

Annual Donor Report

2015 | 5775



Norman R. and Muriel Lernerthal
Center for Jewish Life



Message from Executive Director

Rabbi Michelle H. Fisher SM '97

Thank you to all of our supporters, who make all that we do at MIT Hillel possible!

It is an honor and privilege to work with and for the excited, motivated, brilliant students who come to MIT. Inside the classrooms, their minds are filled with ideas, and outside those classrooms and labs, they learn to put ideas to work. Our goal at Hillel is to help provide the atmosphere and the context for exploring the additional questions of personal and communal growth: living a life of purpose and meaning, exploring questions of ethics, relating to others as fellow human beings. We create big question thinkers, caring leaders, and innovators able to see complexity, beyond the black and white solutions suggested by many of life's hard questions. You as donors, alumni, parents, faculty, staff, and friends, are the foundation of our success.

We initiated a strategic planning process this past year at MIT Hillel. We began by asking what do MIT students need. Certain resonant themes emerged: Time to unwind. Support through transitions. Life role models. Mentorship. Modeling civil discourse. Knowing who one is and who one can become outside the classroom or job. Staying healthy and happy.

Hillel taps into and supports many of these needs through our current offerings: Free weekly Shabbat dinners with an average attendance of 80 students. Jewish text classes that include struggling with dilemmas, and utilizing the Jewish tradition of debate to create an exchange of ideas. A caring, professional staff that had over 300 one-on-one student coffee date conversations – mentoring, counseling, listening – this past year. Training students in leadership development: running teams, creating successful programs, deepening social intelligence and relationship-based engagement practices, always with an eye on Jewish values.

MIT creates the next generation of doers and leaders, particularly in science and engineering fields, and it is a joy each day to take on some of the responsibility of helping these young adults thrive as well-rounded individuals. We are doing well, and I aspire to do even better, reaching more students, more deeply. Especially in light of recent campus tragedies, this coming year's Hillel initiatives include increased partnership with MIT's Student Life, Student Affairs, and various academic offices to positively impact our students' growth and well-being. MIT is about collaboration, and none of us succeeds alone.

Whenever we look ahead, we should acknowledge that we stand on the shoulders of giants, who blessed us with vision and achievements we build upon. This past year, MIT and MIT Hillel lost two giants, two founders of Hillel at MIT: Norman Leventhal '38 and Claude Brenner '47. They were each able to see – over 70 years ago – what Jewish life could be at the Institute, and regularly shared with me their excitement for our recent successes. Thank you to all who have helped us reach this year.

I am grateful to you for helping us dream, grow, and thrive, by supporting all we do. Your gift to MIT Hillel is a gift to our Jewish present and future, and ensures that the smart and focused Jewish students here become wise and ethical menschen in their future work and lives.



Board of Directors

Daniel N. Jackson SM '88, PhD '92
PRESIDENT

Bernard S. Levy, MD, '57
VICE PRESIDENT

Robert V. Ferrara '67
TREASURER

Joanne Kamens Niewood P '15
CLERK

Haim Alcalay '61, SM '62, PhD '66

Ron Becker, MD, '87

Micha Ben-Naim '16

Gene E. Fax '67

Andrew M. Greene '91

Paul F. Levy '72, MCP '74

Joel Moses PhD '67

Isaac Oderberg G

Irwin Pless

Tally Portnoi '17

Linda Rabieh

Amelie Raz G

Ira Scharf '89, SM '94

Stuart Schmill '86

Judith E. Selwyn SM '69, PhD '71

David Sheena '64, SM '65, PhD '69

Susan Silberberg MCP '98, P '16

Jonathan B. Tepper '74, SM '75

Walter A. Winshall '64

Advisory Committee

Marc Fogel '66

Richard S. Lindzen

Robert A. Weinberg '64, PhD '69

Staff

Rabbi Michelle H. Fisher SM '97
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Marissa Feinman Freed
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Shoshana Gibbor
DIRECTOR OF BIRTHRIGHT &
ISRAEL ENGAGEMENT

Rabbi Gavriel Goldfeder
SENIOR JEWISH EDUCATOR

Marla Choslovsky SM '88
DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT

Benjamin Flax
ADMINISTRATIVE/DEVELOPMENT
ASSISTANT

"Donors don't give. A donor gives."

Barb Maduell, Development Consultant

DONOR LIST

Builders of Jewish Life at MIT 2015 / 5775

\$50,000 and above

Estate of Claude W Brenner z"l
Lisa Rosenbaum and Ronald Fisher

\$25,000 - \$49,999

Paul and Joanne Egerman
David and Janet Polak*
Lee and Judith Selwyn
*The Lee L. and Judith E. Selwyn
Foundation*
Richard and Rosalyn Slifka
Walter and Arnee Winshall*



\$10,000 - \$24,999

Anonymous
Stanley and Lorraine Abkowitz
in memory of Norman B Leventhal;
in memory of Claude W Brenner
Alan and Leslie Crane
Steven and Jean Dubowsky
George Elbaum and Mimi Jensen
Gene and Ruth Fax*
Eugene Finkin and Linda Witham
Phyllis Hammer
Mark and Traci Lerner
Edward and Barbara Scolnick*
David and Marlene Sheena*
David Tabak
Clement and Joan Vaturi

