



About Love from Rabbi Alter



In February 1996, shortly before my ordination at JTS, a Hamas suicide-bomber blew up a Jerusalem bus. Among the 25 murdered were Matthew Eisenfeld and Sarah Duker, z"l. Matt was a fellow rabbinical student on his year of study in Israel.

Sarah was a recent Barnard grad. They were soon to have been engaged. By all accounts, they were extraordinary people. Spiritually, intellectually, and socially. They lived through Torah, community, art, music, poetry, ambition, achievement, generosity, curiosity.... Their deaths stopped JTS in its tracks. Our school in Manhattan was shaken by the explosion on the other side of the world.

Stunned as we were, I remember there being an anxious spirit as we students tried to find words for our grief. As rabbis and other religious leaders in training, many were self-conscious. Were we responding from the heart? Or were we to some degree posturing, or, better, rehearsing public personas we would soon inhabit upon ordination?

From this episode I have my first specific memory of Rabbi Dr. Shai Held, CBINT and the Milwaukee Jewish Community's Scholar in Residence this coming October 24 and 25. After learning of Matt and Sarah's deaths, the school community gathered in the JTS synagogue, maybe for a service, maybe for an impromptu vigil. I suppose words were spoken, but I remember none of them. Rather, I remember Shai – himself a student – opening his heart with song. Mournfully, he led the assembly in *Lulei Toratkha* – לולי תורתך a line from Psalms (119:92) set

to a meditative melody. "Were Your Torah not my delight, I would have perished in my affliction."

This prayer-song expressed how Shai would survive the loss of his dear friends. But it also ironically and heroically defied their deaths, their *perishment by the affliction* of terrorism. It affirmed the still-vital, still-nourishing waters of Jewish learning and living, embodied in Torah in its fullest sense. The verse from Psalms declares that Torah's life-sustaining, cherished character derives from its Source: "Your Torah." Shai steadied himself in grief by holding tight to the gift of Torah, given to us all in love by God. *It is a tree of life to those who hold fast to it –*

עץ חיים היא למחזיקים בה.

Rabbi Held, a celebrated teacher, philosopher, and theologian, is the co-founder, president, and dean at the Hadar Institute in New York. He is an author and frequent,

powerful lecturer. His second book, "Judaism is About Love," prompted us to invite him to learn with our community.

I am sometimes asked, and frequently ask myself, *What is CBINT about? What is CBINT for?* What purpose and what commitments, what ideas and what practices, unify and give purpose to our diverse community? What can hold us together, and what might draw others to join in who we are and what we seek to do? After all, we are neither club nor community center. We are not primarily a school (though we surely provide essential education). Though we are a house of worship, many of us step into that space – whether physically or devotionally – only infrequently, or never. Though we commit considerable energy and programming to make people's lives easier and gentler, offering help, repair, and comfort, we are not a social service agency. So what, then, are we about?

I believe that Rabbi Held's bracingly simple

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Do Old Habits Have to Die Hard? *from Hazzan Stein*



Recently, I walked into this chapel for morning minyan and, as always, I walked across the room, opened the cabinet near my usual spot and took out my tallit and tefillin. A pretty typical morning routine. Only, it wasn't a typical morning. It was Tisha

B'Av, the 9th of Av, the day we commemorate the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem, as well as many other tragedies that have befallen the Jewish people throughout time.

Among the many observances of Tisha B'Av that signify our state of mourning – the fast being the most well-known – is that we do not wear tallit and tefillin in the morning, delaying this daily practice until the afternoon service when we take the first steps from mourning to comfort. I've known this since I was a child at Camp Ramah, and I knew it was Tisha B'Av that morning when I entered the chapel, even making a plan on my walk over to remind people not to wear tallit and tefillin. So why did I take them out the moment I walked it? I guess you could say it was a force of habit.

A force of habit. It's a funny phrase. We talk of military force. The forces of good and evil. And then there's gravity, the force that does everything from keeping our planets in alignment to causing a spoon to fall to the ground when thrown by a toddler at the dinner table.

By using the same word to describe a habit that we do with tanks, morality, and interplanetary order, we attribute great, almost transcendent, if not unstoppable power to our habits. And if we ascribe that much power to a habit, we are likely to see ourselves as powerless to change them.

