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# **The Beth El Buzz**

## **Volume 2 - 2023/2024**



### **Israel at War**

- Rabbi Jeff Clopper

I'm struggling. And I know I am not the only one.

For the past few weeks, I have been walking around in somewhat of a daze. Caught up in report after report on the war, I have, at times spiraled into dark places. I want to remain hopeful; the louder voices in my head keep telling me, "The People of Israel will live and carry on - *Am Yisrael Chai*." Yet, my heart, often at a breaking point, is not so sure about my head.

The descriptions and images readily available on social media are beyond belief. I made the conscious decision to avoid them to a great extent. I know the atrocities happened; I don't need to see them and have those lasting pictures in my mind. On the faces of journalists, non-Jewish friends, the family members who have lost loved ones, it is easy to see that this is very, very real. And deeply painful.

I feel for those who have lost so much:

- Residents of *Nahal Oz*, *Kibbutz Be'eri*, *Moshav Netiv Ha-asarah*, and many other Southern locations faced who the unthinkable. Those who survived are displaced throughout the country, dealing with the pain of October 7th, unsure of when, or even if, they might return home.
- People like guide Amit (z"l), who I met on a recent trip to Israel, or the hundreds of young people who set out to enjoy good music who will never return.
- Soldiers now called to arms, fighting for what seems like the very survival of the state of Israel. Many of them are kids, just 18 or 19, shouldering an immense responsibility... some giving their lives for it.
- Each and every Israeli, especially the children, who will carry the trauma of the vicious attack.
- The constant barrage of missiles fired on a daily basis and the thought of hundreds of hostages still languishing somewhere in Gaza.
- And innocent Palestinians in Gaza. I don't know what is in everyone's hearts, but I have to believe that there are those who feel trapped between the cruelty of Hamas and the mistrust with which the State of Israel views all who live there. To all the innocents caught up in the war, my heart is heavy for them as well.

As if all of that were not enough, the weariness is multiplied by the constant barrage of anti-Israel and anti-Semitic outbursts we are seeing all over the world. Even here in our own backyard, the rhetoric, anger-filled protests, and the threats being made against the Jewish community have raised our fear to unprecedented levels.

Even here in New York, it is easy to encounter the backlash, most especially on college campuses. I feel for all college students who are struggling to feel safe, let alone to find their way towards understanding the gravity of what is happening. The swirl of misinformation and competing narratives can make it so overwhelming.

All of this is a lot to take in. Sorting through our own feelings and wading through the overwhelming information seems like a luxury, one we cannot afford to indulge. We have always been a people associated with hope. So even now, with all that weighs us down, with the world falling apart around us, hope is what we need. **(continued on page 2)**



I have been asked what we might do to help. There are ways to donate and opportunities to assist those in financial, psychological, and/or emotional need; watch for emails from TBE on ways to help. In addition, I would ask two things:

1. **Be together:** We have always found strength in working together as a community. And even when we find ourselves in moments of disagreement, there is a comfort knowing that a roomful of people is struggling with the same challenges. (That has been the most amazing element of this war. Israel was completely divided before October 7th, yet they have set all of that aside and banded together.)
2. **Be kind:** The thought of being kind might seem cliché, but what we are fighting for is not just about a strip of land on the Mediterranean or a war against an enemy. There is value to be found in the history and the heritage which are ours. Judaism calls on us to be strong when necessary, yet also always to show compassion and kindness.

It is hard to know how long this war will continue; even after Israeli troops withdraw from Gaza the fighting will not end completely. There is much uncertainty ahead yet we should try and hold on to our hope - *Hatikvah*.

*Am Yisrael Chai* – the people in Israel and all of us, the people of Israel, WILL live. Hopefully, one day there will be peace and quiet and contentment. As it is written in the Book of Isaiah, “They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. And all shall sit under their vine and their fig tree and none shall make them afraid.” We pray that day will come soon, for us, for the Palestinians, and for ALL peoples. Hopefully, it will be in our lifetime.

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## Mazal Tov...

- To Lisa and Rob Fishman, on the birth of their granddaughter, Amelia Marin (Mia) Fishman, on September 29th, 2023.
- To Denise and Mark Tieman, on the birth of their grandson, Lavi, on October 5th, 2023.
- To Lisa and Ed Tricomi, on the birth of their grandsons, Moshe Yaakov & Yehuda Aryeh Leib, on October 13th, 2023.
- To Michael and Carol Dannenberg, on the marriage of their son, Matthew, to Sarah Litchman, on October 14th, 2023.
- To Michael Kresner and Jessica Yudin, who were married on October 15th, 2023.
- To Jacob Loeb, who became a Bar Mitzvah at Temple Beth El on Saturday, October 21st, 2023.
- To Becky Pashman, who became a Bat Mitzvah at Temple Beth El on Saturday, November 4th, 2023.
- To Fran and Charlie Silverfish, on their grandson, David Levenstein, becoming a Bar Mitzvah on October 28th, 2023.





