

The Doorpost

Temple Israel

Monthly Newsletter

January 2023, Tevet - Shevat 5783

From the Rabbi's Desk



Upcoming Events

Building a Sacred Community

Whether in celebration of joyful milestones in the lives of individuals and families or in the practices we employ at times of mourning and grief, Jewish community is defined by how we show up for one another. In our temple we have many committees (e.g., Chesed, Tzedakah, Cemetery) whose members provide support to others at various life cycle moments, but being a member of a sacred community requires more than the work of a committee. Our rabbis teach that as Jews, we are all needed to support one another throughout the journey of life. All are needed to rejoice with the bride and groom. All are needed to celebrate the birth of a child, to visit the sick, to welcome the

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**Elana Arian's visit has been
rescheduled: Nov. 10 - 11, 2023**



Rabba Kaya is out of the office beginning 12/29
for hip surgery. After taking some time off to recover, she will work from home beginning the week of January 16 and return to the office as her mobility permits.

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12:00 pm, Monday, 1/23, Shmoozatorium

Supporting the Bereaved Workshop, p. 2

11:00 am, Thursday, 1/26, in person and Zoom

Community Tu BiSh'vat Seder

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm, Sunday, 2/5, Social Hall
With musical guests Lisa Jane Lipkin & Jay Hitt

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From Rabba Kaya's Desk



**Rabba Kaya
Stern-Kaufman**

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stranger, to console the bereaved. Our presence adds joy to happy milestones and brings comfort to those in need.

Last month I had the opportunity to teach a class on the sacred work of the

Chevra Kadisha/ Jewish Burial Society. This group of community volunteers takes care of the bodies of the deceased, preparing them for burial in a sacred and dignified manner. For those who were not able to attend the class, a recording of the session is available. Please find the link in the weekly bulletin or request it from our office. The class was very well attended and by the end of the hour and a half workshop, it became clear that the attendees wanted to learn more about Jewish end-of-life traditions and practices, including mourning rituals.

In response, I am happy to offer a second class at the end of this month entitled *Supporting the Bereaved: Jewish Funeral and Mourning Practices*.

We will meet again on Thursday January 26, at 11:00 am for an hour and a half, in person and via Zoom. Together we will explore the many rituals and traditions concerning a Jewish funeral, our communal responsibilities, and our mourning practices. Study of foundational texts and underlying spiritual principles will broaden our understanding of how and why our traditions have developed. Additionally, participants will gain clarity on what to expect when a loved one dies and how clergy, the funeral home, and the

Temple Israel community provide support to bereaved congregants. How we show up for the greater community of Portsmouth also reflects our mission as a compassionate Jewish community. For many years we have been proud members of a team which provides hot meals for clients of Seacoast Family Promise, which supports families experiencing homelessness. As part of a network of regional volunteers, our participants cook and deliver a meal once every two months. If you have interest in joining our team and periodically cooking a meal, please contact the temple office to be put in touch with our SFP coordinator.

May we grow in learning, deepening our connection to our traditions, and strengthening one another as we build our sacred community.

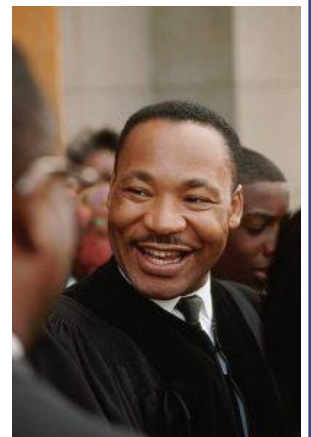
With blessings,

Rabba Kaya

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Celebration

10:00 am to 12:00 pm, Sunday, January 15
New Hope Baptist Church, 263 Peverly Hill Rd

The Portsmouth Interfaith Ministerium and our faith communities are warmly invited to attend a special service in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This special service will include spoken word presentations and music. A reception will follow the service. Rabba Kaya also hopes to attend.



Prayer



First Fridays: Tot Shabbat and Alternative Services

With musical guests Lisa Jane Lipkin and Jay Hitt.
Kindly register for Tot Shabbat on the website
calendar.

Upcoming Tot Shabbat services, 4:30 - 5:00 pm

- January 6, February 3, March 3, March 31, May 5, June 9

Upcoming Alternative Services, start time below.

- 6:00 pm: January 6, February 3, March 3
- 6:30 pm: March 31, May 5, June 9

Traditional Services

Second Fridays; no instruments. Start time below.