But habits aren't inherently bad. In fact, habits can be very helpful. In a hectic world, with so much to process at any given moment, habits help us go into "auto-pilot," allowing us to not think about certain things so that we can focus on others. Getting dressed. Preparing a bowl of cereal. Driving to work. Each one of

these activities requires a series of steps that we perform automatically without having to devote too much brain power, allowing us to move efficiently and maybe even carry out another task simultaneously.

In addition to putting on tallit and tefillin at morning minyan, it is my practice, my habit, to thank Jerry Deutsch for opening the door for me, and wish *boker tov* – good morning – to everyone I pass as I enter. It's a good habit. It helps me connect with my fellow minyanaires, and helps ensure that everyone is seen and appreciated. But that too is set aside in the spirit of mourning on Tisha B'Av.

With its restrictions (no food, no morning tallit and tefillin, no greeting, to name a few) Tisha B'Av forces us to stop and think before acting out of habit, even some of our strongest, normally good habits. And if a holiday can disrupt our good habits, forcing us to reconsider our actions, it stands to reason that a holiday can also disrupt

our bad habits, the ones we'd really like to do without.

How? First, what if we think of habits less as good or bad, but instead as serving a need? But what needs do our habits serve?

Let's start with a couple of habits that Tisha B'Av disrupts. Why do I greet people at minyan? It's important to me to be kind and for people to feel welcomed. Why do I eat? That's a little more complicated. Sometimes I eat because I'm hungry. Other times, I eat because I'm bored and need stimulation, or I'm feeling anxious and need comfort. If I'm actually hungry, it's good that I eat. However, if it's really stimulation or comfort I need, and I'd like to avoid the extra calories, maybe I can make a different choice, like reading a book or going for a walk.

What about when we're driving? When someone zooms by us at 20 miles over the speed limit, or cuts us off while driving our children to an activity, does anyone else have the habit of making a judgment about the other driver? "Jerk!" "Creep!" "Schmendrick!" we might yell (or something worse) as they pass by. Why do we do that? What need does making judgments of others serve? In this case, it might be an expression of our need for safety. Or courtesy.

'[T]hink about what need this habit is supposedly serving....'

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Sinners Welcome: Messing Up and Making Good *from Beata Abraham*



Let's get this out of the way: Judaism is not a religion for perfect people. In fact, if you've never made a mistake, you might be in the wrong congregation (*also, are you even okay?*) Our tradition is filled with stories of deeply flawed individuals who messed

up spectacularly and still found their way back to connection, purpose, and even to that oh-so-difficult-to-achieve holiness. In Judaism, we don't just welcome sinners, we fully expect them.

Imperfection is in Our DNA. Let's take a stroll through the Tanach. The very first humans were the very first rule-breakers (they were not sorry). Cain invented sibling rivalry (also not sorry). The Israelites turned to a golden calf *immediately* after experiencing the most epic divine fireworks show in history (they were questionably contrite). But our most beloved poet-warrior and deeply complicated sinner, King David, was different. When he saw Batsheva bathing and made some very bad decisions, the prophet Natan didn't cancel him; he called him out. David owned his actions and composed Psalm 51, a hauntingly beautiful poem and the holy grail of liturgical repentance. Guess who merited having the *Mashiach* descend from his lineage? The one who repented.

Here's the point: the Torah doesn't erase these missteps. It highlights them in bold detail. Because God acknowledges that failure isn't a flaw in the human system, it is the actual system. Judaism is built not on the impossible illusion of perfection, but on the process of Teshuvah: returning, repairing, and re-aligning ourselves with who we're meant to be. A user-friendly method accessible to all who want it. God doesn't hold a grudge.

Just How Hard is Teshuvah, Really?

Teshuvah (usually translated as "repentance") is not about self-flagellation or spiritual guilt-tripping. It's about *return*. Returning to your best self. Returning to relationships. Returning to the

path you wandered from, even if you took a few growth detours before getting back there.

Maimonides (our go-to rabbinic philosopher) laid out a clear process: recognize what you did, regret it, make amends, and do better next time. You get bonus points if you're faced with the same exact situation and make better decisions.

