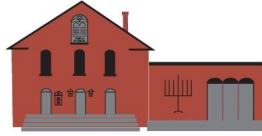


The Doorpost

Temple Israel
Monthly Newsletter
August 2021, Av - Elul 5781



Diversity is our Strength



**Rabba Kaya
Stern-Kaufman**

One of the beautiful things about this community that drew me to Temple Israel, is that the members come from so many varying backgrounds and affiliations. Temple Israel congregants come from very traditional backgrounds, Reform backgrounds, and no Jewish background at all. Some members

enjoy prayer services and others prefer cultural offerings. We have many interfaith families, non-Jewish participants, and families who remain connected through legacies of past generations who founded and built the temple. We are indeed a diverse community, with varying needs and interests— a microcosm of the progressive American Jewish world.

I come to you at this time in the life of the temple with a vision of a thriving pluralistic community that expresses the value of inclusivity and designs its programs and services to reflect an “open tent” approach. With this foremost in mind, I am very excited to share some new plans for the autumn, both for our services and for our Hebrew School.

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Upcoming Events

Shalom-Shalom Drive Through (Avia & Ra’anan)

6:00 - 7:00 pm, Thursday, 8/5, TIP Parking Lot

Rosh Hodesh Group (at a congregant’s home), see p. 9

6:00 pm, Sunday, 8/8

Day of Movement & Music, see p. 5

11:00 am, Sunday, 8/15, Social Hall

TIP Book Club discusses *The Museum of Extraordinary Things*, by Alice Hoffman, see p. 16

11:30 am, Tuesday, 8/17

An Evening in the Gallery: The Twilight of American Impressionism, see p. 10

5:30 pm, Wednesday, 8/25, Discover Portsmouth Center

Bat Mitzvah of Elyse White

10:00 am, Saturday, 8/28

Selichot: “The Moth” comes to TIP, see p. 3

8:15 pm, Saturday, 8/28

REGULAR MEETINGS

Basic Judaism Class for Conversion, see p. 2

6:00 pm, Wednesday, 8/11, 8/18, 8/25

Senior Discussion Group

10:00 am, Wednesdays via Zoom

Yiddish Class for Beginners, see p. 15

11:00 am, Thursdays, 8/12, 19, 26, in the garden courtyard (social hall if raining)

Complete COMMITTEE MEETING schedule continues on page 4. [Reminder: please log into your ShulCloud account to confirm meeting dates on the website calendar, as they are subject to change!](#)

Development Committee

7:00 pm, Wednesday, 8/4

From Rabba Kaya's Desk

(Continued from page 1)

This fall, after Sukkot, we will pilot a variety of Shabbat service styles. Our Ritual Committee has unanimously endorsed this plan. We will rotate between our traditional service and some of the following types of services: contemplative meditative services, services using more English / "Hebrew Light," themed services, family services, services with musical guests and Shabbes Tisch creative services, just to name a few! And we plan to offer frequent Tot Shabbat services as well. These varied services will be offered mostly on Friday nights along with our traditional Friday night services.

Additionally, we are thrilled to announce our new intergenerational Shabbat morning experience- *Yachad Shabbat*. *Yachad* is a Hebrew word meaning "altogether." After Sukkot, we will begin welcoming everyone (Hebrew School families and all congregants) to celebrate Shabbat morning with us. As children arrive in their classrooms, bagels and coffee will be served in the Shmooze at 9:00 am, followed by a choice of learning with Rabba Kaya or yoga in the Social Hall from 9:15 - 9:55 am. Shabbat morning services in the Sanctuary at 10:00 am will include participation by community members and Hebrew school students, followed by a kiddush for all at noon. For more details about our new Hebrew School program, see the article by our new Head of School, Tzipporah Horowitz. If you know of any yoga teachers in our community or elsewhere who would like to collaborate with me to provide Shabbat morning yoga, please send me their contact information.

We are hopeful that the current pandemic will be more under control by October. However, if things worsen, we will surely adjust our plans to make certain that everyone is safe. In the meantime I welcome you to share your enthusiasm, questions and ideas with me as we pilot these new approaches to meeting more of our needs and building community connections.

With blessings for a healthy, regenerative new year!