- 6:00 pm: January 13, led by Ellen McQueeney, February 10, March 10
- 6:30 pm: April 14, May 12, June 2

Potluck Meals

Third Fridays, after 1-hour service.

- January 20, February 17, March 17, June 16
- **Thursday, May 25:** special Tikkun Leil Shavuot "Blintzes and Blini" dairy potluck.

Candle Lighting

January 6, 4:07 pm

January 13, 4:14 pm

January 20, 4:23 pm

January 27, 4:32 pm

Service Notes and Times

Tuesdays at 5:30 pm, ZOOM ONLY

Fridays: 6:00 pm

Saturday mornings 10:00 am

** Zoom links to virtual services are in the weekly bulletin, with exceptions as noted. Members can also log into their ShulCloud account and find the Zoom links for regular and b'nei mitzvah services on the "Member Resources" page.*

Shabbat Morning Yoga

- In the Social Hall with instructor Allison Miller
- 9:00 am Saturdays, 1/7, 1/21, and 1/28

Kindly register on the website calendar

Guest Service Leaders

- Friday, 1/6, Lisa Jane Lipkin
- Saturday, 1/7, Fran Berman
- Friday, 1/13, Ellen McQueeney
- Saturday, 1/14, Rabbi Ira Korinow

Community Tu BiSh'vat Seder

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm, Sunday, 2/5, Social Hall

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President's Message



Robert Zimman
President

Dear Fellow Congregants,
Our tradition teaches us
that:

*A season is set for
everything,
a time for every experience
under heaven.*

(Ecclesiastes 3:1)

As we turn from 2022 CE to 2023 CE it seems appropriate to both look back at what has transpired and to look forward to the future.

This past year, while we were emerging from the global Covid-19 pandemic, we were able to return to holding numerous events in person in our building. We enjoyed increased in-person interactions, including having events in our building where we could safely serve food, such as kiddish luncheons and b'nei mitzvah celebrations.

Recently we completed negotiations with the Portsmouth Athenaeum for the rental of the 170 State Street building next to our temple. As part of these negotiations, we have also agreed to enter into a joint venture with the Athenaeum "to create and share an archive of historical documents, photographs, and oral histories recording the vibrant legacy of the Jewish community in Portsmouth from the earliest settlements to the present." I expect that the Athenaeum will move in during January 2023.

We have also had a successful Annual Appeal thanks to the hard work of the members of the Development Committee and the generosity of many of our congregants. So far we have raised

almost \$68,000 with over 24% of our members contributing. For those who have yet to participate, there is still time. We appreciate your donation no matter the size and hope that we can increase the participation rate to almost 100%, which would almost certainly put us over \$100,000.

Looking forward, we have contracted for a Reserve Study, which will document the structural building elements; design features and operating systems; and machinery of our temple. The results will then be used jointly by the house, financial oversight, and development committees to conduct budget planning and management as well as fundraising.

L'dor va-dor (from generation to generation) is the Jewish way of passing on traditions for the continuance of the Jewish people. This spring we will be having our annual campaign for our Endowment Funds. The Endowment Funds provide a method to secure the future health of our congregation. Your participation in the campaign will help to ensure that the traditions of Temple Israel are passed on to future generations.

Finally, this coming year, your board of directors will be embarking on an effort to examine our current mission statement and to update it as needed. We will also strive to create a vision statement and define goals. We have engaged New Hampshire Listens to facilitate this effort and will be requesting the participation of all congregants in late January or early February, in either an in-person or Zoom listening session. Our hope is to complete this work before our annual meeting in May so that your new board of directors will have an updated plan to guide them through the coming years.

Ritual Committee

Our Affiliation with Conservative Judaism

By Fran Berman, VP Ritual

Temple Israel is made up of people from many religious backgrounds, including people who self-identify as Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, or secular; Jews by choice; and members of other faiths who are part of interfaith families. Our synagogue seeks at all times to honor and welcome members from these diverse backgrounds. We are affiliated with the Conservative movement within Judaism, and according to our surveys the majority of our members identify with that movement. We are members of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism (USCJ), an organization established in 1913 that has nearly 600 member congregations across North America and a center for study in Israel.

Conservative Judaism is one of the liberal branches of Judaism in that it builds upon traditional practices but rethinks them within the context of contemporary life. Outside of North America (including within Israel) this movement is known as Masorti Judaism. USCJ's website states, "Conservative Judaism is rooted in the wisdom gained at the intersection of heritage and progress. ... We believe that it is incumbent upon the Jewish people to shape Judaism in every generation by grappling with traditional values and ideas within a contemporary context."