I don't have the words. There are no words for the horrible terrorist attack that happened to our people in Israel on our holiday of *Simchat Torah*. I have been addicted to the news and all of it is awful and heart breaking. I have found myself "doom scrolling" on my phone for hours at night and flipping endlessly through the channels watching the 24-hour news cycle. But while it is important to be informed and to bear witness to all that is happening, it is also important to turn off the television and put down our phones to take care of ourselves. Here are a few ways I have found to seek comfort during these dark times.

- **Spend time with friends and family, including your pets:** Reconnecting with old friends and spending time with my family helped to bring me to the present moment and appreciate the people in my life. If you have one, spend some time with your adorable pet.
- **Spend time with your Jewish community:** It is at tough times like these that we need to be together. We are *Am Echad*, one people. Come to the temple for *Shabbat* or programming or host a *Shabbat* dinner at your house.
- **Give yourself permission to feel all the emotions:** We are feeling stress, anxiety, grief, worry, anger, fear and more. Give yourself time to process all of these emotions and grace to not be okay for a while. Take care of your mental health and talk to someone.
- **Take care of yourself:** Be good to yourself. Move your body. Take walks and get fresh air. Eat healthy, delicious food. Drink water. Try to get enough sleep, even if it is hard. Spend time meditating or taking a few deep breaths.
- **Take care of others/engage in activism:** Help Israel through donations, attending fundraising events to aid Israelis or rallies in support of Israel. Or closer to home, give back to our local community either through the temple's many social action programs or through other organizations. Focus on ways you can help and support others. Find purpose in lifting others up and being the light.

These are just a few ways to find comfort during this crisis. For more ideas see the Kveller article written by Lior Zaltzman "Being on Social Media Feels Awful Right Now. Here's What You Can Do Instead." And also keep in mind the words we say as we finish chanting each book of the *Torah*, "*Chazak, chazak, v'nitchazeik*". Be strong, be strong, and may we strengthen one another.

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# April 2024



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Sunday, January 7th at 2:00 p.m.

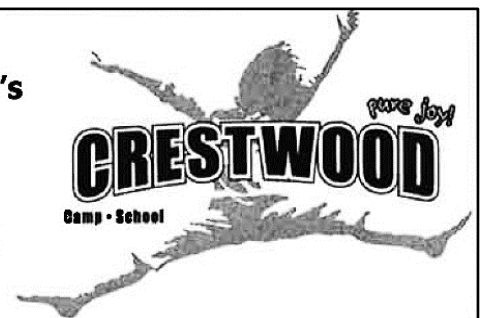
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## Condolences...

- To Sheldon Dietz and family, on the death of his wife, Adrienne Dietz, on September 1st, 2023.
- To Julie Nace and family, on the death of her father, Laurence Novick, on September 8th, 2023.
- To Irma Talbot and family, on the death of her cousin, Marilyn Finkel, on September 29th, 2023.
- To Matt Rubin and family, on the death of his grandmother, Ida Rubin, on September 29th, 2023.
- To Cora Brettler and family, on the death of her cousin, Eva Herz, on September 30th, 2023.
- To Seth Morris and family, on the death of his father, Saul Morris, on October 11th, 2023.
- To Jen Stabile and family, on the death of her mother, Iris Ringer, on October 23rd, 2023.
- To Rick Pitch and family, on the death of his brother, Robert Pitch, on October 28th, 2023.
- To Erich & Li Josenhans, on the death of their brother-in-law, Bob Specht, on November 3rd, 2023.



## Keeping Up With The Brotherhood

- Ian Weitz, President



The Temple Beth El Brotherhood are the guys who help around TBE. We are also the guys who listen to your stories and complaints and are genuinely interested. Come to a meeting and learn how you can be an active temple member. Come up with a plan for a project and/or a get-together and the Brotherhood will try to make it happen. Join a temple and your kids will be Jewish; participate and your grandkids will be Jewish.

Brotherhood's ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out) continues to meet in person at the temple once a month on a Monday from 12:00 to around 1:30 p.m. over lunch to enjoy the company of one another. Dates and times to be announced. Remember that socialization keeps the brain active!

In October, Brotherhood hosted the Men of Reform Judaism (MRJ) meeting, which is the umbrella group for Reform Jewish Brotherhoods. The guest speaker was our own Dr. Mike Dannenberg who discussed Men's Health. The presentation and the dinner were well received.

Brotherhood's Beautification Committee welcomes Barry Schwalb to the executive committee and thanks him for cleaning up the stone by the temple entrance and ensuring that most of the outside lighting is working.