\$5,000 - \$9,999

Mel and Hope Barkan*
Bonnie Berger and Thomson Leighton
Ira and Brenda Jaffe*
in memory of Bennett Zarren
Orlee Panitch
in memory of Kenneth Israeli
Michael and Jill Rose
Janice Rossbach
Robert and Celia Rothman
Kenneth and Randee Rubenstein
Arthur and Rebecca Samberg
Joshua and Eileen Schein
Estate of Donald J Silversmith z"l
Steven and Carol Tannenbaum*

\$1,000 - \$4,999

Anonymous
Haim and Rachel Alcalay*
Mark and Deborah Attanasio
Irving and Irene Barr
Ron and Dina Hirshfeld-Becker
Laurence and Ann Bishoff
Joseph and Ellen Bravman
Gerald and Elizabeth Cohen
Claudia Davidoff and Joseph Kahan
Rony and Terry Elia-Shaoul
David and Pamela Finkelstein
in honor of Ali S Finkelstein
Jack and Margaret Fischer
Michelle H Fisher
Shelley Fleet*
Danielle Flug
Franklin and Bonnie Gold*
Louis and Josette Capriles Goldish*
in honor of Rabbi Michelle H Fisher;
in memory of Norman B Leventhal;
in memory of Claude W Brenner
Sherwin and Vivian Greenblatt
John and Olga Guttag*
Lewis and Ina Heafitz
Daniel Jackson and Claudia Marbach
in memory of Norman B Leventhal;
in memory of Jack M Fischer;
in memory of Claude W Brenner
Prof Paul Joskow and Barbara
Chasen*
Barry and Trudy Karger*
Gail Kendall
Lionel and Linda Kimerling
Morris and Judy Kriger
Mark and Joan Lappin
Edward C Levy Jr

Dr Bernard Saul Levy*
Paul F Levy and Farzana Mohamed
Richard and Nadine Lindzen*
William and Cynthia Marcus
Jonathan Marcus
Robert and Berit Muh
Miriam Nadel
Jocelyn Nelson
Eli and Joanne Kamens Niewood*
Prof Irwin A Pless
President L Rafael and Christine Reif
Jonathan and Michelle Rosenberg
Marc Rudoltz and Lisa Hochman
in honor of Tobi G Rudoltz;
in honor of Hannah R Rudoltz
Steven Schlosser and Lois Hollander*
Bruce Schreiber and Ronney Rosenberg
Arthur and Donna Silverman
Robert and Evelyn Simha
Kenneth and Kenda Singer
Singer Foundation
Michael Speciner
Wayne and Deborah Stern
Rick and Ann Tavan
Jonathan and Ruth Tepper*
in memory of Jack M Fischer;
in memory of Norman B Leventhal;
in memory of Claude W Brenner
Andrew and Erna Viterbi
Robert and Amy Shulman
Weinberg*
Jeremy and Joyce Wertheimer
Richard and Judy Wurtman*
William and Linda Young*

Hillel's Thread in the MIT Fabric 2015

Rabbi Fisher gave benediction at the Sean Collier memorial
Two interfaith panel discussions organized by Rabbi Goldfeder
Dreidel Hero Engineering Competition
Arab-Israeli Relations Speaker event
Religious Life of Great Scientists Lecture Series
Israeli Independence Day Carnival
Rabbi Fisher delivered the invocation at Commencement

* denotes that the donor also gave in 1990, as far back as our records go

We thank our supporters for their generous contributions.

We thank you for your gift.



\$250 - \$499

Anonymous
 Glenn Ackerman and Adina Klein
 Theodore Alper and Constance Stillinger
 in honor of Morris A Alper
 Edwin Arippol
 Lewis Aronin
 Arnaud Bensoussan
 Robert Berk
 Jenna Berkowitz
 Charles Berman*
 Wesley Blank
 Daniel and Anna Blankschtein
 Lloyd and Christine Bloom
 Harry and Eleanor Bluestein
 in memory of Bennett and Ellen Zarren
 Stephen and Constance Bram*
 Ronald Chaney and Julie Greenberg
 Harvey and Louise Cohen
 Gordon Freed
 Emil and Hester Friedman*
 Ron Gans and Nina Gelman-Gans
 Lee and Susan Gavens*
 Barry and Laurie Goldman*
 Malcolm and Susan Green
 Alan Green*
 Irene Griff*
 Jerrold and Louise Grochow*
 Yevgeny Gurevich
 Jeffrey Hankoff*
 Arthur Hersh
 Victor Kac
 Arthur and Abby Kalotkin*
 Harvey Kasdan
 Joshua Katz
 Sheri Katz
 Howard and Marion Katz
 John Klensin*
 Elizabeth Klerman

\$500 - \$999

Ronald and Belle Agronin
 Deborah and Enrico Ancona
 Larry and Adele Bacow
 Jack and Marilyn Belz
 Moshe Ben-Akiva and Shari Gershenfeld*
 David and Nancy Berkowitz
 Robert and Joyce Blumberg
 Steve and Jane Deutsch
 Dennis and Jane Carlton
 Michael and Sharon Cohen
 Fred and Joan Ehrich
 in memory of Claude W Brenner