In keeping with our Conservative affiliation, our Ritual Committee frequently revisits our religious practices to ensure that we respect tradition but also respond to our current era.

Here are just a few of the areas in which we have reshaped traditional Jewish practices over the years: (1) We adopted an egalitarian approach to the role of women, giving men and women equal religious rights and responsibilities in our synagogue, including reading from the Torah, being honored with aliyot, and wearing tallitot. (2) We incorporate technology to provide remote access to our services and amplify the voices of

those on the bimah during Shabbat and holiday observances. (3) We are an inclusive community, welcoming people of all genders and sanctifying same-sex marriages in our sanctuary. (4) While maintaining our kosher kitchen and serving only kosher-certified foods at all other temple-sponsored events, we now hold potluck meals on some Friday nights at which congregants can share vegetarian (but not certified kosher) home-cooked food. (5) We call people to the Torah with language that is gender inclusive.

These are all examples of our responses to our times and our community that fit within the outlines of Conservative Judaism's modernization of some traditional practices.

USCJ does more than just lay out a framework for updating traditional practices. In return for our annual dues to USCJ, we receive access to top-notch consultants and scholars in a range of areas. We can learn about the weekly parashah and the holidays through classes offered by the Fuchsberg Jerusalem Center or Jewish Theological Seminary. Our leaders participate in USCJ training sessions, webinars, and workshops on a wide variety of topics, including how to be an effective board of directors, financial management of synagogues, security protocols and best practices, battling antisemitism, curriculum for our educational programs, employee relations, fundraising and development, and community engagement.

USCJ provides assistance with rabbinic and cantorial searches, and in times of crisis, USCJ has been there to assist us, whether that meant connecting us with legal resources, advising us on dealing with security threats, or guiding us through contract negotiations with key employees. In the past 15 years, our board of directors has been strengthened and transformed by these resources. If you are interested in learning more about USCJ, visit uscj.org. They offer a broad array of resources that can help all of us to grow and learn.

Hebrew School



Erik Martin
Head of School

Havdalah Nerf Night Hits the Mark!

Last month's program was a crowd pleaser! Thank you so much to everyone who came to enjoy a special moment with the community as we ended Shabbat... and then shot foam darts at one another. In the words of many a Hebrew School student, "Can we do that again next week?!"



Photos, above: Havdalah in the Shmooze.



Left and below: The teen group met at Board and Brush in Portsmouth to paint personalized decorative boards.



Lots and Lots of Latkes!

This year's Hanukkah party was great fun! More than 80 people came to celebrate the festival of lights and of course eat many, many, many latkes! Our thanks to all the people who helped make this wonderful event happen, including intrepid Brotherhood latke fryers, craft table facilitators, Rabba Kaya, and musical guests Lisa Jane Lipkin and Jay Hitt.



Special thanks to resident photographer Ron Sher for capturing these moments. You might say we had a "latke" good times!



Havdalah: Family Bowling & Ice Cream! 5:30 pm, Saturday, January 21

It's cold outside, but we're heating up the lanes! Come join us for a family bowling night after Shabbat, knock down some pins, and enjoy an ice cream float. Space is limited so be sure to register early. Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult. Cost is \$10 per person. Pre-registration required by Jan. 13 at bit.ly/TIPBowling.

Early Learning Center

Shalom,

ELC students have been busy practicing all kinds of preschool skills, including fine motor skills (using our fingers and hands), gross motor skills (using our largest muscles), pretending skills, and social and emotional skills.

With the mild weather sticking around so long, we enjoyed using the playground far into the fall season. Winter officially started on December 21, 2022, and we look forward to playing in the snow that we hope the next season will bring.



Our dramatic play area has been transformed into a pizza parlor, complete with chefs' outfits, vegetarian pizza, order-taking station, and delivery boxes.

A new set of blocks allows us to practice engineering skills and build elaborate structures.



Tammy Roberge
Director, ELC

The Sonatina Center comes monthly for music. In the photo above, our “bears” are pretending to hibernate.

The Grand Pals visit to the Wentworth Senior Living Home is always so much fun. We love sharing music and movement with the residents and seeing them smile.



Next month we look forward to reporting on our Hanukkah activities!