Huge thanks to the members (and honorary members) of Brotherhood who helped out during the High Holy Days and *Sukkot*:  
**Ushers:** Art Mont, Mike Dannenberg, Scott Dinstell, Mitch Kittenplan, Mike Heiberger, Mike Widawsky, Jonathan Widawsky, Mark Goldman, Larry Silverman, Harley Kudler, Ian Weitz, Steve Karp and his daughter Sophie Karp

**Tech Team Members:** Even Schneider, Jason Gillet and Jacob Gillet

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**Sukkah Builders:** Evan Schneider, Mike Baez, Barry Zusman, Mike Widawsky, Shelly Dietz, Peter Wayne, Mitch Kittenplan, Mark Goldman, Neal Rotter, Bob Zucker, Art Mont, Mike Heiberger, Rob Seiler, Barry and Marcia Schwalb and Cora Brettler.

**Sukkah Take Down Crew:** Ian Weitz, Mike Widawsky, Art Mont, Howard Stern, Mitch Kittenplan, Bob Zucker, Scott Dinstell, and Mark Goldman

To get involved, please join the mailing list: email Mike Widawsky at [michaelwidawsky@yahoo.com](mailto:michaelwidawsky@yahoo.com).



# Shabbat In The Lot

On Friday, August 25th, we hosted our annual *Shabbat In The Lot*, which was a huge success due in large part to the efforts of Partnership Committee Chairs Fran Silverfish and Harlee Richmond and our Partnership Liaison, Lisa Tricomi, as well as all of the other volunteers who participated in running the event. While the weather didn't cooperate and we couldn't be outside, we were able to pivot and hold a successful and well-attended indoor event. A special thanks to Elana Goodridge for capturing the event with her fantastic photographs.





Every year, TBE's Sisterhood provides the opportunity for partners to reach out to the entire temple community, spanning the nation, to send *Rosh Hashanah* greetings. This year, approximately \$10,500 in greetings were purchased and 575 packages to recipients delivered. Many thanks to the capable team of Jen Freed, Beth Feinman, Fran Silverfish, Margaret Roche, Mimi Rosen, Beverly Wayne, Susan Goldman, Linda Mont, Paula Edelman, Vicki Wilson, Sandy Masnick, Liz Winokur and Janet Widawsky! What a wonderful way to begin *Rosh Hashanah*!

After the recent events in Israel, we hosted Kehillath Shalom Synagogue, Huntington Jewish Center and Chavurat Emet for a *Kabbalat Shabbat* Community gathering on Friday, October 13th. As a result, we had to ensure space for additional congregants and our Fall Rummage Sale had to be dismantled. With very limited time, we were able to donate a number of items to Tri-CYA, thereby assuring that some of our rummage sale goods were put to good use. None of this could have been accomplished without the extraordinary contributions of our wonderful custodians Jimmy, Harold and Darrell. Other volunteers who helped with setup and breakdown were Robin Zucker, Robin Faiguenbaum, Sherry Eckstein, Janet Widawsky, Rita Anilionis, Paula Edelman, Elana Goodridge and Fran Silverfish. A huge thank you to Elaine Eig, who never fails to provide expertise, enthusiasm and energy to this endeavor. We hope that we'll be able to help our local Huntington community with another Rummage Sale in the near future.

The Annual Sisterhood Membership brunch will take place on Sunday, December 3rd at the Crab Meadow Golf Club Restaurant. This fun event will feature a wonderful brunch with a mimosa bar, raffles, a beautiful view of the Long Island sound, and a fashion show from Francine's Fashion Boutique with temple members as our models. The cost is \$50 for members of TBE Sisterhood and \$55 for non-members. Save the date and watch the mail for your invitation to this special event! We cannot wait to see you!

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## From the Ritual Committee

- Li Josenhans, Chair

*Thank you to Rabbi Jeff, Cantor Alison and the Ritual Committee: Rita Anilionis, Phoebe Krane, Ilene Davis, Robin Grass, Mike Heiberger (VP), Mary Klein, Sarah Lichtenstein and Burt & Sandy Masnick for their input and coordination of our High Holy Days.*

*Sparkling thanks to Randee Epstein, Linda & Art Mont and Liz Winokur for tending to the silver.*

*Delicious thanks to Vadim at Bagel Master (Syosset) for our Yom Kippur breakfast, to Happy Farms (Huntington) for our fruitful-fruit and as always, and thanks to Evan at Zucker Bakers (Plainview) for baked goods at oneg.*

*To the best of the best: thank you to Lisa, Irma, Stephanie Kellerman (VP), Eric, Jimmy, Harold and Darrell for making the set up seamless.*

# Social Action News

## What Do Cooking, Knitting and Gift Wrapping Have in Common?

By Sarah Lichtenstein

It all started innocently enough. When my husband and I moved to the Huntington area and joined Temple Beth El in 2001, I reached out to the Ritual Committee (having been on the Ritual Committee of my former New York City temple). One thing led to another and I eventually found myself on the Board and later chairing the committee.

