

# KESHER

Our Seventy-Fifth  
Year!

FROM  
RABBI SAM

## The Other 20%

Last month, I encouraged people to join a new 80% club at the Temple. This month I would like to explore the next steps that might be taken. Once the 80% toward success has been achieved — by “showing up”, the natural question would be, “What is entailed in the other 20%?”

That final 20%, of course, is crucial because it provides the difference between merely attaining some level of success and truly excelling.

Even as becoming a member of the Eighty Percent Club, as defined in last month’s article, is not all or nothing. So, too, striving to add the other 20% is a goal and challenge to strive for.

Accepting the challenge to attend an area of Temple life not previously part of one’s routine does not entail “showing up” 80% of the time. Rather it simply required “showing up” for any amount of time to a service or event on some regular basis. Some options and ideas can be found on the website in the April Rabbi article.

In a similar fashion, adding the other 20% to this area of Temple connection can be achieved simply by doing more than just attending. This additional level is a process of investing oneself beyond just being there in body. Investment comes from being

there in spirit as well.

Here at Temple Israel we welcome and encourage enhanced participation in all aspects of community life.

At services, guest leader and speaker opportunities are always available. Leader volunteers can range from reading a passage to leading in the singing. Oneg hosts are given the first choice in the leading of the candle lighting. Guest speakers may offer a d’var message or study of some aspect of Torah or Jewish life issues. The first time a member of the community shares in leadership of the service is at the Bar or Bat Mitzvah. Any person over the age of 13 can then request a specific Friday or Saturday or Holiday service to share in the leadership.

In the Religious School enhanced connections can come as classroom aides (madrich or madricha) for high schoolers, committee members or teachers for adults, or class parents for parents or grandparents of the students.

In the general world of the Temple community, opportunities abound on any of the Congregational committees, in special event or fun/fund-raising planning, or for the celebration of holidays.

Upon becoming a member of any Eighty Percent Club, consider seeking a way to add the other 20%. Contact the Rabbi or the President with suggestions, questions, requests, or ideas.

May this year move us toward 100%.

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**Thursday 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm**

#### KESHER

*Kesher*, Connection,  
 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

- **Friday May 3** First Friday featuring:  
 6:00 Tots on the Bima 6:20 Pot-luck dinner  
 7:00 Service
- **Saturday May 4** Full service with Torah  
*Bar Mitzvah of Harrison Flagg*
- **Friday May 10** Shabbat evening service
- **Saturday May 11** Torah Study
- **Friday May 17** Meditation&Music Shabbat
- **Saturday May 18** Full service with Torah  
*Bar Mitzvah of Evan Saltman*
- **Friday May 24** Shabbat evening service
- **Saturday May 25** Torah Study
- **Friday May 31** Shabbat evening service

## Havdalah and More

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

One Saturday night each month at 6:30 PM  
 We will share in Havdalah and socialization  
 May 11 Havdalah followed by: pre-Shavuot learn-in



## President's Message

On April 20 my family and I went to Fenway to see the Red Sox at their first home game since the events of last week from the bombs at the Boston Marathon and culminating in the capture and arrest of the second suspect. The opening ceremonies included many of the people who were played crucial roles in the events from volunteers, spectators, and runners who became heroes to those professionals who serve and protect on a daily basis. In the row in front of us three young men wearing Watertown tee shirts were applauded by the fans nearby and had their pictures taken with some of the youngsters in the immediate area. It was a very moving ceremony, causing a lot of wet eyes, including yours truly.

But it also showed something very important. It showed how a community can come together in times of tragedy and need to support one another without question. Support in many ways – financial, volunteering, or just being there to console and comfort.

It was a day at Fenway I will never forget.

So what does this have to do with Temple Israel? We are also facing some crises that need to be addressed. As we approach our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary we find that our finances and membership are both in need of triage and sustaining care. The reasons for our current state are many and varied, but they are in the past and we need to look forward.

So what can you do?

Attending and participating in Shabbat services would be a good start. It does not have to be every Friday night, although that would be good, but once or twice a month would be a very good start. Remember that attending a service affords one not only the spiritual aspect, but also mingling with friends, old and new, at Oneg.

Volunteering time to work on Temple committees and Sisterhood would be an excellent way to assist the Temple community. And if we can get Brotherhood revived, there as well.

Being at Temple events – religious, social, fun and fund raising – is also beneficial to the Temple as well as your own personal needs, be they spiritual or communal. Events such as our Night of Comedy (May 25) featuring 3 comedians, or our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary extended weekend celebration (November 14-17). Other events in planning stages are a Coffee House evening, some musical events, a dinner theatre, and more.

Boston has their **Boston Strong** and they will get through the recent events.

We need our **Temple Israel Strong**, and with your help we'll get through our current situations and be better for it as a result.