Questions about the ELC? Call me: 603-436-5301, ext. 23, or send me an email at preschooldirector@templeisraelnh.org.
Tammy and the ELC team (Elian, Laura, Steve, Amy, and Marge)

Donations

Received November 23 - December 28, 2022. See p. 12 for Annual Fund Donations.

ADULT EDUCATION FUND

Annette Krakowsky in honor of Steve Kaufman and his excellent Yiddish teaching.

With appreciation for the Adult Hebrew classes taught by Kathryn Mulhearn: Loren Davila Pombo, Liz Kolodney, Rev. Kelly Sundberg Seaman, Nancy Ludwig.

BUILDING FUND

Sharen Eidelberg Spratt and Randy Spratt to support the Ten Commandments plaque restoration project, in honor of their beloved sons, Rabbi Benjamin Spratt, Dr. Daniel Spratt, Samuel Spratt, and Avi Spratt.

CULTURAL ENDOWMENT FUND

Naomi Fishbein in memory of her brother, Melvin Partoll, and in memory of her father, Joseph Partoll. Ira Schwartz in memory of Sanford Roberts.

DINNERMAN-ROTTENBERG EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT FUND

Joyce Meenes in memory of her grandfather, Harry Abrams. Barbara Fox in memory of her father, Eli Borwick. Joyce Meenes in memory of Sheila Ullman. Ellen Farber in memory of her aunt, Florence Thailer. Betty Effron in memory of her mother, Jeanne Slass. Joyce Meenes in honor of Lorrie and Dick Grossman receiving the Shem Tov award.

DUES ABATEMENT FUND

Roberta Issokson in memory of her father, Maurice Dinerman.

HEBREW SCHOOL FUND

Adina Linden in memory of her mother-in-law, Bella Linden. Gail Bradbard in memory of Margery Bendetson. Elissa Kaplan Senter in memory of her husband, Rabbi David Senter. Arline Koiles in memory of her husband, Allen Koiles. Zachary Camenker

writes, "I have been taking Kathryn Mulhearn's Intro to Hebrew class this fall and enjoying it immensely! I want adults like me who are exploring Judaism and language studies to have the same opportunity to study."

INSTITUTIONAL OPERATING ENDOWMENT FUND

Sue and Steve Tober in memory of Steve's mother, Lee Fruman. David Cline in memory of his father, Daniel Cline.

KIDDUSH FUND

Andrew and Marcia Baron. Selma Freedman in memory of her husband, Robby Freedman. Fran Berman in memory of her father-in-law, Andrew Klein.

LIBRARY FUND

The Ruben Family in memory of Robert's father, Maurice R. Ruben, MD. Veta Stone in memory of Denny Roffman.

PRESCHOOL FUND

Veta Stone in memory of her father, Harold Berit.

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Mark and Ruth Kruger, with appreciation for Temple Israel's hospitality when they visited last year. Paula and Karl Singer in memory of Paula's mother, Mary McCrensky. Martin and Betty Ann Israelit. Linda Douglas, with appreciation for the Biblical Hebrew Class.

TIKKUN OLAM FUND

Sharen Eidelberg Spratt and Randy Spratt in honor of Ayalah, Jonah, Kalev and Ori, their beloved grandchildren. Amy Schmidt in memory of her mother, Anne Simonoff.

TZEDAKAH FUND

Jeffrey Goodman In loving memory of his father, Robert Goodman, on his yahrtzeit. Rachel Dennis in memory of her aunt, BettyRose Leader. Rebekah Udoh and Daniel Agbajor.

Tikkun Olam

By Liz Kolodney

Ways to Maximize Your Health

Wednesday, January 18, 11:00 am, via Zoom

The Tikkun Olam committee is excited to invite you to a Zoom presentation by TIP congregant Dr. Karl Singer.



Dr. Karl Singer

Since 1968, Dr. Singer, a noted family physician and geriatrician, has explored multiple aspects of medicine, holding such varied roles as the General Medical Officer and Director of the Indian Health Service in Chinle AZ, to the President and Medical Director of Exeter Clinic. Currently, he is Medical Director and Attending Physician at the Rockingham County Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Brentwood, work he began in 1975. Notably, the entrance to the Center has been named after him.