And here's the radical part. Judaism believes that you are not defined by your worst moments. The Talmud teaches that someone who has truly done Teshuvah stands on a higher spiritual level than someone who has never sinned at all (*Yoma 86b*). How is that for a spiritual glow-up?

So, Who's Welcome? Everyone. The one who gossiped. The one who ghosted. The one who criticized the rabbi's sermon, the one who forgot to call their mom. Even the one who hasn't been to shul in years and is just now considering poking their head back in because they heard there's an ice cream cake this week at Kiddush lunch. You are all welcome. Not in spite of

your flaws, but with them, and through them.

Yes, I know that Yom Kippur gets the atonement spotlight, but there's good news: Teshuvah is available all year long. In

fact, our sages say the gates of repentance are open 24/7, and to make it as easy as possible, Teshuvah is part of the Amidah, which we are encouraged to say three times a day, six days a week all year. No password, no fob, and no judgment or prerequisite level of holiness. Just the desire to do better.

We Like the Real (Flawed) You Imagine a synagogue where everyone was pretending to have it all together. How exhausting and deeply un-Jewish would that be? A Jewish community is one that strives to lift each other up, not by pretending that it's possible to never fall, but by holding out our hands to help each other get back up when we need it.

So it doesn't matter if you're a repeat offender (actually, who isn't?) or just having a rough week. In Judaism, you're not expected to be perfect. You're expected to show up. To try. To care. To make amends. And also to not take yourself too seriously along the way (ok, this one's more my expectation, but it's still valid).

'Judaism is built not on the impossible illusion of perfection....'

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About Love *from Rabbi Alter (continued)*

and daunting framing gets right what CBINT is, and needs to be, about. Love is what any good shul should be about. Among his book's central insights is that when Judaism speaks of love it refers to an emotion, yet is fundamentally a posture and comprehensive, integrated practice. He teaches that practicing love cultivates and reinforces feeling love, which in turn motivates, deepens, and extends the practice outward.

This is a message I think we all need to hear. Not only on October 24–25, but before and after his presentation, too.

On Friday afternoon, October 24, Rabbi Held will teach a primarily Christian audience. Friday evening he'll join our Shabbat in the Round

and Shabbat dinner at CBINT and present some core ideas. Notably, we are planning special programming for kids and youth in parallel with his evening presentation. Shabbat morning during services, we'll learn with one another from Rabbi Held's study sheet rather than hear a sermon, then engage with him on that learning over lunch. Saturday evening, the entire Milwaukee community is invited to a timely presentation from Rabbi Held, "Love in a Time of War and Conflict." Here, we'll explore what putting love at the center means in a fraught time like this.

Please join us for this illuminating and inspiring Shabbat of the heart next month.

Do Old Habits Have to Die Hard? *from Hazzan Stein (continued)*

Maybe even dignity. When we find ourselves in a compromised position, putting someone else down might raise our own self-esteem.

The truth is, as a whole, we have a habit of judging people all the time. And many of us recognize it as a habit we would like to break. And if we can recognize the need, the purpose, our judgments are supposed to serve, we can ask ourselves, "Is this habit of judgment serving my need in a way that I like? Is it really meeting my need for safety, consideration, dignity (fill in the blank)?"

Chances are, it is not. Therefore, we can ask ourselves, in what ways, with what actions can I meet my needs in a more healthy, effective way that are better reflective of my values? Judging another person as rude and inconsiderate is not likely to make the world a kinder, safer place, but we can instead identify the places in our lives where we do experience kindness and we do feel safe, and also make choices ourselves that add those life elements to those we care about.

On the High Holidays, we stand in judgment. The liturgy of the "Vidui" calls on us to review our

regrettable actions, many of which we commit out of that all-powerful force of habit. Rather than simply saying, I need to stop this or I'm such a terrible person for doing that, think about what need this habit is supposedly serving, and in what way is that need *not* being met by the habit. Then you can ask, if I want this (kindness, respect, connection, success, etc.) what is a better, healthier way for me to achieve it, and then form new habits around those actions.

Old habits die hard. And the older we are, the harder it may seem. But in the "Un'taneh Tokef" section of the Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur Musaf, we say that God waits until a person's dying day for them to repent, ready to forgive that person their transgressions. God would not wait until the very end if God did not believe change was possible. If God believes in us, then we can believe in ourselves too. How will you change in the coming year?