Rabba Kaya

Basic Judaism Class for Conversion with Rabba Kaya Stern-Kaufman

The next class meets on Wednesday, August 11, at 6:00 pm. Open to everyone interested in learning the basics about Judaism and living a Jewish life. Sessions are scheduled on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm, via Zoom, on the following dates: **August 11, 18, 16, and 25. No classes in September. October 6, 20. November 3, 17.** Register on the website calendar to receive the Zoom link and reading list.

[A hearty welcome \(and in some cases, welcome back!\) to new members:](#)

- The Adler family: Shannan & Joshua, Rita, and Jack, Rye
- Barry & Minerva Feinberg, Hampton
- Shelley Hartz & Rick Sugam, Dover
- The Martin family: Erik & Natalie, Abigail and Isabel, Dover
- Barbara Rosenstein, York
- Jeff & Stacey Segil, Dover
- Donald & Kitty Stoller, Prospect, KY
- Eli Yisrael, Nashua

Prayer

Special Shabbat Services

- Friday, August 6, Musical Kabbalat Shabbat service led by Cantor Shira Nafshi
- Saturday, August 7, Shabbat morning service led by Fran Berman
- Friday, August 13, 4:30 pm, Tot Shabbat service led by Rabba Kaya, chapel
- Friday, August 13, Outdoor Kabbalat Shabbat service at Strawberry Banke with special musical guest Kochava Munro
- Friday, August 20, Outdoor Kabbalat Shabbat service at Wagon Hill Farm in Durham, with musical guests Lisa Jane Lipkin and Jay Hitt.
- Friday, August 27, Kabbalat Shabbat service with special musical guest, harpist Carol Emanuel
- Saturday, August 28, Bat Mitzvah of Elyse White

Candle Lighting

August 6, 7:42 pm
August 13, 7:32 pm
August 20, 7:21 pm
August 27, 7:10 pm

Service Times

Tuesday 5:30 pm

Friday 6:30 pm

Saturday morning 10:00 am

** Zoom links to virtual services are in the weekly bulletin, with exceptions to regular times as noted.*

Selichot: “The Moth” at TIP!

Saturday, August 28

Join us for havdalah at 8:15pm followed by an evening of storytelling by congregants on the subject of forgiveness. A gentle Selichot service will close the evening with familiar melodies for the High Holiday season. If you have a short story to share, please contact Rabba Kaya ASAP.



We're so pleased to welcome back Cantorial Soloist Kochava Munro for High Holiday services.

Planning for the High Holidays

Many thanks to everyone who completed the survey about attendance and seating preferences for the High Holidays. As you all are aware, the rise of the COVID Delta variant and a surge in cases nationwide has caused congregations large and small to revisit their plans and protocols for the format of High Holiday services, and Temple Israel is no exception.

While we don't know what the next month holds, and how our ability to gather in person may be affected, please rest assured that Rabba Kaya and guest clergy, the Ritual Committee, High Holiday Steering Committee, and public health experts in the congregation are working very hard to plan meaningful—and safe—services and programs for this very special time of year.

President's Message



Dear Fellow Congregants,
It has often been said that time is our most important resource because we are unable to obtain more of it. Each of us has limited time available. This is why it is so valuable when you give of your time to participate in the activities of our temple.

The temple activity I want to emphasize here is participating on one or more temple committees. While a few of our committees have a limited number of members because of the sensitive nature of the things they deal with, most are open to all congregants.

Committees are where much important work for the temple takes place. We have nearly thirty active committees in our temple and almost every one of them needs more members to participate. This is how you can be part of the decision-making that shapes the future of your temple.

Are you interested in offerings for Adult Education? The Adult Education Committee needs people to help plan and conduct events. Or perhaps you're interested in social action? The Tikkun Olam Committee needs your help. Maybe you have experience in construction or building maintenance, sustainability or local history. Your expertise would greatly benefit the House Committee and its sub-groups. Whatever your interest is or whatever experience you can offer, we have a committee where your participation can help improve Temple Israel.

If you've been meaning to get involved with a particular committee, now's the time! If you're unsure which committee might be the best match for your interests, we can help. All you need to do is contact me or the office and we will put you in touch with the correct person.

When each member gives a little bit of their time by participating on a committee, our combined efforts will dramatically improve Temple Israel for the benefit of all.