Dr. Singer has, at the same time, been the Medical Director of *Patient Care Magazine* and a frequent contributor. In fact, Dr. Singer's work includes over 200 publications. They cover too many topics to catalogue, but a small sample includes: *Do Music!*, *The Road to Aging Well*, *Rating Doctors*, *Miracles*, *Big Gains Against Obesity*, *Confronting Catastrophic Illness*, *Lessons from the Navaho*, *What's the Real Cost of Switching Drugs*, *May Your Patients Live a Long Healthy Life -Outside the Nursing Home*, and *Recognizing the Common Problems Quickly*.

Dr. Singer's presentation promises to be both practical and fascinating. Please join us.

New Immigrant / Asylum Seeker Shabbat

By Shelley Hartz, Tikkun Olam Committee Chair

A special Kabbalat Shabbat service sponsored by the Tikkun Olam Committee will take place on **Friday, February 3, 2023 from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm, followed by an oneg Shabbat**. Guest speakers who work closely with new immigrants in Portsmouth will join Rabba Kaya and musicians Lisa Jane Lipkin and Jay Hitt for this special service.

Maggie Fogarty, NH Program Director of the American Friends Service Committee and a leader of the Seacoast Interfaith Sanctuary Coalition (SISC), will talk about immigrants who have resettled in our area.



Studie Blanchard and Charlotte Ramsey, Team Seacoast leaders, will share the rewarding experience of resettling the Khyber family, who moved to Portsmouth after

escaping from the Taliban in Afghanistan.

Adding to the ongoing crisis for those fleeing danger in their home countries, people seeking asylum are turned away at borders around the world. This Shabbat service is an opportunity for our Jewish community, along with congregations, organizations, and individuals, to demonstrate our shared support for immigrants and asylum seekers around the world. Service is in-person and Zoom.

Arts Review Team

By Deborah Levine, Arts Review Team Chair

December events

The Arts Review Team sponsored a special family Hanukkah program on Sunday, December 18 at the Discover Portsmouth center. Participants of all ages shared Hanukkah stories and enjoyed singing with Fran Berman, guitar, and Deborah Levine, flute. We gathered again in the Shmooze after lighting candles in the Hands of Hope menorah to celebrate the second night of Hanukkah.



Singing Hanukkah songs in the Shmooze.



Also worth noting are other ways our congregants spread goodwill in community holiday concerts. Shelley Brass (left) and Deborah Levine play in the New Horizon Band and other ensembles at the Portsmouth Music

and Arts Center. Recent concerts featured Hanukkah medleys along with Christian songs on the program. What a heartwarming experience to honor many winter holiday traditions!

Current Percussion Classes

Intermediate Marimba with Tchukki Anderson.

Class meets in the social hall on Mondays at 6:00 pm. The instructor welcomes students with a musical background. Please contact the office for more information.

Hand Drumming for Beginners. The winter session continues on Thursdays, 3:30 - 5:00pm, January 5 and 12. Register via the website calendar. No musical background required.

Upcoming Exhibits

“Landscape and the Natural World” will be the theme for our next exhibit.

Save the dates, March 17 and 19, 2023, for “Taking the Measure of Nature: Glacier Bay and Western Alaska,” a presentation and photo exhibit by Emma and Walter Rous. This adventurous couple will also provide some landscapes from their upcoming trip to New Zealand. Enjoy the photos on display in the social hall during the Community Potluck after services on Friday, 3/17. Emma and Walter will do a walk-through of their work, with opportunities for informal Q&A. Then join us via Zoom at 11:00 am on Sunday, 3/19, as they share about the travels and making of the work on display.

Congregant Julie Serrano’s work will be on display in Dover at Aplomb Contemporary Portrait Gallery

from January 7 through February 26, and later in February, on view in the Temple Israel Social Hall.



Library / Upcoming

By Marge Gruzen and Jane LeSavoy

Did You Know?

You can check out library books on your own! Book check-out instructions are posted on the desk. There are also children's puzzles, DVDs, and CDs.



Large Print Books

The library's selection is growing, with new books being added weekly. Thanks to a generous donation made in memory of Maurice Friedman, the library has begun purchasing new large print adult fiction titles. These books are currently on the Large Print Fiction shelf. A recent donation of large print adult fiction titles from Hebrew College is also being sorted and catalogued.

Recent Acquisitions

New young adult books are also available including fiction, cooking, and Israeli cultural books.

New children's books include fiction, holidays, cooking, and Israeli cultural books. Come explore the new book display table! Do you have a purchase to suggest or a question about the collection? Library inquiries can be emailed to librarian@templeisraelnh.org.

[Our Temple, Our Design listening session](#)

11:00 am, Thursday,
1/12 via Zoom.