Joel Greenwald*
 Steven and Catherine Haubenstock
 Eli Hurowitz and Hope Mehlman
 Jeffrey and Joanne Ingerman*
 Avrom Jacobs
 in honor of Kayla D Jacobs;
 in honor of Chaim Kutnicki
 Kathryn James
 Alex Karpovsky
 Julian Krolik and Elaine Weiss
 Paul Lazarescu
 Steven D Levy
 Charles Libicki and Penny Wenger*
 Irving London
 Barry and Michelle Milder*
 Joel and Peggy Moses*
 in memory of Claude W Brenner
 Lee and Sam Mozes
 Steven Nadler*
 Benjamin Pick
 Robert Pindyck and Nurit Eini-Pindyck*
 Jack Rappoport
 Boris Raykin and Natalie Skorodinsky
 Art and Sandy Reidel*
 Valarie and Neil Rosen
 Paul Rosenblum and Beth Springer
 Samuel and Phyllis Rubinovitz
 Henry and Susan Salzhauer
 Andrew and Sarah Samnick
 Jack and Deborah Schuss
 Alexander Sherman
 Susan Crowl Silberberg
 Bernard Slosberg
 Marvin Sparrow*
 David and Lizabeth Wagger*
 Gail Walker
 Joseph Weinstein*
 Ruth Zarren
 in memory of Bennett Zarren



Sol and Terri Eisenberg*
 Gary and Bebe Fallick
 Burton and Clare Figler*
 Marc and Deborah Fogel*
 Jerry Goldman
 in memory of Mrs Sherri Goldman
 Robert and Cindy Goodof*

“ Hillel helped me develop my Jewish identity at MIT. I never thought I would be involved at all in Jewish life on campus, but after meeting and spending time with some of the staff members through Birthright, ConnecTech, etc., I realized that Hillel can provide a way to weave Judaism into my existing life on campus. ”

EVAN OLIN '16

Michael and Karen Crystal
 in memory of Claude W Brenner
 Samuel Daitch
 Mark and Barbara Drazen*
 Stephen and Donna Dreier
 Andrew and Gisele Ellis
 Robert and Deena Ferrara
 in memory of Jack M Fischer;
 in memory of Claude W Brenner;
 in memory of Anne Baram
 Charles and Wendy Wolfe Fine*
 Robert and Sandra Finkelstein
 Harry Finkle
 Stanley and Rhoda Fischer*
 Franklin and Ellen Fisher*
 Herbert and Dorothy Fox
 Martin Kohn
 Norman Kohn*
 Gary Kurzban and Teresa Ruiz
 Alexander and Larissa Kushkuley
 Robert Lechter
 Abraham Lederman*
 Stephen Lippard
 in memory of Mrs Judith Lippard
 Anne Lowell
 in memory of Claude W Brenner
 David Manalan
 James and Deborah Bovarnick Mastin*
 David Matsa
 Arthur Mattuck*
 Irene Greif and Albert Meyer
 Leon and Jacqui Michelove*

Jerome Milch*
 David Oderberg
 in honor of Isaac Max Oderberg
 Bertram and Gloria Pariser
 Eliot Pearlman
 in memory of Thelma Pearlman;
 in memory of Samuel Pearlman
 Martin and Rhea Reiss*
 Charles Rosenblatt*
 Larry and Karen Rosenstein*
 John Rosenthal*



John Rothenberg
 Howard Rubin
 in memory of Bennett Zarren
 Dennis and Jeanne Sager*
 Stuart and Debra Mann Schmill
 Arnold and Susan Schwartz*
 Stuart and Celia Sealfon
 in honor of Adam B Sealfon and
 Rachel Sima Sealfon
 Paul Shapiro*
 Ian Sigalow
 Paul and Diane Slakter
 Russell Steinweg
 in memory of Walter Steinweg
 Irwin Sterman*
 Richard Strauss
 Edward and Norma Talley
 in memory of Jack M Fischer
 Daniel Thumim and Judith Aaronson
 Meena Viswanath
 Kevin Wald
 Barney and Sandy Weinstein*

\$100 - \$249
 Anonymous (3)*
 Arnold Aaron and Francine Grossbart
 Dan Abrams
 Milton Adesnik and Judith Hauptman
 Richard Alexander
 Dawn Ash
 Morris Azrin
 Hillel and Amanda Bachrach
 Jamie and Thea Bader*
 Jonathan and Cara Baker
 Henry Banach*
 Josh and Mara Daniel Baraban
 Jerald Baronofsky
 Pamela Becker
 John and Adrienne Beckmann
 Chaia Bekefi
 Joshua and Elyssa Benedikt
 Alan Benenfeld
 Susan Benezra
 in honor of Dr Valarie Benezra Rosen
 Lily Berger
 Steven and Stephanie Bernstein*
 Uri Bernstein*
 Brian Bertan
 in memory of Howard S Bertan
 Aaron Bobick
 Carol Bogin*
 David Borhani and Julie Bernstein
 George and Jennifer Borhegyi
 in memory of Laszlo Fischer
 Morrissa Brenner
 Mayer and Sandra Brenner
 Daniel and Carol Singer Bricklin
 Lee and Rachel Buckman
 Allan and Rhea Bufferd
 in memory of Jack M Fischer
 Nancy and Philip Burstein*
 Julian and Fay Bussgang*
 in memory of Claude W Brenner
 Marshall Byer
 Herman and Judith Chernoff*
 David Cholst and Laura Richman
 Blair Cohen*