Best wishes to everyone for a Shana Tova Umetuka – a Happy, Healthy, Sweet New Year– from me, Amanda, Mirit, Hadas, and Yishai Bear.

Sinners Welcome: Messing Up and Making Good *from Beata Abraham (continued)*

Sinners welcome. Always have been. Always will be. Want to talk more about Returning? Come on in. In Judaism, it's an everyday conversation.

There's More! Join us for our Scholar in Residence, Rabbi Shai Held, in October. We will take a deeper dive into God's love, which is not contingent or conditional on our lack of flaws.

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Usher in the New Year with Men's Club!

High Holidays are right around the corner. This means we need people like you to fulfill the mitzvah of ushering beginning **September 23**. Help our fellow congregants enjoy their experience of heightened spirituality. Our shifts are just 90 minutes and we can provide seating if needed. We have expanded our assigned posts so we absolutely need additional ushers this year. Please join our mission and volunteer for Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur.



Choose your preferred slot – scan the QR code to access our Google Spreadsheet. If you prefer, email Mike Spanjar at mspanjar@gmail.com to request a link you can access on your computer.

On **September 28**, Men's Club will start construction of the sukkah.

We are fast and try to erect the structure by early afternoon. We can always use additional people willing to put in a few hours of teamwork to help set new records of assembly.

The long awaited and much anticipated **Steak and Scotch in the Sukkah** takes place on **Thursday, October 9**. This is our signature event of the year and ALL adults and their guests are welcome to attend. A fun filled, delicious evening of Scotland's claim to fame paired with delicious, grilled kosher steaks with all the trimmings. This is the big one. Ask any SSS veteran and they'll agree, it's FABULOUS! Contact Mike Spanjar at mspanjar@gmail.com or watch for our flyer, which will be available at CBINT.

Keep an eye out for a new event – the joint Men's Club/Sisterhood Poker Run. Something new and excitingly different. It is planned for **October 19**. Additional information to follow.

Bill Fink, Men's Club President

Help Grow the Beans!

September is the most productive month in the Mitzvah Garden. Every plant is producing faster than we can donate. It's time to start picking the pods on our soup beans, to keep them producing until the first few freezes. The beans will be the very last food donation, as it takes a few weeks to dry and shell the pods. Before I go for this year, I would like to ask if any gardeners are interested in "donating" space in your home gardens next summer to grow these beans.

I will buy an appropriate quantity, and give you a baggie full of seeds. Beans are a very kid-friendly vegetable to grow. I will throw in seeds from my giant sunflowers, too!

Please contact me soon. My email is paintrealms85@gmail.com. Thank you again for your support of the Mitzvah Garden. Stay tuned for pictures of herb seedlings that I will be growing this Fall.

Torah Fund Cards Support Sisterhood Too!

The CBINT Sisterhood sells Torah Fund cards for \$4.00 each or four cards for \$15.00.

Torah Fund contributions support the Jewish Theological Seminary, Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies, and additional institutes. We invite you to come to the CBINT office and see the array of cards for all occasions and life cycle events. When you purchase in bulk, you'll always have a card at hand. Our Sisterhood also receives credits from the national organization for purchased cards. When buying cards, please make out your check to Torah Fund. Questions? Contact Bobby Miller, bobbymiller0307@gmail.com.

Get Ready for Book Club!

Join the CBINT Book Discussion group on September 15 to review our next riveting book: "Be Ready When the Luck Happens" by Ina Garten. Bobby Miller moderates. We meet at 1 p.m. in the Promenade. All members are welcome! Questions? Contact Bobby Miller, b.jeanmiller6790@gmail.com

What's New With the CBINT Green Team?