The wooden Ten Commandments panel on the outside of the building over the State Street steps is



deteriorating and in need of replacement. The House Committee is sponsoring a virtual community listening session, facilitated by Joanne Samuels, to discuss design possibilities. Make your voice heard!

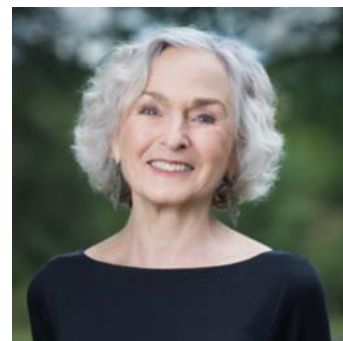
This session will use the regular Zoom link for services found in the weekly bulletin. Or you can register on the website calendar to receive an email confirmation with the Zoom link.

[Reflected Light:](#)

[Your Grandmother,](#)

[Mother, and You](#)

**Two JANUARY SUNDAY
MORNINGS, 1/22 AND
1/29, 10:00 am to noon.**



Congregant and published author Sandell Morse will lead a creative writing group to explore our maternal inheritance through writing. Register via the website calendar.

Annual Appeal Update



Joanne Samuel, Chair
Development Committee

By Joanne Samuels

On behalf of the Development committee (Fran Berman, Marjorie Beck, Matt Allen, Trevor Law, Natalee Martin, and myself), I would like to thank you so much for your

Annual Fund contributions to date and for your continued investment in our temple.

Since 1905, when thirty Jewish families living in Portsmouth decided to create a sacred community, benefactors like you have been supporting our Jewish life. Predating our current address, the Temple of Israel, as it was called, held events in houses and homes around the city of Portsmouth. In 1912, our community collected enough money, \$500.00 at the time, for a down payment for the \$7,000 building on State Street. According to George Sherman's book, *History of Temple Israel*, a meeting was held in 1911 at which donors pledged \$1200, where "each member gave a donation according to his or her means."

Over time, donors supported a sanctuary renovation in the 1920s, the social hall addition in the 1960s, and the purchase of 170 State in the 1970s. Who can forget the 2008 capital campaign that provided us with the building we enjoy today?

Over the past four years, the Annual Fund has made significant contributions towards the financial health of our community and building improvements. Your donations continue to add to the legacy of funding the priorities of our time, which this year are to maintain our high-quality programming planned and presented by Rabba

Kaya and Erik Martin, who directs our Hebrew school and youth programming, assisted by Heather Tomlinson in the temple office. Your donations also support our social imperative to transform energy use and reduce our carbon footprint.

Thank you so much for your support and your commitment to our Jewish life on the Seacoast. For more info about the campaign, visit the website or contact me via email at

Development@TempleIsraelNH.org.

A hearty thank you to all December contributors (donations received by 12/28):

Rabbi's Circle

- **Platinum:** Matt Kamil, Eileen B Kamil Charitable Trust.
- **Silver:** Amy and Brian Hyett. Sandell and Dick Morse. Fran Berman.
- **Bronze:** Sue and Steve Tober. Patricia and Alan Shapiro. Joanne Samuels. Nathan and Sophia Sassoon. Bruce and Kipp Freeman. Rachel Kurshan. Robert & Cindy Chaikin.

Friends: Roberta Issokson. Nancy and Andrew Jaffe. Laura and Ron Sher in loving memory of Cantor Abbe Sher. The Selig Family. Robert and Judi Weisner. Joel and Judith Goldstein. Iris Estabrook. Pam and Steven Sacks in memory of their parents, Margery and Richard Battin, and Mona and Burton Sacks. Stuart Fox. Barbara Levenson. Paula and Harman Friedman in honor of the Jeffrey Friedman family. Michael and Glicka Kaplan. Martin and Betty Ann Israelit write, "We always enjoy the programs

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Annual Appeal / Classes

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we attend and appreciate the openness and welcoming community." Doug Tilton in memory of Susan E. Goldin. Rabba Kaya Stern-Kaufman and Steve Kaufman.

Contributors: Daniel Agbajor and his mother, Rebekah Udoh. Julie Serrano. Donald and Katherine Stoller. Robert Bradbard. Philip Ginsburg. Trevor Law in memory of his grandfather, Mentor Kraus. Amy and Steven Borne and the David Goldstein Foundation. Emma and Walter Rous. Dara Klein and Richard Frank.

