

KESHER

Our Seventy-Fifth
Year!

FROM RABBI SAM

Marking Transitions

One way of looking at the Jewish Holidays, as I learned from my wonderful colleague Rabbi Dayle Friedman, is as high points of transition. Each festival and Holy Day teaches us about ways we can view life, in addition to the specific lesson connected to that celebration or observance.

For each sacred time we prepare in advance, mark the occasion, and reflect when we are done. The paradigm observance for all of the holidays is Shabbat. Prior to beginning Shabbat on Friday evening, we prepare ourselves. Traditionally this involves a variety of events, including: planning the menu for the evening meal, extra cleaning of the house, and special prayers and songs added to the afternoon/pre-evening worship service. Shabbat is then celebrated and shared with family, friends, and community. Finally Shabbat is concluded with an additional service of Havdalah to pave the way for the new week. Even as the end of Shabbat is a time of reflection on the Shabbat that is ending, there are also elements that help anticipate that which is to come.

So it is for each of the festivals: preparation, celebration, reflection, and anticipation. Each of the sacred events has its own flavor and form for this process but the system is always there.

As we work our way through the Jewish Festival calendar, we can develop an attitude to life from this. Our lives are filled with special times and events; be they birthdays or anniversaries, life milestones, national holidays, personal and family traditions, vacations, and more. All too often, we rush through or skip over one or more of the steps in the observance process. The Jewish calendar can serve to remind us to take the time to enjoy and utilize each of the stages. As we enter into this new

year in the secular calendar, it is not too late to complete the current process of transition. January is a time of reflection and anticipation. In the secular world there are the multitude of best (and worst) of 2012 lists and the manifold psychics telling us what will happen in 2013.

In the Jewish world, we can also use the new secular year as a second opportunity (the first having been the High Holy Day time) for deeper and more meaning-filled reflection and preparation for what comes next. Most immediately, there are the observances of Martin Luther King Day and Tu B'Shevat. More information on each of these can be found elsewhere in the Keshet and on the Temple website. January also brings 4 Shabbatot that we can use to set our patterns and habits for our lives as well.

This new year of 2013 will see new events along side the traditional offerings at the Temple. Each Shabbat service will begin at 7:00 on Friday evening and will offer fixed and creative ways to move through the transition from the week of work and mundane concerns into the Day of Rest and spiritual renewal and uplift. The actual format of each Friday evening can be found on the Temple calendar (also posted in the Keshet and on the website). The general structure will be: the first Friday includes a 6:00 Tots on the Bima and a 6:20 pot-luck family style dinner, the third Friday will be a time for music and meditation with special learnings around one of the prayers of the worship service. All other Fridays will be the regular Shabbat evening service. Saturday are always at 10:30 with a full service on the first Saturday and Torah study on the others.

On a monthly basis, the close of Shabbat service (Havdalah) will be at 6:30 followed by an evening of communal learning and entertainment.

Remember to check the website and your emails regularly to see what is happening and may the new year be filled with joy and uplift for all.

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 is the newsletter
 of Temple Israel
 Dover, NH.

Ideas for submissions and/or letters to the editor may be submitted by members of the Temple Israel family and all others who would like to share news or information with the Temple community.

All communication with the Editor should be by e-mail. Publication of any flyer or any other article or submission 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*.

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Shabbat @ Temple Israel

Services Friday nights 7:00

Service or Torah Study Saturday mornings 10:30

All members, non-members, guests, and friends are welcome to attend all services and programs

**Friday January 4 First Friday featuring:
6:00 Tots on the Bima 6:20 Pot-luck dinner**

**Saturday January 5 Formal Torah service
*This service is required for all 6th & 7th grade families***

Friday January 11 Shabbat evening service

Saturday January 12 Torah Study

Friday January 18 Meditation & Music Shabbat

Saturday January 19 Torah Study

Friday January 25 Shabbat evening service

Saturday January 26 Torah Study



Tu B'Shevat at Temple Israel

Please join as we celebrate

Thursday January 24, 2013 4:00

Sponsored by:

Temple Israel Religious School Committee
Glicka and Maschia Kaplan families



Havdalah and Jewish Movie Comedy

**Join us for our newest
Adult Education Series**



One Saturday night each month Jan-Mar 6:30 PM

We will explore Jewish themes in American movies

January 12 Havdalah followed by: Blazing Saddles

February 16 Havdalah followed by: The Frisco Kid

March 9 Havdalah followed by: My Favorite Year

Each movie will be preceded by a brief overview of movie trivia and insights into many of the Jewish themes found in the movie

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 find yourself in the hospital, please tell a nurse 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 be able to offer support and comfort to you and your family.

