

KESHER

FROM RABBI SAM

The Same or Different

The High Holy Days — known in Hebrew as Yamim Nora'im (days of awe) — cannot be found in the Torah. They are actually developed in their current form in the synagogues by the Rabbis of the diaspora. The first day of the seventh month (now called Tishri) is mentioned in the Torah as a day of the sounding of the shofar and as a day of remembrance. No other details for its observance, or even a specific name for the day, is mentioned. The tenth day of the same month is singled out for specific observances and rituals and is called a day of “afflicting the soul” and “the day of atonements” or Yom Hakippurim. The rituals, however, for this day are primarily for the High Priest first in the Tabernacle in the wilderness, and later for the Holy Temple in Jerusalem.

Rosh Hashanna, as a named holiday in its own right, is first discussed in the Mishna as a part of three other “new year” dates. That this became the New Year as we know it is a result of the need to develop a fixed calendar system with universally numbered years. The ten “days of awe” from Rosh Hashanna through Yom Kippur was a function of the switch from the sacrificial system in the Temple to communal worship and study system in the synagogues. This attained its central role after the destruction of the second Temple in the year 70.

In the Temple times, the community times to gather were the three “pilgrimage festivals” of Passover, Shavuot, and Sukkot. In the synagogue system of Judaism, the community gathering time became Shabbat. Weekday gathering for worship also developed and the three pilgrimage festivals shifted to home and community observances.

The ten days of entrance into the New Year grew into a major time of gathering of the community, second only to Shabbat. All of the worship services — weekday, festivals, holidays, and the High Holy Days — derived their basic form and structure, in fact, from the service of Shabbat. The non-Shabbat services might have certain prayers added or deleted, based on the unique aspects of those time, but the template still remained the Shabbat morning worship system.

The High Holy Days do use a special prayerbook, called “machzor” and a different set of melodies and Torah readings from the regular Shabbat service. The services are often longer and less familiar than the regular Shabbat services. They are not, however, substantially different from the corresponding Shabbat services. In fact, when one of the days falls on a Friday/Saturday (Shabbat), the machzor advises the way to include both the Shabbat and High Holy Day liturgy in a blended style.

The Shabbat (called Shabbat Shuva — the Sabbath of return) that falls in the midst of the ten days is still a Shabbat with additions that help teach us that this is the first Shabbat of the New Year. Fundamentally Rosh Hashanna, Shabbat Shuva, and Yom Kippur are not different from the weekly Shabbat. They are, in fact, “more of the same”.

As we share together in community this year from September 16-26 for our entrance into 5773, let us use the time to reflect on the year that has come to an end and commit ourselves to habits that will enable the year ahead to be one of growth and well-being.

May this be a year in which we commit to strengthen our connection to community, grow in healthy relationships with family and friends, and look at ways to build on our understanding of our commonalities and not our differences.

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KESHER

Kesher, Connection,
is the newsletter
of Temple Israel
Dover, NH.

Ideas for submissions and letters to the editor are welcomed from members of the Temple Israel family and from others who wish to communicate with the congregation.

All communication with the Editor should be by e-mail. Publication is limited by editorial and space considerations.

The deadline for submission is the twentieth (20th) of the month for the following month's issue of *Kesher*.

mail to:

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or

Rabbi Sam Seicol
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The Bagelry has changed
but it is still there;
and we will be, too!

Saturdays at 2:30 PM
Temple Israel and the Hillel at UNH
will host a variety of study series.

- **September 1,8,22,29 — High Holy Days / Sukkot**
- **October 13,20,27 — Understanding Genesis**
- **December 1,8 — The History of Chanukah**
- **January 5,12,19 — Understanding the Calendar**
- **February 2,9,16 — Purim and the Messiah**
- **March 9,16,23 — Making the Seder Fun**

Attendance is free to all.