As one of the representatives of the six founding congregations of the newly established North Shore Interfaith Green Team, the CBINT Green Team is proud to announce that April's electronic waste recycling drive resulted in receiving \$427 in proceeds from the over 10 tons of material collected. That money will be used for our planned composting program. With the help of Compost Crusaders, we will collect food waste created during the preparation and enjoyment of our Shabbat Kiddushes. However, we would like help from you, the members of CBINT, to fund this exciting and needed project. If this is something that you also believe is important and would like to help get off the ground (or, from a recycling point of view, into the ground!), please consider becoming a donor. If you are having a simcha and will be sponsoring a Shabbat Kiddush, please consider giving a little extra to help the composting project. Simply send a check to CBINT with a memo that this is for the Green Team composting project. Once we have the required \$1,200 for the first year's costs, we will begin the project. You can also donate paper bags for collecting the food waste, especially from the kitchen's food preparation, and drop them off either at Dan Weber's or Diana Kahn's house, at least until the project is up and running.

The Green Team, along with the North Shore Interfaith Green Team, will sponsor two types of recycling efforts in 2025-2026. First, we will conduct another electronic waste recycling effort next April — so stop throwing out your e-waste and save it for next year's collection. Second, working with the Glendale company Better Earth Textile Recycling, we will collect reusable, old clothing items. More importantly, we will collect

clothing items that are no longer usable by anyone (think blue jeans with gaping holes in the knees or shoes worn beyond their natural life) but can still be repurposed into usable products. So, start saving those items now. The CBINT Green Team will let you know when that recycling drive occurs. The more we collect, the more money our Green Team will earn!

We are in Year Three of the Butterfly Garden. It looks fantastic as the summer flowers are popping out every day. Stop by and take a look. We are experimenting with different types of non-toxic, environmentally-friendly herbicides to keep the weeds and invasive species under control. With this success, we are looking at transforming the grassy strip of land in the southeast part of the parking lot into another wildflower garden. If you are interested in working on this project, contact Dan Weber, the Green Team Chair, at kibbutzweber@gmail.com.

A concept originally developed by the Green Team and now fantastically successful is the Mitzvah Garden. The vegetables grown provide a herbicide-free source of healthy food for those in need. If interested in helping, contact Karen Rachum at paintrealms85@gmail.com.

Starting in October, the CBINT Green Team will begin developing a program and "Hagaddah" for Tu B'Shvat. If anyone is interested in working on this project, contact Dan Weber.

Lastly, we need more CBINT members of all ages (teens are welcome!) to be a part of the exciting work that we do. We encourage and welcome you to be a part of the CBINT Green Team and share your ideas and dreams for a healthier environment.

The High Holidays Are Nearly Upon Us!

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Congregation Beth Israel Ner Tamid Shul School Calendar

2025 to 2026

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Key:

Red: No Shul School

Yellow: Special Shul School Days

Green: Shul School Dates

Blue: Holidays

Important dates:

- September 14: First day of Shul School
- September 21: Shin Shinim join Shul School
- October 12: Shul School in the Sukkah
- November 9: NO SCHOOL (Veterans Day)
- November 30: NO SCHOOL (Thanksgiving Break)
- December 14: Hannukah Celebration
- December 21, 28: NO SCHOOL (Winter Break)
- January 4: NO SCHOOL (Winter Break)
- January 11: Shin Shinim join Shul School
- January 18: NO SCHOOL (MLK Day Weekend)
- February 1: Tu' Bishvat Celebration
- February 15: NO SHUL SCHOOL (Presidents Day Weekend)
- March 1: Purim Celebration
- March 22: Passover Carnival
- March 29: NO SHUL SCHOOL (Spring Break)
- April 5: NO SHUL SCHOOL (Passover Break)
- May 10: Color War/ Last day of Shul School/ Shin Shinim join Shul School

Yahrzeits for September:

September 1

Rose Bachman
Howard Bachman
Yetta C. Berland
Ruth Dubin
Anne Mendelson
Max Nelson
Ida Bylan Pinkus
Sidney Spector
Harry Sweed

September 2

Solomon Gordon
Elaine M. Isaacson
Ben Weber
Zelda Miriam Glicksman
Stella Wolfson-Feldman
Theodore Esser
Isadore Wolkomir
Meron Levin

September 3

Arthur Sims
Nathan Wein
Fanny Kaye
Max Meiroff
Jacob Weiss
Florence Pollack

September 4

Jack D. Kaiser
Rose Rabinowitz
Shoendel Milka Sager
Isaac Brier
Abraham Cohen

September 5

Rochelle Janis
Ruth Lukoff
Morris Singer
Ida Weiner
Nathan Wolfson
Minnie Miller
Mollie Kaiser
Sylvia Goldstein
Dr Jan Slotnick
Donald Abrams
Sheldon Saltzberg