MIT Hillel by the numbers 2015

- \$649,871** Amount raised
- 787** Number of contributors that built our success
- 26** Percent of this year's donors who also gave in 1990, as far back as our records go
- 38** Percent of living 1990 donors who also gave in 2015
- 77** First-time donors to MIT Hillel
- \$0** What MIT students pay for Shabbat dinner
- 100** Percentage increase in Shabbat dinner attendance. Our average weekly participation went from 40 to 80 in one year.
- 1** Hillel International Award for Excellence to Rabbi Michelle Fisher
- 300+** Hillel Staff's coffee dates, one-on-one conversations, and meetings to support students and Jewish life on campus
- 130** Number of Leading Jewish Minds attendees. We average 60 per session, many "regulars".
- 18** Number of Legacy Donors we have been challenged to identify
- 5** Different Birthright trip reunions
- 7** Student-led seders across campus sponsored by MIT Hillel

Laurent Cohen
 Susan Cohen
 Robert Melvin Colton
 Matthew Cons
 in memory of Mr Charles Cons
 Claudia Coplein

Prof Scott and Marcia Cotler
 Marc and Gail Covitt
 Felix Dashevsky
 Riccardo and Raquel Di Capua
 in memory of Bennett Zarren
 Norman and Arlene Ditchek*
 Allan Drazen
 Nancy Dressler
 Irwin and Susan Dunietz
 Hannah Durschlag
 Howard and Pamela Eagle
 in honor of Adam R Eagle
 Gerson Ecker
 Marla Eglowstein Rich
 in honor of Mr Ira Eglowstein
 David Elkodsi*
 Steven and Jacqueline Feinberg



Rich and Annette Feldman*
 Israel Feldman and Sharon Doner- Feldman*
 Michael Fink
 Matthew Fisher
 Alan Fisher
 Leslie and Audrey Fisher
 Martin and Helen Tager-Flusberg*
 Michael Form and Jane Karp
 David Frank*
 Marissa Freed
 Mindy Garber and Richard Cohen
 Edward and Bonnie Garon
 Arthur and Linda Gelb
 Jack and Faye Gingold*
 Jason and Deena Glasgow
 Michael Gobler
 Scott Goffstein
 in memory of Claude W Brenner
 James Goldberg
 Donald Goldberg
 Glenn and Beth Goldman
 Steven and Shelley Goldstein
 Neil and Laura Goldstein
 Dan Goodman and Lisa Chernin*
 Lawrence and Joan Goodman*
 Daniel Gordon and Anne Messer
 Milton Green*
 Curtis and Joan Green
 Paul Greenberg and Marla Choslovsky*
 Andrew and Heather Greene

זיכרונם לברכה

May their memories be for a blessing

Claude Brenner '47
Past President
 Board Tenure 1983 - 2015

Jack Fischer '59
Vice President
 Board Tenure 2004 - 2015

Norman Leventhal '38
Chairman
 Board Tenure 1983 - 2015

Mia Heavener
 Myron and Sara Hecht
 Vivian Hecht
 in honor of Rabbi Michelle H Fisher
 Steven and Debbie Heller
 Howard Helman
 Steven and Carol Henry
 Jason and Nancy Hintersteiner
 Jeffrey and Barbara Hoffman*
 Kenneth Hoffman
 in honor of Dr Steven R Tannenbaum
 Morton Hoffman
 Irwin and Eve Hollander
 Gilbert Huppert
 Andrew and Elise Jacobs
 in honor of Ariel M Jacobs
 Barry Jacobson
 in memory of Dr Myron J Jacobson

Louis Kaplow and Jody Forchheimer
 in honor of Rabbi Michelle H Fisher
 Jeffrey and Malkah Karas*
 Maurice Karpman and Shira Horowitz
 Stuart and Sherry Kaswell
 Matthew Katcher
 Elizabeth Katcoff
 William Kavesh*
 David Kazdan and Laura Gooch*
 Bonny Kellermann
 Ruth Kleinfeld
 in memory of Bennett Zarren
 Daniel and Sharon Kleitman*
 Philippe Kletzkin*
 in memory of Leon Arie ben Moshe Kletzkin

Steven Lustig*
 Dr Alan and Sheryl Marcus*
 Craig and Carole Marin
 Martin and Lynn Mark
 David Marks and Lilian Kemp
 Martin Marks
 in memory of Claude W Brenner
 Renée Marlin-Bennett and Charles Bennett
 Kenneth Marshall
 Harold and Marilyn Metcalf
 Margo Miller
 Neil and Yolanda Roth Moyer
 Josef and Sharon Nathanson
 Russell Negin