Please RSVP intention to attend to
rabbisam@dovertemple.org

**THANK YOU TO OUR
ONEG HOSTS**

- Sept. 7** Kaye Family
in honor of Emily's Bat Mitzvah
- Sept. 14** Nancy and Mort Cherim
Pam and Warren Goldblatt
- Sept. 21** Karen Mott
Laraine Riccardi
- Sept. 28** Ellen Cohn
Gayle Sanders
- Oct. 5** Pam and Steve Giguere
Lauren and Jonathan Harris
- Oct. 12** Ethlyne Golub
Carole and Martin Jaffe
- Oct. 19** Eve Edelstein Williams & Colin Williams
Naomi Kournhauser & Michael Behrendt
- Oct. 26** Lois and Robert Costa
Jane Liemer

High Holy Days 5773



Rosh Hashanna September 16-18

Yom Kippur September 25/26

Please check the website
or the back page of this Keshet
for all times and service information

ONEG SHABBAT HOSTS

If you are unable to host the Oneg Shabbat on the night assigned to you, please find a substitute by trading with another family from the membership directory. If you need to change your assigned date, please notify
Cathi Cherry-Liston 603-312-0152, 603-269-4888
ccherryliston@yahoo.com



**Please consider marking special occasions
and milestones along the path of life
for you or members of your family
by purchasing
a leaf on the Tree of Life.**

**The rocks in the Sanctuary can celebrate
joyous occasions
or honor the memory of a loved one.**

**For more information, contact:
Tammy Fascetta in the Temple office.**



Mazal Tov

to our members celebrating
happy occasions in September!

Birthdays

- Joel Zarrow (1), Joshua Harris (4),
Pamela Giguere (7), Anne Saunders (7),
Tali Cherim (7), Lilah Cherim (7),
Liza Behrendt (9), Rabbi Lev Baesh (17),
Juliette Diengott (19), Jill Schoonmaker (19),
Matthew Segil (22), Mike Robbins (24),
Leah Mueller (25), Michael Krassner (28),
Molly Flagg (28)

Anniversaries

- Stan & Rita Robbins (4), John & Erica Tauriello (8), Lisa & Todd Titus (20)



B'nai Mitzvah

Fall 2012 — Summer 2013

September 8
 April 6
 May 4
 May 18
 June 1
 June 8
 June 29

Emily Kaye
 Elly Mather
 Harrison Flagg
 Evan Saltman
 Olivia Gannon
 Nathan Pastor
 Jacob Saunders

Hospital Visits: Please keep us informed!

Due to national privacy laws, hospitals are not allowed to call congregations to inform them that their members have been admitted as patients.

If you know you are going to be in the hospital please call the Temple office. If you unexpectedly find yourself in the hospital, please tell a nurse that you would like to see the hospital chaplain, who can call the Temple to let us know that you are there.

Rabbi Sam and all the Temple Israel community would like to offer support and comfort to you and your family.

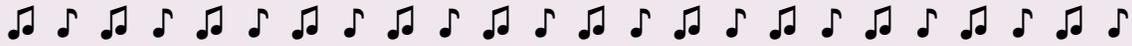
(From the files of Ann Isacoff at Langdon Place)

What is a Grandparent?

(taken from papers written by a class of 8-yr olds)

- Grandparents are a lady and a man who have no little children of their own. They like other people's.
- Grandparents don't have to do anything except be there when we come to see them.
- They are so old they shouldn't play hard or run. It is good if they drive us to the store and have lots of quarters for us.
- They show us and talk to us about the color of the flowers and also why we shouldn't step on "cracks". They don't say, "Hurry Up".
- Usually grandmothers are fat, but not too fat to tie your shoes.
- They wear glasses and funny underwear.
- They can take their teeth and gums out.
- Grandparents don't have to be smart.
- They have to answer questions like "Why isn't God married?" and "How come dogs chase cats?"
- When they read to us, they don't skip. They don't mind if we ask for the same story over again.
- A 6 year old was asked where his grandma lived. "Oh!" he said, "She lives at the airport, and when we want her we just go get her. Then when we're done having her, we just take her back to the airport."
- Everybody should try to have a grandmother, especially if you don't have television, because they are the only grown ups who like to spend time with us.