**THANK YOU TO OUR
ONEG HOSTS**

- Jan. 4** David Yanofsky
Ruth Wharton McDonald &
Stephen McDonald
- Jan. 11** Patty and Andy Diengott
Stacey and Jeff Segil
- Jan. 18** Carole Krassner
Heidi Krassner
- Jan. 25** Sharon and Steve Brody
DeeDee and David Goldstein

- Feb. 1** 3rd through 5th Grade Families
- Feb. 8** Glicka and Michael Kaplan
Maschia and Stephen Kaplan
- Feb. 15** Andrea and Tim Burt
Jill and Bill Schoonmaker
- Feb. 22** Lynne DeSantis
Julie Serrano

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 also 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 who are celebrating happy occasions in January!
Join us at Friday evening service on January 4, 7:00 PM as we offer our wishes for your special day.

Birthdays

- Brendan Miller (2), Cathi Cherry-Liston (3), Gregg Miller (5), Diane Schaefer (7), Eli Elkus (11), Maschia Kaplan (12), Julie Serrano (13), Bertha Litvack (13), Jeremy Ira Jackson (17), Jacob Horowitz (18), Zachary Venne (21), Gina Kahn (23), Todd Titus (24), Stacey Samuels (29), Jacob Kaplan (30), Mitchell Shuldman (30), Glicka Kaplan (31)

Anniversaries

- Jill & Bill Schoonmaker (13),
Dee Dee & David Goldstein (31)

**Invite your friends
to join you at:**

**Services
Programs
Education Events**

We have not moved

Look for our new sign on Sixth Street

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 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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please contact Tammy:
templeoffice@dovertemple.org

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 at
<http://www.interfaithfamily.com/elg/g/pg/groups/2598/temple-israel/>

(From the files of Ann Isacoff at Langdon Place)

A Daughter In Law and a Daughter

Mrs. Botnick and Mrs. Kramer had not met in years..... “So tell me,” asked Mrs. Botnick, “What happened to your son?”

“My son.....oy what a misfortune!” wailed Mrs. Kramer..... “He married a girl who doesn't lift a finger around the house. She can't cook, she can't sew a button on a shirt, all she does is sleep late. My poor boy brings her breakfast in bed, and all day long she stays there, loafing, reading, eating candy.”

“How terrible!” agreed Mrs. Botnick. “And, what about your daughter?”

“Ah, my daughter.....such luck!” beamed Mrs. Kramer. “She married a man, an angel he won't let her set foot in the kitchen. He gives her a full time maid, a cook and a laundress and - every morning - he brings her breakfast in bed! And he makes her stay in bed all day, relaxing, reading, and eating chocolates”et cetera, et cetera.....



B'not/B'nei Mitzvah

2013 / 5773 — 5774

<p>April 6 May 4 May 18 June 1 June 8 June 29 September 28</p>	<p>Elly Mather Harrison Flagg Evan Saltman Olivia Gannon Nathan Pastor Jacob Saunders Sarah Mueller</p>
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Religious School Calendar January — February 2013

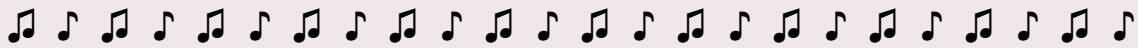
January

03	4:00	Religious School Classes
04	6:20	Pot-luck Shabbat Dinner
	7:00	Shabbat Service
05	10:30	Shabbat Service – required for pre-Bar/Bat Mitzvah families
10	4:00	Religious School Classes
17	4:00	Religious School Classes
24	4:00	Community Tu B'Shevat Celebration
31	4:00	Religious School Classes

February

01	6:20	Pot-luck Shabbat Dinner
	7:00	Shabbat Service — conducted by the 3rd to 5th grade students
02	10:30	Shabbat Service – required for pre-Bar/Bat Mitzvah families
07	4:00	Religious School Classes
14	4:00	Religious School Classes
21	4:00	Community Purim Shpiel followed by Purim Carnival
28		NO Religious School — February vacation

Sisterhood News



Music for Shabbat Fund

The Shabbat Music Fund provides support for Friday evening Shabbat service music enhancement. Donations can also be made for honoring or remembering loved ones. All donations should be mailed to the Temple. Please make checks to Temple Israel Sisterhood and designated for the Shabbat Music Fund.

Sisterhood Shabbat with music and song nights in 2012 were wonderful and as lovely as we expected them to be. We thank Rabbi Sam and Susan Horowitz for presenting such beautiful Shabbat experiences.

We are looking forward to our next musical Shabbat with Sue Horowitz on January 11

Langdon Place

We extend a hug and thank you to Emily and Abigail Kaye for beautiful their musical accompaniment to Rabbi Sam's program that our Sisterhood sponsors the third Friday of each month at Langdon Place.

We are pleased that the girls will return to Langdon Place, Friday, January 18 at 3:00.

Chanukah Reflections

Sisterhood hopes that you all had a wonderful Hanukkah. We thank every one of you who purchased items from our Holiday Gift Shop since every purchase you make helps our program. This year we had a hand painted menorah from Israel donated by Dee and David Goldstein, a 1950's style apron, silver cufflinks and a Star of David necklace.