As always feel free to contact me on any Temple related topic.

L'Shalom

Steve Brody President

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### 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**

- May 3** Flagg family
- May 10** Polly and Jonathan Flagg  
Sue and Rob Horowitz
- May 17** Saltman family
- May 24** Karen Jacoby & Stephen Lichenstein  
**Co-host needed**
- May 31** Lisa Connelly and family
- June 7** Peter Pastor and family
- June 14** Heidi and Sidney Kotlus  
**Co-host needed**
- June 21** Service at the Pond  
Sisterhood: Rosh Chodesh
- June 28** Saunders family

**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 May!  
Join us at Friday evening service on May 3, 7:00 PM as we offer our wishes for your special day.

**Birthdays**

- Owen Shepcaro (1), Sarah Fishbein (1), Naomi Kaplan (1), Erica W. Tauriello (2), Noah Kahn (2), Harrison Flagg (3), Ari Hiller (3), Sage Hiller (3), Steve Giguere (3), Melissa Cooperman (3), Joe Guardino (5), Tobi Cartmill (6), Michael Parkin (6), Lessa Brill (6), Ethlyne Golub (7), Tatiana Davino (8), Carole Jaffe (8), Cory Durand-Proud (10), Ruth Wharton-McDonald (12), Lisa Rockenmacher (13), Beth Sakelarios (14), Karen Mott (16), Maxwell Elkus (19), Robert Costa (19), Penina Wallace (20), ordana Kotlus (24), Naomi Kornhauser (25), Lauren Saltman (28), Austin Kotlus (31), Lois Costa (31)

**Anniversary**

Andrew & Patty Diengott (29)

**Please welcome  
our new members:**

**Hall Family  
Cathy & Mark  
Jacob and Jordan**

**To ALL  
HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS**

Join us for a dinner celebrating **YOU**  
Thursday May 16 6:00 PM  
**RSVP by May 10 and  
receive a free gift bag from the Temple**

**Bubeh Meiseh**  
**(from the files of Ann Isacoff at Langdon Place)**

**THE PRICE OF A BRAIN**

In the hospital the relatives gathered in the waiting room where a family member lay gravely ill. Finally the doctor came in looking tired and somber.

“I’m afraid I’m the bearer of bad news.” he said as he surveyed the worried faces. “The only hope left for your loved one is a brain transplant.”

“It’s an experimental procedure and very risky, but it is the only hope at this time. Insurance will cover the procedure, but you will have to pay for the BRAIN.”

The family members sat silent as they absorbed the news. After a time someone asked, “How much will a brain cost?”

The doctor quickly responded, “\$5,000 for a male brain and \$200 for a female brain.”

The moment turned awkward. Some of the men tried not to smile, avoiding contact with the women. A man, unable to hide his curiosity, finally blurted out the question everyone wanted to ask. “Why is the male brain so much more than the female brain?”

The doctor smiled at the childish innocence and explained to the entire group. “It’s standard pricing procedure. We have to price the female brain a lot lower because it’s used!”



# B'not / B'nei

<b>2013</b>	<b>Mitzvah</b>	<b>5773/5774</b>
May 4	Harrison Flagg	
May 18	Evan Saltman	
June 1	Olivia Gannon	
June 8	Nathan Pastor	
June 29	Jacob Saunders	
July 27	Jordan Hall	
August 24	Zachary Fishbein	
September 28	Sarah Mueller	

## Religious School Calendar

### End of the year 5773 Fall 2012 — Spring 2013

#### May

02	4:00	Religious School Classes
03	6:20	Pot-luck Shabbat Dinner
	7:00	Shabbat Service
04	10:30	Shabbat Service – Bar Mitzvah of Harrison Flagg
09	4:00	Last Day of Religious School Classes
16	6:00	Shavuot Pot-luck Dinner Service in honor of High School Seniors

## *We have not moved*

Look for our sign on Sixth Street at what was formerly 515

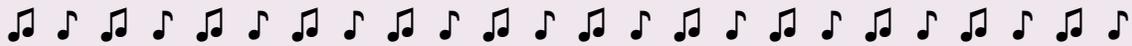
We are now at the end of the cul-de-sac

### **36 Olive Meadow Lane**

Our mailing address remains:

### **P.O. Box 254 Dover, NH 03821**

# 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.

## 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, May 17 at 3:00.

## Consider joining the Sisterhood

**For more information contact Leslie (603) 580-1871 or [LeslieKirshman@aol.com](mailto:LeslieKirshman@aol.com)**

## 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/elgg/pg/groups/2598/temple-israel/>

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For more information,  
please contact Tammy:

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# Shavuot

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## Temple Israel

**All are welcome at no charge**

**Thursday May 16**

**6:00 — 7:30**

**Pot-luck dinner**

**In honor of**

**High School Seniors**

# Temple Israel in the Community

## The Dover Food Pantry

Items can be donated to the Food Pantry any time.  
Drop off may done at the Temple.  
The Food Pantry is open  
Tuesdays 3-5PM and Thursdays 9-11AM

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**In addition to donations of food and/or personal items volunteers are always welcome to help work at the Dover Food Pantry. Please contact Karen Robichaud at (603) 749-4235 or [blrklr2@aol.com](mailto:blrklr2@aol.com)**

## Dover Friendly Kitchen

**MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!! PLEASE JOIN THE COMMUNITY!!!**  
Temple Members help 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*  
[abbwelch@yahoo.com](mailto:abbwelch@yahoo.com) or 534-4142

## The Dover SHARE Fund

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

[www.dovershare.org](http://www.dovershare.org)

## Dover Chapter of Hadassah

Donations to Hadassah may be recognized with a variety of cards and certificates. Honor or Memory certificates are available for \$10 each. Tree Certificates are available for \$18.00 Water Certificates are available for \$25 (water for the land of Israel). Large Gift Acknowledgement Cards acknowledge a minimum donation of \$20 (filled in with the name of the recipient or in honor or memory of someone else)

**For more information or to order a card or certificate please contact Donna M. Goldfarb 603-674-9168 [donnadee82@gmail.com](mailto:donnadee82@gmail.com)**

**A phone call is best to assure the correct spellings. In most cases, cards will be sent out the day they are ordered.**

## APRIL 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

Amare Cantare Prolman Family –  
Tree of Life – gold leaf in honor of  
Harrison Flagg's Bar Mitzvah

### *Yahrzeit Donations*

Marg & George Mezei -  
In memory of  
Bruce, Matthew & Helen Krassner  
Florence Pastor -  
In memory of  
Gertrude Berenson and Jackson Pastor

## Capital Campaign

Cathi Cherry-Liston

## Rabbi's Fund

Ken & Bertha Litvack –  
In honor of their granddaughter  
Jordan Hall's Bat Mitzvah

## MAY YAHREZEITS

**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 May 4:** Morris Isenstein (28), Honey Shaines (28), Brenda Gibbs (30), Beryle Grant (2), Leonard Berenson (2), Irvin Lavine (2), Benjamin Babson (3), Donald Albion (4), Samuel Klaye (4)

**Week of May 11:** Anna Kessler Krasnoff (5), Elbert LaFargue (6), Molly Cook (6), Richard Nye, Jr. (7), Irving Landes (7), Marshall Derby (8), Benjamin A. Weiner (9), Rose Goren (11)

**Week of May 18:** Bernard Kornhauser (12), Anne Stack (12), Laurel Silverman (14), George Sibulkin (15), Susan Fine (15), Stuart Boughton (16), Samuel Fishman (17), Beatrice Wehrwein (17), Phillip Willensky (18), Louis Smith (18)

**Week of May 25:** Edgar Pass (20), Sumner Cohen (20), Hyman E. Novak (21), Robert Davis (21), Bette Yaffee Kemp (23), Dr. Samuel Cohen (24), Anne Golub (24), Irwin Behrendt (24), Arthur Gershman (24), Sadie Wolfson (25)

**Week of June 1:** Rose Rosenberg (26), Laura Garr (26), Joseph Peters (26), Isadora Greenblatt (29), Max Cooper (30), Daniel Cohen (31), Nathan Schwartz (31), Jerry Smith (31), Simon Bernstein (1), Mariano Rechy (1)

## 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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# May 2013

## Happening at Temple Israel of Dover

- 02** 4:00 Religious School Classes
  - 03** First Friday Shabbat
    - 6:00 Tots on the Bima Shabbat Program
    - 6:20 Pot-luck Family style Shabbat Dinner
    - 7:00 Shabbat Service
  - 04** 10:30 Bar Mitzvah – Harrison Flagg
  - 09** 4:00 Religious School Classes — Last Day
  - 10** 7:00 Shabbat Service
  - 11** 10:30 Shabbat Morning Torah Study
    - 5:30 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders dinner at the Temple
- RSVP [rabbisam@dovertemple.org](mailto:rabbisam@dovertemple.org) by May 9**
- 6:30 Havdalah and pre-Shavuot learn-in

### 15-16 Shavuot

- 16** **6:00 Shavuot pot-luck dinner service**  
**In honor of High School Seniors**
- 17** 3:00 Visit to Langdon Place
  - 6:45 Naming Celebration — Rachel Saltman
  - 7:00 Music & Meditation Shabbat Service
- 18** 10:30 Bar Mitzvah — Evan Saltman
- 24** 7:00 Shabbat Service
- 25** 10:30 Shabbat Morning Torah Study
  - 6:30 Comedy Night