Life Cycles

Our community celebrates these family milestones. Congregant **Claire Siegel** shares the announcement of the engagement of her granddaughter, **Hannah Siegel**, daughter of congregants **Jim and Lisa Siegel**, to **Ben Lee**.

Welcome, **Elio Isidore!**

Ben and Christine, along with big sister **Vivienne**, are delighted to announce the newest member of the Caputo-Martindale family, **Elio Isidore (Elior ben Binyamin v'Tirtzah)**, born on December 15.



Reminder: Please log into your ShulCloud account to confirm meeting dates on the website calendar.

CLASSES

Intermediate Biblical Hebrew Grammar, p. 15

4:00 pm Mondays, start 1/16, via Zoom

Intermediate Marimba, p. 10

6:00 pm, Mondays, Social Hall

Beginner Prayerbook Hebrew Grammar, p. 15

6:30 pm Tuesdays, start 1/17, via Zoom

Intro to Biblical Hebrew Grammar, p. 15

6:30 pm Tuesdays, start 1/17, via Zoom

Yiddish for Beginners, Shmoozatorium

11:00 am - 12:30 pm, Wednesdays: 1/11, 18, 25

Advanced Torah Reading & Grammar, p. 15

10:30 am Thursdays, start 1/19, via Zoom

Hand-Drumming for Beginners, p. 10

3:30 pm Thursdays, 1/5, 1/12, Chapel

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

House Committee

6:00 pm, Thursday, 1/5

Executive Committee

7:30 pm, Wednesday, 1/11

Board of Directors

7:00 pm, Tuesday, 1/17

Ritual Committee

7:00 pm, Tuesday 1/24

Education Committee

7:00 pm, Thursday, 1/26

Note: Committee meetings are being held via Zoom at this time unless otherwise noted.

Yahrzeits

January Yahrzeits

1. Charlotte Brody
2. Marcia Alexander, Leah Kolikof, Beatrice Book, Benjamin Slome, Edith Prostkoff, Adolph Jacob Baer, Abraham Issokson, Louis J. Magerer, Arthur Filler
3. Alan Schenk, Ethel Fleisher, Mildred Thrope, Benjamin Radner, Bernard Luloff
4. Abraham Zeidman, Eve Cetlin, Yury Klarov, Mary Saklad, Jacob Stone, Lena Mines, Hannah Krimsky
5. Annie Freeman, Lena Fishbein, Saul Sussman, Herman Cherim, Sharon Roberts, Warren Bennett
6. Rebecca Lepoff, Ethel Halprin, Phillip Singer, Isadore Osman, Roman A. Rubinstein, Daniel Fisher, Howard Levingston
7. D.H. Silverman, Sarah Alpers, Jerome Sorkin
8. Sarah Rottenberg
9. Edith Brown, Joseph Kitrosser, Arthur Poster, Beverly Schneider, Arthur Leblanc, Eleanor Goldstein, Mildred Cragin, Beverly Driscoll
10. Jennie Levine, Melvin Heflich, Kathy Ramras, Eugene Kleinhandl, Antoine Walker, Gloria Adelman, Arnold Saklad
11. Samuel Lepoff, Robert Liston Sr., Gerald Bernheimer, Rabbi Abraham Heschel, Henrietta Banner Gershman, Samuel Chernin
12. Jacob Landsman, Morris Rubin, Judith Glick, Hyman Schwartz, Florence Levingston
13. Abraham Lampert, Arnold Katz, Alan Kaner, Bess Koach, Suzan Irene Horn, Lillian Cohen,

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Andrew Klein

14. Louis Zeidman, Allen Levenson, Arthur Reinhart, George Sherman, Harold Lampert, Howard Siegel, Matthew Krassner, Martin B. Cohen
15. Anna Levitt, Harry Levin, Melvin Pedell, Harold Dinaburg, Sheila M. Kaplan, Hyman Katz, David Edelstein, Allen Sibley, Deborah Most, Jason Smith
16. Arthur Housman
17. Fannie Woolfson, Libby Ginsberg, Leon Brill, Pauline Cohen, Louis Stocklan
18. Mary Halprin Levey, Ida Shapiro, Ruth Sussman, Garrett Aviles, Beatrice Saltman Dulberg, Ruth Talisman, Irving Feldman
19. George Hooz, Betty Prietz, Jack Lasky, BettyRose Leader, Rose Silverman Cohen, Rabbi Sidney Rothstein
20. Burton Kreisworth, Rachel Promer, Frieda Beubis, John McGowan, Jeannette Marks, Marilyn Gorman
21. Jacob Cohen, Benjamin Abramson, Samuel Greenfield, Dora Segal, Rose Chaikin, Henrietta Banner Abeles
22. Lena Fluster, Rosalea Elowitz Cohn, Harold J. Potter, Alexander Epstein
23. Albert Levy, Arthur Black, Harold Fisher, Melvin Gordon, Arthur Obermayer, Philip Singer, Rose Helman, Shirley Fishbein
24. Alex Paul, Mollie Krasker, Lillian Rosenwald, Morris Kram, Nathan Allen

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.