Richard Greenspan
 Jordan and Beth Grey
 Irwin Grossman*
 Alan Grossman and Marcia Goldberg
 Gary Guarino and Janet Platt
 Lynne Haber

Steven and Eileen Janowsky
 David and Joanna Blum Jerison
 Avram and Esther Kalisky
 William and Betty Kantrowitz
 Robert and Jean Kaplan

Jonathan Kluberg
 Piuter Kogan and Julia Fainstein
 Stephan Koltitz*
 Theodore and Diane Korelitz
 Ellen Kranzer
 Monty and Nancy Krieger
 Marvin Kruger*
 Edouard Kujawski*
 Mason Lappin*
 Michael Leavitt*
 Marc and Deborah Rubin-Levin
 Howard Levin
 Alan and Beth Levine*
 Zachary Levine
 Julius Levine*
 Larry and Susan Levine
 Robert and Margaret Levy
 Anita Leyfell
 Janet Leiberman
 Jeffrey and Lois Linsky*
 Ann and David Loomis

Jeremy Newberger
 Eric Newman and Janice Gepner*
 in memory of Rabbi Herman Pollack
 Steven Oreck*
 Stuart Orkin*
 Stephen and Barbara Parkoff
 Max Plager
 Linda and Michael Rabieh
 Jeremy Raines
 Victoria Rakov
 Aaron Rapoport
 Heschel and Adinah Raskas*
 Susan Rietti*
The Strausman Family Fund Inc.
 John Rinde
 Mark Rockoff
 Benedict and Bernice Rosen
 Richard Rosen
 David Rosenberg
 Harvey and Lola Rosenblum
 Mauri Rosenthal
 Joseph and Dorene Rosenthal

Eugene S Rubin*
 Bradley Rubin
 Ira and Penina Scharf
 Stuart Scharf*
 Joel and Alice Schindall
 Jory Schlenger*
 Marshall Schorin*
 Jeffrey Schweiger
 Gerald and Maxine Shapiro
 Theodore Sheskin
 Martin Shooman
 Barbara Shostak*
 Jonathan and Sara Shuter
 Alan Sicherman*
 Leonard Sigal and Barbara Snyder
 Daniel and Evelyn Silber
 Marc Silverstein
 Marvin Singer
 Warren and Karin Slaten
 Herbert and Rosalyn Slater*
 Stuart and Tiffani Slutsky
 Ronald Smith
 Arthur Smith*
 Mannie Smith
 in memory of Bennett Zarren
 Janet Sollod
 Abraham and Gail Sonenshein*
 Kimberly Sparer
 Stephan and Rosemary Sperling
 in honor of Jeffrey M Sperling
 Jonathan and Linda Spira
 in honor of Rabbi Gavriel Goldfeder
 Stuart Spitzer*
 Peter and Mindy Standley
 Jeffrey Steinfeld
 Richard and Sylvia Stern
 Mark and Sharon Stern
 in honor of Brenda Stern
 William and Avivya Stohl*
 Burton and Ilona Surick
 Steven Swibel
 Peter and Charlotte Temin*



Richard and Carol Temkin
 Robert Thau
 Herb Tobin
 Neil and Carol Todreas
 Baruch and Pamela Toledano
 Eric and Karen Tollestrup
 Robert Tove*
 Arnold Tubis*
 Carl Uhrmacher and Barbara Pollack
 in memory of Mr Ralph R Uhrmacher
 Edmond and Veronica Vinarub
 Louis Wadel
 Harold Waller*
 Adrian Walter-Ginzburg
 Vivian Warren
 Marc and Judith Weinberg
 Richard Weiner*
 Harris and Rosa Weinstein*
 Clifford Weinstein*
 Arthur and Trudy Weiss
 in memory of Bennett Zarren
 Aryeh Weiss and Ethel Gordon*
 Loel and Patricia Weiss
 Marlon Weiss
 Clark Weissman*
 Abraham and Barbara Weitzberg
 Jason and Amy Weller*
 Don Wilen*
 Harold and Judith Wilensky
 in memory of Mr Samuel C Goldman
 Jerome Winston*
 Andrew and Dalia Yablon
 Cynthia Zabin and David Wean
 Dale and Dianne Zeskind
 Gerald Zuriff*

Donors up to \$99

Anonymous (3)
 in memory of Claude W Brenner
 Steven Abrams
 in memory of Rabbi Judith Z Abrams
 Helene Agatstein
 Steven Alтчuler

Charles Benet*
 Maxa Berid
 in memory of Claude W Brenner
 Scott and Gail Berkenblit
 Kenneth Bernstein*
 Howard and Marilyn Bertan
 Zev Bimstein
 Harvey and Joan Bines
 Rebecca Bloom
 Rhonda Brandes
 in honor of Rabbi Michelle H Fisher
 Josef Brandriss and Abigail
 Kirschenbaum
 David Braslau*
 Joseph and Alice Bresman*
 Micah Brodsky
 Matthew and Sheri Ann Rothstein
 Brown
 Malcolm and Anita Brown
 Barry Buchbinder and Isabelle
 Trocheris*
 Bonnie Buratti and Kai Lam
 Muriel Burstein
 in memory of Bennett Zarren