Beyond the "seriousness" of the Board, one activity in particular caught my eye: the Community Thanksgiving Dinner. I liked to cook and Thanksgiving is a favorite holiday. How meaningful would it be to provide a Thanksgiving experience for those in our community of limited means? I became part of the kitchen team. A number of years later when our kitchen leader moved away, I agreed to lead the kitchen crew and have been doing so ever since.

Having dipped my toes into the kitchen, I next asked about Project Hope (**H**elping **O**ther **P**eople **E**at) which I had been reading about so often. I learned that at the time, a team (starting to get the sense of a theme here?) of dedicated volunteers met once a month on a Friday in the TBE kitchen to do a preliminary food prep to feed approximately 125 people at the Moose Lodge in Greenlawn on Sunday. I reached out and became part of the back of the house - finishing the cooking and plating for our grateful neighbors. Now, we cook and package the dinners monthly in our updated kitchen at TBE and deliver them to approximately 30 seniors and 25 families.

Meanwhile, after a hiatus of many years, I had started knitting again when my first grandchild was born in 2015. So, I became intrigued to find out more about Knitzvah (whose clever name I always admired!). I discovered a group of crafters making projects (some joint and some individual) to donate to local recipients in need (interspersed with personal projects, too!). Meeting periodically at the temple, this group of congregants shares knitting tips and patterns and fosters nothing but camaraderie.

Birthday-in-a-Duffle, under the auspices of Birthday Wishes, more recently piqued my curiosity. A group of congregants meets monthly to wrap age-appropriate birthday gifts for children and teens, packed into a gift duffle along with birthday cake mix and frosting, candles and party supplies. These recipients, from five local school districts, mostly live in transient homes or motels which limit the opportunity to celebrate their birthdays. I was again warmly welcomed to join in the festive wrapping events despite being artistically challenged!

Although my husband and I moved "out East" three years ago, we remain committed partners at TBE - a community devoted to making a difference in people's lives; a place where doing what you love with other like-minded people can also be a *mitzvah*. How can you beat that?

## Please Consider Donating...

Our Birthday-In-A-Duffle program began in September and supports five local school districts (Harborfields, South Huntington, Commack, Wyandanch and Farmingdale). We can always use: cake mix, frosting, playing cards, Uno™ cards, body wash or deodorant for teens (boys and girls), and arts and crafts items. Please feel free to email Elisa McDonagh at [emcd612@gmail.com](mailto:emcd612@gmail.com) or Sue Seiler at [sseiler27@gmail.com](mailto:sseiler27@gmail.com) for more details on how to contribute or volunteer!

Scan the QR code to easily access the Amazon Wishlist for Birthday Wishes



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## On The Horizon...

**Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner and Boutique**  
**Sunday, November 19th**

*Volunteers are needed to help with setting up for the dinner and boutique, serving the meal, cleaning up after, etc.*

**H.I.H.I.**

**(Huntington Interfaith Homeless Initiative)**  
*Program begins on December 1st.*  
*The temple will be providing meals on Wednesdays.*

For more information or to volunteer, contact Carol at [cwerblin@hotmail.com](mailto:cwerblin@hotmail.com) or Sue at [sseiler27@gmail.com](mailto:sseiler27@gmail.com).

**Temple Beth El received a generous grant from the Townwide Fund of Huntington to help support the Birthday Wishes program!**



L to R: Debbie Knowles, Janice Whelan, Sue Seiler, Elisa McDonagh, Greg Kennedy and Alice Marie Rorke



### Food Pantry Tips

There have been a few posts going around on social media about how best to donate food. Every food pantry has different factors to consider. For our TBE pantry, the following guidelines are the most relevant. If you choose to donate elsewhere, you can always ask them ahead of time.

1. We always need cereal and instant oatmeal packets. Our community prefers it sweet, so bring flavored oatmeal or Honey Nut Cheerios, not plain.
2. Snacks, juice, juice boxes and condiments (especially mayo if you are donating tuna) are always enjoyed. No glass jars or bottles, please!
3. Everyone donates pasta sauce and dry pasta; also consider items like Chef Boyardee, Spaghetti-o's, etc.
4. Canned vegetables, tuna, and soup are fine; please think about adding a can opener. Pop-tops are preferable.
5. Oil is a luxury and needed for things like Rice-a-Roni, which is also plentiful.
6. Tea bags and instant coffee packets (not pods) are always good.
7. Rice and beans are in big demand for our communities.
8. Sugar and flour - especially tortilla flour - are welcome.
9. Dish soap for the sink (not the dishwasher) is always appreciated
10. All hygiene products are a luxury and greatly appreciated.