Sisterhood News



Music for Shabbat Fund

This year Sisterhood has budgeted \$1,600.00 for the purpose of starting a Shabbat Music Fund. This fund will be included amongst the other funds and donations in the Temple Israel community. The Shabbat Music Fund will be for raising money to have musical accompaniment on Shabbat at least one Friday per month. All donations should be mailed to the Temple. This fund will be used only for Friday, Shabbat service enhancement. Donations can be made for honoring or remembering loved ones.

The checks should be made out to Temple Israel Sisterhood and designated for the Shabbat Music Fund.

Visits to our friends at Langdon Place

The third Friday of each month at 3:00 we will meet at Langdon Place to offer a welcoming of Shabbat music and oneg program for the residents there. All are welcome to join us for this enjoyable mitzvah.

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MARK THESE DATES

HIGH HOLY DAY CHALLAH ORDER FORM DUE — Tuesday September 4

See the Sisterhood section on the front page of the website www.dovertemple.org for the order form

FAMILY TZEDAKAH BOX CRAFT PROGRAM — Wednesday September 5, 7:00

Please come to the Temple and prepare for the Jewish New Year by creating a hand painted, ceramic Tzedakah Box to set the tone of family giving to all those who are in need throughout the year.

All women are invited to join us. Especially designed for friends and families. Mothers and daughters (over the age of 12) are encouraged to share in this mitzvah project. **Includes a brief general meeting and pot luck dessert.**

Cost: \$20.00 per Tzedakah Box, which includes all necessary materials and firing.

YOM KIPPUR BREAK-THE-FAST POT-LUCK — Wednesday September 26

Please consider volunteering to set up, clean up, bring a non-meat main dish, non-meat casserole, dessert, or beverages

Are you looking for good gifts? **Shop at the Temple Gift Shop**

Would you like to share in friendship, learning, and events with other women?

Consider joining the Sisterhood For more information call Leslie 580-1871

Brotherhood News

Sunday October 7 9:00 AM Guest speaker Rabbi Alvin Mars

will help us kick off the year with our first monthly coffee and bagel breakfast.

"Is my Armor on Straight? The Challenges of Leading Jewish Institutions "

We are also excited about the rest of 5773 with monthly breakfasts and special events.

- Jewish Food and Music Festival
- Joint programs with Portsmouth
- Holiday programs and learning opportunities

For more information or to be added to the Brotherhood email list, contact:

Templeoffice@dovertemple.org

We have not moved

Only our street address has changed

We are still at what was formerly 515 Sixth Street. We are now a part of the neighborhood association that includes the owners of all the new houses that have been developed (and the few yet to be built) on the lower end of our former property. With the development of the new houses, came the establishment of a new Dover street — Olive Meadow Lane. Olive trees are special and protected in Israel.

We requested and received number 36 (which is double Chai — which are the Hebrew letters that stand for the number 18 and mean “life”).

36 Olive Meadow Lane

Our mailing address remains:

P.O.Box 254 Dover, NH 03821

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Advertise in the Keshet, B/W or full color
for the same price.

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For more information, please contact Tammy:

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Please welcome our new members

Tobi Cartmill and family

Cory Durand-Proud and family

Roger Elkus and family

Dover Chapter of Hadassah has cards and certificates for sale

Proceeds from the sales of these attractive certificates and lovely cards support Hadassah's many projects and programs in Israel and throughout the world, and the price is right for each certificate and card.

Greeting cards include: Bar or Bat Mitzvah, Congratulations or Mazel Tov, Birthday, Get Well, Sympathy, Thank You, Wedding or Holiday (New Year or Rosh Hashanah), or even note cards.

Certificates can also be purchased to honor or remember a loved one or commemorate a special Simcha, mark a Milestone, or make a Memorial Tribute.