September 6

Laila J. Brazner
Toby Keith
Gershon Lejpuneur
Marlyn Stearns Meyers
Sol Forman
Joseph Chudnow
Donald Caine
Seymour Dolnick

September 7

Marion Berman
Alice Colburn
Suzanne Rosker Kessler
Benjamin Rogatz
Maxwell Joseph
David Enright
Leo Weinshel

Robert Panken

September 8

Berta Bass
Albert Fielkow
David Siegel
Samuel D. Horwitt
Anne Margolis
Joseph Meisel
Sol Trushinsky
Larry Wales
Toby Forbes
Ruby Carneol

September 9

Meyer E. Askotzky
Louis Goldberg
Joseph Goldman
Lazaar Mitchell Glassman
Louis Zilberbrand
Allen Edwardson
Elaine Schecter
Grossman

September 10

J. Cohen
Leah Cooperman
Philip Gould

Erwin Matras

Richard R. Davis
Max Gindlin
Max B. Margoles
Jack Rotter
Donald Berman
Howard Melton

September 11

Sara Lewin
Rudolph Stein
Milton Litow
Meyer Luck
Nathan Fishbach
Seymour Wasser

September 12

Sonia Berliant
Esther Huxley
Abraham Lane
Sheldon F. Schnoll
Sylvia Blankstein
Jacob Cohen
David Fisher
Eva Weintrob
Nathan Levy

September 13

Nathan Groban
Bessie Schapiro Mitler
Sam Sweet
Sarah "Sally" Malkin
Reda Solomon
David A. Blumberg

September 14

Dorothy Marks Ancelovitz
Isadore Kline
Samuel C. Schnoll
Malvina Markman

Dr. Samuel S. Blankstein
Norman Diamond
Tillie Naomi Fine
Joan Bortin
Naomi Segall

Sandy Prah

Jack Nagurka

Judy Bloch

David Eglash

Andrew Cherniack

September 15

Joseph Blatt
Asher Lipman Cornfield
Jeanett J. Galst
Stanley Goldblatt
Ida Jacobson
Simon R. Peltin
Bernard I. Sherman
Henry Winkelman
Bessie Lisberg
Marion Serlin

Warren Lederman

David Jay Abram

Sapinsley

Norman Berman

Jonathan David Berman

Elyce Joy Berman

Vicki Bonassin

September 16

Sol Blankstein
Edith Gelles
Rose S. Gindlin
Pincus Weinstock
Clara Glazer
Albert L. Cohen
Pearl Pufes
Sadie Sogol
Bernice Spivek

September 17

Celia Friedman
Bessie Fuchs
Sarah Goldin
David Honigman
Morris Katz
Milton B. Katz
Rita Nazari

September 18

Thomas Safer
Isaac Barnett
Herman Schlomovitz
Isadore Perlmutter
Eva S. Hutner
Gerald Cherniack

September 19

Jack Bach
Joseph Balkansky
Edward Rosenberg
Benjamin Haskell
Starkman
Jennie Wales
Olympic Athletes

Edward Margoles
Fay Glassman
Adolph Horowitz
Bernard Barney Blumberg
Marion Brill

September 20

Joseph Hansher
Dr. Carl O. Diamond
Evelyn Bootzin
Alan Wolkenstein
William Friedland

September 21

Max Glazer
Annie Lazarus
Sayde Kohlberg Sherman
Chai Freda Starkman
Abraham Becker
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September 22

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September 23

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September 25

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September 26

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Charles Kahn
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Mary Steingart
Joseph Wichman
Jennie Shevinsky
Jennie Ernestine Gewertz
Edward Levin

September 27

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Nathan Miller
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Bessie Schwartz

September 28

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Elizabeth Rabenn
Louis Spector
Max Weigler
Annie Eglash
Benjamin Yurman
Dora Stein

September 29

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Sarah Simon
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Bernard Robbins
Phyllis Holzman
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Our Congregation Mourns the Passing of:

Richard Rakita

We are sad to announce the passing of **Richard "Rick" Rakita** on July 27, 2025. Rick was the husband of **Gayle Weber Rakita**, former president of CBI; father of Sara (Robert Donovan) Rakita and Brian (Courtney Guido) Rakita; and grandfather of Kira and Frank Donovan. He is further survived by nieces and nephews and other relatives and friends.