**"PRETTY, PRETTY GOOD!"**

**-Larry David**

### HELP WANTED

**We Need Help With Our Social Media!**



TBE is looking to raise our social media profile, including Facebook and Instagram. We are looking for a talented and dedicated temple partner to help us with this, so if you enjoy posting and collaboratively creating content, this volunteer position is just for you! You will work together with many temple partners to improve our visibility (and all of our various programs) both within and outside the community, helping to attract more volunteers and even new members. This is a great way to get more involved with TBE and the larger community. Questions? Interested? Email Lisa Tricomi at [tbepartners@tbeli.org](mailto:tbepartners@tbeli.org).

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### A Successful Food Drive!



*The Social Action Committee would like to thank everyone who donated to our High Holy Days Food Drive. You were so generous that after filling our own food pantries, we were able to donate to both the Tri-CYA and Island Harvest. Thank you again for helping to make a difference!*



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# 2023 President's Kol Nidre Speech

- Patti Kresner, President

I'm Patricia Kresner, Temple Beth El's new President for the next 2 years. I can't believe I'm really President! How did I get here? It all started years ago when I agreed to bring apple juice to a temple event. Then, one thing led to another. But I must give credit to my late brother-in-law Howard Schneider, whose gentle touch and encouragement steered me along the path to temple leadership. I also wish to extend my thanks and gratitude to our all our past Presidents on whose shoulders I stand. Most especially to our recent past President, Mitch (Golf Outing) Kittenplan, whose selfless commitment to the temple, along with his leadership and support, have been invaluable.

My theme today concerns relationships. In thinking about how best to introduce myself, I decided it would be simplest to go to a place that's all about relationships: the dating app J-Date. Here's a sample from my J-Date profile. I'm a divorced Huntington resident of a certain age. I enjoy cooking, traveling, and gardening. I've been a temple member for over 20 years. I think it's time to update my profile to include TBE President.

Typically, I use the High Holy Days to meditate on my relationships. And this year is no exception. But enough about me. Let's talk about you and our relationship. Specifically, Temple Beth El's relationship with you. As with any relationship, it takes both parties to make it work. It's the old story of getting out of it what you put in.

I'm reminded of a famous quote from JFK, "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." I'd like to switch it up to make it more relevant. I'd like to change the "Ask Not" to "Ask", as in "Ask what your temple can do for you."

Yes, the temple is here just waiting to be of service to you. Should you fall sick or need encouragement during a difficult time, our Caring Community is ready to drop by with a freshly baked *challah* and some homemade soup. Are you looking for a place to recharge, engage in some spiritual renewal? Join us at Friday night services. Maybe you'd like to give back to the community; our Social Action committee supports many worthwhile endeavors from feeding the hungry to providing toys in our Birthday Wishes program and so much more. In search of something more intellectual? There's Bible Diving with Rabbi Jeff on Saturday mornings and a whole host of Adult Education programs offered throughout the year. Do you like to sing or are you musical? There's our wonderful Adult Choir led by Cantor Alison and our upcoming Chutzpah Repertory Theatre production of *1776* to consider.

Let's not forget the need for social engagement; Sisterhood, Brotherhood, Chai Club all offer a multitude of programs throughout the year and a chance to meet some wonderful people. There's something happening every week, from ROMEO lunches to Mah Jongg, from book clubs to thought provoking programs. The temple even welcomes you to share your experience and expertise if you're so inclined.

Looking to pass on our wonderful Jewish traditions and Biblical teachings to your children, or maybe you have a *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* in the future? The temple's Religious School is second to none. We are so pleased to welcome our new Religious School Director Lauren Chizner who, with our teaching staff, provides a first-rate Jewish education.

Last, but not least, Temple Beth El is a welcoming shelter amidst the storm of antisemitism so prevalent in the news today.

Yes, ask what the temple can do for you, and you'll get an ear full. But then, there's the flip side, and here's the pitch: ask what **YOU** can do for the temple. As you reflect on this past year, include thinking about your relationship with Temple Beth El. We're here for you in so many ways, both large and small. We're always looking to improve, to meet your needs, and to help and support our greater Huntington community. As with any relationship, it takes some effort. Dip your toe in and volunteer. Don't know where to get started? Reach out to our Partnership Liaison, Lisa Tricomi, who can offer guidance, or touch base with me and I'll be happy to point you in the right direction.

When you come to the temple look around. There's no doubt your gaze will fall upon one of the many volunteers and staff who are dedicated toward keeping the temple running. Whether it's our clergy and educators, tech team and office workers, building maintenance and operations experts, committee chairs and board members, or our financial gurus and philanthropic leaders - we are so thankful to all who work hard on the temple's behalf. They deserve our appreciation and thanks.