**For more information or to order a card or certificate
please contact Donna M. Goldfarb (603) 749-3293. It is best to call to talk about how you would
like your card prepared, as well as to provide the appropriate
addresses. In most cases, cards will be sent out the day they are ordered.**

Temple Israel in the Community

Dover Friendly Kitchen

MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

PLEASE JOIN THE CONGREGATIONAL & COMMUNITY!!!

Temple Members serve dinner at the Dover Friendly Kitchen on the first Tuesday of each month at St. Thomas Church Parish Hall on Locust Street. Temple Israel's effort needs people to help cook, serve and clean. We are there from 3:45 until around 6:15. Volunteers do not need to come for the whole time. For more information or to let me know if you plan to attend, please contact me. We welcome everyone's help! Thank you!

Andra Welch, Coordinator

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The Dover SHARE Fund

directly assists local residents
with needs that cannot be met
through other helping agencies,
providing them with shelter
and support for utilities and medical care.
Your support is appreciated!

www.dovershare.org

Temple Israel Mitzvah Project

Please bring food items that can be donated to the Dover Food Pantry at any time. We would like to continue our generosity to people in need throughout the year. Your help in this act of tzedakah (righteous giving) and g'milut chasadim (acts of loving kindness) is appreciated!!!

Temple Israel of Dover is active in cyberspace!

All are welcome to join us on Facebook, "Friends of Temple Israel of Dover NH,"
established by Marc Hiller.

Currently, this group can only be viewed by facebook members.

We are also listed among the organizations at
<http://www.interfaithfamily.com/elgg/pg/groups/2598/temple-israel/>

TEMPLE ISRAEL DOVER

INVITES ALL SEACOAST AREA FAMILIES TO
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 6, 2012
4:00 - 5:30

Experience learning as a sweet and enjoyable process



- Meet Rabbi Sam, the Religious School faculty, and other families
- Classes in Hebrew reading, Jewish history and texts, and Israel studies
- Programs available for pre-K through High School students
- Adult education opportunities also available at Temple Israel of Dover
- Tour the Temple building, fields, and private pond
- Learn about the many activities for individuals and families of all ages
- Religious School classes are Thursdays from 4:00 – 6:00

36 Olive Meadow Lane (formerly 515 Sixth Street)

For more information contact the Temple office:
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www.dovertemple.org

AUGUST DONATIONS

All are encouraged to honor the memory of loved ones and/or to offer tributes to friends, relatives and community members through a donation to one or more of the funds.

We express our grateful appreciation to:

General Fund

Carole Krassner –

In honor of Martin Jaffe's 70th Birthday

Winifred & Pasco Delponte –

In honor of Martin Jaffe's 70th Birthday

Yahrzeit Donation

Ann Isacoff –

In memory of Max Isacoff and Rose Verner

Designated Fund

High Holy Day Music Fund

Sisterhood

Colin and Eve Edelstein Williams

Jeff & Stacey Segil

Capital Campaign

Cathi Cherry-Liston

Rabbis Discretionary Fund

Laraine Riccardi

Andy & Patty Diengott -

In honor of Martin Jaffe's 70th birthday,

Jeff Segil's 50th birthday

and Ben Segil's graduation

Sisterhood Funds

Shabbat Music Fund

Ethlyne Golub

SEPTEMBER YAHRZEITS

Week of September 1: George Nielsen (26), Mary Nicole (26), Arthur Yaffee (26), Dyna Dykerman (26), Myer Saunders (27), Nathan Issokson (27), Charles Zinck (27), Samuel Goldstein (27), Harry Stein (28), Frederick L. Diengott (28), John Talisman (30), Barbara Alperin (31), Joseph Jalbert (1), Barbara O'Conner (1)

Week of September 8: Martin Erwin Cohen (2), Ray Alterman (2), Selma Odell (2), William Olney (2), Matthew Fleece (3), Michael Youngfellow (3), Hilda Rutstein (4), Samuel Kramer (4), Sadie Liebson (8), Aaron Ginsburg (8)