Special Notes and Wishes

During the last few months, two of our members were ill. We are glad that Effie Golub is well on her way to good health since her recent surgery, and we are also very grateful to know that Lisa Weinstein is on her way to recovery.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held Sunday morning, February 10, 2013 at 10:00 AM. This will be a brunch followed by a Sisterhood meeting. This function is open to members and non-members. At this point, we are looking for childcare volunteers.

Consider joining the Sisterhood

For more information contact Leslie (603) 580-1871 or LeslieKirshman@aol.com

Brotherhood News

Please join us for our monthly Bagels and Fellowship

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

Watch this space or check the website calendar for more information

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

To be added to the Brotherhood email list, contact:

Templeoffice@dovertemple.org

Temple Israel in the Community



We Still Have a Dream: Challenging Ourselves to Live It

A Martin Luther King Day Gathering
January 20th, 2013 - 7:00 PM
1st Parish Congregational Church
218 Central Ave.
Dover, NH 03820

(603) 742-5664 FirstParish@Comcast.net

Temple Israel Mitzvah Project

Food can be donated to the Food Pantry any time. Your help in this act of tzedakah (righteous giving) and g'milut chasadim (loving kindness) is appreciated!!!

Volunteers are needed for the 3rd Thursday of each month from 8:30 — 12:30

to help work at the Dover Food Pantry

Karen Robichaud at (603) 749-4235 or blrklr2@aol.com

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

Dover Friendly Kitchen

**MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!
PLEASE JOIN THE 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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DECEMBER 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 appreciation to:

General Fund

In honor of all the latke and sufganiyot cooks, chefs, fryers and makers

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Karen Mott

Samantha and James Troilo —

In honor of the naming of Jonah Owen

Food for the Needy

Thank you to all who donated food for the needy. The food drive, sponsored by the 3rd — 5th grade class, provided food to assist members of the Dover and Durham communities who were victims of Hurricane Sandy and others who were in need of assistance at this time.

JANUARY Yahrzeits

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.

Week of January 5:

Gloria Adelman (30), Eugene Kleinhandl (30), Antoine Walker (30), Arnold S. Katz (2), Suzan Irene Horn (2), Matthew Krassner (3), Harold Dinaburg (4), Shelia Kaplan (4), Hyman Katz (4), Allen Sibley (4), Arthur Housman (5), Philip Singer (5)

Week of January 12:

Louis Stocklan (6), Pauline Cohen (6), Leon Brill (6), Libby Ginsberg (6), Ruth Talisman (7), Beatrice Saltman Bulberg (7), Garrett Aviles (7), Rabbi Sidney Rothstein (8), Rose Silverman Cohen (8), Harold J. Potter (11)

Week of January 19:

Morris Kram (13), Nathan L. Allen (13), Mary C. Feltes (14), Steven Goodstein (17), Marjorie Alberts (18), Irving Pastor (19), Chayim Meyrowitz (19)

Week of January 26:

Marian Frankel (20), Jason Smith (21), Rebecca Thorner (21), Hyman Miller (22), Mildred Katz (22), Isadore Stack (24), Alfred Anderson (24), Issac C. Kates (25), Harry Goodstein (25), Gertrude Baer (26)

Week of February 2:

Jane Wise (27), Jacob A. Rosenberg (27), Max Becker (28), Sue Ann Katz Lieberman (28), Daniel Berman (29), Gertrude Berenson (29), Marian Ruth Frankel (29), Michelle K. Robbins (29), Vivian LaFargue (30), Thomas Weinbaum (30), Elizabeth Schoonmaker (31), Frances Davis (31)

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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January 2013

Happening at Temple Israel of Dover

- 03** 4:00 Religious School Classes
- 04** 4:00 First Friday Shabbat Dinner & Service
6:00 Tot Shabbat Program
6:20 Pot-luck Family style Community Dinner
7:00 Shabbat Service
- 05** 10:30 Shabbat Morning Service
- 10** 4:00 Religious School Classes
- 11** 6:00 Adult Hebrew class: study and dinner
7:00 Shabbat service with Sue Horowitz
- 12** 10:30 Shabbat Morning Torah Study
2:30 Understanding the Calendar (in Durham)
- Contact rabbisam@dovertemple.org to RSVP for this series
- 6:30 Havdalah & Movie Comedy night
- 17** 4:00 Religious School Classes
- 18** 3:00 Service program at Langdon Place
6:00 Adult Hebrew class: study and dinner
7:00 Music & Meditation Shabbat (with Alan Wolff)
- 19** 10:30 Shabbat Morning Torah Study
2:30 Understanding the Calendar (in Durham)
- Contact rabbisam@dovertemple.org to RSVP for this series
- 20** 7:00 Annual MLK service (at First Parish Church)
- 24** 4:00 Community Tu B'Shevat celebration
- 25** 6:00 Adult Hebrew class: study and dinner
7:00 Shabbat Service — early New Year's Eve
- 26** 10:30 Shabbat Morning Torah Study
- 26** **Tu B'Shevat (15th day of Shevat)**
- 31** 4:00 Religious School Classes