L'shalom,
Robert Zimman

(Committee meeting schedule continued from page 1; all meetings take place via Zoom unless otherwise noted)

House Committee

7:00 pm, Thursday, 8/8

High Holiday Steering Committee

10:00 am, Tuesday, 8/10

Sustainability Committee

7:00 pm, Monday, 8/16

Executive Committee

7:30 pm, Wednesday, 8/11

Board of Directors

7:00 pm, Tuesday, 8/17

Israel Affairs Committee

4:00 pm, Thursday, 8/19 (in person + via Zoom)

Ritual Committee

7:00 pm, Thursday, 8/19 & Tuesday, 8/24

Ritual Committee

Prepare for High Holidays!

By Fran Berman, Ritual VP

Summer has been busy for the Ritual Committee as we plan observances of all of the fall holidays. A team of volunteers has been hard at work on our plans, along with Rabba Kaya and Cantorial Soloist Kochava Munro. This year, Erev Rosh Hashanah begins at sunset on Labor Day, followed nine days later by Yom Kippur, then Sukkot, Sh'mini Atzeret, and finally Simchat Torah. Each of the holidays has its special flavor: sweetness and new beginnings on Rosh Hashanah, introspection and atonement on Yom Kippur, the beauty of nature and our connection with the outdoors on Sukkot, and the richness and joy of completing and re-beginning Judaism's key text on Simchat Torah. This year, after so much time apart, some of us are especially excited by the prospect of seeing each other in person, in our sanctuary or at an outdoor service. All services will continue to offer a remote option for those who feel more comfortable participating from their own home. Stay tuned for notices of the many holiday events ahead in September.

I encourage you to begin your own High Holiday preparations in August by attending a Shabbat service. Join us in person or over Zoom on Friday night or Saturday morning in quiet reflection, song, and prayer. The sanctuary offers plenty of space to spread out, and some of our Friday night services are taking place outdoors. Join voices in community with others as we let go of our weekly cares and consider the words of the Psalms, the Torah, and other sacred Jewish texts. Each Shabbat offers a new chance for connection, renewal, and growth.

If you want to stretch your skills or add some new ones, consider learning a Torah portion or haftarah in the year ahead. It's a great way to commemorate an anniversary or birthday! If Hebrew is not in your skill set, how about sharing your thoughts on the week's *parasha*? Each Shabbat service includes a brief talk about the week's Torah portion. We would love to hear what you have to say. For more information, or to schedule your Torah, haftarah, or *d'var*, contact me at ritual@templeisraelnh.org.

Day of Music and Movement



Sunday, August 15, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

The month of Elul, which leads up to Rosh Hashanah, is a time of spiritual preparation for the High Holidays. In that spirit, we are offering a special arts-centered event that will use music and movement to help us begin our personal inward journey.

This participatory, family-friendly event will include a variety of Jewish and secular music, yoga, chi gong, Zumba, Israeli folk dancing, African drumming and some surprises. A light (individually wrapped) lunch will be provided. Come for individual segments or the entire event. All ages welcome. A Zoom option is also available.

Prepare to move and to be moved!

Hebrew School



Tzipporah Horowitz

Head of School

We are thrilled to be returning to in-person classes for Hebrew School this year! On a personal note, joining this community during such a period of transition and change has been exciting.

I cannot wait to meet each of your families, and to

know you all by name and story.

As you may have heard, we are transitioning to a Shabbat School model to offer students a rich experience of Jewish life, as they will have the opportunity to participate in services with their community. This model will better prepare our students for their b'nei mitzvah celebrations and future Jewish life.

At 9:00 am, students will meet in their classrooms while parents are invited to stop by the Shmooze for a bagel and coffee. Students will join the community in the sanctuary at 10:00 am for *Shacharit* (morning service) before returning to their classrooms for an hour of Torah study and discovery. At the end of the Torah service, students will take turns leading concluding prayers or sharing something learned in class before the community kiddush at noon.

Due to the schedule of the High Holidays and fall festivals, school will begin for all students on Saturday, October 2, 9:00 am - noon. Grades 3 - 7 will also meet on Wednesday afternoons from 3:45 - 5:30 pm, focusing on Hebrew language study, a song session, and Shalom Learning Values curriculum discussion. As with secular school,

COVID mitigation measures will be finalized in the coming weeks.

We hope to see you at our family-oriented High Holiday activities—details coming soon.