“ Hillel helped me renew my Jewish identity by engaging me in challenging academic and spiritual questions through programs such as Kindle Your Judaism. Hillel has always been a place I could go to for help when the pressures of MIT become overwhelming. The staff is always willing to listen to my problems and give me spiritual guidance and life advice. Hillel has helped me keep close to my Jewish identity and strengthen it as I move into the next phase of my life. ”

ALEXANDER FELDSTEIN '15

Arthur Apter
 Michael and Rose Ann Ariel
 Samuel Asher and Rochelle
 Marx-Asher
 David and Barbara August
 Harry and Ronna Back
 Raymond and Beth Baer
 Lotte Bailyn
 Jay and Helen Baker
 Eric and Tamar Banks
 Avram and Annette Bar-Cohen
 Erez Barnavon
 Garrett Barter
 David Benbassat

Jeffrey Casper*
 Adri Chaikin
 Judith Chaloff
 Alexander Charney Cohen
 Jay and Nancy Cohen
 David and Barbara Cohen*
 Steven Cohen
 Alvin and Devara Cohen
 Matthew Cohen
 Steven and Merle Cohen
 David and Beth Cook
 John and Eta Cooper
 Herbert and Ann Daitch





Paul and Joan Gluck
in memory of Bennett Zarren
Robert and Nancy Gold
Harry Goldberg
Gavriel Goldfeder
in honor of Rabbi Michelle H Fisher
Abram Goldfinger
Charles Goldman
Marc Goldring and Susan
Schlisserman*
John Goldstein
Evan Goldstein and Joanne Garelick
Goldstein
Irene Goldstein*
in memory of Mr Sam B Goldstein
Irwin Goldstein
Paul and Joy Goldstein
in memory of Bennett Zarren
Andrew and Bracha Goldsweig
Leonard and Cheryl Goodman*
Howard Gordon
Steven and Judith Gordon
Edward Gornish*
James Gotshalk
Robert Greenberg
Harvey Greenwald*
Nicholas and Irene Grossman*
Edward G Grossman*
Adina Gwartzman
Evan Hammerman
Michael Hecht
Sanford and Beth Hellman
Owen Herman
Ady and Kathy Hershcovitch
in honor of Dr Meir D Hershcovitch MD
Gary and Linda Hirsch
Christopher Hockert and Jennifer
Bradshaw
Peter Hoffman*

Ira Holtzman
Larry and Allene Horowitz
Lawrence Hyatt
Morton Isaacson and Erica Zissman*
Richard Jacobs
Paul and Beverly Jacobson
Michael Joffe
Susan Jones
Phyllis and Donald Kahn
Sylvan Kamens
David Held and Irene Kaplow
Evan Karlik
in memory of Mildred Lewis
Robert and Myrna Karz*
Melvyn and Joan Kassenoff
Murray and Susan Katcher
Joel and Fredda Katcoff
Allan and Linda Katz*
Jonathan Katz

Alan and Roberta Daskin
Mark and Babette Daskin
Laurie Dennis
Daniel Dershowitz and Debra Gross
William Dershowitz and Susan Hankin
in memory of Hope Dershowitz
Sweet Tea and Georgina Dorminy
Jesse Dunitz
Michael and LaRae Dunitz
Edie Eiseman and Howard Axe
Bronwyn Eisenberg
Allen Elgart and Marsha Chaskelson
William and Myrna Elkins
in memory of Bennett Zarren
Uri and Iris Elzur
Don Engelberg
Susan Epstein
in memory of Claude W Brenner
Benjamin Epstein
Earl and Phyllis Epstein
Frederick and Bessie Ezekiel*
Michael and Julie Fegan
Daniel Fein and Shoshana Green
in memory of Morris Dolnane
Mark and Linda Feinman
Harry Feldman and Paula Rubinoff*
Samuel Fine*
Marissa Finer
in memory of Bennett Zarren
Yoel Fink
Eddie Fischman
Arthur and Terri Fisher
Julie Forman-Kay
Alexander Frank and Stacey
Mandelbaum
Daniel and Amanda Frankel
Donald and Sheila Frankel
in memory of Norman B Leventhal

Adam and Joy Freedman*
Tedd Freidman
in memory of Bennett Zarren
Jay Fridkis*
Myles Friedman*
Alan Friedman
Marshall Fritz
Eileen and Myron Frommer
David and Donna Gabai
Aaron and Frayda Galvin*
Howard Gendel*
Jeffery and Jojo Gertler
Michael Gevelber and Michelle
Fineblum*
Ariel Gildengers
Margolia Gilson*
Albert Glassman
David and Belisa Gleitman
Mel and Elyse Glenn



Rena Katz
Catharine Kauffman
Lawrence Kaufman and Melissa
Crespy*
Brian and Katherine Kern
Samuel Kesner
Donna Kessel
Roger Khazan
in memory of Simon Zasalavsky
Robert and Linda Kiss
Dennis Klinman and Susan Leitman
Abraham and Zahava Kohen
Ralph Kohl*
Deena Koniver*
Naomi Korn Gold
David Kushner*
Irving and Floris Kusnitz*
Joshua Kutin
David and Maria Landman
Claire Lazar
Tessa and Martin Lebinger*