Beatrice "Bebe" Beder

We are sad to announce the passing of Beatrice "Bebe" Beder on August 4, 2025. Bebe was the wife of the late Sy Beder, mother of **Jay (Dena Abramowitz) Beder** and Jodi (Jimmy Tarlau) Beder, and grandmother of Daniel (Hannah), Jesse (Caroline), Naftali (Ashley), Swami Adi, and Becky (Manuel) and eight great-grandchildren.



We Celebrate September's Member Birthdays!



Please find the complete list of this month's birthdays on our website:

CBINTMilwaukee.org/celebrate/birthdays



CBINT Funds

Alan & Rita Marcuvitz Education Endowment Fund – Funds to be used for adult, youth, and family education.

Balkansky Fund – Provides scholarships for Camp Ramah.

Beth Hearst Fund (Formerly Passport to Israel) – Provides funds for current youth and educational programs.

Carl S. and Sandra G. Zetley Generation to Generation Fund – Provides funds for education and family programming.

CBINT/Religious School Fund – Underwrites tuition for children of members attending the CBINT School of Religious Studies.

Ervin & Suzann Colton Education Endowment Fund – Provides funds for Scholars in Residence and other speakers.

Gemilut Hasadim – Provides funds for Shabbat meals for CBINT families with newborns or families in mourning.

General Fund – Provides funds to maintain CBINT.

Harold M. Kramer Beautification Fund – Provides funds for beautification projects at CBINT.

Hazzan's Discretionary Fund – Fund established for charitable causes.

Isadore & Sylvia Blankstein Library Fund – Provides funds for CBINT library acquisitions.

Jacobson Chapel Fund – Provides funds for the maintenance of Jacobson Chapel.

Kenneth Weber Choir Fund – Fund dedicated to supporting the choir and other musical programs.

Marilyn Zetley Children's Library Fund – Provides funds for the children's section of the library (books, furniture, etc.)

Merry Atinsky Kiddish Fund – Helps CBINT Sisterhood provide kiddish lunches after Shabbat services

Panitch CBI Family Education Fund – Assists CBINT families with financial needs who wish to attend family education retreats.

Pentateuh/Humash Fund – Provides funds to purchase Pentateuh/Humashim. Books will have a dedication bookplate.

Prayer Book Fund – Provides funds to purchase prayer books/siddurim. Books will have a dedication bookplate.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund – Fund established for charitable causes.

Rabbi Panitch Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund – Provides scholarships for Camp Ramah.

Sam & Aidee Cooper Art Fund – Provides funds to purchase art for CBINT.

School Fund – Provides funds for the school and special school projects.

Senior Activities Fund – Provides funds for social, spiritual and educational opportunities for mature adults.

Shirley Bass Floral Fund – Provides bima flowers for the holidays.

Sol & Esther Blankstein Scholarship Fund – Assists high school/college students to pursue Jewish Education.

Soloman & Yetta Soloff Memorial Adult Education Fund – Established in the memory of Dr. Soloman & Yetta Soloff. Promotes and supports Adult Education programs.

Special Scholarship Endowment Fund – Provides scholarships for Jewish education.

Stein Mendelson Scholarship Fund – Provides funds for a Camp Ramah scholarship for one student per summer.

The Schuster Family Endowment Fund for Second Home Cemetery

William & June Sherkow Scholarship Fund – Provides funds for charitable, educational, or religious purposes.

Youth Scholarship Endowment Fund (YSEF) (Formerly Youth Education Endowment Fund) – Provides scholarships for trips to Israel, Jewish overnight camp and advanced Jewish education.

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7:30 am and 6:00 pm

Sunday and Civic Holidays:

9:00 am and 6:00 pm

Shabbat:

9:30 am

Please advise Rabbi Alter or Hazzan Stein if needed to help recruit attendees for a yahrzeit minyan.