Meanwhile, I am determined to seek out good ice cream and good company! Please join me for “Ice Cream with Tzippy” to enjoy a cone and conversation (parents are welcome, too):

- Tuesday, August 10, from 4:00 – 6:00 pm, Lickee & Chewy’s Candies and Creamery, 53 Washington St, Ste 100, Dover
- Tuesday, August 17, 4:00 – 6:00 pm, Charlie’s Ice Cream, 150 Front St, Exeter
- Wednesday, September 1, 4:00 – 6:00 pm, Annabelle’s Ice Cream, 49 Ceres Street, Portsmouth

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, August 15, 11:00 am, **Community Day of Music & Movement**

Parents: please watch your email for additional program details, and feel free to contact me with any questions.

If you haven’t already registered your child, please log into your ShulCloud account ASAP and click on the Start School Enrollment tile to register your students for the 2021-2022 school year. Students have been assigned to their classes already. If you have never logged in to ShulCloud, please contact the office for your personal login link. If you spot an error or have any difficulties, please contact our webmaster, Dinah Berch, or review our ShulCloud How-To Guide.

B'simcha,

Tzippy Horowitz, Head of School

headofschool@templeisraelnh.org

Early Learning Center



Tammy Roberge
Director, ELC

The Early Learning Center's 2020 – 2021 school year finished on June 4, 2021. Graduating events were held outside in the temple parking lot. In attendance to celebrate with our students were

volunteer Steve Sacks, substitute teacher Marjorie Gruzen, ELC teacher Elian Tackeff, myself, Heather Tomlinson, Rabba Kaya and all of the ELC families. It was the first time we have used the "Facetime" option to include a graduating student who could not be with us but wanted to attend graduation, see fellow classmates, and virtually receive a certificate of graduation. She was so excited to be part of this special day.

Rabba Kaya led us in song and dance and blessed the graduation. Elian and I gave out the graduation certificates with special words to each child. All of them have grown and learned so much in this past year. Thank you, Heather, for printing the certificates for us! Then we enjoyed a frozen treat and visited with each family. We said our goodbyes

to families with students moving onto kindergarten and "see you soon" to families returning for the 2021- 2022 school year.

The next school year starts Thursday, September 9. The ELC currently has only two open slots for the fall semester.

As I am writing this, we have started our summer camp week and are having a grand time, despite some rainy weather. I will share our summer camp fun in the September *Doorpost*. Have a fun and safe summer.

L'shalom,

Tammy Roberge

If you know of anyone who is looking for a pre-school program, please recommend they look at the Early Learning Center. Our Facebook and Instagram pages can be a great link to information about our learning and fun throughout the school year. Or you can contact me through the preschool email – preschool.director@templeisraelnh.org or 603-436-5301 Ext. 23.



Bat Mitzvah



Bat Mitzvah of Elyse White **Saturday, August 28**

My name is Elyse White. I attend Portsmouth Middle School. I enjoy playing tennis, volleyball, and softball. Judaism is important to me because I love baking challah and having Shabbat dinner with my family on Friday nights.

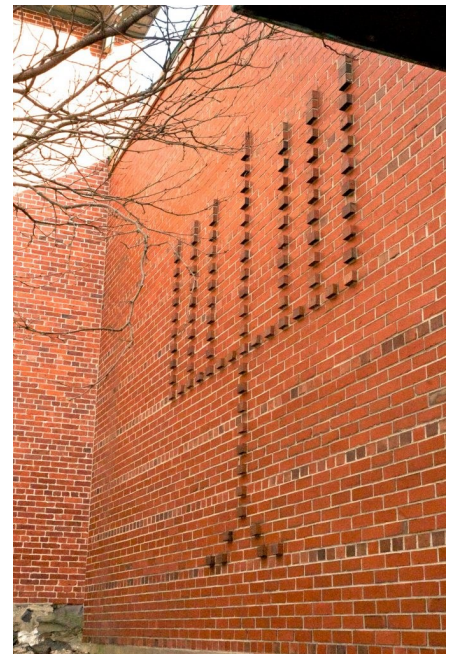
Kudos to the Security Committee!

As you may have read in the July 29 *Portsmouth Herald* article, Temple Israel was awarded a \$95,000 DHS federal grant!

In this round of funding, over a dozen NH non-profits including houses of worship received grants to increase safety measures in their spaces. We're grateful for the opportunity to secure funds for this specific purpose. TIP committee members Jared Nabel and Nathaniel Cowen worked long and hard on the 2021 application, and it's gratifying to see such a positive result!