“ One of my favorite communities at MIT has been MIT Hillel... I first met the MIT Jewish community when I came for Shabbat dinner during my Campus Preview Weekend. Little did I know that the people joking around with me at the dinner table would become such integral parts of my MIT experience... Contemplating the next stage of my life, I hope I can find a Jewish community similar to the incredible one I have at MIT. I would like to thank MIT Hillel for its contributions to my MIT experience. ”

MIRIAM PROSNITZ '15

Helmut and Rochelle Lecke
in honor of our son Rabbi Gavriel
Goldfeder

Daniel Leeds

David and Cindy Leffell

Deborah Levey and Crispin Weinberg

Alan and Bonnie Levin

Barry and Phyllis Levine



Prof Lawrence and Beverly Lewin*

Beatrice and Harold Lewis

Arlen and Audrey Lichter

Jay Liebowitz

Hershel Lipow and Susan Siegal

Daniel Liss

Tamara Litwin and Colin Berkley

Earle and Ruth Lomon*

Carlos Mainemer

Jonathan Maltzman

Joseph Mandelbaum

Michael and Nancy Merel

Scott and Eve Mermel

Louis Metzger*

Jerrold Miller

Martin Mills

Avrom and Alisa Mintz

Barry Mitnick*

Warren and Jacqueline Moskowitz*

Giselle Mosnaim-Buyer

Michael Nathan

David and Ronna Ness-Cohn

Ellie Neustein

Sanford Nobel

Edward Norin

Erik Nygren and Ksenia Samokhvalova
in memory of Rosalind Goldman

Michael and Erica Olin

Samuel Osofsky and Gail Javitt*

Mark Pasternack and Judy Meyers*

Allan Paull

Merle and Phyllis Persky

Erin Piateski

Michael Picheny and Barbara Bolshon

Howard Piolet*

Edward and Elaine Pierson

Howard and Eileen Plotkin

Richard and Peggy Pober*

Farrel Powsner



Sample of MIT Hillel Learning Opportunities

Jewish Enough?

Mental Health in the Army and Israeli Society

Philosophy of Science Discussion Group

Professors Talk About God Series

How to Lead a Passover Seder

Contemporary Israel and the Music She Makes

MLK Panel – Are Minorities Responsible for One Another?



Rami and Ursula Mangoubi

David and Emily Marcovitz

John Margulis

Corey McCaffrey

Lourdes Melgar and Jose Lopez-Presa

David and Julie Mendelowitz

Bruce Mendelsohn

Ronald and Irene Probststein

Miriam Prosnitz

Edward and Anne-Monique

Rapoport

Sanford and Shelley Reback

Steven Reis

Margery Resnick

Lori Resnick*

Steven Rife

Steven Rogers

Stanley and Louise Rose*

Joseph and Rachel Rosen

Miriam Rosenblum
in memory of Claude W Brenner

Donald and Nancy Liebman
Rosenfield

Morton and Barbara Rosenstein

Ilana Rotmensch

Steven and Susan Rubin

Lawrence Rubin*

William and Caryl Russell

Alberto and Erica Sadun

Michael Savin

Matya Gilbert-Schachter and Anna
Boonin-Schachter

Yael Schein

Robert Schiffenbauer*

Howard Schiffman*

Nathan Schleifer and Marlene
Stulbach

Naomi Schmelzer

Ira Schor

Gerald Schroeder*

Michelle Schulberg

Judith Schwartz and Harvey Friedman

David and Susan Schwartzfarb

Ted Senator

Mitchell and Barbara Serota

Elizabeth Setren

Bernard and Yana Shapiro*

Jeffrey and Ellen Shapiro

Finley Shapiro and Susan Stein*

Ronald and Harriet Sheinson*

Mark and Vera Sherman

Andrew Sherman

David and Susan Shnidman*

Richard and Andrea Shorin





Funds and Corporate Matching Gifts

Corporate Matching Gifts

Apple Matching Gifts Program
 AT&T Foundation
 Ball Corporation
 Cardinal Health Foundation
 Consolidated Edison Co of NY Inc.
 Ernst & Young Foundation
 ExxonMobil Foundation
 Fidelity Foundation
 General Electric Foundation
 Goldman Sachs and Company
 Google Foundation
 Henry Crown and Company
 IBM
 Johnson and Johnson
 Marsh and McLennan Companies Inc.
 Merck Company Foundation
 Raytheon Co
 Sanofi-Aventis
 Verizon Foundation

Donor Advised Funds

Benevity Community Impact Fund
 Combined Jewish Philanthropies
 Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund
 Hillel: Foundation for Jewish Campus Life
 Jewish Community Foundation San Diego
 Jewish Communal Fund of NY
 Jewish Federation of Metro Chicago
 Jewish Foundation of Memphis
 National Philanthropic Trust DAF
 Renaissance Charitable Foundation Inc.
 Schwab Fund for Charitable Giving
 United Jewish Endowment Fund