But those efforts alone are not enough. That's why we have the *Kol Nidre* appeal. The *Kol Nidre* appeal is our traditional annual fundraising campaign. Elana Goodridge is this year's *Kol Nidre* chair, and she has already reached out asking for your participation. These donations represent a significant, I'd say even critical part of our budget, and go directly towards our annual operating expenses. I've been told that some temples even read the names and amounts of each donation out loud in front of the congregation. Not to worry, we won't be doing that at Temple Beth El. But I'd like you to think about making a difference to the temple this year when you fill out your *Kol Nidre* card. It should have come in the mail, or you can pick one up at the temple. We ask that you approach this with consideration. That you keep in mind all the temple does for us individually, for our congregation as a whole, and for the greater Huntington community. There is much to feel good about, to be proud of, and to balance the scales when we reflect and repent.

One final note. After hearing the Rabbi's sermon on *Rosh Hashanah* morning, I'm happy to confirm that this entire speech was written by a human being. Myself!

I extend best wishes for a happy and healthy New Year from my family, my sons and daughters-in-laws Michael and Jessica, and Alex and Melanie, my sisters Weslie and Miriam, and nephews Evan and Jordan.

I look forward to seeing you in *shul* over this next year!



# October Yahrzeits: Remembering Our Loved Ones

*As a community, we remember our loved ones on the anniversary of their deaths. May their memory be a blessing.*

## October 1-7

Gerda Nussbaum  
- mother of Terrie Rosen  
Claraellen Bookheim  
- mother of Linda Widerman  
Rose Goldberg  
- sister of Fran Simowitz  
Alan Kasinoff  
- uncle of Carol Clopper  
- brother of Harvey Kasinoff  
Joan Weitman  
- mother of Adam Weitman  
Alfred Brandt  
- father of Beverly Wayne  
Eudice Fishman  
- grandmother of Erin Schoor  
Selma Gorin  
- aunt of Ellen Gray  
Bob Lisell  
- grandfather of Tammy Rosenblum  
Dina Monat  
- sister of Lawrence Monat  
Julia Palmer  
- mother of Marion Bergman  
Martha Prince  
- mother of Joan Feilbogen  
Eileen Reingold  
- mother of Pam Reingold  
Henry H. Spiner  
- father-in-law of Martin Podgainy  
Lawrence Graber  
- brother of Edith Litt  
Morton Baker  
- brother of Barbara Kreindler  
Sheldon Friedman  
- husband of Deanna Robbins  
William Lichtenstein  
- grandfather of Sarah Lichtenstein  
Max Kellerman  
- grandfather of Beth Gilman  
Damon Kurtzberg  
- son of Louis Kurtzberg  
Bernard Schwartz  
- father of Jack Schwartz  
Barbara Sporkin  
- mother of Bradley Sporkin  
Rose Weinbaum  
- grandmother of Beth Gilman  
Paul Wang  
- father of Peter Wayne

## October 8-14

Alan Walfield  
- husband of Louise Spangle  
Diana Kurtzberg  
- mother of Louis Kurtzberg  
Phyllis Nathanson  
- mother of Steven Nathanson

## October 8-14 (cont'd)

Shelley Finkler  
- sister of Judy Fairbanks  
Richard Bywater  
- brother of Jean Feinstein  
Robert Lee Fink  
- brother of Debra Fink  
Janet Shaiman  
- mother of Norman Shaiman  
Mollie Sackett  
- mother of Carolyn Liebman  
Ida Winter  
- mother of Robert Winter  
Frances Kyle  
- aunt of Li Josenhans  
Brian Goldner  
- son of Marjorie Goldner  
Eileen Witner  
- mother of Jayne Greenberg  
William Jacob Weber, III  
- brother of Nanci Weber  
Arthur Shaiman  
- brother of Norman Shaiman  
Nicole Berger  
- sister of Robert Berger  
Sylvia Zeiler  
- grandmother of Danielle Greenwood  
- mother of Joel Zeiler  
Etta Hyde Reich  
- mother-in-law of Fran Hyde  
Irwin Becker  
- husband of Audrey Gold

## October 15-21

Mollye Levine  
- grandmother of David Feinblatt  
Neal Gothelf  
- brother of Inez Wachtel (z"l)  
Shirley Saslow  
- mother of Neal Saslow  
Juliana Baez  
- mother of Michael Baez  
Elise Morett  
- sister of Claudia Morett  
Herbert Siegel  
- father of Carol Calev  
Clinton Rufus Fuller  
- father-in-law of Ruth Fuller  
Murray Golub  
- father of Barry Golub  
Adrian Echevarria  
- father of Millie Thaw  
Marian Nester  
- aunt of Michael Fallon  
Jay Steinberg  
- father of Mike Rosen  
Ruth Blumberg  
- mother of Rhona Jones