Read the congressional press release online at <https://www.hassan.senate.gov/news/press-releases/nh-delegation-announces-nearly-1-million-to-nh-nonprofits-including-houses-of-worship-to-increase-safety>.

More information about the project will be shared with the membership in the future. The next steps in the process are getting several competitive quotes for the work, completing the improvements, and then getting reimbursed, consistent with the grant awards process.



Sisterhood

by Kerry Hansen, Sisterhood Secretary

Sisterhood has enjoyed a nice couple of months. We had a small reimagining committee and voted on incorporating working group norms for Sisterhood planning meetings going forward that are helping meetings run more smoothly. A copy of the Working Group Norms was sent out in the last Sisterhood minutes and will be re-submitted in the next Sisterhood minutes.

In May, we had a fun Plein Air Art event in the courtyard taught by Julie Serrano, co-sponsored by the Arts Review Team. Those who attended enjoyed it; Julie is a wonderful teacher!

In June, Cathi Cherry Liston and Deborah Levine led a very special Rosh Hodesh service at Joan Goldwyn's home.

Our next Rosh Hodesh celebration will be Sunday, August 8 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm, led by Deborah Levine and Jewel Beth Davis. We will meet in Ogunquit at the home of Ellen Farber. Please sign up on the temple website calendar for additional information and directions.

On June 27, a Sisterhood Planning Committee met for a lively discussion. Our next Sisterhood planning meeting was held on July 29th at 7:00 pm on Zoom. We discussed officer positions and term limits.

In addition to working norms, we are adopting the following Communication Brit for the Sisterhood. This guidance document will help us ensure that our meetings uphold Jewish ethics and standards.

A Communication Brit

(Adapted from Ritual Well, Institute for Jewish Spirituality, with contributions by Rabba Kaya Stern-Kaufman)

I commit to respect our community norms:

Kavod: Honor-Respect-Dignity

Honor one another's contributions.

Give your full attention to the person speaking.

Use "I" statements when speaking.

Be aware of how much time/energy/space you are taking so everyone can be heard.

Honor the previous meeting's decisions.

Read the minutes and be aware of decisions that have been made.

Contribute to the creation of a non-competitive, collaborative space.

Rachamim: Kindness- Compassion

Make space for each other.

Speak with kindness.

No blaming or shaming.

Emet: Truth

Speak your truth **with respect for all**.

Sh'mirat Halashon: Guard the tongue

Guard your tongue in the meeting and outside of the meeting. Do not speak about the participants in the meeting. If you have a problem with something that happened at the meeting, bring it to the moderator. Mentioning upcoming events or recent decisions is encouraged.

Arts Review Team

By Deborah Levine, Arts Review Team Chair



Wonderful things can happen when we venture out of our "comfort zone" to try something new. Seven of us participated in the **Painting Pottery** class on 7/15 on a sunny afternoon in the garden courtyard. Guided by Tobey Harman, we turned common clay pots into little works of art and are

donating some to nursing home residents.



Four of us ventured to the grounds of the Ogunquit Museum of American Art to try painting outdoors. (The planned **Plein Air Class** facilitated by Julie Serrano was rescheduled for October due to rainy forecast). When the sun came out, we experiment-

ed on our own with pastels, charcoal, and colored pencils to capture the beauty around us. It was great to enjoy current exhibits at the museum as well as the Barn Gallery, followed by lunch together in Ogunquit.

Please join us later this month:

August 15 in the Social Hall for a **Community Day of Music & Movement, Awakening Spirit for the Jewish New Year**, an event for all ages from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm with a light lunch provided. If you've never tried chi gong, Israeli dancing, Zumba or group drumming, now is your chance. These user-friendly mini-classes will be interspersed with music from Rabba Kaya, Fran Berman and Tzippy Horowitz. Please register on the website calendar or by calling the temple office.



August 25 at the Discover Portsmouth Center, we'll enjoy **An Evening in the Gallery**, co-sponsored by the Portsmouth Historical Society and the Arts Review Team. William Brewster, husband of congregant Arlene Brewster, will be lecturing on "The Twilight of American Impressionism." His work is part of a group show. Companion exhibit "Don Gorvett: Working Waterfronts" will also be open for viewing. Light refreshments will be offered. Please register on the website calendar or call the temple office to reserve your spot.