Ruth Shragowitz*
 Lewis Shulman
 Peter Silverberg
 Reid Simmons
 Stuart and Kimberly Simon*
 Jeffrey and Christina Simon
 Robert Sitrin
 Brandon and Nancy Sklar
 Howard and Nancy Smith*
 Lawrence and Esther Smith*
 Scott Smith
 Joel Sokol
 Jeffrey and Miriam Sokoloff*
 George and Carol Starkschall

Bruce and Suzanne Strauss
 Louis Stuhl and Sheila Kojm*
 Deborah Stutman-Brickey and Michael Brickey
 Philip and Deborah Sussman
 Leon Sutton*
 Judith Swan
 Temple Israel of Albany
 Harold and Seema Tepper*
 Christopher and Deborah Terman
 Samson Timoner
 in honor of Chana Ruth Timoner
 Michael Tuchman and Margaret Knowles-Tuchman
 Dr Rick Turkel*
 Rebecca Van Horn
 Martin and Sara Jane Victor
 Craig Warden-Rothman
 Nancy Warshofsky
 in memory of Bennett Zarren
 Noam and Chana Wasserman
 Ernst and Helen Weglein
 Susan Weil
 Melvin Weiner*
 Donald and Jane Weiner
 Jonathon Weiss
 Sorin and Rochelle Weissman
 David and Rachel Kleiman Wexler
 Jeffrey Wieselthier*
 Gail Willsky
 Ronald Wilson and Judith Avnet
 Joel and Ruth Winett
 in honor of Rabbi Michelle H Fisher
 Barnet and Erica Wolff*
 Eleanore Wortzman
 in honor of Jason S Gross
 Lior and Linda Yahalomi
 Inbar Yamin
 Laurence Young and Vicki Goldberg
 Joshua Zeidman
 Klaus Zwilsky*



David and Shira Starobinski
 Zachary Stauber
 Judy Stein*
 Elliot Steinberg
 Donald Steinbrecher and Rochelle Robbins
 Daniel Steinbrook
 Hal Stern and Hara Waldman
 Irvin Stiglitz



WORLDWIDE
HILL
HILL

L’Dor v’Dor - MIT Hillel Across the Generations

This report reflects one year at MIT Hillel: a snapshot of our activity and an expression of gratitude to our supporters who made the year possible. We hope that you get a sense of the community both on campus and across our worldwide base of alumni and friends. Here at Hillel, we never lose sight of all that makes our work possible.

Our community also spans the dimension of time, with support from many generations of alumni. Our small, Boston-based Board comprises alumni from the 1950’s, 60’s, 70’s 80’s, and 90’s, as well as current faculty and staff and undergraduate and graduate students. Before the recent passings of two of our earliest builders, we also had the 1930’s and 40’s covered in our leadership structure. How inspiring!

Hillel’s donor base covers the spectrum as well, up through our newest alumni. The Jewish experience at MIT has varied in different eras, but despite those fluctuations, alumni from all times share the belief in the importance of a thriving Jewish community and meaningful individual experience during formative years on campus. It is all possible because of you (singular) individually, and you (plural) in the aggregate.

Many years, including 2015, we realize a legacy gift, when we learn that someone has named MIT Hillel in their estate plan. Depending on the size of the gift, we may consider it a one-time and/or final gift to our annual campaign, or we might add it to our endowment to perpetuate the donor’s commitment over time. Sometimes people let us know in advance that they plan to do this, which gives us the opportunity to thank them, always our preference. Currently, we know of roughly 20 intended planned gifts.

In 2015, MIT Hillel was accepted into Hillel International’s Life & Legacy initiative, a program of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation. This is a follow-up to a similar program we did three years ago (when those first 20 were identified). MIT Hillel is one of only four schools across the country to be selected for both iterations. With training from Hillel International provided by support from Grinspoon, we are working to strengthen our foundation, by identifying and/or cultivating 18 bequest gift intentions in each of the next two years. In the coming year, we will be reaching out to our most loyal donors, and we invite you to let us know directly if MIT Hillel is named among your legacy priorities.

One thing we know – as donors ourselves, as Jews, as citizens, as MIT people – is that any form of our work today is also building for the future, both the part we will live to see and the “infinite corridor” of time beyond our own. Scientific discoveries, engineering breakthroughs, economic plans, literary or technical publications are all catalysts of change. So, too, for philanthropy.

Whether you are one of the 77 first-time donors to Hillel in 2015, or one of our 207 donors who go back at least as far as our records (1990), or everyone in between, we hope you sense our gratitude on every page of this publication, not just for your (singular) gift this year, but also for your (plural) giving over time.

All errors are the responsibility of MIT Hillel. Please contact us directly if your name or gift is in error in this report.

We appreciate when you take the time to help us do better.

A special thank you to our photographers

Hillel Staff
Christopher McIntosh
Ariel Schwartzman '15
Steve Tavan '72

Paul F. Levy '72, MCP '74

Chair, Board Development Committee





MIT Hillel

Norman B. and Muriel Leventhal Center for Jewish Life

40 Massachusetts Ave (Building W11)
Cambridge, MA 02139-4307

617.253.2982
hillel.mit.edu
hillel@mit.edu

“ Science takes things apart
to see how they work.
Religion puts things together
to see what they mean. ”

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks