory of "Granpa Eddie"

Jeff & Rina Thaler

~Jeff's father, Arthur Thaler

Rabbi Susan & Richard Warshaw

~In memory of Richard's father, Irving Warshaw

~In memory of Richard's mother, Ella Warshaw

~In memory of Richard's brother, Paul Warshaw

Rachel & Billy White

~In memory of Rachel's sister, Ann Bright, gone too soon

~In loving memory of Rachel's mom, Joyce Klein, who is missed every day

~In memory of Rachel's loving aunt, Charlotte Klein

~In memory of Rachel's Grandma Nettie (Nettie Lampel)

Rebecca & Peter Zweigbaum

~Rebecca's father, Jack Shmukler

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Lori McDonald, 31673 Bishop Drive, Cordova, MD 21625

ADDRESS/EMAIL ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER CHANGES:

Jan Sklar – 8539 Gate Pkwy West, Unit 1612, Jacksonville, FL 32216

Ray & Michele Morris – Sold their Ocean City home and have a new local address of:
27361 Shipwreck Drive, Selbyville, DE 19975

Jeff & Robin Kudisch – 1065 Bryn Mawr Avenue, Penn Valley, PA 19072

Stu & Pam Smolins – 9910 Shore Break Ln, Berlin, MD 21811

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DIAMOND:

Leonard & Kari Berger
Jo Anne Glazer
Nadine Wieder

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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

LETTERS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO A SOLDIER LETTER:

From the family of Antonio Gilberto Garcia:

Dear Temple Bat Yam,

Thank you so much for your lovely letter and indeed we are comforted to know that we are not alone. I ask with appreciation that you keep the soldiers who were with Antonio when he passed in your thoughts and hearts as well. I know that this has been so difficult for them, and I pray each day for them to find peace as well.

Love & Blessing to all of you, Roberto, Teresa, Alexia & Ana Garcia

From the family of Zaesean Rachwon Montreous Woodhouse:

From my family to the Temple Bat Yam congregation, we thank you. Thank you for your prayers and taking out the time to send a letter. It means so much to us.

Thank you, Tamica & Family

From the family of Master Sergeant Dustin Rupert:

Thank you for your beautiful letter in memory of our son, Dustin. It is a comfort to know that we are in your thoughts and prayers.

Thank you for thinking of us, Dean Rupert & Family

Remembering Our Loved Ones

April 2020 Yahrzeits

Edwin Schneider	Husband of Harriet Schneider
Lillian Cohen	Mother of Allyn Cohen
Lee Shilan	Mother of Marion Longberg
Bernard Burkom	Husband of Sylvia Burkom
Charles Gottheim	Grandfather of Robin Rabinowitz
Louis Shapiro	Father of Fran Korman
Philip Glazer	Husband of Jo Anne Glazer
Arthur Goldstrom	Father of Emily Schwab
Lillian Ross	Mother of Doreen Linehan
Albert Himelfarb	Father of Ronnye Levin
Myron Kahn	Brother of Stan Kahn
Jack Levinson	Father-in-law of Marilyn Levinson
Adele Schwartzbar	Mother of Stan Schwartzbart
Frances Cohen	Mother of Victor Cohen
Margaret Crosten	Sister of Elaine Freedman
Martin Firestone	Father of Phyllis Alpern
Benjamin Novick	Father of Marv Novick
Ethel H. Goodman	Mother of Bill Goodman
Yetta Levinson	Mother-in-law of Marilyn Levinson
Freda Kanthal	Mother of Lynn Neidenbach
Nettie Lampel	Grandmother of Rachel White
Edna Krents	Mother of Ellen Eanet
Samuel Taustin	Father of Jay Taustin
Gertrude D. Brodsky	Mother of Allen Brodsky
Hilda Wolpin	Mother of Ed Wolpin
Robert Courtland	Son-in-law of Stu & Pam Smolins
Sam Resnick	Husband of Debbie Resnick
Sarah E. Ward	Mother of Christine Glick
Raymond Kudisch	Father of Jeff Kudisch
Mike Sarig	Friend of Arleen Pace
Abe Silverman	Father of Allen Silverman
Harry Auerbach	Father of Ron Auerbach
Edward Tannenbaum	Grandfather of Janice Spieler
Maurice Eanet	Grandfather of Bruce Eanet
Lewis Peck	Father of Nancy Beimel
Susan Plichta	Sister of Emily Schwab
Evelyn Block	Sister-in-law of Sylvia Burkom
Neil Chaikin	Father of Jodi Sabo
Herman Jacobs	Father of Debbie Resnick
Max Klein	Father-in-law of Marion Longberg
Edward Spieler	Father-in-law of Janice Spieler
Lillian Cisenfeld	Mother of Harriet Schneider