Week of September 15: Hugo Dieterich (9), Judith Olson (10), Helga Burby (10), Joseph Karol (10), Philip Verner (11), Charles Kram (13), Martin Karelitz (14), Isadore Kotlus (14)

Week of September 22: Nancy S. Hernandez (17), William Baer (17), Suzanne Rubenstein (18), Bernard Cooperman (19), Leonard Lane (19), Joseph M. Baer (19)

Week of September 29: Sarah Edelstein (26), Mark Shor (26), Gertrude Fine (27), Gerald Landgarten (29), Julius Berenson (29), Peter Solomon (29)

Week of October 6: Louis Golub (30), Alec Cohen (2), Rachel Beaupre (3), Debbie Ginsburg (4), Jack Briskin (5), Lawrence H. Barrows (6), Dorothy Cohen (6), Irene Torf (6)

NOTE: Yahrzeits are recorded according to the Hebrew date, so the English date will vary from year to year. Kaddish in the Synagogue may be recited on the Shabbat following the date of remembrance.

It is traditional to make a donation in memory of the Yahrzeit of a loved one. To make a donation, please contact the Temple Office.

Memorial Wall

Members may add names of loved ones or reserve spaces on the memorial wall with a minimum contribution of \$300. Please contact the Temple Office for more information.



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Temple Israel is a vibrant Reform Jewish congregation. We welcome all who wish to participate in Jewish study, worship, and fellowship. Our mission is to be a center for Jewish tradition, Shabbat and holiday services and programs, sharing of life-cycle events, opportunities for Jewish education for all ages, connection to Israel, and involvement in the wider Jewish world and support for all who are in need.

Temple Israel is a proud member of the URJ (Union for Reform Judaism) We join with more than 800 congregations in the Reform synagogue movement.

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September 2012

Happening at Temple Israel of Dover

- 01 10:30 Shabbat Morning Service
- 2:30 High Holy Day Study (in Durham) RSVP: rabbisam@dovertemple.org
- 05 7:00 Ceramic Tzedaka Box making
- 06 4:00 Religious School Open House
- 07 Early Shabbat Services & Dinner
- 6:00 Tot Shabbat Program
- 6:20 Pot-luck Family style Dinner
- 7:00 Shabbat Service
- 08 10:30 Bat Mitzvah – Emily Kaye
- 2:30 High Holy Day Study (in Durham) RSVP: rabbisam@dovertemple.org
- 13 4:00 Religious School Classes & Adult Ed
- 14 7:30 Shabbat Service
- 15 10:30 Shabbat Morning Torah Study
- 16 11:00/12:00 pre Holy Day cemetery services
- 8:00 Rosh Hashanna Evening Service
- 17 10:00 Rosh Hashanna Morning Service
- 2:00 Rosh Hashanna Tashlich Service
- 3:00 Rosh Hashanna Family Service
- 18 10:30 2nd Day Rosh Hashanna Special Service
- 11:30 2nd Day Rosh Hashanna pot luck brunch
- 20 4:00 Religious School Classes & Adult Ed
- 21 3:00 Service program at Langdon Place
- 7:30 Shabbat Service
- 22 10:30 Shabbat Study – Shabbat Shuvah
- 2:30 High Holy Day Study (in Durham) RSVP: rabbisam@dovertemple.org
- 25 8:00 Yom Kippur Evening Service
- 26 10:00 Yom Kippur Morning Service
- 1:30 Yom Kippur Family Service
- 2:30 Yom Kippur Study Program
- 3:30 Yom Kippur Afternoon / Concluding
- Break the Fast following Concluding Service
- 27 4:00 Religious School Classes
- 28 7:30 Shabbat Service
- 29 10:30 Shabbat Morning Torah Study
- 2:30 Sukkot Study (in Durham) RSVP: rabbisam@dovertemple.org