In Our Community

SPOTLIGHT ON ISRAEL NH SHLICHIA

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DRIVE-THRU

Avia and Ra'anah are traveling the state and making stops along the way to visit with the NH community.



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DRIVE-THRU TO WISH AVIA WELL IN HER NEXT JOURNEY AND WELCOME RA'ANAN TO NH



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Locations, dates & times:

-  **August 3rd at 6-7pm - TAY, Manchester**
-  **August 4th at 6-7pm - TBA, Nashua**
-  **August 5th at 6-7pm - TIP, Portsmouth**
-  **August 11th at 6-7pm - TBI, Laconia**
-  **August 12th at 6-7pm - BHC, Bethlehem**



For more information:
Shlichah@jewishnh.org

New Mahzor Purchase

Last year, many congregants purchased copies of the *Lev Shalem mahzor* for personal use at home. This year, we anticipate gathering for High Holiday services in the sanctuary and we will need more prayerbooks!



Please consider purchasing a copy for yourself and / or a copy for the congregation. (Orders placed by the temple receive a discounted price.) We have so much to celebrate: Rabba Kaya's one-year anniversary as Temple Israel's rabbi, and, thanks to successful vaccines, the resumption of in-person services. Personalized bookplates are available for each donated copy.

To purchase, see the "Donate" page of the temple website, contact the office, or mail a check to 200 State St. Portsmouth, NH 03801. Cost is \$36.00 per copy. Order deadline extended!



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Leonard Baer in honor of Ken Kowalchek, and with appreciation for his leading the Memorial Day service at the Banfield Road Cemetery

CULTURAL ENDOWMENT FUND

Bernard Goodman in memory of his mother, Mary Goodman, and in memory of his sister, Adele Goodman Hoeflich. Richard Collier & Olga Tomanovich in memory of Richard's father, Alvin Collier. Elaine & Richard Dolph in memory of Elaine's mother, Gertrude Kaplan. Leslie & Matt Allen in honor of Dr. Ira Schwartz, a mensch! Fran & Sig Westerman in memory of their daughter, Sally Westerman-Jacoby. Barbara Levenson in memory of her grandmother, Bertha Levenson.

DINNERMAN-ROTTENBERG EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT FUND

Peter & Jennie Dinnerman in memory of Peter's mother, June Dinnerman and in memory of Peter's father, Maurice Dinnerman. Joyce Meenes in memory of Lewis Meenes. Ellen Farber in memory of her brother, Laurence Filler. Stan & Rita Robbins in memory of Stan's aunt, Lillian Rubin.

DUES ABATEMENT FUND

Julie Serrano in memory of Peggy Handlin, her daughter-in-law's mother. Rabbi Haskell Bernat in memory of his mother, Gertrude Bernat.

HEBREW SCHOOL FUND

Gail Bradbard in honor of the birth of Luke Jacob Fletcher. David Bradbard in memory of his parents,

William and Ann Bradbard. Denise Levin in memory of her mother, Shirley Eilenberg Vaughn.

In loving memory of Renee Silverman: Bob & Marge Goldberg. Arline Coles. Rita & Stan Robbins. Joanne Samuels. Paul & Sharon Mendelsohn. Fran Berman "in memory of Renee Silverman and her many contributions to educating our children at Temple Israel."

We would also like to acknowledge the generous and ongoing support of Jewish Federation of NH.

INSTITUTIONAL OPERATING ENDOWMENT FUND

Renee Levy and Gary Levy in memory of Robert Levy, husband and father. David Cline in memory of his mother, Dorothy S. Cline. Harold & Gloria Moldoff in memory of Phillip Moldoff, Harold's father, and in memory of Samuel Fisher, Gloria's grandfather. Ellen Fineberg. Nancy Alexander in memory of her father, Leo Sussman. Robert Zimman in memory of his mother, Phyllis Zimman, and in memory of his father, Barry Zimman. Stan & Rita Robbins in memory of Deborah Segil.

In loving memory of Mel Alexander: Deborah and Bert Freedman. Arnold & Nancy Alexander. Lynne Murray and the IBM Family. Claire & Barry Siegel.

KIDDUSH FUND

David Forman in memory of his mother, Alice Forman.