Yahrzeits / Hebrew Classes

- 25. Samuel Hooz, Julian Meltzer, William Chernin,
Mary C. Feltes
- 26. Rose Fisher
- 27. Leon S. Fein, Samuel Vetstein, Sarah Kornhauser
- 28. Benjamin Goldberg, Golda Singer, Eli Coles,
Ann Hanan, Steven Goodstein, Elliot Parker,
Stella Drager
- 29. Sarah Shapiro, Shirley Persin, Marjorie Alberts,
Molly Cohen
- 30. Ida Oshry, Chayim Meyrowitz, Irving Pastor,
Carla Chervin
- 31. Harry Abelson, Robert Taylor, Lena Stone,
Beatrice Shore, Sam Glosserman



Adult Hebrew Classes (begin Jan. 2023)

To register, sign up via the TIP website or contact the office. Classes are free but an \$18 donation to Temple Israel is appreciated. Students should purchase the textbooks on their own through independent bookstores, Israel Book Shop or other online sites, like Abebooks and Thriftbooks for used copies.

Beginner Prayerbook Hebrew Grammar meets Tuesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 pm on Zoom, beginning January 17, 2023. Instructor: Andrea Shapiro. Learn to read and translate selections from the

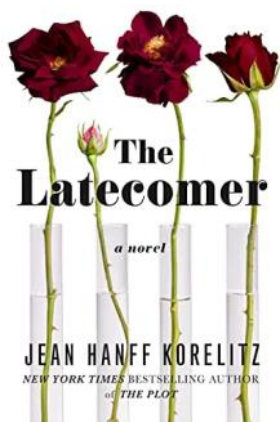
siddur (Hebrew prayerbook), including the *Shema*, *Aleinu*, and the *Amidah*. Textbook: *Prayerbook Hebrew The Easy Way* (EKS, Third Edition), approx. \$30.00. **Students should purchase this book on their own. The only prerequisite is a working knowledge of the Hebrew aleph-bet.

Intro to Biblical Hebrew Grammar – meets Tuesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 pm on Zoom, beginning January 17, 2023. Instructor: Kathryn Mulhearn.

Learn basics and intricacies of classical Hebrew grammar with graded exercises for translating selections from *Tanakh*/Scripture. Includes easy readings from Hebrew tales & the Book of Ruth. Textbook: *First Hebrew Primer* (EKS, Third Edition revised) about \$50.00, and accompanying *Answer Book* (3rd Edition) about 15.00. **Students should purchase these texts on their own. The only prerequisite is a working knowledge of the Hebrew aleph-bet.

Intermediate Biblical Hebrew Grammar meets Mondays, 4:00 - 5:00 pm on Zoom, beginning January 9, 2023. Instructor: Kathryn Mulhearn. This is an ongoing class, see description to Intro class above for details. This class is currently in Chapter 19 of *The First Hebrew Primer*.

Advanced Torah Reading & Grammar meets Thursdays, 10:30 – 11:30 am on Zoom, beginning January 12, 2023. Instructor: Kathryn Mulhearn. This is an ongoing class which reads from the *Tanakh* using www.Sefaria.org instead of a textbook. Includes attention to the Masoretic accents affecting grammar and pronunciation. Knowledge of basics of Biblical Hebrew grammar recommended. Class is currently finishing *B'reishit* (Genesis), and moving on to *Sh'mot* (Exodus).



TIP Book Club discusses

The Latecomer, by Jean Hanff Korelitz

Monday, January 23, 12:00 pm. Please join us in the Shmooze.

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Plot* (a "Tonight Show Summer Read pick," and *You Should Have Known* (adapted as HBO's *The Undoing*), Jean Hanff

Korelitz's *The Latecomer* is the story of three

siblings, locked in mutual loathing, and the upending of their family with the late arrival of a fourth.



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