Robert Saunders Father of Karen Karl

May 2020 Yahrzeits

Sidney Cohen	Father of Allyn Cohen
Isaac Sobel	Father of Syl Sobel
Sarah Cohen	Grandmother of Stu Smolins
Albert Schwartz	Grandfather of Bruce Eanet
Morton Cohen	Father of Judith Galuardi
Morris J. Wechsler	Father of Mady Segal
Aaron Weinstein	Father of Donna Redler
John Wyatt	Brother-in-law of Don Pace
Morris Goldstein	Father of Bard Goldstein
Michael Frankovich	Son of Jan Sklar
Maurice Goldstein	Grandfather of Lewis Goldstein
Sally Levin	Mother of Phyllis Brodsky
Max Moreno	Brother of Ioana Gudelsky
Sylvia Bartz	Mother of Marsha Rosenstock
Dorothy Feirman	Grandmother of Beth Woodell
Siegfried Kanthal	Father of Lynn Neidenbach
Julian Rosenstock	Father of George Rosenstock
Abraham Samuel Sind	Father of Karen Abrams
Jesse S. Goodman	Father of Bill Goodman
Jerome Kanthal	Brother of Lynn Neidenbach
Anna Lutzky-Davis	Grandmother of Carole Eagle
Harold Rabinowitz	Father of Robin Rabinowitz
Martin Shilan	Brother of Marion Longberg
Benjamin Starr	Father of Sylvia Burkom
Lewis Freedman	Father of Harry Freedman
Marlene Hecker	Mother of Larry Hecker
Albert Cohen	Father-in-law of Wendi Cohen
	Gertrude Rosenstock
	Grandmother of George Rosenstock
Sylvia Siegel	Aunt of Rabbi Mills
Clara Schaerf	Mother of Janice Hamburg
Isabelle Segal	Relative of Candy Gusst
Alvin Benjamin	Father of Andy Benjamin
Lou Gusst	Father of Barry Gusst
Albert Meyers	Father of Jodi Meyers

May 2020 Yahrzeits continued

Harry Rosenberg	Father of Marsha Howarth
Harold Smolins	Brother of Stu Smolins
Albert Bremy Snyder	Father of Rochelle Cohen
Samuel Jay Hankin	Grandfather of Cyndi Leiner
Rose Sind	Grandmother of Karen Abrams
Bertha Burkom	Mother-in-law of Sylvia Burkom
Janet Pace	Wife of Don Pace
Michael Goodman Benjamin	Brother of Andy Benjamin
Bruce Kassalow	Brother of Gerald Kassalow
Gertrude Sobel	Mother of Syl Sobel
Ruth Thaler	Mother of Jeff Thaler
Sidney Bass	Father of Roberta Bass
Patricia W. Dunn	Sister of Kathleen Sussman
Marshall Gusst	Brother of Barry Gusst

June 2020 Yahrzeits

Louise Pearson	Mother of Rick Pearson
Faye Guerrieri	Mother of Marilyn Levinson
Marvin Levinson	Husband of Marilyn Levinson
Jesse M. Klapholz	Brother of Arie Klapholz
Adele Moss	Aunt of Phyllis Alpern
Anita Levin	Mother of Ilene Silverman
Kenneth Fox	Father of Rina Thaler
Isaac Hecker	Father of Larry Hecker

Nathan Brodsky
Harold Pearson
Sharon Caden

Meir Flaisher
Doris Wyatt
Milton Albert
Gert Gershenfeld

Allen Dickson
Rose Getson
Morris Kurland
Carl Pace
Anne Berger
Donald Klein
Abner Gnatt
Ida Caplan
Samuel Davis
Sidney Davis
Robert Hankin
Samuel Kaplan
Robert Starr
Rose Gottheim

Harry Segal
Myron Eanet
Benjamin Strauss
Naomi Frankfort
Herbert Kaplan
Lillian Saunders

Father of Allen Brodsky
Father of Rick Pearson
Friend of Stan & Veronica Kahn
Husband of Roberta Bass
Sister of Don Pace
Father of Jane Lafferman
Grandmother of Mike Gershenfeld
Cousin of Victor Cohen
Mother of Florence Kasden
Grandfather of Victor Cohen
Father of Don Pace
Mother of Leonard Berger
Father of Rachel White
Father of Andrea Kahn
Mother of Marcia Hirsch
Grandfather of Carole Eagle
Father of Carole Eagle
Father of Cyndi Leiner
Father of Jo Anne Glazer
Brother of Sylvia Burkom
Grandmother of Robin Rabinowitz
Father of David Segal
Father of Bruce Eanet
Father of Bob Strauss
Mother of Barbara Patrick
Father of Nadine Wieder
Mother of Karen Karl



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