LIBRARY FUND

Joel Goldstein in memory of his mother, Sadie Goldstein. Carl & Linda Gurtman in memory of their son, Benjy Gurtman. Joan Hankin in memory of her brother, Milt Gersh, and her mother, Ida Gersh. Anne Caplin in memory of her friend Anna Kushious.

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Marc Hiller in loving memory of beloved father (and husband), Meyer (Mickey) Hiller .

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Beth & David Salzman. Fran Berman. Phyllis Heilbronner. Claudia Leblanc.

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Veta Stone in memory of her husband, Ira M. Stone

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David & Monika Olken in memory of David's father, Harry Olken. Nancy & Andrew Jaffe in memory of Nancy's father, Allan Morris. Steven Paul in memory of his mother, Evelyn Paul. Marjorie Levy Beck in fond memory of Melvin Alexander. Roberta Issokson with appreciation for the Senior Discussion Group led by Laura Durant. Mary Clifton Horrigan in loving memory of Renee Silverman. Karl Singer in memory of his father, David Singer. Steven & Deborah Paul in memory of Steven's father, Irving Paul. Nancy & Andrew Jaffe in memory of Andrew's father, Rubin Jaffe. Barbara Gutin in memory of her mother-in-law, Eva Gutin. Uri Dahan. Adina Linden. Annie & Glen Glater with gratitude for Raba Kaya's kindness, support, and guidance at the gravestone unveiling for our father/father-in-law, Allen Linden. Jonathan and Wendy Linden with gratitude for Raba Kaya's guidance and kindness for Allen Linden's unveiling. Sandell Morse in honor of Raba Kaya's celebration of one year at Temple Israel.

TIKKUN OLAM/ SOCIAL ACTION FUND

Sharen Eidelberg-Spratt in honor of Ellen Fineberg. John and David Lowy in memory of Allen Linden.

TZEDAKAH FUND

Barney & Diane Share in memory of Mel Alexander. Ellen Farber in memory of her father-in-law, Solomon Farber. Helen Hanan in memory of her father, Nathan Hanan. Allison, Howard, Joshua & Shauna Rubin in memory of Marsha Cohen, beloved mother and grandmother. Selma Freedman in memory of her mother, Annie Klaiman. Laura Spelke in memory of her husband, Sherwood Spelke.

In loving memory of Bernyce Goodman: Frances Frezeman. Roberta & Ed Marblestone. Sandy Itatani. The Jacobson family. Jeff Goodman. Martha Morales. Rossana Morales. Kenneth & Sylvia Hirshberg. Selma Freedman.

ANNUAL APPEAL

Kayleigh Lemire, Jennifer Lemire, and Lee Whitney, in memory of Melvin Alexander.

Also, a very special thank you to Peter Deely and the team at Coldwell Banker Realty in Portsmouth for their kind donation of a conference table, chairs, and other furniture that will help us better utilize the space at 170 State Street. Thanks also to the volunteer furniture-moving crew, Mel Prostkoff & Helen Hanan, David Cline, Rich LeSavoy, Bob Bradbard, Doug Tilton, and Michael Blackman.

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4. Perry Sussman, Monroe Albert, Martin Brown, Evelyn Slome Karu
5. Abram Kushious, Eli Diamant, Max Goodman, Sidney Robbins, Virginia Lipman, Martin Karelitz
6. Lewis Levine, Auxlia Marie Nye
7. Simon Shapiro, Pearl Edwards, Judith Stern
8. Kenneth L. Downs, Ethel Feldman, Charles Cohen, Ruth Goldman, Murray Daniels
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14. Celia Halprin, Helen Miller, Betty Doris Kates
15. Eleanor Goodman Sorrell, Krissy Yanofsky
16. Ruth Kovnit, Abraham Isaac Feldman, Bette Weissman, Mary Nicole, George Nielsen, Arthur Yaffee, Dyna Dykerman, Jerome Kurshan
17. Joseph Feitelson, Bertha Levenson, Fannie Salloway,