## October 15-21 (cont'd)

Suzanne Danis  
- wife of Martin Podgainy  
Merrill Sporkin  
- father of Brad Sporkin  
Dwight Simmons  
- relative of Fran Simowitz

## October 22-31

Gary Roffman  
- brother of Steve Roffman  
Sonia Rapaport  
- mother of Jane Shallat  
Sidney Dutchen  
- father of Barry Dutchen  
Lillian Iserson  
- mother of Richard Iserson  
Natalie Dorf  
- mother of Risa Curiale  
Mina Klein  
- mother of Mary Klein  
- mother of Lynn Kaufman  
Beth Short  
- cousin of Li Josenhans  
Sylvia Nadler  
- mother of Suzanne Blum  
Annalea Rosen  
- stepmother of Carol Rosen  
Max Samilowitz  
- father-in-law of Fran Simowitz  
Joan Wyckoff  
- mother of Jennifer Shore  
Shirley Werblin  
- mother of Carol Werblin  
Edith Lipkind Wilson  
- mother of Vicki Wilson  
Jay Steinberg  
- father of David Steinberg

## October 22-31 (cont'd)

Richard Wilson  
- father of Vicki Wilson  
Maury Adelson  
- grandfather of David Bernstein  
Alexander Kasinof  
- great uncle of Carol Clopper  
Jack Sharp  
- father of Gary Sharp  
Celia Goldsmith  
- grandmother of David Eysler  
Hannah Lifson  
- mother of Robert Lifson  
Ruth Lilker  
- mother of Ilene Messina  
- mother of Denise Spencer  
Barry Schenk  
- brother-in-law of Barbara Schenk  
Max Goldberg  
- father of Fran Simowitz  
Sarah Gleicher  
- grandmother of Alan Wachtel  
Ruth Moskow  
- grandmother of Hal Levey  
Irene Benjamin Elzweig  
- wife of Jay Elzweig  
Eunice "Noonie" Blank  
- grandmother of Molly England  
Luke Weber Schaeffer  
- beloved of Nanci Weber  
Bessie Baris  
- grandmother of Sharon Freeman  
Eli Mollineaux  
- son of Jeff & Ellen Mollineaux  
Carol Teicher  
- mother of Scott Teicher  
Vera Warshaw  
- grandmother of Linda Braun

## ***Ner Tamid: Planned Giving***

*Please join those who have made a provision for Temple Beth El in planning their estate. Your gift helps to assure the long-term viability of the temple. If you have already included the temple in your estate plan and would like to be recognized, or for more information, please call (631) 421-5835, Ext. 200.*

### ***You can contribute by:***

- *Making a gift of stocks or securities*
- *Making a gift using real estate*
- *Making a bequest to the temple in your will*
- *Making a life-income charitable gift annuity*



# November Yahrzeits: Remembering Our Loved Ones

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## November 1-7

Carole Volkman  
- dear friend of Mike Heiberger  
Damian Louis Freas  
- cousin of Li Josenhans  
Michael Olivere  
- uncle of Nanci Weber  
Marion Vann  
- sister of Phyllis Toran  
Rosanne Moses  
- mother of Richard Moses  
Irving Thaw  
- father of Leonard Thaw  
Janet Ansell  
- mother of Robert Ansell  
Beverly Kristel  
- mother of Alan Kristel (z"l)  
Jerry Fischman  
- father of Debbie Fischman  
Marlene Rimler  
- mother of Mark Rimler  
Alfred Feld  
- father of Shari Feld  
Carmen Cullen  
- mother of Beth Kay  
Elsie Darwin  
- mother of Manny Darwin (z"l)  
Matthew Viesta  
- son of Rick and Lisi Viesta  
Ann Serotte  
- aunt of Jane Shallat  
Ethel Rubenstein  
- grandmother of Doug Gilman  
Anita Roffman  
- mother of Steve Roffman  
Stuart Mont  
- brother of Arthur Mont  
Clara Gryvat  
- mother of Claudia Copquin  
Anna Block  
- grandmother of Carol Slippen  
Andrew Ullmann  
- brother of Jane Goldblatt  
Susan Pinals  
- mother of Andrew Pinals  
Nancy Penny  
- sister of Ann Pinals  
Harry Rosenberg  
- grandfather of Shawne Rosenblum  
Arthur Weicich  
- uncle of Jennifer Kurtzman

## November 8-14

Martin Tobin  
- father of Elizabeth Tobin  
George Mitchell  
- grandfather of Elisa McDonagh

## November 8-14 (cont'd)

William Hoest  
- husband of Bunny Hoest  
Harry Winter  
- father of Robert Winter  
Miriam Glass  
- grandmother of Carol Berliner  
John Ebert  
- uncle of Carol Clopper  
Kenneth Crain  
- brother of Rebecca Crain  
Reba Weinzimer  
- mother of Melvin Weinzimer  
Rita Rosenthal  
- godmother of Laurel Atkinson  
Meyer Specter  
- father of Rosalie Slavkin  
Marj Blauman  
- friend of Nanci Weber  
- friend of Barbara Schenk  
Peter Lifson  
- father of Robert Lifson  
Nathan Cohn  
- father of Jan Singer  
Rivka Kurzberg  
- great-grandmother of Louis Kurtzberg  
Zelig Kurzberg  
- great-uncle of Louis Kurtzberg  
Robert Rothenberg  
- brother-in-law of Brycie Kristel  
Miriam Kaemen  
- mother of Debra Rich  
Joseph Kurzberg  
- great-uncle of Louis Kurtzberg  
Michael Lipsius  
- grandfather of Barbara Schenk  
Warren Seiler  
- brother of Robert Seiler  
Arthur Moses  
- father of Richard Moses  
William Richard Teller III  
- father of Adrienne Mehl  
Sylvia Yakuboff  
- mother of Alan Yakuboff  
Morris Ullmann  
- father of Jane Goldblatt  
Esther Plosky  
- grandmother of David Plosky  
Beth Ellyn Mont Bock  
- daughter of Arthur & Linda Mont  
Dorothy Hirschfeld Saltz  
- sister-in-law of Jeanne Hirschfeld  
Robert Rosenblatt  
- father of Jan Rosenblatt

## November 15-21

Selma Freed  
- grandmother of Jen Freed

## November 15-21 (cont'd)

Roberta Ruth Wachtel  
- first wife of Alan Wachtel  
Ken Levine  
- father of Brian Levine  
Esther Warshaw  
- grandmother of Sarah Lichtenstein  
Dora Graziano  
- mother of Robert Graziano  
Max Durst  
- father of Sharon Simon  
David Yakuboff  
- father of Alan Yakuboff  
Milton Levine  
- father of Harriet Copel  
Robert Samuel Schoor  
- father of Rich Schoor  
Charles Nadler  
- father of Suzanne Blum  
Sylvia Levine  
- mother of Harriet Copel  
Florence Siegel  
- mother of Rachel Bouvin  
Belle Levy  
- mother of Stephen Levy  
Lenore Rand  
- mother of Andrea Levenbaum  
Michael Jones  
- husband of Rhona Jones  
Man King Ng  
- father of Kenny Ng  
Thomas McDonagh Sr.  
- father of Tom McDonagh  
Ruth Kaplan  
- mother of Elaine Kaplan  
Ethel Margoluis  
- grandmother of Jayne Greenberg  
Marjorie Schaeffer  
- mother of Bernard Schaeffer  
Harriet Rand  
- sister of Martin Podgainy  
Richard Kammerling  
- husband of Rosalie Kammerling

## November 22-30

Sidney Slavin  
- father of Dianne Slavin  
Charlotte Bard  
- aunt of Susan Ng  
Renee Schatten  
- mother of Alan Schatten  
Mary Chiacchiaro  
- mother of Peter Chiacchiaro  
Todd Pallack  
- father of Adam Pallack  
Ruby Gold  
- aunt of Tracy Summer

## November 22-30 (cont'd)

Rose Schmukler  
- mother of Sandy Masnick  
Seymour Mendelsohn  
- father of Michael Mendelsohn  
Sylvia Friedman  
- mother of Barry Dutchen  
Bessie Baris Kahn  
- mother of Sharon Freeman  
Morton Fried  
- uncle of Mitchel Fried  
John Grandahl  
- brother of Glen Grandahl  
Violet Furst  
- mother of Pam Eysler  
Barbara Gettinger  
- mother of Matt Gettinger  
Dorothy Madenberg  
- mother of Joe Madenberg (z"l)  
Christa Josenhans  
- mother of Erich Josenhans  
Rita Sobel  
- mother of Marilyn Albert  
Morris Rosen  
- uncle of Carol Rosen  
- great-uncle of Ben Packard  
Michael Witner  
- brother of Jayne Greenberg  
Max Goldstein  
- father of Helene Tiger  
Joseph Madenberg  
- husband of Judy Madenberg  
Morton Kresner  
- father-in-law of Patti Kresner  
Harold Darwin  
- brother of Manny Darwin (z"l)  
Charlotte Monat Meyer  
- mother of Lawrence Monat  
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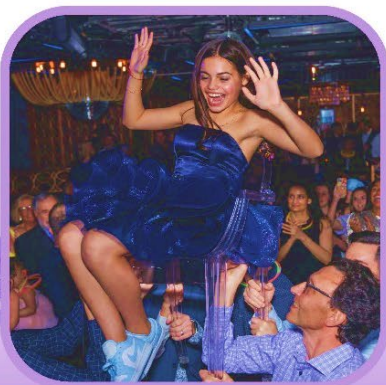
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