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- Herbert Kahan, Fanya Mason, Myer Saunders, Nathan Issokson, Samuel Goldstein
18. Philip Levine, Esther Intriligator, Harry Stein, Frederick Lewis Diengott, Hatalie Filler
 19. Pauline Berlin, Bernard Winebaum, Sheldon Goodman, Mary Rottenberg, Bernard Michaelson
 20. Leah Green, Louis Mackles, Burton Sacks, Frances Spaen, John Talisman, Louis Sherman, Rebecca Borwick
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 25. Mildred James
 26. Sumner Savsovitz, Salle Roffman, Samuel Kramer, Benton Dearborn
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 28. Hyman Kovnit, Jacob Gerstein, Helen Samson, Hilda Rutstein, Yakov Shumskiy, Jennie Small
 29. Samuel Tober, Maureen Sher, Aaron Ginsburg, Sadie Liebson
 30. Fanny Slome, Hugo Dieterich
 31. Judith Olson, Joseph Karol, Sandra Proud

Need to recite Mourner's Kaddish? Please join our minyan online or in person on Tuesday, Fridays, and Saturdays. See schedule on page 3. A prayer to say a personal Kaddish without a minyan is also available on our website, or contact the office to receive it by mail or email.

Israel Affairs Committee

Israel's Milestones and Their Meanings

By Emma Rous, Israel Affairs Committee Chair

Looking ahead to fall: The Israel Affairs Committee, with the support of the Cultural Endowment Fund, will offer an important 8-part series prepared by the highly respected Shalom Hartman Institute on pivotal events in Israeli history: 1917, 1947, and 1967. The series includes video, text study, and discussion led by Rabba Kaya.

"As we look to Israel's future, we need to engage anew with our past and explore its meanings and consequences. This iEngage series grapples with the different ideas and values that shape the meaning of modern Israel, Zionism, and Jewish identity today." (Hartman Institute)

Look for further information about dates, times and signing up. We are excited to offer this opportunity and hope to see you "in class."



The first **Yiddish for Beginners** class met in the garden courtyard on July 22. Instructor Steve Kaufman led an eager and engaged class. More sessions will follow on August 12, 19, and 26. Register via the website calendar or contact the temple office to be added to the class mailing list.

Skilled Volunteers for Israel Offers an Online Volunteer Opportunity

Our newest program, *English B'Yachad* (English Together), offers one-on-one English language tutoring to Israeli young adults through an online platform.



Many of our students are post-army Ethiopian

Israelis pursuing high-tech careers. They are highly motivated to improve their English skills.

Not a teacher? Past tutoring or teaching experience is not required, but you must feel confident and comfortable taking the lead in discussions, and taking the initiative to prepare for each tutoring session. Students and tutors are matched based on language abilities, student goals, tutoring experience, and professional background.

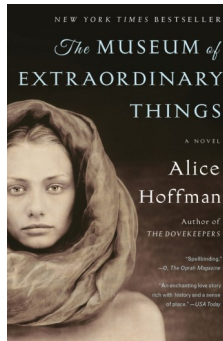
For more information, see a FAQ on the program at <https://skillvolunteerisrael.org/english-byachad-faqs/>. Or contact Marla Gamoran via email, mgamoran@skillvolunteerisrael.org.

From time to time, the Israel Affairs Committee will share pertinent news and articles about Israel. We're happy to share an article by Nadav Tamir, former Consul General in the Israeli Consulate in Boston, a former speaker at TIP, and currently Executive Director, J Street Israel.

Who's Who in the New Israeli Government, viewable online at <https://jstreet.org/whos-who-new-israeli-govt/#.YQhSI71KhE>

TIP Book Club - August 17

The Museum of Extraordinary Things, by Alice Hoffman



Please join us on Tuesday, August 17, at 11:30 am, outside in the courtyard for a lively discussion! Chairs are provided. Please do not bring food.

From the publisher's description: From the beloved, bestselling author of *The Dovekeepers*, a mesmerizing new novel about the electric and impassioned love between two vastly different souls in New York during the volatile first decades of the twentieth century.

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Our congregation grieves with families suffering painful losses.

Condolences to **Doug Tilton** on the passing of his mother, **Mary Tilton**, on June 27.

Condolences to **Jewel Davis** on the passing of her brother, **Eugene Hayim Davis**, on July 1.

Condolences to Jeff Segil on the passing of his mother, **Deborah Segil**, on July 2.

Condolences to **Karen Mott** on the passing of her sister, **Shirley Jimison**, on July 20.

Condolences to **Jeff Steber** on the passing of his father, **Moshe Steber**, on July 28.

OFFICE HOURS for August, 2021

The office is open weekdays, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm